

# Newsletter

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# India Positive

**India Fights Against Covid 19**

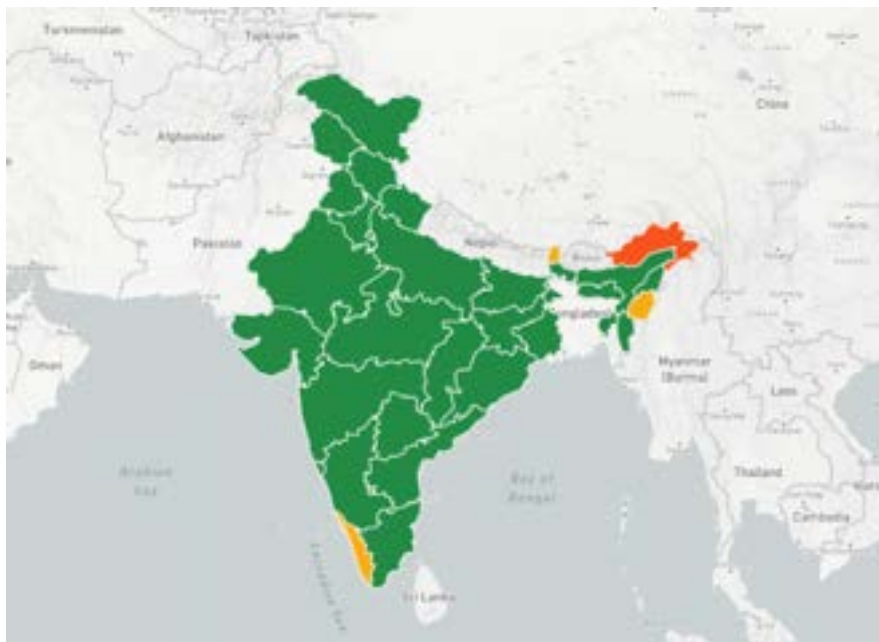


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# Covid 19 Reports Summary

## June-July 2021

	New Cases	Deceased	Recovered	Active Cases
Jun 14-Jun 20	4,24,306	13,836	6,81,203	6,97,684
Jun 21-Jun 27	3,44,603	8,596	4,65,532	5,68,110
Jun 28-Jul 4	3,05,925	5,997	3,90,781	4,79,967



Nationwide Coverage of COVID-19 Vaccination this week: **6,29,14,101**  
 •Stats as per MoHFW

# Resource Mobilisation in Recent Time

## **Rural India accounts for 64% of vaccine doses administered on first day of vaccination under revised guidelines**

- COVID-19 vaccines administered in rural areas came to 63.68 percent of the total vaccinations done on June 21, 2021, the first day when the revised vaccination guidelines came into force. Out of total vaccine doses administered on the day, 56.09 lakh vaccines were given from rural vaccination centres, while the urban areas recorded vaccination of 31.9 lakh people.

## **Cabinet approves further allocation of additional foodgrain to NFSA beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (Phase IV) – for another period of Five months i.e. July to November, 2021**

- The total outgo in terms of foodgrains may be approximately 204 LMT. Additional allocation will ameliorate the hardships faced by poor due to economic disruption caused by Corona Virus. No poor family will suffer on account of non-availability of food-grains due to disruption in the next five months.

## **Shri Dharmendra Pradhan along with the Chief Minister, MP Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurate COVID Care facility in Mandla**

- Union Minister of Steel and Petroleum and Natural Gas Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, along with the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, inaugurated COVID Care facility in Mandla district.

## **Shri. D.V. Sadananda Gowda Minister for Chemicals & Fertilizers visits COVID Vaccine manufacturing sites of Bharat Biotech, and Biological E, Hyderabad**

- Minister for Chemicals & Fertilizers Shri. D.V. Sadananda Gowda visited Bharat Biotech, Hyderabad on 27th June 2021 to oversee the COVAXIN production. Minister interacted with the top scientists of Bharat Biotech and complemented the company for making available an indigenous vaccine against COVID-19 for the country. COVID Suraksha was announced by the Government of India under Atmanirbhar Bharat 3.0 Mission to accelerate the development and production of Indigenous COVID Vaccines.
- The goal is to reach a target of 6-7 crore COVAXIN doses/month in July – August and further to reach nearly 10 crore doses per month by Sep 2021.

## **Oxygen Expresses cross the milestone of 35000 MT of LMO delivery in service to the Nation**

- Oxygen Expresses deliver nearly 20500 MT of LMO to the southern states of the country. Indian Railways is continuing its journey of bringing relief by delivering Liquid Medical Oxygen(LMO) to various states across the country. Oxygen Expresses crossed the milestone of 35000 MT of LMO delivery in service to the Nation. It may be noted that 477 Oxygen Expresses have completed their journey so far and brought relief to various States.

### **Shri Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurates PSA oxygen plant supplied by FACT at Basti**

- Minister of State for Chemicals and Fertilizers Shri Mansukh Mandaviya virtually inaugurated the PSA Oxygen plant set up by The Fertilisers And Chemicals Travancore Limited (FACT) at OPEC Kaili Hospital, Basti, Uttar Pradesh.

### **Robust, mobile OxyJani can cater to acute & chronic oxygen needs at grassroots level**

- Indian researchers have designed a robust, mobile group oxygen concentrator that can be used in rural settings and also be rapidly deployed in emergencies in any location.

### **Shri Piyush Goyal says India will be playing a much greater role in the post pandemic world in creating resilient supply chains**

- Minister of Railways, Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs and Food & Public Distribution Shri Piyush Goyal, speaking at India Global Forum said that India will be playing a much greater role in the post pandemic world in creating resilient supply chains. He said that we are looking at a greater degree of engagement with countries that are democratic in their political system with which we can relate & trust as a partner. He added that India is working towards greater engagement with countries with which we have a shared ecosystem, countries which believe in transparent rules-based trading mechanisms.

### **Additional 1,14,000 vials of Liposomal Amphotericin B allocated to all States/UTs & Central Institutions**

- Union Minister for Chemicals and Fertilizers Shri D.V Sadananda Gowda announced that an additional 1,14,000 vials of Liposomal Amphotericin-B, used in the treatment for Mucormycosis have been allocated to all the States/UTs and Central Institutions.

### **'eSanjeevani', Govt. of India's free Telemedicine service completes 70 Lakh consultations**

- Around 1.25 million patients benefitted from the National Telemedicine Service in the last 30 days with over 50K daily consultations in the last 2 weeks. Union Health Ministry's National Telemedicine Service – eSanjeevani has crossed another milestone by completing 7 million (70 lakh) consultations. Patients consult with doctors and specialists on a daily basis using this innovative digital medium to seek Health services. In another significant milestone, in June it served around 12.5 lakh patients, which is the highest since the services were launched last year in March.

### **Minister of State for Education Shri Sanjay Dhotre launches the Rapid Antigen Test Kit for COVID-19 developed by IIT Delhi**

- Minister of State for Education Shri Sanjay Dhotre launched a Rapid Antigen Test kit for COVID-19 developed by IIT Delhi. The Rapid Antigen Test kit has been developed by the IIT Delhi researchers led by Dr. Harpal Singh, professor at the Institute's Centre for Biomedical Engineering.

## **Dr. Jitendra launches "Vaccines for All-Free for All" at the holy town of Katra-Vaishno Devi in J&K**

- Minister of State Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), MoS PMO, Dr Jitendra Singh called for extending drive-in Vaccination facility at the holy town of Katra-Vaishno Devi in J&K, wherein the individual seeking vaccination has the option to drive-in to the nearest Vaccination centre in his or her own vehicle or transport and receive the jab while sitting in the vehicle itself.

## **Government grants further extension in timelines of compliances, also announces tax exemption for expenditure on COVID-19 treatment and ex-gratia received on death due to COVID-19**

- The Government has granted further extension of timelines of compliances under Income Tax Act. It has also announced tax exemption for expenditure on COVID-19 treatment and ex-gratia received on death due to COVID-19.

## **Dr. Harsh Vardhan addresses Meeting of the Ministers of Health of Shanghai Cooperation Organization**

- Expressing his delight at meeting Health Ministers of SCO member states, noted that "The pandemic has shown that nobody is safe until all of us are safe. This has also highlighted the need for greater collaboration between countries on various aspects of health. Therefore, it is desirable that we should continue to exchange our experiences, learnings, best practices as well as innovations to strengthen our public health systems."

## **Cabinet approves extension of last date of Registration under Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY) from 30th June 2021 to 31st March 2022**

- ABRY was announced as one of the measures under Aatmanirbhar Bharat 3.0 package to boost the economy and increase employment generation in the formal sector during the post Covid recovery phase. This scheme will minimize the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the country's economy and will ameliorate the hardship faced by low paid workers, provide incentive to employers for restarting and expanding business activities.

## **Cabinet approves Loan Guarantee Scheme for Covid Affected Sectors (LGSCAS) and to enhance the corpus of Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS)**

- On account of the disruptions caused by the second wave of COVID 19 specially on healthcare sector, the Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved Loan Guarantee Scheme for Covid Affected Sectors (LGSCAS) enabling funding to the tune of Rs. 50,000 crore to provide financial guarantee cover for brownfield expansion and greenfield projects related to health/ medical infrastructure.



## **Pregnant women may now register on CoWIN or walk-in to the nearest COVID Vaccination Centre (CVC) to get themselves vaccinated**

- Based on recommendations from National Technical Advisory Group on Immunization (NTAGI), the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) approved the vaccination of pregnant women against COVID-19. The decision empowers pregnant women to make an informed choice on taking the COVID vaccination. The decision has been communicated to all the States/ UTs to implement it under the ongoing National COVID Vaccination Program.

## **Vice President calls for fast-tracking of genome sequencing of new COVID-19 variants to speed up vaccine, drug development**

- The Vice President visited CCMB's LaCONES (Laboratory for the Conservation of Endangered Species) facility soon after his arrival in Hyderabad. He witnessed a presentation by Scientist-in-charge of LaCONES, Dr. Karthikeyan Vasudevan and visited National Wildlife Genetic Resource Bank, Assisted Reproduction Lab and animal cages at the facility. Addressing scientists and research scholars, Shri Naidu observed that sequencing, as an adjunctive tool, plays a critical role in identifying the emergence of new viral mutations and thus helps combat the spread of Covid-19. It would also help in timely interventions, he added.

## **Finance Minister's Press Conference on 28th June, 2021**

### **1. Economic Relief From Pandemic**

- 1.1 Lakh Cr Loan Guarantee Scheme for COVID Affected Sectors
- Out of which the Health Sector has received Rs. 50,000 crore which has been aimed at scaling medical infrastructure targeting underserved areas.
- This also guarantees cover for expansion and new projects related to health/medical infrastructure in cities other than 8 metropolitan cities.
- For Aspirational Districts, the new scheme guarantees cover of 75% for both new projects and expansion.

### **2. Additional 1.5 lakh Cr for Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme launched as part of Atma Nirbhar Bharat Package in May, 2020**

### **3. Credit Guarantee Scheme is launched to Facilitate Loans to 25 Lakh Persons Through Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs)**

- Guarantee will be provided to Scheduled Commercial Banks for loans to new or existing NBFC-MFIs or MFIs for on lending upto Rs 1.25 lakh to approximately 25 lakh small borrowers

### **4. Reviving Tourism: Financial support to more than 11,000 Registered Tourist Guides/Travel and Tourism Stakeholders**

The scheme will cover:

- 10,700 Regional Level Tourist Guides recognised by the Ministry of Tourism and Tourist Guides recognised by the State Governments.
- Travel and Tourism Stakeholders (TTS) recognized by the Ministry of Tourism (904).
- Free Tourist Visa to 5 Lakh Tourists.

### **5. Extension of Atmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojana**

- Launched on 1st Oct, 2020. Incentivizes employers for creation of new employment, restoration of loss of employment through EPFO.
- Approved outlay Rs. 22,810 crore for 58.50 lakh estimated beneficiaries.

- Scheme extended from 30.6.2021 to 31.03.2022.

#### **6. Additional Subsidy for DAP & P&K fertilizers**

- Record procurement of 432.48 Lakh MT of wheat in Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2021-22 (against 389.92 Lakh MT in RMS 2020-21).
- Rs 85,413 Crore paid to farmers and now an Additional amount of Rs.14,775 crore to be provided. This includes Rs.9,125 crore additional subsidy for DAP and Rs.5,650 crore additional subsidy for NPK based complex fertilizer.

#### **7. Extension of Pradhan Mantri Gareeb Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY)**

- PMGKAY was launched on 26th March 2020 to ameliorate the hardships faced by the poor due to economic disruption caused by COVID 19 Pandemic. In the wake of the second wave of COVID-19, the scheme was relaunched in May 2021 to ensure food security of poor/vulnerable
- 5 kg of food grains will be provided free of cost to NFSA beneficiaries from May to November 2021.
- An estimated financial implications are Rs 93,869 cr, bringing the total cost of PMGKY to Rs 2,27,841 Crore.

#### **8. Rs. 23,220 Cr More for Public Health**

- Rs 15,000 Cr Emergency Health Systems Project (2020-21) led to 25 fold increase in COVID dedicated hospitals, setting up of 7,929 COVID health centres, 9,954 COVID care centres, 7.5 times increase in oxygen supported beds, 42 fold increase in isolation beds, 45 fold increase in ICU beds.
- New scheme focused on short term emergency preparedness with special emphasis on children and paediatric care/paediatric beds.

#### **9. Fighting Malnutrition and Improving Farmers' Income: Release of Climate Resilient Special Traits Varieties**

- Earlier focus of research was on developing higher yield crop varieties. Attention towards nutrition, climate resilience and other traits was missing.
- ICAR has developed bio-fortified crop varieties having high nutrients like protein, iron, zinc, vitamin-A. Varieties tolerant to diseases, insects pests, drought, salinity, and flooding, early maturing and amenable to mechanical harvesting also developed 21 such varieties of rice, peas, millet, maize, soyabean, quinoa, buckwheat, winged bean, pigeon pea & sorghum will be dedicated to the nation.

#### **10. Revival of North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation (NERAMAC)**

- Aims to enhance agricultural, procurement, processing and marketing infrastructure in the North East and to introduce a roadmap for capacity building, aggregation, marketing and technology prepared.
- Proposes to set up North-Eastern Centre for Organic Cultivation, facilitating equity finance to entrepreneurs.
- Revival package of Rs 77.45 cr proposed for financial restructuring and infusion of funds to NERAMAC.

#### **11. Rs 33,000 Crore Boost for Project Exports through National Export Insurance Account (NEIA)**

- Proposed to provide additional corpus to NEIA over 5 years to allow it to underwrite additional Rs. 33,000 crores of project exports.

### **12. Rs. 88,000 crore Boost to Export Insurance Cover**

- Export Credit Guarantee Corporation (ECGC) promotes exports by providing credit insurance services. The government has proposed to infuse equity in ECGC over 5 years to boost export insurance cover by Rs. 88,000 cr.

### **13. Digital India: Rs. 19041 Cr for Broadband to each Village through BharatNet PP Pmodel**

- On August 15, 2020, PM announced broadband connectivity to all inhabited villages in 1000 days. Out of 2,50,000 Gram Panchayats, 1,56,223 Gram Panchayats have been made service ready by 31st May, 2021.
- Additional Rs. 19,041 Cr being provided for BharatNet. Expansion and upgradation of BharatNet to cover all Gram Panchayats and inhabited villages

### **14. Extension of Tenure of PLI Scheme for Large Scale Electronics Manufacturing**

- Provides incentive of 6% to 4% on incremental sales of goods under target segments that are manufactured in India, for a period of five years. Tenure of the scheme launched in 2020-21 is proposed to be extended by one year i.e. till 2025-26.
- Participating companies will get the option of choosing any five years for meeting their production targets under the scheme.

### **15. Rs 3.03 Lakh Cr for Reform Based Result Linked Power Distribution Scheme**

- Revamped reforms-based, result-linked power distribution scheme of financial assistance to DISCOMS for infrastructure creation, up-gradation of system, capacity building and process improvement.

### **16. New Streamlined Process for PPP Projects and Asset Monetisation**

- Current process for approval of Public Private Partnership (PPP) projects is long and involves multiple levels of approval. New policy will be formulated for appraisal and approval of PPP proposals and monetization of core infrastructure assets, including through InvITs. It aims to ensure speedy clearance of projects to facilitate the private sector's efficiencies in financing construction and management of infrastructure.



# Foreign Aid to India



## Japan

- USD 9.3 million worth cold chain equipment (announced)

## USAID

- \$41 million

## Kuwait and Qatar

- 7,640 filled oxygen cylinders
- 2 ISO containers with 21 metric tonnes of liquid medical oxygen each and 15 oxygen concentrators

## National Airlines

- Oxygen Concentrators
- Pulse Oximeters
- Surgical Masks
- KN95 masks

\*This data is till 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2021

## GLOBAL STATEMENTS

“The rollout of the COVID-19 vaccines by India in collaboration with leading global institutions has “rescued the world” from the deadly coronavirus and the contributions by the country must not be underestimated.

**-Dr Peter Hotez,**  
dean of the National School of Tropical Medicine at  
Baylor College of Medicine in Boston

“Results of two studies of blood serum from people who received Covaxin suggest that the vaccine generates antibodies which effectively neutralise the Alpha and Delta variants of SARS-CoV-2,

**- NIH, the top American health institute,**  
said of Bharat Biotech’s shot, developed in collaboration with  
the government-run Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).

## PM'S ADDRESS ON INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

June 21, 2021

- Today, when the whole world is battling the corona pandemic, **Yoga has remained a ray of hope.** Even though no major public events have been organized in countries around the world and in India for almost two years, the enthusiasm for Yoga Day has not diminished a bit. Despite Corona, the theme of this year's Yoga Day "**Yoga for Wellness**" has intensified the enthusiasm for Yoga among crores of people.
- Our sages had termed Yoga as "**समत्वम् योग उच्यते**" i.e., remaining steadfast in every situation. They had made restraint a parameter of Yoga, being resolute in happiness and sorrow. Today Yoga has proved it in this global tragedy.
- In the last one and a half years, there have been lakhs of new Yoga seekers in every part of the world. **Everyone is trying to implement the first synonym of Yoga, which is said to be restraint and discipline, in their life.**
- When I talk to frontline warriors and doctors, they tell me that they also made Yoga their protective shield in the fight against Corona. **Doctors also made themselves strong with Yoga, and also used it to help their patients recover quickly.** Today, one finds so many stories from hospitals where doctors and nurses are teaching Yoga to patients, and patients sharing their experiences. The experts of the world are also stressing the importance of breathing exercises like 'Pranayama' and 'Anulom-Vilom' for strengthening our respiratory system.
- The great Tamil saint Thiruvalluvar has said: "**नोड नाडी, नोड मुदल नाडी, हदु तनिक्कुम, वाय नाडी वायपच्चयल**" i.e., **if there is a disease, diagnose it, go to its root, find out what is the cause of the disease, and then ensure its treatment. Yoga shows this way.**
- When we do '**Pranayama**', meditate and perform other yogic activities, we experience our inner-consciousness. Through Yoga, we experience our inner strength which is so strong that no problem of the world, no negativity can shatter us. Yoga shows us the path from stress to strength and from negativity to creativity. Yoga takes us from depression to ecstasy and from ecstasy to blessing.
- When India proposed the **International Day of Yoga** in the United Nations, the spirit behind it was to make this Yoga science accessible to the entire world. Today, India has taken another important step in this direction along with the United Nations and WHO.
- Now the world is going to get the power of the m-Yoga app. In this app, many videos of Yoga training will be available in different languages of the world based on the common Yoga protocol. It is also a great example of the fusion of modern technology and ancient science.
- **It is necessary that the basic philosophy of Yoga should reach every person while keeping intact its foundation and core.** And this work should be done by the people associated with Yoga, the masters of Yoga and Yoga preachers together.

## PM'S SPEECH AT TOYCATHON-2021

24<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

- It is said in our country: 'साहसे खलु श्रीः वसति' i.e., in courage alone, there is prosperity. Organizing the country's first Toycathon in these challenging times only reinforces this spirit.
- In the last 5-6 years, hackathons have been turned into big platforms to find the solutions to the problems of the country. The idea behind this is to channelize the country's potential. The endeavour is to connect our youth directly with the challenges and solutions of the country. When this connection becomes strong, the talent of our youth power also comes to the fore and the country also gets better solutions. This is also the purpose of **the country's first Toycathon.**
- The global toy market is about \$ 100 billion and India's share is only around \$ 1.5 billion. Today we import about 80 percent of our toys from abroad.
- It is very necessary to change this situation.
- Our cottage industry related to sports, which is our art, and our poor, Dalit and tribal artisans live in large numbers in the villages. With very limited resources, these colleagues have been **moulding our tradition and culture in their toys with their finest art.** In this regard, especially our sisters and daughters are playing a huge role. The development of the toy sector will immensely benefit such women, our tribal and poor friends living in far-flung areas of the country.
- It is **necessary to be vocal for locals** and we will provide encouragement at every level to improve them so as to make them competitive in the global market. Therefore, it is very important to develop new models from innovation to financing.
- It is also necessary **to promote new start-ups and prepare our artists** involved in the traditional art of toys for new technology and new market demands. This is the idea behind events like **Toycathon.**
- Cheap data and the boom in the Internet are digitally connecting our villages today. In such a situation, along with physical games and toys, India's prospects and potential in virtual, digital and online gaming are increasing rapidly.
- But the concept of most of the online or digital games that are available in the market today is not Indian; it does not match with our attitude.
- Therefore, **it is our responsibility to design such alternative concepts which reflect the basic philosophy of India which is related to the overall human welfare.** It should be technically superior and the elements of fun and fitness should also be encouraged.
- Today, when the country is celebrating 75 years of independence, **it is a huge occasion for all the innovators and creators associated with toys and gaming.** There are many such stories related to the freedom movement, which need to be brought to the fore. Many events of the valour and leadership of our revolutionaries and fighters can be modelled as concepts of toys and games.
- It is important that **our focus should be on developing such toys and games which brief our young generation every aspect of Indianness in an interesting and interactive way.** We have to ensure that our toys and games also engage, entertain and educate people.

## • **PM'S ADDRESS TO THE MEDICAL FRATERNITY ON NATIONAL DOCTORS' DAY**

1<sup>st</sup> July, 2021

- This day symbolizes the highest ideals of our doctors and medical fraternity. The way our doctors have served the countrymen in the last one-and-a-half years is an example in itself. On behalf of 130 crore countrymen, I thank and express my gratitude to all the doctors of the country
- No matter the number of challenges during the fight against Corona, our scientists and doctors found as many solutions and developed effective medicines. Today our doctors are making and helping implement protocols for the corona. This virus is new, new mutations are happening, but our doctors are meeting the dangers and challenges of the virus through their knowledge and experience.
- It is our government that has put maximum emphasis on health care. During the first wave last year, we allocated about Rs 15,000 crore for healthcare, which helped in augmenting our health infrastructure
- This year, the allocation of the budget for the health sector has been more than doubled to more than two lakh crore rupees. Now we have come up with a Credit Guarantee Scheme of Rs 50,000 crore to strengthen the health infrastructure in areas, where there is a lack of health facilities. We have also allocated more than 22,000 crore rupees to strengthen the health infrastructure necessary for children
- Evidence-based studies are being conducted by many institutes associated with modern medical science as to how 'Yoga-Pranayama' is having a positive effect on the health of people in this corona period and how Yoga is helping in dealing with post-COVID complications
- I would also like to request you to keep documenting your experiences. Documentation of your experiences with patients is very important. Along with this, there should be detailed documentation of the patient's symptoms, treatment plan and response. It can also be in the form of a research study, which notes the effects of different types of drugs and treatments
- It will help the world to understand many complex questions related to medicine and will also give direction in finding solutions
- Today we also have the technology and if we document the practical experiences of how COVID has been dealt with, then it will prove to be very helpful for the entire humanity in the future. Your experience will also give a new impetus to the medical research of the country. In the end, I would say that your service and efforts will definitely realize our resolve of 'सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिनः' (May all be prosperous and happy). Our country will win from Corona, and will also achieve new dimensions of development.

## PM's speech at 6th anniversary of Digital India Abhiyan

1<sup>st</sup> July, 2021

- It is the dream of the country to take India forward on the digital path at a rapid pace so that the life of every citizen becomes easier. All of us are working day and night in realizing this dream
- Digital India is the resolve of India. Digital India is the instrument for AatmaNirbhar Bharat and is also a manifestation of a strong India emerging in the 21st century
- Many a times, important identity cards of people get destroyed in flood, earthquake, tsunami, or fire. But now all the documents from the 10th, 12th, college, university mark sheets can be stored in DigiLocker easily.
- It is the power of Digital India that the resolution of One Nation, One Ration Card is being fulfilled. Now migrating to another state does not require a fresh ration card. One ration card is valid in the entire country. The families of workers who go to other states for work stand to benefit the most.
- Digital India is strongly paving for the resolve of AatmaNirbhar Bharat. Digital India is connecting even those people with the system who never imagined it.
- We often hear the news of disputes and insecurity related to houses and land in villages. But now drone mapping of village lands is being done under the Svamitva scheme. Villagers are getting legal documents of their houses digitally.
- One of the world's largest digital contact tracing apps, Aarogya Setu, has helped a lot in preventing corona infection. Several countries are showing interest in India's COWIN app for vaccination. They also want to take advantage of this scheme in their country. Having such a monitoring tool for the process of vaccination is proof of our technical proficiency.
- Digital India means a transparent, non-discriminatory system and an attack on corruption. Digital India means saving time, labor and money. Digital India means faster and full profit. Digital India means Minimum Government, Maximum Governance.
- Under the PM-WANI scheme, access points are being created across the country where broadband-WIFI-internet can be available at a bare minimum cost. This will greatly help the young peers and the children of our poor families in accessing online education.
- Under the PM Kisan Samman Nidhi, Rs 1 lakh 35 crore has been deposited directly into the bank accounts of more than 10 crore farmer families. Digital India has also realized the spirit of One Nation, One MSP. This year, about 85,000 crore rupees has directly reached the bank accounts of the farmers following the record purchase of wheat.
- With the advent of FASTag, the commute has become easier, cheaper and there is saving of time as well. Similarly, GST and eWay Bills have ensured both convenience and transparency in trade and business in the country.
- The 5G technology is going to make a big difference in every aspect of life all over the world. India is also geared up for this. Today, when the world is talking about Industry 4.0, India is a big partner in it. India is also aware of its responsibility as a data powerhouse.
- India has been included in the top-10 countries of the world in the ITU-Global Cyber Security Index of more than 180 countries. Our ranking was 47th till a year ago.





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