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### **Prime Minister Addresses the Nation**

While addressing the nation on 7 June, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi announced a centralized vaccination drive and said that 21st June onwards, Government of India will provide free vaccine to all Indian citizens above 18 years of age. On vaccine availability, PM assured that supply will increase in the coming days with seven companies already manufacturing vaccines, and three other vaccine trials in advanced



stage. To increase vaccine availability, the process of procuring vaccines from abroad has been speeded up, he added. PM Modi announced that there are currently two vaccines under trial that are specifically meant for children - an age group that has been increasingly affected by the virus and is yet to be inoculated.

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### **Prime Minister Reviews Progress of India's Vaccination Drive**



On 4 June, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi chaired a high-level meeting to review the progress of India's vaccination drive. Officials gave a detailed presentation on various aspects of the vaccination drive. PM was briefed about the current availability of vaccines and the roadmap for ramping it up. He was also apprised about the efforts undertaken to help various vaccine manufacturers ramp up production of vaccines. Government of India is

actively working with vaccine manufacturers & helping them in terms of facilitating more production units, financing and supply of raw materials.

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### 'Despite Pandemic, India will Realize Its Dream of Self-Reliance': Prime Minister

While chairing a meeting of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Society through video conferencing in New Delhi on June 4, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said that even as coronavirus might have affected the pace of development, the commitment to realize the dream of self-reliance remains. "There is immense potential in every field from agriculture to the education sector for our MSMEs and Startups," PM Modi said. PM urged the scientists and the industry to repeat the success achieved during COVID crisis in every field.

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#### **Prime Minister Addresses the World Environment Day Event**



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the World Environment Day event jointly organized by the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change on 5 June through video conference. Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said that India has taken another leap by releasing a detailed roadmap for the development of the ethanol sector. PM said that ethanol has become one of the major priorities of 21st century India and the focus on ethanol is having a better impact on the environment as well as on the lives of farmers.

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# Indian Railways on Way to Become "Largest Green Railways" in the World with Zero Carbon Emission

Indian Railways (IR) is working in mission mode to become the largest Green Railways in the world and is moving towards becoming a "net zero carbon emitter" before 2030. Indian Railways is guided by a holistic vision of being an environment friendly, efficient, cost effective, punctual and a modern carrier of passengers as well as freight in order to serve the growing needs of New India. It is looking at helping the environment with steps ranging from massive electrification, water & paper conservation, to saving animals from being injured on railway tracks.



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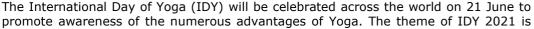
### YUVA: Prime Minister's Scheme for Mentoring Young Authors



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has invited youngsters to know about YUVA: Prime Minister's Scheme for Mentoring Young Authors, a national scheme for nurturing young learners for future leadership roles. The National Education Policy 2020 emphasises on empowering young minds and creating a learning ecosystem that can nurture young learners for future leadership roles. Essentially, the scheme envisions cultivating modern ambassadors of Indian literature as the country heads towards 75 years of independence. India is ranked 3rd in the arena of book publishing, and to further boost this treasure trove of indigenous literature, it is imperative that this is projected at the global stage.

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### **International Day of Yoga 2021**



"Yoga for Wellness" and "Be with Yoga, Be at Home". As the pandemic situation continues to loom large, the approach to IDY 2021 would be one of care and caution. Significant focus will be on awareness generation and mobilization through various digital media platforms. The Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India has a Yoga Portal to help people embrace, practice and enjoy yoga every day. It is a perfect gateway to search for the best yoga resources, common yoga protocol training videos and the latest yoga events to take part in.



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### **INDIA'S GROWTH STORY**







The Construction industry in India consists of the real estate as well as the urban development segment. The Real estate segment covers residential, office, retail, hotels and leisure parks, among others. The urban development segment broadly consists of sub-segments such as water supply, sanitation, urban transport, schools and healthcare. Indian real estate attracted \$5 billion institutional investments in 2020. India will be the third largest construction market globally by 2025. Construction Industry in New India has witnessed a 286% growth in FDI inflow in FY 2020-21.

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### **INCREDIBLE INDIA**

### Kaziranga: The Land of Indian Rhinos

One of the greatest wildlife emblems of the country, the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Kaziranga National Park in Assam, is famed as a home to two-thirds of the world's population of the rare one-horned rhinoceros. With the mighty Brahmaputra River lapping at the fringes, the park forests encompasses wetlands, and grasslands, which shelter a sizeable population of tigers as well. Moreover, the park is an abode of world-famous snakes the rock python, the reticulated python and the king cobra, the longest venomous snake. While eastern swamp deer and wild water buffalo are common sights, if you are lucky, you can also spot a herd of elephants making their way grandly through the park. The Park is surrounded by ancient temples, pristine waterfalls and lush tea estates.



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Ambassador Meets Minister of National Defence of Vietnam



Ambassador Pranay Verma met the Minister of National Defence of Vietnam, His Excellency Sr. Lt. Gen. Phan Van Giang on June 1, 2021 and congratulated him on assuming his new position. exchanged views on various aspects of India-Vietnam defence partnership and expressed satisfaction over continued positive momentum in bilateral defence engagements despite the disruptions caused by #COVID19. They underlined the importance attached by both sides to development of closer defence cooperation between the two countries as a key pillar their Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.







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### India@75: India-Vietnam Buddhist Linkages







As part of the series of events to commemorate India-Vietnam Buddhist Linkages and to celebrate 75 years of India's Independence, the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre in Hanoi invited on-line two eminent experts in Buddhism from Vietnam — Most Venerable Thích Thọ Lạc, Head of Cultural Committee, Vietnam Buddhist Sangha and Dr. Phan Anh Tú, Director of Center for Theoretical and Applied Culturology, University of Social Sciences & Humanities, Ho Chi Minh City on 7 June. In his opening remarks, Ambassador Pranay Verma highlighted the importance of Buddhist linkages in India-Vietnam civilizational and cultural contacts and its relevance in the contemporary times. The Vietnamese scholars, in their presentation, traced the Buddhist influences from India which became part of local cultural and social fabric.

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India@75: Introduction to the Yoga Sutra of Patanjali





Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre (SVCC), Hanoi organized online talk "Introduction to Yoga Sutra of Patanjali" on 13 May. In ancient time, Sage Patanjali introduced the wisdom and practice of Yoga at different levels for the welfare of mankind through his Yoga Sutras. Audience had the opportunity to understand the topic through presentations by Dr. Namrata Raj, Teacher of Indian Culture (SVCC) and by Dr. G.B. Harisha, Director (SVCC). This event was part of International Day of Yoga 2021.

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