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HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER SHRI NARENDRA MODI ADDRESSES THE LOK SABHA (LOWER HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT) DURING A SPECIAL DISCUSSION ON OPERATION SINDOOR



Hon'ble PM Mr. Narendra Modi addressed the Lok Sabha during a special discussion on India's strong, successful and decisive 'Operation Sindoor' in response to the terrorist attack in Pahalgam. Addressing the house, the Prime Minister recalled his interaction with the media fraternity at the beginning of the session, stating that he had appealed to all Honourable Members of Parliament by describing the session as a celebration of India's victories and a tribute to India's glory.

Highlighting that 'Vijay Utsav' referring to the complete obliteration of terrorist headquarters, Shri Modi remarked that Vijayotsav represents the fulfillment of the solemn vow taken with sindoor — a tribute to national devotion and sacrifice. "Vijay Utsav is a testament to the valour and strength of India's armed forces", he emphasised, further stating that Vijayotsav celebrates the unity, willpower, and collective triumph of 140 crore Indians.

Affirming that he has stood in the House with the spirit of victory to present India's perspective, the Prime Minister stated that for those who fail to see India's viewpoint, he has stood to hold up a mirror. He remarked that he has come to join his voice with the emotions of 140 crore citizens. Shri Modi emphasized that the resonance of these collective sentiments has been heard in the House, and he has risen to add his voice to that resounding spirit.

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Hon'ble PM, Mr. Narendra Modi addresses the Namibian Parliament



At the invitation of the Speaker of the National Assembly, H.E. Saara Kuugongelwa, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the Parliament of Namibia. This special gesture from the Namibian side made Prime Minister's State Visit to Namibia even more meaningful.

Addressing the Parliament, Prime Minister conveyed greetings from the "Mother of Democracy" and the largest democracy in the world to the members of the august House and to the friendly people of Namibia. Recalling the historic ties between the two countries and their shared struggle for freedom, Prime Minister paid tribute to the legacy of Dr. Sam Nujoma, the founding father of Namibia. He noted that the democratic values and principles championed by the founding fathers of the two countries continue to illuminate the path of progress in both countries. He lauded the role of the government and people of Namibia in deepening democracy in the country.

Prime Minister thanked the people of Namibia for bestowing on him their highest national honor. He noted that this special gesture was a tribute to the achievements of the Indian and Namibian democracies. As sentinels of freedom, equality and justice, he called upon the two countries to work for the betterment of the Global South, so that the voices of its people are not just heard, but their hopes and aspirations are fully realized. He underlined that India will always work for the progress of Africa, as it had done during its presidency of the G-20 when the African Union was made a permanent member of the group. He stated that India was privileged to share its development experience with Namibia and other countries in the continent. India remains committed to building capacity, developing skills, promoting local innovation and supporting Africa's Agenda 2063.

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Hon'ble Prime Minister's acceptance speech during the conferment of Namibia's highest civilian award - The Order of the Most Ancient Welwitschia Mirabilis

Your Excellency Madam President,
Vice President,
Prime Minister,
Honourable Ministers of Namibia,
Distinguished guests,

It is a matter of immense pride and honour for me to receive Namibia's highest civilian award - "The Order of the Most Ancient Welwitschia Mirabilis", from the President.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the President, the Government, and the people of Namibia. I humbly accept this honour on behalf of 140 crore Indians.

Friends,

The "Welwitschia" plant of Namibia, after which this award has been named, is no ordinary plant. It is like the elders of the family, who have seen times change. It is a symbol of the struggles, courage and culture of the Namibian people. It is a witness to the unwavering friendship between India and Namibia.

And today, I feel immense pride to be associated with it. I dedicate this award to the people of Namibia and India; to their continued progress and development; and to the enduring strength of our unbreakable friendship.

Friends,

It is only in our difficult times, that we realise who our true friends are. India and Namibia have supported each other since the days of their freedom struggles. Our friendship isn't based on politics, but on our shared struggles, cooperation, and deep mutual trust.

Our bond has been strengthened by our shared democratic values and common dreams of a brighter future. In the times ahead, we will continue to walk together, hand-in-hand, on the path of development.

Friends,

Namibia is one of the world's largest diamond producers. And India has the largest diamond polishing industry - that too in my home state of Gujarat! I'm confident that in the future, our partnership will shine just as brightly as these diamonds.

So let us come together and extend our good wishes for the President's long life and good health, for the happiness and prosperity of the people of Namibia, and for the long-lasting friendship between India and Namibia.

Thank you very much.

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Hon'ble Prime Minister attends the 60th anniversary celebrations of the independence of Maldives as Guest of Honour



During Hon'ble Prime Minister, Narendra Modi's visit to Male, he attended the 60th anniversary celebrations of the independence of Maldives as the 'Guest of Honour'. This is the first time that an Indian Prime Minister is attending the Independence Day celebrations in Maldives. Prime Minister Modi is also the first foreign leader at the level of Head of State or Government to be hosted by President Muizzu.

Prime Minister, accompanied by H.E Dr. Mohammed Muizzu, President of Maldives, witnessed the Independence Day parade at Republic Square. On the occasion, Prime Minister extended warm greetings to the people and government of Maldives. The celebrations showcased a lively parade by the Maldivian National Defence Forces and other local units, along with a string of cultural performances that dwelt on the achievements of Maldives as a modern nation.

Prime Minister thanked President Muizzu and the people of Maldives for their gracious invitation. His participation in the Independence Day celebrations as the 'Guest of Honor' marks a milestone in the bilateral ties between the two countries. The year 2025 also marks 60 years of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and Maldives.

For more details: <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleaseDetail.aspx?PRID=21489>

Hon'ble Prime Minister, Narendra Modi calls on His Majesty King Charles III of the United Kingdom



Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi called on His Majesty King Charles III at Sandringham Estate, the summer residence of His Majesty.

Prime Minister shared his happiness at the recovery of His Majesty's health and resumption of his Royal duties. Prime Minister and His Majesty discussed matters related to health and sustainable living, including Ayurveda and Yoga and ways to spread their benefits to people across the world.

The two leaders also discussed bilateral ties. They noted that the signing of the historic India-UK Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement would impart a new momentum to the partnership. Prime Minister apprised His Majesty of the progress made by India in the renewable energy sector to promote sustainable development. They also discussed ways to collaborate and promote their shared vision regarding climate change and sustainability.

Prime Minister and His Majesty also discussed ways in which the UK and India could work together in the Commonwealth.

Prime Minister thanked His Majesty for joining the green campaign - Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam [plant for mother] and handed over a sapling that will be planted in Sandringham Estate during the upcoming planting season in autumn.

Prime Minister thanked His Majesty for his hospitality and invited him to pay a State Visit to India.

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Hon'ble Prime Minister addresses 17th BRICS Summit - Session on Environment, COP-30 and Global Health



Hon'ble Prime Minister, Narendra Modi addressed today a session on "Environment, COP-30 and Global Health". The session saw participation by BRICS members, Partner countries and invited nations. He thanked Brazil for organizing the session on issues of such high importance for the future of the world. Prime Minister noted that for India, climate change was not just about dealing with energy issues, but one which impacts balance between life and nature. He underlined that India approached climate justice as a moral responsibility which it must fulfil. Reiterating India's deep commitment to environmental action, he elaborated on the initiatives taken by it to promote pro-people and pro-planet growth and development, such as International Solar Alliance, Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure, Global Biofuels Alliance, International Big Cat Alliance, Mission Life, Ek Pedh Maa Ke Naam [Plant for Mother] among others.

Prime Minister noted that India was pursuing a sustainable path to growth. While it was the fastest growing major economy, it met its Paris Commitments ahead of time. He called for transfer of technology and affordable financing for developing countries to be able to undertake climate change action. In this regard, he noted that the Framework Declaration on Climate Finance adopted by the group was an important step forward.

Elaborating on India's commitment to green development, Prime Minister noted that India has adopted the mantra of "One Earth, One Health" in providing support to countries, including during the covid pandemic. He highlighted that India had successfully implemented digital health schemes and was ready to share them with the global south countries. In this context, he welcomed the adoption of the declaration - BRICS Partnership for Elimination of Socially Determined Diseases.

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Prime Minister meets with the President of Trinidad and Tobago



Hon'ble Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi met H. E. Christine Carla Kangaloo, the President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, at the President's House in Port of Spain. The meeting was marked by warmth and a reaffirmation of the deep-rooted friendship between the two nations.

Prime Minister expressed heartfelt appreciation for the gracious hospitality extended to him and his delegation and conveyed his sincere gratitude for the conferment of the 'Order of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago'—describing it as an honour for the 1.4 billion people of India.

Prime Minister congratulated President Kangaloo on receiving the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award this year and expressed deep appreciation for her distinguished public service. President Kangaloo appreciated Prime Minister's leadership and vision for India.

The two leaders reflected on the enduring bonds shared by the two countries, anchored by strong people-to-people ties.

Prime Minister reiterated India's continued support for Trinidad and Tobago and CARICOM to enhance the Global South partnership. Prime Minister invited President Kangaloo to visit India.

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HON'BLE RASHTRAPATIJI INAUGURATES MAHAYOGI GURU GORAKHNATH AYUSH UNIVERSITY



Honorable Rashtrapatiiji (President of India), Smt Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the Mahayogi Guru Gorakhnath AYUSH University at Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh (July 1, 2025).

Speaking on the occasion, the President said that the Mahayogi Guru Gorakhnath AYUSH University is an impressive modern center of our rich ancient traditions. This inauguration is a milestone in the development of medical education and medical services, not only in Uttar Pradesh but also in the entire country. She was happy to note that the advanced facilities developed at the University are now available to a large number of people. About 100 AYUSH colleges affiliated with this university are also benefiting from its excellence.

In brief impromptu remarks about her own public life, the President said that in public life, one has to give up self-comforts to help people. She appreciated Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath for his dedication to public welfare. She noted that his tireless efforts had resulted in the development of health, education, and agricultural infrastructure in the region. She urged administrators, doctors, and nurses to carry forward the welfare measures initiated by the people's representatives. She advised everyone to introspect on the promise they have made to oneself when entering any profession.

such universities will have to play a decisive role in increasing the scientific acceptance of these systems.

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ENVOYS OF FOUR NATIONS PRESENT CREDENTIALS TO THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA



(Photo 01)



(Photo 02)



(Photo 03)



(Photo 04)

Hon'ble Rashtrapatiiji (President of India), Smt Droupadi Murmu accepted credentials from the Ambassadors/High Commissioners of Dominican Republic, Timor-Leste, Sri Lanka and Gabonese Republic at a ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan today (July 29, 2025). Those who presented their credentials were:

1. H.E. Mr Francisco Manuel Compres Hernandez, Ambassador of the Dominican Republic (Photo 01)
2. H.E. Mr Karlito Nunes, Ambassador of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste (Photo 02)
3. H.E. Ms Pradeepa Mahishini Colonne, High Commissioner of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka (Photo 03)
4. H.E. Mr Guy Rodrigue Dikayi, High Commissioner of the Gabonese Republic (Photo 04)

Hon'ble Prime Minister lauds the inscription of 'Maratha Military Landscapes of India' on the UNESCO World Heritage List



Hon'ble Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi has expressed immense pride and joy over the inclusion of the Maratha Military Landscapes of India in the prestigious UNESCO World Heritage List. He noted that the inscribed heritage comprises 12 majestic forts- 11 located in Maharashtra and 1 in Tamil Nadu. Highlighting the significance of the Maratha Empire, the Prime Minister remarked, "When we speak of the glorious Maratha Empire, we associate it with good governance, military strength, cultural pride and emphasis on social welfare. The great rulers inspire us with their refusal to bow to any injustice." He urged citizens to visit these forts to learn about the rich history of the Maratha Empire. The Prime Minister also shared cherished memories from his 2014 visit to Raigad Fort, including a photograph where he paid tribute to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

Responding to the X post of UNESCO about aforesaid recognition, the Prime Minister said;

"Every Indian is elated with this recognition.

These 'Maratha Military Landscapes' include 12 majestic forts, 11 of which are in Maharashtra and 1 is in Tamil Nadu.

When we speak of the glorious Maratha Empire, we associate it with good governance, military strength, cultural pride and emphasis on social welfare. The great rulers inspire us with their refusal to bow to any injustice.

I call upon everyone to go visit these forts and learn about the rich history of the Maratha Empire."

"Here are pictures from my visit to Raigad Fort in 2014. Had the opportunity to bow to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. Will always cherish that visit."

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AMBASSADOR ASHOK KUMAR VISITED VITEBSK REGION AND PARTICIPATED IN 34TH EDITION OF ANNUAL SLAVIANSKI BAZAAR



(Ambassador Ashok with Mr. Alexander Subbotin, Governor, Vitebsk and Mr. Oleg Buianov, DG, Orsha Linen Factory)

Ambassador Ashok Kumar visited Vitebsk region of Belarus and participated in 34th edition of annual Slavianski Bazaar. Ambassador met Mr. Alexander Subbotin, Chairman of the Vitebsk Region Executive Committee (Governor) and discussed various business prospects between the Vitebsk region and India. Ambassador also visited to Orsha Linen factory and met Mr. Oleg Buianov, Director General of the Orsha Linen factory and urged him to explore Indian market and also consider to produce in India as linen fabric and its various products are gaining popularity in India.

Ambassador also met Mr. Alexey Chukanov, Rector of the Vitebsk State Medical University and also interacted with the Indian students there; Mr. Mikhail Shurat, Head of the Vitebsk Free Economic Zone and discussed the issues of mutual interest. Ambassador also visited an electric wire manufacturing company 'Energokomplekt' and met. Mr. Sergei Podgaisky and explored the possibilities of engaging more closely with the Indian companies.

FORTHCOMING BUSINESS EVENTS IN INDIA

The 2nd India MedTech Expo

Export Promotion Council for Medical Devices (EPCMD) will host the **2nd India MedTech Expo** in September 2025 under the aegis of Bharat Health from 4th to 6th September - 2025. This Expo will feature an Exhibition, Conference, Regional Forums, and B2B Meetings, with a Reverse Buyer Seller Meet (RBSM) as a key highlight.

Bharat Health Global Expo 2025 Concurrent with SANJEEVANI 2025

An International Event on Healthcare and Wellness

Bharat Health Global Expo 2025, organised by the Ministry of Commerce, India, will be a landmark event bringing together the entire healthcare ecosystem under one roof. The third edition of **SANJEEVANI** will be held under the aegis of Bharat Health Global Expo 2025. This prestigious event will be held from 4th to 6th September, 2025, at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi. The 11th edition of iPHEX will be held from **4th to 6th September, 2025, at Bharat Mandapam, Delhi, India**. Over 700 Indian companies from the pharma and healthcare industries will showcase their products and services.

4th edition of FICCI LEADS

FICCI's premier global platform for thought leaders to be held **on 10-11 September 2025 at Bharat Mandapam**, New Delhi. The event is supported by the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India and the International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

2nd event "Raj-Plast 2025"

Rajasthan Plastic Manufacturers Association (PMAR) and PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) are jointly organizing **Raj-Plast 2025**, an international exhibition for plastic and agro industries, to be held from **19th to 22nd September, 2025 at Jaipur Exhibition and Convention Centre (JECC)**, Sitapur, Jaipur, Rajasthan.

3rd event of Uttar Pradesh International Trade Show (UP ITS)

FIEO is organizing the third edition of **Uttar Pradesh International Trade Show (UP ITS)** from **25th to 29th September 2025 at India Expo Centre & Mart**, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India. Interested overseas buyers are requested to register by submitting their details online at: <http://www.fieo.org/UPITS2025>

FORTHCOMING BUSINESS EVENTS IN BELARUS

Dark Matters IV

Interactive stands of fantasy universes, competitions, new board and computer games, alley of authors and game libraries, communication zone, stands of publishers and developers

September 13-15 Minsk, Pobediteley Ave., 20/2 (football arena)

Expoforum Exhibition Unitary Enterprise <https://gameexpo.by>

XXVII International Architecture and Construction Exhibition

"BudExpa - 2025"

Modern construction and finishing materials, tools, equipment, house building, modern architectural solutions, urban development models

The exhibition is held on **September 17-19, 2025** by the Ministry of Architecture and Construction of Belarus and the National Exhibition Center BelExpo <https://budexpo.by>

Belarusian Industrial and Innovation Forum

Includes the 28th International Exhibition of Industrial Technologies and Innovations. The 9th International Specialized Exhibition of Welding and Cutting Equipment and Technologies, the International Exhibition of Chemical, Oil and Gas Industry and Science. The best practical achievements of manufacturers of chemical products, petroleum products, process equipment, automation systems, and control system developers. The 8th Exhibition of Equipment and Technologies for the Production of Polymers and Composites: manufacturers and developers of polymer, composite materials, cutting and shaping tools, production of plastic products, additive technologies and waste collection and recycling technologies, the Exhibition and Conference of Manufacturers of Laboratory Equipment, Chemical Reagents, Control and Measuring Systems LABTech, the VI Interregional Exhibition of Digital Technologies and Industrial Solutions Smart Industry Expo: Digital Technologies and Industrial Solutions (SIEx), the 28th International Exhibition of Industrial Technologies and Innovations TECHNOPROM.

Will be held on **September 23-25, 2025** in Minsk, Pobediteley Ave., 20/2 Football Arena

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