



VIKSIT BHARAT KA AMRIT KAAL: SEVA, SUSHASAN, GARIB KALYAN KE 11 SAAL

In 2025, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's government completed 11 years in office. These years have been focused on bringing development that includes everyone, moves the country forward, and lasts for the long term. From the beginning, PM Modi has worked to create equal opportunities for all citizens and make development the central focus of governance.

Since assuming office in 2014, Prime Minister Modi has mainstreamed a development-centric approach, *Vikasvaad*- transforming it into the core of governance. His administration has consistently set ambitious targets and demonstrated the capacity to achieve them within record timeframes. Whether it was vaccinating the eligible population against COVID-19, attaining historic export milestones, expanding digital connectivity, completing rural electrification, or delivering piped drinking water to households, the government has shown results through decisive action.

Over these eleven years, public service delivery in India has undergone a paradigm shift. The strategic implementation of the **JAM Trinity**: **Jan Dhan, Aadhaar, and Mobile** has revolutionized welfare schemes by ensuring transparency, eliminating intermediaries, and enabling the direct transfer of benefits to citizens.

Recognizing infrastructure as a fundamental pillar of national progress, the government has emphasized the timely completion of long-pending projects while also launching transformative new ones. This approach contrasts sharply with the earlier fragmented model of development and reflects a comprehensive and integrated vision that leaves no section of society behind.

The Modi government's inclusive welfare measures have significantly empowered marginalized communities, inspired aspirations among the youth, and encouraged self-reliance among all sections of society. At the same time, India has emerged as a proactive global leader in environmental conservation

and cultural preservation. Notably, the United Nations' recognition of **June 21st as International Yoga Day** is a testament to India's growing soft power and cultural influence under PM Modi's leadership.

India's stature on the global stage has witnessed a remarkable rise. The successful execution of **Operation SINDOOR** exemplifies a new India- **resolute, sovereign, and swift in action**. Prime Minister Modi's journey of leading the nation since 2014 reflects a governance model that has become an international benchmark for reform-oriented, inclusive development.

His vision has not only ignited aspirations across the country but also ensured that adequate institutional and policy support exists to help every Indian participate meaningfully in the nation's growth during this *Amrit Kaal*.

The following document presents a detailed overview of India's transformation over the last eleven years, across fourteen critical domains of governance, ranging from infrastructure and foreign policy to social justice and digital innovation. It is a chronicle of a nation's journey- of serving the underserved, empowering women, enabling youth, and celebrating the farmer. It is, indeed, the story of a **New India**.

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Sabka Saath Sabka Vikas Sabka Vishwas Sabka Prayas

Since 2014, India's governance approach has been deeply rooted in the philosophy of **Antyodaya** - ensuring the upliftment and development of every person in the country. With a commitment to **100%** saturation of welfare schemes, the government has revolutionized access to basic amenities, financial services, healthcare, and dignity for every citizen. These efforts have not only **improved living standards** but also led to **historic reductions in poverty and multidimensional deprivation**.

1. Unprecedented Poverty Reduction

- ❖ As per the revised International Poverty Line (IPL) from \$2.15/day (2017 PPP) to \$3.00/day (2021 PPP) by the World Bank, India's extreme poverty rate declined sharply to 5.25% in 2022-23 from 27.1% in 2011-12.
- ❖ According to the World Bank's Spring 2025 Poverty and Equity Brief, 171 million people moved out of extreme poverty in the last decade.
- ❖ Poverty at the \$3.65/day benchmark fell from 61.8% to 28.1%, lifting 378 million people.
- ❖ The Multidimensional Poverty Index dropped from 53.8% (2005–06) to 16.4% (2019–21).

2. Sharp Rise in Household Consumption

* Rural average Monthly Per Capita Consumption Expenditure (MPCE) increased from ₹1,430 (2011–12) to ₹4,122 (2023–24); Urban MPCE from ₹2,630 to ₹6,996.

3. Basic Amenities and Services Reached Every Home

- ❖ 15.59 crore rural households now have tap water; 100% coverage in 8 states and 3 UTs under Jal Jeevan Mission.
- ❖ 2.86 crore households have been electrified under SAUBHAGYA scheme, with rural supply averaging 22.6 hours daily.
- Over 4 crore houses built under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), including 92.72 lakh under PMAY-Urban (90 lakh owned by women) and 2.77 crore under PMAY-Grameen.
- **❖ 12 crore toilets built**, with **5.64 lakh villages ODF Plus**, under **Swachh Bharat Mission**.

4. Largest Social Security Programmes in the World

- ❖ Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (world's largest health assurance scheme) covers 55 crore people; Ayushman Vay Vandana ensures coverage for all aged 70+.
- ❖ 51.06 crore enrolments under Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana and 23.64 crore under PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana as of May 2025.
- ❖ Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana delivers free ration to 81 crore people with ₹11.8 lakh crore outlay till 2028—the world's largest food security scheme.

5. Empowering Women and the Marginalised

- ❖ 10.33 crore LPG connections under PM Ujjwala Yojana; 32.94 crore active users, as of March 2025.
- * 68 lakh street vendors received loans under PM SVANidhi.
- Over 10 crore women in SHGs; government aims to create 3 crore Lakhpati Didis.
- ❖ 60% of current union ministers are from the minority categories.
- ❖ More than four times Eklavaya Residential schools have been sanctioned since 2014 (From 123 in 2013-14 to 477 in 2024-25).
- ❖ 71% of the farmers covered by PM Fasal Bima Yojana are SC/ST/OBC.
- **❖ 80%** small and marginal farmers, mostly SC/ST/OBC, are receiving income support under **PM-KISAN**.

6. Financial and Digital Inclusion

- ❖ PM Jan Dhan Yojana: 55.17 crore bank accounts, ₹2.61 lakh crore deposits, 30.80 crore women account holders, as of March 2025.
- **PM Mudra Yojana: 52.77 crore** loan accounts, ₹**34.11 lakh crore** amount sanctioned, **68%** to women, **more than 50%** to SC/ST/OBCs, as of March 2025.
- ❖ Start Up India: 3rd largest startup and Unicorn (118) ecosystem in the world, with over 1.6 lakh certificates issued by Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) as of 2025.
- ❖ Stand Up India Scheme: Promoting entrepreneurship among the Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe and Women by facilitating bank loans of value between Rs. 10 lakh and Rs. 100 lakh.
- eShram Portal: 30.86 crore unorganised workers with 53.75% women registered as of May 2025.
- ❖ PM Vishwakarma: 2.37 million artisans registered, 1 million received toolkits incentive.

7. Formalisation of Labour and Job Creation

- ❖ EPFO net payroll addition (March 2025): 14.58 lakh members; 7.54 lakh new subscribers, indicating expanding formal workforce.
- **ESIC coverage** doubled since 2014:
 - a) **Insured persons**: $2.03 \text{ crore} \rightarrow 4.09 \text{ crore}$
 - b) **Beneficiaries**: $7.89 \text{ crore} \rightarrow 15.87 \text{ crore}$
 - c) **Employers**: $6.7 \text{ lakh} \rightarrow 24.45 \text{ lakh}$

8. Recognition, Inclusion & Dignity

- ❖ Assistance to Persons with Disabilities for Purchase/Fitting of Aids/Appliances Scheme: 31.16 lakh Divyangjan benefited in the last 11 years; 18,000+ camps; disabilities recognised expanded from 7 to 21.
- **SMILE Scheme & Garima Greh**: Support for transgender persons.

10. Ensuring 100% Scheme Saturation Efforts

- ❖ Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra reached 2.6 lakh gram panchayats and 4,000 ULBs, promoting saturation of all major schemes.
- * Aspirational Districts Programme (ADP) aimed at accelerating the development of 112 relatively backward and remote districts across India.

Agricultural Transformation

Agriculture is central to India's economy, sustaining millions and shaping its identity. The **Beej Se Bazaar Tak** approach drives inclusive growth, supporting small farmers & allied sectors. Focus on **smart farming**, millet cultivation, natural farming, dairy & fisheries for rural prosperity. Farmers are now seen as key stakeholders, leading India toward **global food leadership**.

Enhanced Budget & Food Grain Production

❖ The agriculture budget increased nearly **5 times**, from ₹27,663 crore (2013-14) to ₹₹1,37,664.35 crore (2024-25).

❖ Foodgrain production grew from 265.05 million tonnes (2014–15) to 347.44 million tonnes (2024–25).

MSP Growth & Farmer Support

- ♦ Wheat MSP rose from ₹1,400 to ₹2,425 per quintal; Paddy MSP increased from ₹1,310 to ₹2,369 per quintal.
- ❖ Pulse procurement at MSP grew 7,350%, and oilseed procurement 1,500% in the last eleven years.

Financial Security & Credit Access

- **PM-KISAN**: ₹3.7 lakh crore transferred to **11 crore farmers** as direct financial assistance, as of May 2025.
- **★ Kisan Credit Card (KCC)**: ₹10 lakh crore credit provided to **7.71 crore farmers**; loan limit increased to ₹5 lakh for 2025-26.

Crop Insurance & Irrigation Expansion

- **PMFBY Crop Insurance**: **63.23 crore applications enrolled**, ₹1.75 lakh crore (provisional) paid in claims.
- **PMKSY Irrigation**: ₹93,000+ crore allocated, **112 projects** completed to reduce monsoon dependence.

Soil Health & Digital Agri Services

- ❖ 1.75 crore Soil Health Cards generated across the country, 8,272 soil testing labs established for soil fertility improvement.
- **Agriculture Infrastructure Fund**: with a total outlay of ₹1 lakh crore, ₹21,379 crore sanctioned for **42,864 projects**.
- ❖ PM Kisan Samriddhi Kendras: 1.8 lakh centers provide farm inputs & market information.

Market Reforms & Food Processing

- **♦ e-NAM**: **1,473 mandis integrated**, resulting in ₹4.01 lakh crore trade for **1.79 crore registered** farmers.
- ❖ Mega Food Parks: Increased from 2 (2014) to 41 (2025) for farm-to-market efficiency (Out of 41, 17 are under the implementation stage).

Innovation & Agri-Tech Entrepreneurship

- ❖ Namo Drone Didi: 15,000 Women SHGs to get drones for agri-services, earning Rs. 1 lakh/year each.
- ❖ AgriSURE Fund: 1,943 agri-startups have received financial and technical support under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) between FY 2019–20 and FY 2024–25

Allied Sectors Driving Rural Prosperity

- ❖ Blue Revolution: Fish production doubled to 184.02 Lakh Tons (2023–24).
- ❖ Dairy Sector: Milk production grew 63.56% in 10 years to 239.2 million tonnes in 2023-24.

Sweet Revolution (NBHM): Honey production **tripled**, boosting rural employment.

Diversifying Farmers Income

- **Ethanol procurement rose from 38 crore litres in 2013–14 to 441 crore litres in 2023–24.**
- ❖ Rs. 1,11,703 crores paid to sugarcane farmers in Sugar Season 2023–24.
- ❖ PM-KUSUM Solar Scheme: 49 lakh pumps to be solarized for clean energy.

Organic & Climate-Smart Agriculture

- ❖ 38,043 organic clusters formed, covering 8.41 lakh hectares under organic farming schemes.
- ❖ Millets Promotion: India contributes 18.1% to global millet production, championed as Shree Anna.

High-Yield Seeds & Productivity Boost

- ❖ 6.85 lakh seed villages, 508.60 lakh quintals of certified seeds available (2023–24).
- Dhan-Dhaanya Krishi Yojana: Launched in 100 low-productivity districts, benefiting 1.7 crore farmers.

Vision for Nari Shakti

Indian women historically faced barriers in education, healthcare, employment, and decision-making. Since 2014, under PM Narendra Modi's leadership, women empowerment became a national priority. The approach is lifecycle-based, addressing health, education, housing, digital access, sanitation, and financial inclusion. Women are now seen as active agents of change, contributing to India's growth story.

Improving Health & Nutrition

- Mission POSHAN 2.0 invests ₹1.81 lakh crore for comprehensive nutrition across vulnerable groups.
- ❖ Saksham Anganwadis: As of 31st March 2025, 36,463 Master Trainers and 4,65,719 Anganwadi Workers were trained across India, with 24,533 centres already upgraded into Saksham Anganwadis.
- ❖ Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) reaches 2.9 crore pregnant women annually.
- ❖ Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram (JSSK) has benefitted over 16.60 crore beneficiaries, significantly reducing out-of-pocket expenditure for families.
- ❖ Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) has supported 11.07 crore beneficiaries by March 2025.
- ❖ Surakshit Matritva Aashwasan (SUMAN) provides zero-cost maternal and newborn healthcare. As of March 2025, 90,015 SUMAN health facilities have been notified across the country.

Dignity & Daily Life Improvements

- ❖ Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) has 73% of 2.75 crore beneficiaries as women homeowners.
- ❖ Ujjwala Yojana distributed 10.33 crore LPG connections, transforming household health.
- **Swachh Bharat Mission** built 12 crore toilets, improving women's safety and dignity.

❖ Jal Jeevan Mission provided 15.6 crore tap water connections by 2025, reducing the burden on women.

Education & Digital Literacy

- ❖ Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) improved sex ratio at birth from 918 (2014-15) to 930 (2023-24).
- ❖ Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (SSY) opened 4.2 crore accounts, securing financial futures for girls.

Social Welfare & Leadership

- ❖ First batch of female cadets graduated from the National Defence Academy (May 29, 2025).
- ❖ Indian women Scientists played a key role in Chandrayaan-3's success.
- ❖ Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam reserves 33% of Lok Sabha and State Assembly seats for women.
- ❖ Proposal to raise the marriageable age of women from 18 years to 21 years will help with education and employment opportunities.
- **❖ Maternity leave extended to 26 weeks**, supporting working mothers.

Financial Inclusion & Economic Empowerment

- ❖ Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY) provided 52.5 crore+ loans, 68% to women entrepreneurs.
- **Stand-Up India Scheme** sanctioned 83% of loans amounting to ₹47,704 crore to women borrowers.
- ❖ DAY-NRLM mobilized 10.05 crore women into 90.90 lakh SHGs.
- **❖** Lakhpati Didi Initiative enabled 1.48 crore SHG members to earn ₹1 lakh annually.

Safety & Security under Mission Shakti

- ❖ Mission Shakti integrates women's safety and empowerment through Sambal and Samarthya programs.
- ❖ One Stop Centres (OSCs) have assisted 10.98 lakh women since 2015.
- ❖ Women Helpline (WHL) has responded to 214.78 lakh calls.
- ❖ Shakti Sadan supported 2.92 lakh women.
- ❖ Sakhi Niwas helped 5.07 lakh working women.
- ❖ SHe-Box Portal launched in 2024, offers a user-friendly mechanism for women to report workplace harassment and seek redressal.

Empowered Youth, Empowered Nation

11 years of youth-focused reforms in education, skills & jobs

India is harnessing the power of its youth, with 65% of the population under 35. Over the past 11 years, transformative initiatives have unlocked their potential through quality education, skill development,

startup support, and sports promotion. These efforts have laid a strong foundation for a confident and capable generation, ready to compete globally and lead India's future with determination and innovation.

Building a Knowledge Superpower

- ❖ National Education Policy 2020 launched to increase school GER to 100% in preschool to secondary level by 2030 and higher education GER to 50% by 2035.
- ❖ HEIs rose from 51,534 (2014-15) to 70,683 (May 2025); universities from 760 to 1,334.
- Colleges increased from 38,498 (2014-15) to 51,959 (May 2025); IITs grew from 16 to 23 (as of May 2025).
- ❖ ₹11,828.79 crore sanctioned for IIT infrastructure Phase-B expansion from 2025-2029.
- ❖ AIIMS institutions rose from 7 to 23; medical colleges from 387 to 2,045.
- ❖ PM SHRI: 14,500 schools being transformed into NEP-aligned model schools.

Preparing for the Jobs of Tomorrow

- ❖ Job-ready youth grew from 33.9% (2014) to 51.3% (2024).
- ❖ PMKVY trained 1.63 crore youth since 2015 across four phases.
- ❖ 36 Sector Skill Councils formed under Skill India Mission.
- ♦ Welding CEFC at BHEL Trichy trained 8,143 individuals with ₹69.648 crore grant.

Building Careers

- * Rozgar Melas distributed 10 lakh govt job appointment letters since Oct 2022.
- ❖ 8.59 crore new EPFO subscribers since 2017; over 3.45 crore youth aged 18–28 added since 2020.

From Job Seekers to Job Creators

- ❖ Startup India: 1.6 lakh+ DPIIT-recognized startups, 17.6 lakh+ jobs created.
- ❖ India now 3rd-largest startup ecosystem with 1.57 lakh startups as of Dec 2024.
- PM MUDRA Yojana: Loan limit increased to ₹20 lakh; 4.53 crore (provisional) loans in FY 2024–25.
- Total PMMY loan disbursal rose from ₹1.37 lakh crore (2015–16) to ₹33.65 lakh crore (2024–25).

Making India a Sporting Nation

- ❖ TOPS supported 206 elite athletes across core and development groups.
- **♦** Khelo India: 1,048 training centres; 3,000 athletes receive ₹6.28 lakh/year aid.
- ❖ 38th National Games held in Uttarakhand (2025); 10,000+ athletes participated.
- Medal Milestones:
 - o Paris Olympics 2024: 6 medals (1 Silver, 5 Bronze)
 - o Paris Paralympics 2024: Record-breaking 29 medals
 - o CWG 2022: 61 medals (22 Gold)

Channeling Youth Energy for Nation-Building

❖ Agnipath Scheme: 1.5 lakh Agniveers enrolled till Feb 2025.

- ❖ National Youth Festival 2025: 3,000 young leaders engaged in Viksit Bharat dialogue with PM.
- ❖ 30 lakh youth participated; new format encouraged solution-oriented discussions.

The Middle Class Story

Steady Progress and Supportive Governance

The middle class has been central to India's progress over the last eleven years. Government policies have focused on tax relief, pension security, and governance simplification. Consistent reforms have aimed at improving daily life, from commuting to taxation. The middle class is recognized as a key driver of India's economic growth.

Income Tax Reforms & Compliance

- ❖ Income tax return filings rose from 3.91 crore in 2013–14 to 9.19 crore in 2024–25.
- New slab structure ensures zero tax for salaried individuals earning up to ₹12.75 lakh, factoring in standard deduction.
- ❖ Introduction of pre-filled ITRs has simplified tax filing for individuals.
- ❖ Inflation averaged 5% between 2015–16 and 2024–25, down from 8.2% during 2004–05 to 2013–14

Urban Growth & Infrastructure

- ❖ 1.16 crore homes sanctioned and 92.72 lakh completed under PM Awas Yojana-Urban.
- ❖ India's metro network grew from 248 km in 2014 to 1,013 km in 2025, with daily ridership rising to 1.12 crore.
- ❖ ₹1.51 lakh crore invested in Smart Cities projects; 93% of them completed.
- ❖ UDAN (Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik) scheme has connected 88 airports including 2 water aerodromes and 13 heliports through 625 routes. Since 2017, over 1.49 crore passengers have benefited from low-cost regional air travel.

Healthcare Accessibility

- As of May 30, 2025, 41.02 crore Ayushman Cards issued; 8.59 crore hospital admissions covered treatments worth ₹1.19 lakh crore.
- Scheme expanded to all senior citizens aged 70+ in 2024.
- ❖ Jan Aushadhi Kendras grew from 80 in 2014 to 16,469 in May 2025, saving ₹38,000 crore in medicine costs.

Education & Skill Development

❖ As of April 18, 2025, Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) trained 1.63 crore youth in various industries, including AI and Mechatronics.

- ❖ National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme placed 40 lakh apprentices since 2016.
- ❖ ITIs increased from 9,977 in 2014 to 14,615 in 2024, with enrollments rising to 14 lakh in the same period.
- ❖ ₹60,000 crore allocated for ITI upgradation and five National Centres of Excellence.

Digital Governance

- ❖ 141.88 crore Aadhaar IDs issued by April 2025.
- ❖ Aadhaar authentication has enabled over 150 billion secure transactions.
- ❖ DigiLocker served 52.51 crore users, issuing over 914.19 crore digital documents as of May 30, 2025.
- ❖ By May 30, 2025, UMANG app has 8.19 crore users, offering 2,297 services with 595.54 crore transactions.

Affordable and Accessible Healthcare for All

India's healthcare system under Prime Minister Narendra Modi has transformed from 2014-2025, focusing on accessibility and affordability for all citizens, particularly underprivileged and rural populations. The government has implemented Ayushman Bharat, eSanjeevani telemedicine, and expanded medical education, making health a right.

Universal Health Coverage through Ayushman Bharat

- **❖ The Ayushman Bharat- Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY)**: World's largest health assurance scheme for poor families; expanded in 2024 to cover senior citizens (70+).
- ❖ Digital Health Mission: Building a secure, integrated digital ecosystem for universal access.
- **❖ The Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM)**: ₹64,180 crore initiative to boost infrastructure via construction of Critical Care Hospital Blocks in 12 central institutions.

National Heath Mission (NHM)

- ❖ Covers urban (NUHM) and rural (NRHM) health.
- Focus on RMNCH+A, NCDs (Cancer, Diabetes, CVDs), Mental Health, TB Elimination (NTEP).
- ❖ Sickle Cell Eradication: Aims to eradicate sickle cell disease by 2047 with 5.72 crore people screened, as of 3rd June, 2025.
- ❖ Supports non-communicable diseases like **Tobacco Control Programme**, Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases & Stroke, and Mental Health Programme.
- ❖ Multi-tiered cancer care strategy: early detection + affordable treatment.
- ❖ Significant progress in eliminating tuberculosis through the National TB Elimination Programme (NTEP).

Making Health Services Reach All

- ❖ India's healthcare reforms aim to provide affordable medicines to all citizens.
- ❖ The Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP): 16,000+ Jan Aushadhi Kendras delivering low-cost generic medicines.
- **AMRIT Pharmacies:** Supply of discounted branded, generic drugs & implants.

 eSanjeevani: Over 37 crore consultations; telemedicine access via Health & Wellness Centres.

Child and Maternal Health

- ❖ India's Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) and Mission Indradhanush are key initiatives in promoting maternal and child health. UIP targets 2.6 crore newborns and 2.9 crore pregnant women, ensuring full immunization in their first year.
- ❖ The U-WIN platform, launched under UIP, has registered 10.48 crore beneficiaries and recorded 41.73 crore vaccine doses. (As of 30th May, 2025)
- ❖ India has significantly reduced maternal and child mortality rates, with a 23-point reduction in maternal mortality and a 42% reduction in under-five mortality, earning global recognition as an exemplar.

Medical education and Public health

- ❖ 23 new AIIMS, 2,045 medical colleges established.
- ❖ Major expansion of MBBS & PG seats.
- **❖ Nurses Registration and Tracking System** introduced.

India's Response During COVID-19

- ❖ The World's Largest Vaccination Drive India's COVID-19 vaccination campaign, powered by indigenous vaccines and CoWIN, administered over 2.2 billion doses
- A Railways ran 900 Oxygen Express trains; isolation coaches deployed.
- ❖ India launched the Emergency COVID Response Package (ECRP), which enhanced ICU beds, ventilator capacity, labs, and testing infrastructure.

North East: India's Beacon of Inclusive Growth

Once seen as a distant frontier, Northeast India is now a beacon of progress, peace, and potential. Over the past eleven years, the Government has pursued a transformative vision for inclusive development, with a special focus on regions that were historically overlooked. Among these, the North Eastern Region has witnessed unprecedented growth and integration into the national mainstream. Sustained policy attention, infrastructural investment, and strategic planning have reshaped the developmental landscape of India's North East.

Security

- ❖ 75% reduction in AFSPA (The Armed Forces Special Powers Act) areas in the region
- 64% decline in insurgency in the region in 2024 compared to 2014
- ❖ Bodo Peace Accord 2020 and Peace Accords with the Naga, Karbi, NLFT (SD), Adivasi groups, DNLA, ULFA, NLFT and ATTF brought peace to the NER

Economic Development

- Around 3,613 projects worth Rs. 44,859 crore have been sanctioned for the region
- ❖ Rs.1010.99 Crore disbursed till 31.03.2025; Rs. 400 Crore disbursed in 2024-25 for developmental packages in the Northeastern Region

Agriculture

- ❖ Under Mission Organic Value Chain Development for NER, 434 FPCS created, covering 1.73 lakh hectares and bene benefitting 2.19 lakh farmers
- ❖ National Bamboo Mission established to boost bamboo and allied industry
- ❖ 3.3 lakh gatherers benefitted under Van Dhan Yojana

Infrastructure

- ❖ Bogibeel Bridge completed after 16-year delay
- Rs. 4136 Crore for Hydro Electric projects
- ❖ 126 Externally Aided Projects worth of Rs 1,35,487.85 crore from 2017 to August, 2023
- Over 5000 km of road projects currently ongoing
- Connecting all state capitals with broad gauge rail
- ❖ 10 Greenfield airports built in the last 11 years
- * Ro-Ro service started on the Brahmaputra river

Social Development

- ❖ 15 medical colleges being set up In Assam
- ❖ Assam will have South Asia's largest cancer care network with 14 hospitals
- Mizoram Achieves Full Functional Literacy
- * Region's first AIIMS in Guwahati

Culture & Heritage

- ❖ Assam's Moidams make it to UNESCO's World Heritage List
- ❖ Iconic Tourist Destination Development for 8 states in NER

Bharat's Global Footprint

Over the past 11 years, India has emerged as a strong global leader, driving bold initiatives in climate action and AI governance. Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, India has shaped international discourse while prioritising national interests responsibly.

Global Leadership Through Initiatives

- ❖ India had the G20 presidency from December 2022 to November 2023, hosting 200 meetings in 60 cities and securing unanimous adoption of the New Delhi Declaration.
- ❖ Since January 2021, India sent over 30.12 crore COVID-19 vaccine doses to 99 countries and two UN bodies under Vaccine Maitri.
- ❖ In the last five years, India aided over 150 countries with humanitarian support.

Strengthening Regional and Global Partnerships

- ❖ The 'Neighbourhood First' policy and the Act East Policy since 2014 have together strengthened India's ties with neighbouring countries.
- ❖ India leads the Global South through development aid, capacity building, and key initiatives like MAHASAGAR and the Voice of Global South Summit.

❖ Between 2014 and 2024, India opened 39 new embassies, taking the total to 219 and expanding its global diplomatic reach.

Advancing Strategic Global Ties

- On 13 February 2025, India and the US launched COMPACT and set a trade target of 500 billion dollars by 2030.
- Defence cooperation with Russia deepened through joint projects like BrahMos and the S-400 system.
- ❖ In February 2025, India and France co-chaired the AI Action Summit and advanced ties under the Horizon 2047 Roadmap.

Support Beyond Borders

- ❖ Since 2014, around 3.43 lakh people have been helped through the Indian Community Welfare Fund.
- ❖ Major evacuations include the Vande Bharat Mission (3.2 crore people), and operations in Afghanistan, Ukraine, Sudan, Israel, and Haiti.
- ❖ Between 2014 and 2025, India signed migration agreements with 18 countries, enabling safer overseas work opportunities.

Counter-Terrorism and Internal Security

- ❖ India's counter-terrorism includes Surgical Strikes (2016), Balakot airstrikes (2019), and Operation SINDOOR (2025), targeting terror camps with precision.
- ❖ Terror incidents in Jammu & Kashmir fell from 228 in 2018 to 28 in 2024.
- Naxal violence dropped 81% from 1,936 incidents in 2010 to 374 in 2024; deaths reduced by 85%.

Forging Defence Strength

- ❖ India's defence production hit a record ₹1,27,434 crore in FY 2023–24, a 174% rise since 2014–15
- Defence exports reached ₹23,622 crore in FY 2024–25, up from ₹686 crore in 2013–14, with over 1,700 export authorisations; private sector contributed ₹15,233 crore.
- ❖ Five Positive Indigenisation Lists cover 5,500+ items, with 3,000 indigenised by Feb 2025.
- ❖ In 2024–25, 193 defence contracts worth ₹2,09,050 crore were signed; of these, 177 contracts worth ₹1,68,922 crore awarded to domestic firms.

Ease of Doing Business

Over the past 11 years, India has transformed into a red-carpet destination for investors and entrepreneurs. Through structural reforms, digital innovation, and investor-friendly policies, the government has redefined business operations- from incorporation to exit, positioning India as the world's third-largest startup ecosystem and a global innovation hub.

Startup Reforms and Tax Incentives

- ❖ Launched the "Transparent Taxation: Honouring the Honest" platform- Faceless assessments, appeals, and taxpayer-friendly interface.
- * Removal of Angel Tax (2024): Abolished for all investor classes, boosting startup funding.
- ❖ Corporate tax for foreign firms reduced to 35%.
- ❖ Goods and Services Tax (GST): Unified indirect taxes into a single market

Landmark Legal & Regulatory Reforms

- ❖ Jan Vishwas Act (2023): Decriminalised 183 provisions across 42 Acts.
- ❖ Repealed 1,500+ outdated laws.
- Removed 45,051 compliance burdens.
- ❖ Decriminalised 50 of 81 offences under Companies Act.
- **Ease of IP Registration**" Reduced patent and trademark filing fees and Faster processing with efiling and simplified procedures.

Ease of Doing Business Platforms

- ❖ National Single Window System (NSWS): "Know Your Approvals" (KYA) module covers 32 central departments and 34 states.
- ❖ SPICe+ Form (2020): Combines 10 services across MCA, Labour, and Finance ministries.
- ❖ ICEGATE: Single digital gateway for Indian Customs and traders; Supports e-filing, duty payment, IGST refund, and cross-border facilitation.

Logistics and Infrastructure Boost

PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan

- Unified planning platform across ministries for seamless connectivity.
- ❖ Integrates roads, rail, ports, airports, and utilities.

National Logistics Policy (2022)

- Focus on digitisation, process reforms, skilling, and service quality.
- ❖ Aims for a cost-efficient, resilient, and tech-enabled logistics ecosystem.

Global Rankings

❖ India's Logistics Performance Index rank improved from 54 (2020) to 38 (2023).

India's Startup Boom

- ❖ India: World's 3rd largest startup ecosystem (after US, China).
- ❖ Startups recognized: 1.6 lakh+ (2025), up from a few hundred in 2014.
- ❖ Jobs created: Over 17.6 lakh.
- **Unicorns**: From 4 (2014) to 118+ (2025).
- ❖ Tier II/III emergence: 51% startups from smaller cities.
- **Startup India Initiative**: Major enabler for policy support, funding access, and global reach.

Transforming the MSME Ecosystem

Government e-Marketplace (GeM)

- ❖ Transparent procurement portal for government buyers.
- ❖ Surpassed ₹5 lakh crore GMV before FY 2024–25.
- ❖ One District One Product (ODOP): Highlights 1,240 products from 773 districts.

Investor Confidence and FDI Growth

FDI Inflow Trends

- ❖ \$84.84 billion: Highest ever annual FDI (FY 2021–22).
- **♦ \$667.74 billion**: FDI received in 2014–24 (\approx 67% of total FDI since 2000).
- ❖ \$1 trillion milestone: Total FDI inflows since April 2000 (as of Dec 2024).
- ❖ Automatic route: Over 90% of FDI equity comes via automatic route.

India's Infrastructure Transformation

India's infrastructure landscape has undergone a revolutionary shift in the past eleven years, marked by an integrated, data-driven, and mission-mode approach. With a focus on multimodal connectivity, logistics efficiency, sustainability, and last-mile access, the government has implemented landmark projects and policy reforms that have made India the **second-largest road network** and the **third-largest metro network in the world**.

1. Institutional Reforms & Integrated Planning

- **PM GatiShakti (2021):** Unified planning platform covering **44 central ministries** and **36 states/UTs**, utilizing ₹100 lakh crore for infrastructure development.
- ❖ PRAGATI platform: Since 2015, 363 major projects reviewed, with latest review valued over ₹90,000 crore in April 2025.
- ❖ National Logistics Policy (2022): Targets creating cost-effective logistics network; India moved up 16 places to 38th in World Bank's Logistics Performance Index 2023, from 2014.

2. Roads and Highways: Scale, Speed, Connectivity

- * National Highways (NH) expanded 60% from 91,287 km (2014) to 1,46,204 km (2025).
- NH construction speed: 11.6 km/day (2014) \rightarrow 34 km/day (2025).
- **❖ High-Speed Corridors** grew from **93 km to 2,474 km**; **4-lane NHs more than doubled** from 2014-25.
- **♦ Bharatmala Pariyojana**: Pariyojana will cover a length of 34,800 km with an estimated cost of Rs. 5.35 lakh crore; till March 2025, **26,425 km** awarded, **20,378 km**.
- 7.8 lakh km rural roads built under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY); PMGSY-IV to connect 25,000 more habitations by 2029.
- ❖ Iconic projects: Atal Tunnel, Delhi-Mumbai Expressway, Char Dham Roads, Sudarshan Setu, Maitri Setu, Dhola-Sadiya Bridge.

3. Metro and Railways: Electrification, Modern Trains, Safety

- ❖ By May 2025, India had 1,013 km of metro lines in operation, up from just 248 km in 2014.
- ❖ 45,000 km of railway tracks upgraded since 2014; target: Net Zero Emissions by 2030.
- ❖ 68 Vande Bharat Trains, 3 Amrit Bharat, 2 Namo Bharat Rapid Rail operating in the country at present.
- *** Kavach safety system** deployed on **1,548 route km**.
- ❖ Since 2014 Indian Railways manufactured more than 37,000 LHB coaches.
- ❖ More than 45,000 Rkm of broad-gauge rail network was electrified in 2014-25.
- **Dedicated Freight Corridor: 96% complete** (2,843 km).

- **Freight loading** grew from **8,473 MT** (2004–14) to **14,200**+ MT (2014–25).
- ❖ Recent Infrastructure Development: New Pamban Bridge, Chenab Bridge, Kosi Rail Mahasetu.

4. Aviation Growth and Regional Connectivity

- **160 airports** operational (up from 74 in 2014); includes 2 water aerodromes, 13 heliports.
- Under UDAN scheme: 625 routes, 88 airports activated, 1.51 crore passengers have flown on RCS flights, 3.05 lakh flights have been operated.
- * Greenfield airports operationalised in Durgapur, Shirdi, Kannur, Kushinagar, Goa, Itanagar etc.
- ❖ Digi Yatra rolled out in 24 major airports, over 5.22 crore users as of March 2025.
- **Drone reforms**: Over **32,000 drones registered**, PLI Scheme of ₹34.79 crore implemented.
- **HEMS** (2024): India's first air ambulance service launched in hilly terrains.
- ❖ India leads globally with 15% women pilots.
- ❖ Turnaround time for last baggage **reduced to under 30 minutes** at major airports.

5. Shipping and Port Infrastructure

- * Port capacity doubled to 2,762 MMTPA; cargo handled rose to 1,594 MMT.
- **Lighthouse Tourism:** Up from 4.34 lakh to **18.63 lakh in 2025**.
- **Vessel turnaround time** halved: 93 hours \rightarrow 49 hours.
- ❖ Inland Waterways: Cargo jumped from 18 MMT to 146 MMT (710% increase); operational waterways grew from 3 to 29.
- ❖ National Waterways (NWs) notified increased from 5 in 2013-14 to 111 by 2016.
- * Major projects:
 - a) Vizhinjam Port: India's first deepwater transshipment hub.
 - b) Cochin Dry Dock & ISRF: Asia's largest repair facility.
 - c) Green Hydrogen Hubs at Deendayal, VOC, and Paradip Ports.
 - d) Vadhvan Deep Draft Port: Envisioned as one of the world's top 10 container ports.
- **Sagarmala Programme (2015): 277 projects completed; Sagarmala 2.0** launched with ₹40,000 **crore** support, ₹12 lakh crore investment target.
- * Maritime workforce: Women seafarers grew 10x, total seafarers rose from 1.17 lakh to 3.2 lakh.
- ❖ Over **21 MoUs** signed with global partners (Norway, Denmark, UAE, South Korea, Bangladesh etc.).
- ❖ India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC): Launched during India's G20 presidency. Expected to reduce logistics costs by 30% and transit time by 40%.

6. Digitisation and Technology Integration

- **FASTag** penetration: 98.5% (₹192 crore) collected daily through 1,051 National Highways Electronic Toll Collection.
- * e-BCAS, eGCA, AEP projects digitised civil aviation operations and security.
- ❖ Over 6,000 railway stations have WiFi; 2,000+ solar-powered.
- * 100 % LED lights have been installed at railway stations, service buildings etc.
- **One Station One Product (OSOP): 2,266 outlets, ₹107.89 crore** sales as of March 2025.

7. Inclusive Development and Accessibility

❖ PMGSY: 99% rural road coverage; green tech adopted in 15,783 km roads (2024).

- **Amrit Bharat Station Scheme**: 1,300+ stations to be redeveloped.
- ❖ 1,790 lifts and 1,602 escalators installed at railway stations.

India's Tech Odyssey

Over the past eleven years, technology has reshaped India's development journey by making services more accessible, welfare delivery more efficient, and financial inclusion more widespread. With a focus on last-mile reach and citizen empowerment, digital tools now drive progress across sectors from payments to public health, education, and even space.

Digital Finance and Inclusion

- ❖ UPI handled 18,301 million transactions worth ₹24.77 lakh crore in March 2025; UPI system used by 460 million individuals and 65 million merchants. India led global real-time payments with 49% market share in 2023.
- ❖ Aadhaar issued 141.88 crore IDs by April 2025, streamlining e-KYC and service access.
- **❖** DBT saved ₹3.48 lakh crore by removing fake beneficiaries. By May 2025, ₹43.95 lakh crore was directly transferred into the bank accounts of beneficiaries.

Connectivity and Infrastructure

- ❖ In 22 months, 4.74 lakh 5G base stations were installed, covering 99.6% of districts. By 2025, India had 116 crore mobile subscribers.
- **❖** Internet users grew 285% since 2014, while data costs fell from ₹308 per GB to ₹9.34 in 2022.
- ❖ BharatNet connected over 2.14 lakh Gram Panchayats with high-speed internet, laying nearly 6.93 lakh km of optical fibre.

Public Service Delivery and Governance

- ❖ The CoWIN portal managed over 220 crore COVID-19 vaccine doses, ensuring transparency and efficiency in one of the world's largest vaccination drives, and gained global recognition.
- ❖ As of January 31, 2025, 5.97 lakh Common Services Centres operate nationwide, mostly at the Gram Panchayat level, delivering essential services to rural areas.

Digital Capacity Building

- ❖ BHASHINI breaks language barriers with 35+ Indian languages, 1,600+ AI models, integrated into platforms like IRCTC, and over 8.5 lakh app downloads.
- ❖ Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan trained 6.39 crore rural citizens by March 2024, surpassing its 6-crore goal, via 4.39 lakh Common Service Centres in 2.52 lakh Gram Panchayats.
- Mission Karmayogi's iGOT platform onboarded 1.07 crore civil servants by May 2025, offering 2,588 courses and issuing 3.24 crore certificates for ongoing governance training.

Advancing Strategic Tech Capabilities

The IndiaAI Mission, with a ₹10,372 crore budget, boosted AI research, reaching 34,000+ GPUs by May 2025.

❖ The ₹76,000 crore India Semiconductor Mission approved six projects worth over ₹1.55 lakh crore by May 2025.

Leadership in Space: Sky is not the Limit

- ❖ ISRO set a world record by launching 104 satellites in one mission in 2017.
- ❖ Chandrayaan-3 mission in 2023 made India the first country to land near the lunar south pole and the fourth to achieve a soft Moon landing.
- ❖ India's space sector includes 328+ startups and plans for the Bharatiya Antariksh Station by 2035, human spaceflight in 2027, and a manned Moon mission by 2040.
- ❖ The ₹20,193 crore Gaganyaan Programme will run eight missions, with four Indian Air Force pilots trained as astronauts.

India Becoming An Economic Powerhouse

India stands at the forefront of global economic transformation, emerging as the fastest-growing major economy in the world. The last decade has been marked by decisive policy reforms, infrastructure expansion, and robust trade performance. With record-breaking foreign investments, an unprecedented surge in digital transactions, and a manufacturing sector geared by strategic schemes like **PLI**, India has redefined its growth trajectory. Supported by strengthened banking systems and resilient MSMEs, the economy has not only recovered from global disruptions but has also laid a strong foundation for long-term sustainable growth. The year 2024–25 reflects India's readiness to lead the global economy in the coming years.

Economic Growth

- ❖ India is projected to be the world's fastest-growing major economy at 6.3% to 6.8% in 2025–26.
- ❖ Nominal GDP rose by 9.9% and real GDP by 6.5% in 2024–25.
- ❖ The Aatmanirbhar Bharat Package worth ₹29.8 lakh crore helped save the economy during COVID.
- ❖ The banking sector strengthened with GNPA falling to a 12-year low of 2.6% in December 2024.

Trade and Exports

- ❖ Total exports reached USD 825 billion in FY 2024–25.
- ❖ Non-petroleum exports hit a record USD 374.1 billion in FY 2024–25.
- ❖ Merchandise exports stood at USD 437 billion in FY 2024–25.
- ❖ There was a 32% rise in electronic goods exports, touching USD 38+ billion in FY 2024-25.

Investment and FDI

- ❖ India received USD 667.74 billion FDI in the decade 2014–24, more than double the previous 14 years.
- Gross FDI inflows touched USD 1 trillion by September 2024.
- ❖ India saw its highest FDI of USD 84.84 billion in 2021–22.

Digital Transactions

- ❖ Digital transactions surged 9x in volume (FY18–FY24), with UPI processing 172 billion transactions in 2024 alone.
- ❖ 49% of global real-time digital transactions happened in India (ACI Worldwide Report 2024)

Infrastructure and Manufacturing

- ❖ ₹1.97 lakh crore PLI scheme supported manufacturing in 14 sectors.
- **❖** The PLI scheme generated ₹1.61 lakh crore investment and ₹5.31 lakh crore in exports.
- ❖ The scheme also helped create 11.5 lakh jobs.
- ❖ National highways increased from 91,287 km in 2014 to 1,46,204 km till March 2025.
- ❖ There are 160 operational airports in the country, which include 145 airports, 2 water aerodromes, and 13 heliports as of March 2025.

MSMEs and Employment

- **♦** MSME loans worth ₹2.39 lakh crore were protected from NPAs under ECLGS.
- ❖ 1.13 crore MSMEs benefited and 1.5 crore jobs were saved, supported the livelihood of nearly 6 crore people.
- ❖ Over ₹3.68 lakh crore sanctioned under the Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS)

India's Journey of Cultural Revival and Global Excellence

Preserving the Past, Building the Future

Over the past 11 years, India has embraced its rich heritage while advancing modern infrastructure and global outreach. Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, ancient traditions and diverse cultures have been preserved, celebrated, and revitalized. This cultural renaissance has strengthened national pride and showcased India's timeless legacy on the world stage.

India's Cultural Rebirth

- * Redevelopment of temple corridors and pilgrimage sites (e.g., Kashi Vishwanath Corridor, Ram Lalla in Ayodhya).
- ❖ Enhanced pilgrimage connectivity and modern amenities.
- ❖ Inclusive heritage development via PRASHAD scheme rejuvenating places of worship across religions.
- Swadesh Darshan and HRIDAY schemes developed travel and heritage infrastructure with large investments.
- ❖ 2024 saw 9.66 million foreign tourists generating ₹2,77,842 crore in foreign exchange earnings.

Recovering Lost Heritage

- Return of stolen antiquities rose from 13 (Before 2013) to 642 since 2014.
- ❖ US helped return 578 artefacts since 2016- the highest from any country.

Honouring Nation Builders

- ❖ Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (2021-22) celebrated 75 years of independence with cultural events.
- Iconic memorials created or inaugurated:
 - o Pradhan Mantri Sangrahalaya (2022)
 - o National War Memorial (2019)
 - o National Police Memorial (2018)
 - o Jallianwala Bagh Memorial (2019)
 - o Tribal Freedom Fighter Museums (11 museums being developed)
 - o Bharat Mandapam (2023)
 - o New Parliament House (2023) with Vastu design and sustainable features.

Bridging Spiritual & Cultural Traditions

- ❖ Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat programme promotes unity through cultural exchange among states.
- ❖ Kashi Tamil Sangamam (1.0, 2.0, 3.0) showcased strong civilizational ties and attracted huge audiences.
- ❖ Celebrated major religious milestones (Guru Gobind Singh Ji & Guru Nanak Dev Ji anniversaries).
- ❖ Global Buddhist Summit reinforced India's spiritual influence.
- ❖ Maha Kumbh 2025 saw over 66 crore devotees, promoting unity.
- ❖ Waqf (Amendment) Act 2025 introduced digitization and better governance of waqf properties.

WAVES 2025: Media & Entertainment Summit

- ❖ Held in Mumbai, May 1-4, 2025, with delegates from 100+ countries and over 1 lakh visitors.
- ❖ Over 1,000 companies participated; deals worth ₹1,300 crore at WAVES Bazaar.
- **♦** Maharashtra signed ₹8,000 crore MoUs.
- ❖ Startups pitched to investors; MoUs with Adobe, Google, NVIDIA to develop IICT.

Yoga: Uniting Nations Through Wellness

- ❖ Proposed by PM Modi at UN in 2014; International Day of Yoga celebrated annually since 2015.
- Growing global participation, Guinness World Records set multiple times.
- ❖ Theme 2025: "Yoga for One Earth, One Health."

Global Influence of Ayurveda

- ❖ Ministry of AYUSH promotes Ayurveda globally with 24 country and 48 institute MoUs.
- ❖ WHO Global Traditional Medicine Centre established in Jamnagar.
- ❖ Ayurveda included in WHO ICD-11.
- ❖ Ayush Visa and Heal in India initiatives boost medical tourism.
- ❖ 9th Ayurveda Day in 2024 celebrated across 150 countries.

UNESCO Heritage Milestones

- ❖ 43 World Heritage Sites as of 2024; recent addition: "Moidams" burial system of Ahom Dynasty.
- ❖ 62 sites on UNESCO Tentative List.

❖ Heritage sites preserved as symbols of history and learning.

Cleaner Energy, Greener India

11 years of climate action that blends tradition & technology

India has undergone a remarkable ecological shift in the past 11 years, blending ancient wisdom with modern policies. The country has moved from being a climate follower to a global sustainability leader. From clean energy to conservation, urban resilience to rural empowerment, India's green story is bold, inclusive and forward-looking.

Global Climate Leadership

- ❖ India became a leading voice for *climate justice and equity* at global summits (COP21, COP26, COP29).
- ❖ Launched global movements like LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) and Panchamrit climate targets.
- ❖ Showcased clean energy, disaster resilience and women-led climate action at COP29 in Baku.

Clean Energy Revolution

- **❖ Renewable energy capacity** touched **223.6 GW** by June 2025, with a record **29.52 GW** added in FY 2024–25.
- ❖ Solar capacity grew from 2.82 GW (2014) to 107.9 GW by June 2025, with tariffs dropping by 65%.
- ❖ Wind energy capacity reached 51.05 GW; nuclear power rose to 8.78 GW.
- ❖ India now ranks **7th globally** in the Renewable Energy Country Attractiveness Index.

Flagship Green Missions

- ❖ ISA: 105-member International Solar Alliance, targeting \$1 trillion solar investment.
- **National Green Hydrogen Mission**: ₹8 lakh crore investment, 6 lakh jobs, 5 MMT green hydrogen capacity by 2030.
- ❖ PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana: Rooftop solar installed in 11.88 lakh homes till April 2025, with digital access to subsidies.
- **♦ Model Solar Villages**: 1 model solar village per district, with ₹1 crore each in Central Assistance.
- ❖ PM-KUSUM: Solarizing 49 lakh irrigation pumps for farmers.
- ❖ UJALA Scheme: As of 6th January 2025, **36.87 crore LED bulbs** distributed since 2015, boosting energy savings.

Forest & Wildlife Conservation

- ❖ Forest cover rose from 698,712 km² (2013) to 715,343 km² (2023).
- ❖ Tiger population more than doubled to 3,682, now 75% of global tiger count.
- ❖ Project Cheetah: Reintroduced cheetahs in India after 70 years, with first cubs born in wild.

- ❖ Project Lion: Conservation efforts for the Asiatic lion, population increased from 411 (2010) to 674 (2020).
- **❖ 13 Indian beaches** got global Blue Flag Certification.
- ❖ Palli, J&K became India's first carbon-neutral panchayat.
- ❖ Over 142 crore trees planted under Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam campaign.
- ❖ 85 Ramsar sites (from 26 in 2013) showcasing wetland conservation.

River and Village Renewal

- ❖ Namami Gange: Comprehensive clean-up of River Ganga; cultural and ecological revival.
- **Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban & Grameen):**
 - o Under SBM-G, 12 crore toilets built; sanitation coverage rose from 39% to 100%.
 - o SBM-Urban 2.0 budget: ₹1.41 lakh crore (2021–26).
- **❖ GOBARdhan Scheme**: Budget 2023 announced ₹10,000 crore investment in 500 new waste-to-wealth plants; During FY 2023-24, **198 plants completed**, **556 under construction**

Disaster Resilience & Safety

- **❖** ₹46,000 crore allocated so far for **disaster preparedness**.
- **♦** March 2025: ₹5,000 crore sanctioned for modernizing **fire services**.

Eco-Tourism & Heritage Protection

- **Kedarnath Ropeway**: Cuts 9-hour trek to 36 minutes, preserving fragile Himalayan ecology.
- ❖ Hemkund Sahib Ropeway: Eases access for 1.5–2 lakh pilgrims annually near UNESCO Valley of Flowers.