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Dear sisters and brothers,

The BJP comes to you to seek your valued blessings yet again, so that India continues unhindered on the path of development, to realize its true destiny with renewed vigour.

Five years ago, on 26th May 2014, we commenced our journey to transform our great nation and do justice to the historic mandate bestowed upon us.

At that time, India’s challenges were monumental—our economy was in the doldrums, the nation was among the fragile five, pessimism and despair was all-pervasive and corruption was rampant. There were serious doubts in the minds of many about India’s ability to fulfill the dreams and aspirations of her citizens.

But, if challenges were enormous, so was our resolve to build a stronger, safer and prosperous nation. Powered and inspired by the strengths and skills of 130 crore Indians, we converted obstacles into opportunities, decay into development and pessimism into positivity.

At an unimaginable speed and scale, what seemed impossible earlier soon became a reality. In the last five five years, every Indian family got a bank account due to Jan Dhan Yojana, 50 crore Indians got health insurance thanks to Ayushman Bharat and more than 40 crore people in the unorganised sector can now avail pension coverage. A subject like cleanliness ignited the imagination of the nation and now we are close to 99% sanitation coverage, compared to a mere 38% in 2014. It is now possible for youngsters from smaller towns to become entrepreneurs thanks to Mudra Yojana. The rising neo-middle and middle class with taxable income up to Rs. 5 lakhs no longer need to pay income tax.

Our Government filled the infrastructure gaps with speed and foresight. The pace of construction of roads and railway lines has doubled. India has now more efficient ports. 18,000 villages living in darkness till 2014 are now brightly lit thanks to rural electrification efforts. More than 2.6 crore homes have been electrified through Saubhagya Yojana. Over 1.5 crore homes built over the last five years have enabled millions to dream big.

The nation is no longer helpless against the barbaric forces of terror. Any destructive ideology that destroys the atmosphere of peace and unity is and will be given a befitting reply. They are being paid back in their own coin, with compound interest.

India’s Northeast, which earlier made headlines for blockage and neglect, is now witnessing unprecedented development. The Northeast is now closer to the national mainstream in more ways than one.
The Central Government has waged a determined crusade against the scourge of corruption and black money. The culture of middlemen roaming in the corridors of power is now history. Decisions are guided by public interest of all Indians and not the self-interest of a select few. The trinity of Jan Dhan- Aadhaar and Mobile has weeded out over 8 crore fake beneficiaries, and prevented leakages of more than Rs. 1 lakh crore. Systems have been strengthened to prevent money laundering. The corrupt have begun to realize that their machinations will no longer be tolerated.

One can clearly see how development has become a mass movement. Numerous people friendly decisions have led to the empowerment of 130 crore Indians and the safeguarding of our strategic interests.

Today, India stands tall at the international level. The world recognizes India’s immense potential, which is clearly reflected in a record rise in foreign investment. India’s stand on subjects like terrorism, climate change and prevention of money laundering are setting the global narrative.

Friends,

Through this Sankalp Patra, you would get a glimpse of the challenges of the yesteryears, the indomitable efforts made by 130 crore Indians to overcome those challenges and our collective vision for the future.

We have achieved a lot in the last five years and we want to do lot more. There are two commitments that I am extremely passionate about- doubling of farmer income and housing for all, by the year 2022. With your support, I am sure both will happen.

I thank lakhs of alert, committed and patriotic citizens of India, who have enriched the Sankalp Patra with their valuable inputs. This Sankalp Patra is the voice of the people in the truest sense.

Your vote in 2014 for a strong and decisive government enabled us to fill some of the biggest shortcomings of five decades of dynastic rule in a short span of just five years. Now that these shortcomings have been successfully addressed, imagine the pace at which we can work in the times to come.

The next five years are crucial because in 2022, we mark the 75th anniversary of our Independence. Generations of great women and men laid down their lives so that we could breathe the air of freedom. It is our sacred duty to create the India of their dreams.

In 2047, our nation would complete a hundred years of freedom. Let us together imagine what is the kind of India that we want by 2047. The BJP pledges to make the next five years as the foundation laying period for India of 2047. Let us together lay the foundations of this vision now, and work earnestly towards translating this vision into a golden reality.

Having seen the work of different political parties and ideologies, the people of India are convinced that if there is one party that can address their problems, it is the BJP. The Mantra of ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas’ has resonated across the length and breadth of India. BJP is a party for every Indian. It is a Party that works 24/7 at the grassroots level. That is why, the support we have received has been historic and unprecedented. New India has broken from the shackles of the past. Today, we are a nation that is daring to dream and dreaming to dare. There is an air of hope and a spirit of aspiration among the youth.

Together, let us work towards building a strong and inclusive India, whose citizens are assured of dignity, prosperity, security and opportunity.

Vande Mataram!

Narendra Modi
Bharatiya Janata Party has been active in public sphere for decades guided by the ideological foundation laid down by Dr Syama Prasad Mookerjee and carried forward by Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya through his mission of Antyodaya (Garib Kalyan). Whenever our party has received the mandate of the Indian people to govern the country, we have served the people and fulfilled their wishes with full sincerity and commitment. Under Atalji’s leadership, when the BJP-led NDA government won the mandate to govern the country, our party ensured that the benefits of development and good governance reach the last citizen at the bottom of the societal ladder. Antyodaya (Garib Kalyan) remains Bharatiya Janata Party’s path, its resolve and goal.

Today, when we are ushering in the biggest festival of democracy - the General Elections of 2019, I would like to dwell on the resolves made by the BJP. In 2014, when the BJP presented its Vision Document before the people, India’s march of development had already been derailed because of the UPA government’s inaction and policy paralysis. It was a phase when the hope of seeing a corruption free and transparent government realised seemed impossible. Nobody was ready to believe that multi-dimensional developmental goals could be achieved without resorting to corruption. However, the government led by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi turned this belief into a reality by successfully running the government in a transparent manner. We have succeeded in conveying this message to the people at large that governance is possible without corruption.

Bharatiya Janata Party is committed to Indian values, to making Antyodaya (Garib Kalyan) a reality and to re-establishing the ideals of nation building. Our promises originate from our five commitments (Panch-Nishtha). We have an ideology that inspires us to fulfil our promises, which are not just limited to elections and election manifestos. Inclusive development, good governance, national security, promotion of our cultural heritage at a global level and continuance of a multi-dimensional progress are the salient features of our ideology that continues to be a part of our promises and commitments to the nation. None of the vision documents or manifestos of the Bharatiya Janata Party are either temporary or a mere pile of papers. Every single word written in our manifesto signifies our commitment to the nation and its people.

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In 2014, Shri Narendra Modi emerged as the symbol of the aspirations of the people of India and we made some promises. Today, when we are at this juncture of elections and facing the electorate, I can assert with immense pride and satisfaction that the journey of resolves and commitments that began in 2014 will continue to be carried forward in accordance with the wishes of the people. We have succeeded in kindling faith towards development in the minds of people and have convinced them that the Narendra Modi led BJP government is the harbinger of a New India. The same people who used to once say, “Nothing can happen in this country”, are now hopeful and say, “We can do more” while standing united for the development of India.

It has been seen in the past that even if a government continues to govern the country for a period of twenty years, it succeeds in taking one or two historic decisions. In its tenure of five years, the government led by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has been able to take many decisions which are historic and has ushered in a comprehensive and fundamental transformation. Swachh Bharat Mission, Ujjawala Yojana, Saubhagya Yojana, Demonetisation, GST, Surgical Strikes, Air Strikes, total electrification, provision for housing for 2.5 crore families, health insurance under Ayushman Bharat for more than 50 crore people and disbursement...
of loans to more than 14 crore people under MUDRA Yojana are some of the historic achievements of our government. The Congress led UPA government could never have dreamt of achieving, let alone envisaging such watershed policy initiatives. The idea of fulfilling the basic necessities of every ordinary citizen is intrinsic to our party’s ideology.

In last five years our government has done incredible work in establishing a transparent system of governance, furthering economic development and increasing people’s participation in the country’s progress. Today, India is the sixth largest economy in the world and from the point of view of ease of doing business we have emerged as one of the best destinations in the world. India’s prestige on the global stage is at an all-time high since Independence. Under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, we have been able to make an India that our friends praise, our competitors respect and our enemies fear. India is now in a position to adopt an independent stand on national security, to successfully strive to strengthen our Armed Forces and to lead the world in various spheres. In the field of space too, India has emerged as a global power.

India has been able to convey to the global community the unequivocal message that it considers terrorism as a serious threat to the world and stands in solidarity for concerted action against the menace of terrorism. We have also been able to convey that India will instantly give a befitting reply to any act of terror that is perpetrated against us. The world, today, sees us as a strong and emerging power. Not only have we succeeded in strengthening our Armed Forces with state-of-the-art defence technologies, but also become self-reliant in this field.

The General Election of 2019 is an election for carrying forward the multi-dimensional journey of development started by the Narendra Modi led government. This election is significant because it narrates the story of a country that has faced historical wrongs before this government came to power in 2014. It is a government which has, since then, demonstrated that in the race of development it is not going to stop or slow down. In the journey of aspirations and trust, it is an election to select a government which has one aim and objective and that is to continue with the journey of development, good governance and prosperity.

This election is not between two political parties; rather, it is an election to dissipate the negativity that makes us oblivious of our glorious past and our cultural roots and values. This election is not about victory or defeat; rather it is an election to reject those opportunists who trample upon the hopes of the common people for their personal gains. This election is to defeat dynasticism, casteism, communalism and corruption so that India’s democracy can be infused with greater strength.

In order to ascertain the future of India’s march of development, we have incorporated in our Sankalp the hopes, aspirations, opinions and suggestions of crores of our fellow citizens. This Vision Document is the representative document of the expectations of the people of India, it gives voice to their aspirations. To ensure that the Vision Document of a government that bases itself on people’s participation and support, also reflects their hopes and aspirations, the Manifesto Committee led by Shri Rajnath Singhji had undertaken a marathon effort. This effort is now before you in the form of the Sankalp Patra. Each member of the committee and every person associated with the formulation of this document deserves appreciation.

Friends, this election is not merely to elect a government, it is an election to ensure the country’s national security, it is an election to propel India to become among the top five economic powers, it is an election to transform the lives of 50 crore poor Indians, it is an election to take the country forward and to make India great in the comity of nations.

Come, let us strengthen Shri Narendra Modi’s hands, and resolve to form a full majority BJP government.

With Best Wishes

Amit Shah
National President, BJP
In the last five years, under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the NDA government has successfully vindicated the mandate that it won in 2014. With the will to transform the hopes of 100 million fellow citizens into a solid ‘trust’, we have pledged to take the country forward on the path of progress.

India has moved on the path of progress at an unprecedented pace after Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi-led NDA government won a decisive mandate to form the government and serve the people of India. We are bringing to you this document at a time when our country has already embarked on the path of rapid progress under this government. It is as a result of Shri Modi’s vision of inclusive development and good governance that we are consistently moving forward and are poised to achieve the goal of building a New India by 2022.

When the BJP government was formed in 2014, the country was faced with the challenge of turning around the wheel of development that had been stalled because of rampant corruption, misrule and indecisiveness of the UPA government, under whose rule the country had been pushed into the darkness of despair. For a decade, India had a government with no clarity of intentions, lacking strong leadership which could take crucial decisions and bereft of a policy directive devoted to the welfare of the people. In the last five years, we have been successful in lifting the country out of the morass of problems inherited from 10 years of misrule by the UPA government, while also increasing the pace of development.

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After running a government devoted to the welfare of the common citizen for five years, we can proudly say that we have not only successfully achieved our goals, but have empowered millions of Indians to become self-reliant and capable of fulfilling their dreams and aspirations. This government has made historic efforts made towards empowerment of the ordinary Indian, establishment of a strong and transparent system of governance and inculcating the spirit of unity and fulfilment of the vision of ‘Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat’.

It gives me immense pride and satisfaction to present to you the Bharatiya Janata Party’s vision document, which is a collection of the hopes and aspirations of every Indian. This document is a compendium of our promises and commitments that we make to our fellow citizens who stand with us on the journey of development which India has undertaken since 2014. We have prepared this document after an elaborate and extensive discussion with people from different regions, communities and classes across the country through ‘Bharat Ke Mann Ki Baat’, the largest ever collaborative effort to engage citizens in crafting the roadmap of development for the next five years. These direct suggestions from all across the country form the core of our vision document for the 2019 elections. The promises that we have made in it are our commitments to facilitate building a New India.
In the last five years, the work done by our government for the development and empowerment of every section of society including women, youth and weaker sections has instilled faith in every citizen that they can move ahead on the path of progress with dignity. Prior to 2014, numerous projects lay idle for years because the UPA government had failed to work on them. This, in turn, resulted in the decrease of both the number and quality of basic amenities for the citizens of our country. By simplifying processes, we have achieved a historic success in bringing the economy back on track. ‘One Nation, One Tax’ has become a milestone in the direction of indirect tax reform. Because of proactive and effective measures taken to ensure the external and internal security of the country, the Prime Minister Modi-led government has given rise to a sense of security in the minds of the people. By accomplishing all these tasks, we have presented the example of an accountable, sensitive and strong-willed government.

The BJP government has always considered people’s participation of utmost importance in good governance and therefore ensured that people in general were given ample opportunities for participating in our initiatives and voicing their opinions. With this spirit, we have made an attempt to know ‘Bharat Ke Man Ki Baat’ and taken this into account while defining our work for the next five years and in the formation of our vision document.

We connected crores of people under the ‘Bharat Ke Man Ki Baat’ dialogue which was a nationwide campaign run by the BJP for a month. Millions of suggestions were shared with us through different means. Our manifesto is a document of expression of crores of suggestions and aspirations. With the aid of about 7,700 suggestion boxes, 300 rath, more than 100 dialogue program, more than 4000 ‘Bharat Ke Man Ki Baat’ program and through the social media we have made an effort to gauge the ‘Mann ki Baat’ of people across India. At the same time, we consulted many domain experts, whose suggestions constitute the basis of this vision document.

This vision document is the vision of an uninterrupted journey upon which we had embarked with the blessings of the people in 2014. By presenting our achievements in the last five years as a proof of our dedication, we are firmly committed to continue that journey in the coming five years. This vision document is our plan of action for achieving these objectives and to fulfil the aspirations of every Indian.

Since this document is inspired by the ‘will of the people’, we dedicate it to the people by reiterating our unwavering commitment and dedication to the creation of a New India.

Rajnath Singh
Chairperson, Manifesto Committee
**TOWARDS A NEW INDIA**

As a continuing government, we will build on the foundations laid out in the last five years in terms of re-establishing macro-economic stability, building long-term frameworks of governance, raising India’s international stature, introducing a non-nonsense approach to internal/external security, upgrading the stock of physical/social infrastructure and, most importantly, building a basic safety net for the deprived section of our society. We have demonstrated what all can be achieved by a committed and decisive leadership that is not afraid to take hard decisions.

In the next five years, we promise to create growth opportunities for all citizens in every aspect of life. Sab ka Saath, Sab ka Vikas remains our guiding principle. We intend to reach out to a developed future while retaining our civilisational roots.

In order to achieve our long-term goals, we must first secure our country against internal and external aggression. These threats need to be dealt with at their roots and our decisive leadership that will equip our security apparatus with all the necessary tools. As we have already demonstrated, we intend to use our foreign policy, were necessary, in order to tackle the problem of global terrorism. Thus, we intend to increase the strength of our diplomatic and allied cadres. We will also build on the “Make in India in Defence” initiative to further indigenise our defense equipment.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi had promised, in his very first speech in Lok Sabha, that this government would work for the welfare of the poorest. In the last five years, we have created a transparent mechanism for directly delivering basic services to the bottom of the pyramid by leveraging Aadhaar, DBT and Jan Dhan accounts. Basic health has been a special focus with large investments made on sanitation (Swachh Bharat), health insurance (Ayushman Bharat) and in modern medical facilities. We intend to accelerate the pace of providing access to basic amenities such as housing, electricity, toilet, cooking gas, and health/social security to every poor Indian household, rural and urban, in the next five years and to bring the percentage of population below the poverty line to single digits.

In the last five years, we re-imposed macro-economic stability while building lasting frameworks for economic governance. These frameworks include the Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code, inflation-targeting, nationwide Goods & Services Tax, and the banking sector clean-up. These efforts have not only changed the business culture of the country and anchored inflation at 4 percent, but have also been internationally recognized with a sovereign rating upgrade and a sharp rise in our Ease of Doing Business ranking. We will ensure that India remains the world’s fastest growing major economy in future while maintaining macro-stability. We aspire to be the world’s third largest economy by 2030.

Since our economic model is based on entrepreneurship and innovation, we commit to simplifying and lowering tax rates. An important aspect of the ease of doing business is the ability to enforce contracts and resolve disputes. Therefore, we promise to significantly increase the capacity of the legal system within five years in partnership/co-ordination with the judiciary.

The physical infrastructure of the country has undergone an unprecedented upgrade in the last five years. We have connected 91% of villages with rural roads, electrified 100% of villages, operationalized 36 new airports and introduced metro networks in several cities. Looking ahead, we plan to build 60,000 km of National Highways, connect 100% of villages with rural roads, operationalize 100 new airports, modernize 400 railway stations, and cover 50 cities with metro networks.
In the last five years, we have created a national common market for the industry and services sectors. By lowering inflation and cleaning up the banking system, we are now in a position to structurally lower the real cost of capital. This is key to a sustained increase in private sector investment. We intend to establish a National Traders’ Welfare Board as well as announce a National Policy for Retail Trade. The tourism sector will be a special focus. We will make sure that all UNESCO World Heritage Sites in India have facilities of international standard. We will also identify and promote specific sites of cultural/natural importance as a national priority (while being sensitive to their preservation).

For three generations, India’s socio-economic system was held hostage to dynastic perpetuation. This propagated a corrupt, self-servicing system of political patronage that came to pervade every aspect of life in India. In 2014, the country voted decisively to end this system. Under the leadership of PM Modi, every effort has been made to re-establish probity in public life, introduce transparency in policy-making and in the management of national assets as well as to bring offenders to book.

We remain committed to ensuring the benefits of constitutional provisions to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and backward classes. We recently introduced a further 10% reservation for the economically backward sections of the non-reserved category. At the same time, we will expeditiously complete the National Registration of Citizens in Assam and actively consider its extension to other states.

Every society progresses through the empowerment of women, inclusion of minorities and the encouragement of youth. We will not allow these objectives to be held back by the politics of appeasement. Therefore, we hope to modernize personal laws to prohibit practices such as Talaq-e-Biddat and Nikah Halala. We intend to invest in our human potential by focusing on the quality of our primary/secondary schools as well as expanding our tertiary education capacity. In addition, we will also invest in a select set of universities and research institutions in order make them world class.

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The above summary is based on the vision of Prime Minister Modi to build a technologically modern, entrepreneurial, rules-based economy that is secure from external/internal security threats and simultaneously able to build on its cultural, ecological and social assets.
The decisive leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has fundamentally altered the national security paradigm of India in the last five years. Looking ahead, we propose to do the following:

**Zero-Tolerance Approach to Terrorism**

**01** Our security doctrine will be guided by our national security interest only. This is exemplified by the Surgical Strikes and the Air Strikes carried out recently. We will firmly continue our policy of ‘Zero Tolerance’ against terrorism and extremism and will continue to follow our policy of giving a free hand to our security forces in combating terrorism.

**National Security**

**02** Strengthening our Armed Forces - We will speed up the purchases of outstanding defense related equipments and weapons. In order to equip the Armed Forces with modern equipment, we will continue to take focused steps to strengthen the strike capability of the Armed Forces.

**03** Self-reliance in defence sector - In order to ensure self-reliance in procurement of defence equipment, we have taken several effective steps in the last five years. For instance, the most modern AK-203 automatic rifles are being manufactured at Amethi under our ‘Make in India in Defence’ initiative. We are committed to focus on ‘Make in India in Defence’ to enable indigenous production of defence equipment. This will also generate employment and encourage investment in the defence sector.

**Welfare of Soldiers**

**04** We have already demonstrated our commitment to the welfare of our veterans with the implementation of long delayed OROP. To take this commitment forward, we promise to create a more effective framework for the resettlement of our Armed Forces veterans. Under this effort, the Armed Forces will start planning for the resettlement of soldiers three years before their retirement and in accordance with their preferences. This will include provision for skills training, soft skills training, financial support for higher education, for housing and for starting an enterprise.

**Modernization of Police Forces**

**05** We will continue to take forward the process of modernizing the Central Armed Police Forces to further increase their capacity and readiness and enable them to effectively combat internal security challenges.

**06** We will provide assistance to the states to upgrade their police forces through the ‘Scheme for Modernization of Police Forces’. We will encourage expedited police reforms in the states so as to enable the State police forces to deal with new types of crimes like cyber crime and help them to be more sensitive to the citizens, especially the weak and vulnerable sections of the society.

**Combating Infiltration**

**07** There has been a huge change in the cultural and linguistic identity of some areas due to illegal immigration, resulting in an adverse impact on local people's livelihood and employment. We will expeditiously complete the National Register of Citizens process in these areas on priority. In future we will implement the NRC in a phased manner in other parts of the country.

**08** We will continue to undertake effective steps to prevent illegal immigration in the Northeastern states. For this, we will further strengthen our border security. A pilot project on the use of technology to strengthen border security (Smart Fencing) was implemented in Dhubri (Assam). We will implement this on all borders.
We will focus on creation of developmental and other necessary infrastructure in border areas to ensure that border security is strengthened, and to enable increased participation of and benefits for border areas in the country’s development and progress.

We have completed building six integrated check-posts with another under construction to facilitate easier trade and travel from the neighboring countries. We will further ease the movement of goods and people by constructing 14 more integrated check-posts by 2024. After completion of all the proposed integrated check-posts, all trade movement with Bangladesh, Nepal and Bhutan will be conducted through the integrated check-posts.

After effectively strengthening coastal security through implementation of a coastal security scheme to provide modern equipment and allocating funds to the states for establishing coastal police stations, establishment of National Committee for Strengthening Maritime & Coastal Security, Island Information System and National Academy of Coastal Policing, we will continue to take steps for ensuring security of India’s long coastline.

We are committed to the enactment of the Citizenship Amendment Bill for the protection of individuals of religious minority communities from neighbouring countries escaping persecution. We will make all efforts to clarify the issues to the sections of population from the Northeastern states who have expressed apprehensions regarding the legislation. We reiterate our commitment to protect the linguistic, cultural and social identity of the people of Northeast. Hindus, Jains, Buddhists and Sikhs escaping persecution from India’s neighbouring countries will be given citizenship in India.

We have already taken strong actions to reduce left wing extremism to a very large extent and limited them to small pockets. We are committed to taking necessary and effective steps against left wing extremism to eliminate this menace in the next five years. In the last five years, we have focussed on the development of economic and social infrastructure such as roads, mobile towers, schools and medical facilities in the tribal areas affected by left wing extremism and we will continue to make efforts in this direction.

We are committed to abrogating Article 35A of the Constitution of India as the provision is discriminatory against non-permanent residents and women of Jammu and Kashmir. We believe that Article 35A is an obstacle in the development of the state. We will take all steps to ensure a safe return of Kashmiri Pandits and we will provide financial assistance for the resettlement of refugees from West Pakistan, Pakistan occupied Jammu and Kashmir (POJK) and Chhamb.

"India supports peace, but the country will not hesitate to take any steps required for national security" - Shri Narendra Modi
Doubling Farmers’ Income

At the very beginning of our current term, Prime Minister Modi embarked on a mission to double farmers’ income. We will make all efforts to achieve this goal by 2022.

Welfare of Farmers

01 Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana to all - We have launched Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana to ensure financial support to farmers owning land up to 2 hectares. We will further expand the coverage of the scheme to all the farmers in the country.

02 Pension for small and marginal farmers - We will launch a pension scheme for all small and marginal farmers in the country so as to ensure social security to them on reaching 60 years of age.

03 ₹25 lakh crore investment in Agri-rural sector - We are committed to making an investment of Rs. 25 lakh crore to improve the productivity of the farm sector.

04 Interest-free Kisan Credit Card loans - We will provide short-term new agriculture loans up to Rs. 1 lakh at a 0% interest rate for 1-5 years on the condition of prompt repayment of the principal amount.

05 Voluntary enrollment in Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana - Our scheme, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana has ensured risk mitigation and provided insurance cover for all farmers. We will make enrolment of farmers under the scheme voluntary.

06 Empowering Farmers through Policies - We will work towards reducing all agricultural imports and institute a predictable export and import policy with a built-in mechanism for encouraging exports and discouraging imports.

07 Assurance of Quality Seeds - We will ensure timely availability of improved seeds of promising varieties at affordable rates with doorstep testing facilities.

Development of Agri-allied sectors

08 Oilseeds Mission - We will launch a new mission to achieve self-sufficiency in oil seeds and other agri-products.

09 Warehouse Network across the Country - We will build an efficient storage and transport mechanism for agriculture produce

- Our Pradhan Mantri Krishi SAMPADA Yojana highlights our focus on warehousing as a means of increasing farmers’ income. To further expand the warehousing infrastructure in the country, we will establish a National Warehousing Grid along National Highways to ensure necessary logistical linkages for warehousing of agricultural produce.

- To enable the farmer to store the agri-produce near his village and sell at a remunerative price at an appropriate time, we will roll out a new Village Storage Scheme of agri-produce. We will provide farmers with loans at cheaper rates on the basis of storage receipt of the agri-produce.

10 To ensure greater promotion and increase profitability under organic farming, we will take the following steps:

- We will promote chemical-free organic farming in an additional 20 lakh hectare of hilly, tribal and rainfed areas in the next 5 years.

- We will launch a dedicated e-commerce portal to enhance the availability of organic produce to the doorsteps of consumers.
• Goshalas in the country will be linked to the promotion of organic farming.

• Promotion of organic eco-tourism in the vicinity of organic farming will also ensure additional income to the farmers.

11 National Bee-keeping and Honey Mission: We will launch a National Bee-keeping and Honey Mission to ensure additional returns to the farmers. We will double the honey production from the present 11,500 MT by developing infrastructural facilities and providing marketing support.

12 Expanding Irrigation in Mission Mode

We have completed work on the long-pending 31 irrigation projects under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana and work will soon be completed on the remaining 68 projects in phases up to December 2019. Continuing our efforts to develop irrigation, we will further expand Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana to realize 100% irrigation potential of the country within a defined time-frame.

13 We will bring one crore hectares agricultural land under micro-irrigation, this would be supplemented with ‘fertigation’ to promote judicious use of fertilizers.

14 Cooperatives

We recognize the role of cooperatives and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) can play in ensuring better market linkages and opportunities in the agricultural sector and we are committed to support and strengthen them.

15 We will enable the creation of 10,000 new Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs) by 2022 to ensure economies of scale for farmers regarding access to inputs and markets.

16 To cater to the needs of big cities we will set up a mechanism of direct marketing of vegetables, fruits, dairy and fishery products through farmers’ cooperative organizations so as to ensure better price return to the farmers.

17 Convergence of Agriculture and Technology

We will create a mobile app based system for promoting the availability of agri-implements on rental/custom hiring basis.

18 We will extensively use technology to ensure a better knowledge of the market prices of various agro-products for the benefit of farmers.

19 We will enable development of young agri-scientists to take advantage of Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Blockchain technology, Big Data analytics etc. for more predictive and profitable precision agriculture.

20 We view solar energy as an additional source of income for farmers and will encourage solar farming on a massive scale so as to enable the ‘Annadaata’ (food provider) to become ‘Urja-daata’ (energy provider).

21 Digitization of Land Records – On the lines of Aadhaar project, we will complete digitization of land records on a mission mode. We will implement second-generation land reforms to ensure title guarantee for the landholder and reduce land-related litigation. We will create a model law for conclusive titling (in consultation with states) promoting title guarantee and title insurance and work with States to implement this system.
We have given utmost importance to the dairy sector and have established Kamdhenu Aayog for the conservation of indigenous species of cattle. We will establish a network of mobile veterinary dispensaries to provide doorstep service to farmers.

We will roll out a model programme for periodic health checkup of all cattle and other domestic animals at the district level with the help of veterinary experts from the public and private sector.

We will expand the coverage of immunization and eliminate Foot and Mouth Disease and Brucellosis.

We will launch a National Feed and Fodder Mission to eliminate the shortage of fodder.

**Animal Husbandry**

**Fisheries - Blue Revolution**

We will launch ‘Matsya Sampada Yojana’ with an allocation of Rs. 10,000 crores to ensure availability of storage and marketing tools and infrastructure like ice-boxes, cold storages, ice-plants etc. for small and traditional fishermen.

We will promote aquaculture through easy access to credit.

We will facilitate farming of sea-weed, pearl as well as ornamental fish to ensure a better return to the fishermen.

We will bring all fishermen under the ambit of all welfare programmes and social security schemes with expanded coverage for accident insurance.
On the Path of Gram Swaraj

Gram Swaraj is one of the principal pillars of Mahatma Gandhi’s vision of India. As we approach the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Bharatiya Janata Party resolves to realize his vision of Gram Swaraj by ensuring that everyone has equitable access to resources. As India reaches the defining milestone of the 75th year of its independence in 2022, we pledge to adopt the ideals of Gram Swaraj as envisaged by Mahatma Gandhi. In line with this vision we promise:

**Saashray (Housing)**

We will ensure a pucca house to every family who are either living in a kuchha house or have no access to housing by 2022.

**Sujal (Drinking Water)**

We will launch ‘Jal Jivan Mission’ under which we will introduce a special program, “Nal se Jal” to ensure piped water connection to every household by 2024.

**Suchna se Sashaktikaran (Digital connectivity through Bharatnet)**

We will ensure that every Gram Panchayat is connected through a high speed optical fibre network by 2022.

**Sadak se Samriddhi (Road connectivity)**

We will launch a massive ‘Rural Road Upgradation Programme’ to connect centres of education, healthcare centres, and markets with hinterlands to promote rural growth.

**Swachhata se Sampannata (Swachh Bharat Mission)**

We will ensure 100% disposal of liquid waste water and reuse of waste water.
India as the World’s 3rd Largest Economy

Roadmap for 5 trillion dollar economy

01 India was branded as ‘fragile five’ in 2014. Within five years, we have turned India into a bright spot that is not only the fastest growing major economy of the world but also enjoys macroeconomic stability. We have already become the world’s sixth largest economy and will soon be among the top five. We aspire to make India the third largest economy of the world by 2030. This implies that we commit to make India a US $ 5 trillion economy by 2025 and US $ 10 trillion economy by 2032.

02 When compared to all governments post-1991, this government has delivered the highest rate of average GDP growth (7.3%) over the last five years and maintained lowest rate of average consumer inflation (4.6%). The consumer inflation is presently at 2.6%. This has been achieved with lower fiscal deficits and significantly lower current account deficit as a percentage of GDP. Average fiscal deficit as a percentage of GDP during 2014-19 has been brought down to 3.7% from 5.4% during 2009-14. Reduction in fiscal deficit of this order implies less burden of debt on future generations by almost Rs.16 lakh crores. Average Current account deficit as a percentage of GDP during this government has been reduced to 1.5% from 3.3% during 2009-14.

Tax Policy

03 Our economic policy has been guided by the principle of lowering the tax rate and improving compliance; thereby broadening of the tax base. With improved compliance and increased tax base, the tax to GDP ratio has reached 12%, highest in the recent past, up from 10.1% in 2013-14. This increased revenue has been deployed for benefits to the poor and creation of infrastructure at an unprecedented level. We will continue with our policy in the similar manner – lowering of tax rate thereby rewarding honest tax payers and improving compliance.

Goods and Service Tax

04 Goods and Service Tax (GST) has resulted in overall lowering of tax rates and increased revenue collection, particularly for States. When compared to base year of 2015-16, GST revenue for all states have increased by 50% in three years. We will continue with the simplification of GST process by engaging in dialogue with all stakeholders.

Promoting Yoga Globally

05 We will further continue our efforts to promote Yoga globally as the world celebrates 21st June as the International Yoga Day. We will promote Yoga as a vital method to achieve physical wellness and spiritual rejuvenation across the globe and will continue to work towards training of Yoga practitioners. We will undertake a rapid expansion of Yoga health hubs, Yoga tourism and research in Yoga.

₹100 lakh crore Investment

06 While social security net for the poor and farmers will be expanded, we will take up capital investment in the country to a new height. By 2024, we will make capital investment of Rs.100 lakh crore in the infrastructure sector. We recognize that investment driven growth requires cheaper cost of capital. By anchoring inflation at 4% and cleaning up our banking system we have created the space for structural reduction in the cost of capital. This will not only help infrastructure investment but investment also in the wider economy. Thus, new India will be built on the basis of investment driven growth.
With the aim of developing India into a knowledge based, skill supported and technology driven society, we have launched the ‘Make in India’ campaign. A beginning has already been made through our initiatives like Digital India, Startup India and Skill India. To bring in fast and inclusive growth, we have also carried out substantial reforms in the last few years in terms of de-regulation and de-licensing, with an aim to improve ease of doing business. More than 90% FDI approvals are now through the automatic route. FDI has grown by almost 50% in the last five years. Similarly, implementation of One Nation, One Tax through GST has brought all businesses under single tax net.

- Top 50 Ranking in Ease of Doing Business Index - In the last four years, India has climbed 65 places in the World Bank’s Ease of Doing Business Index. We will further work in this direction to take the country’s ranking into the top 50.
- Strengthening Companies Act - In order to incentivize compliance of law and ease of doing business, we will amend the Companies Act to impose civil liability for technical and procedural defaults of a minor nature thus unclogging the majority of the cases from the courts.
- New Industrial Policy - We will announce a new industrial policy to improve competitiveness of manufacturing and services with an eye on Industry 4.0 in order to gear up for technologies like artificial intelligence and electric mobility. Special effort will be made for MSMEs.
- Network Approach for Growth - We understand that clustering and network effects are important in order to build competitiveness in cutting edge industries. Therefore, we will invest in creating clusters/networks that can take on the world’s best. Public procurement and government incentives will be used actively to build up these clusters and encourage job creation.

A special package was launched by the Government to boost the MSME sector. The Credit Guarantee Scheme of the Government of India is an important component wherein loans to MSME are guaranteed. Under this alone, the credit of around Rs.19,000 crore was achieved in 2017-18. We would aim to take this figure to Rs.1,00,000 crore by 2024.

Technology access and upgradation are key elements in the MSME sector. Our government has taken a major step in expanding ‘Technology Centres’ and we would achieve more than 150 such centres all over the country by 2024. These Technology Centres would help in mentoring skilling and prototyping of MSMEs. They will expose MSMEs to Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Internet of Things, Virtual Reality, Blockchain technology and Zero Defect Zero Effect.

The Technology Centres, other skilling centres of MSMEs and NSICs incubation centres alone would provide focussed and high level skilling to more than 6 lakh people per year.

We will establish National Traders’ Welfare Board and create a National Policy for Retail Trade for the growth of retail businesses.
To protect the interests of small traders, we will provide an accident insurance of 10 lakh rupees to all the traders registered under GST.
On the lines of Kisan credit card, we will also create a scheme to give merchant credit card to registered merchants.
To encourage the spirit of entrepreneurship amongst the youth, we will launch a new scheme to provide collateral-free credit up to 50 lakh for entrepreneurs. We will guarantee 50% of the loan amount for female entrepreneurs and 25% of the loan amount for male entrepreneurs.

India is now among the largest Startup ecosystems of the world. We will further strengthen this ecosystem by:

- Easing regulatory requirement for start-ups
- Targeting time spent for tax compliance at 1 hour per month
- Facilitating establishment of 50,000 new Startups in the nation by 2024
- Creating 100 Innovation Zones in Urban Local Bodies
- Setting up 500 new incubators and accelerators by 2024
- Initiating ranking of Central Ministries, departments, State Governments and CPSUs for their increased engagement with start-ups and in bringing in innovation and newer technologies and global practices and skills.

We will continue to promote and encourage Startups through creation of a ‘Seed Startup Fund’ of ₹20,000 crore.

We will support entrepreneurial ventures started by individuals from Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Communities, or Economically Weaker Sections and take forward the ‘Stand-up India’ initiative.

We will set-up new ‘Entrepreneurial Northeast’ scheme to provide financial support to the micro, small and medium industries and for employment generation in the Northeastern state.

Within the services sector, tourism will be special focus because it brings together many different service segments.

In particular, we will identify specific places of cultural or natural importance in order to develop them as comprehensive destinations instead of leaving them as isolated sites. This requires that we look at transport connection, heritage conservation, hotels, restaurants, entertainment and other services in an integrated way. We will make an effort to ensure that all these services interconnect. Therefore, the government will make sure that schemes/agencies such as Swachh Bharat, ASI, forest department and local government work together with the travel and hospitality industry. All UNESCO heritage sites in India will be upgraded to international level facilities.

The North eastern states and our Island/coastal areas will be developed while being sensitive to conserving their ecological uniqueness. Similarly, places of cultural importance will be developed while maintaining their unique heritage. As we have recently demonstrated by projects in Varanasi, an effort will be made to upgrade these sites while being sensitive to their historical/cultural heritage.

We will continue our crackdown on Benami properties and illegal foreign bank accounts to benefit honest taxpayers and the poor of the country. We will also expedite our actions to bring fugitive economic offenders back to India and prosecute them for their crimes.

We will ensure faster customs clearance of international cargo by relaxing clearance procedures, introducing self-declaration etc and adopting new scanning technology. We will also provide adequate financial and institutional support for exporters and export organizations to build capacity and equip them with adequate information to ensure unhindered exports.
Infrastructure

Foundation for New India

Infrastructure is the backbone of any economy. In the 10 years of UPA rule, policy paralysis and corruption had derailed infrastructural development. The last five years, under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi, infrastructural roll out has been put back on track. For the first time, India has started marching and is being seen on the path of global standards in infrastructure and civic amenities. The speed of constructing rural roads has doubled and 90% of rural road connectivity has been achieved. Furthermore, India has become a net exporter of electricity and has achieved maximum production of coal and maximum distribution of LED bulbs. There has been an unprecedented rise in the port capacity and the speed of setting up new rail lines, gauge conversion, and electrification of railway tracks has doubled. We have invested at an unprecedented level in building infrastructure in the last five years. This includes massive budgetary allocation for railways, highways, village roads and other health as well as educational infrastructure. We have also started and matured into a new technology driven platform called PRAGATI (Pro-active Governance and Timely Implementation). Through this mechanism, we are de-bottlenecking major projects on a regular basis through video conference with officials across the country. Going forward,

01 We will aim at next generation infrastructure which will include gas grids and water grids, i-ways, regional airports and way side amenities along National highways.

02 We will continue the fast pace with more and more public and private investment and efficient ground level management on building of infrastructure further and to improve the quality of life and enhance the ease of living.

03 In addition to ensuring efficiency in the economy this will also lead to creation of a large number of jobs and livelihood opportunities.

Ensuring Urban Development

04 Through the development of infrastructure and connectivity, we will ensure the further development of suburban townships and new urban centres.

05 We will set up five regional centres of excellence on urban issues. These centres will provide support to states and local bodies on issues of urban governance and growth.

06 Urban Mobility - We will launch a National Urban Mobility Mission to provide technology based urban mobility solutions to all urban local bodies and increase the use of public transport, enhance walkability and cycle use. Under this mission, we will incentivize cities to integrate the public transport systems such as metro, local trains and local buses with the private service providers in the sector such as, private bus operator, private taxi operator, the auto-rickshaw, e-rickshaw services, pedestrian and cycling infrastructure for a seamless and smooth last mile connectivity. We will also promote a common mobility card/ ticketing across different modes of transport.

07 In the next five years, we will ensure that 50 cities are covered with a strong metro network.

Swachh Bharat Mission

08 We have constructed over 9 crore toilets under our flagship programme, Swachh Bharat Mission. We will take the Mission to a new level through sustainable Solid Waste Management in every village. Through the mission, we will ensure 100% disposal of liquid waste through emphasis on faecal sludge management and reuse of waste water in rural, peri urban and unsewered areas.

09 We will ensure that all habitations attain open defecation free status and those that have attained the status sustain the behavioural change.
Jal Shakti

10 Water is a critical resource but its management is spread across various departments, even at the Central level. We will form a new Ministry of Water unifying the water management functions to approach the issue of water management holistically and ensure better coordination of efforts. The Ministry will expediently take forward the ambitious programme, conceptualized by Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, for linking rivers from different parts of the country and ensure a solution to the problems of drinking water and irrigation. We will initiate work on this programme by constituting an authority.

11 We will launch ‘Jal Jivan Mission’ under which we will introduce a special programme, ‘Nal se Jal’ to ensure piped water for every household by 2024.

12 We will ensure sustainability of water supply through special focus on conservation of rural water bodies and ground water recharge.

Road Connectivity

13 In continuation to our existing milestone of constructing roads at an unprecedented pace, we will construct 60,000 kms of National Highways in the next five years.

14 We will double the length of National Highways by 2022.

15 We will complete the Phase-1 of Bharatmala Project expeditiously. We will also launch Bharatmala 2.0 project especially with a view to support the states to develop state road networks connecting the interior regions to the main roads and to effectively leverage the economic potential and market opportunities of the concerned regions.

16 We will bring in new technologies and designs in road construction, operation and maintenance.

17 We want to become a world leader in e-mobility. 10,000 crores have already been allocated to launch a programme for promoting clean energy and battery operated vehicles. We will further work on this front to ensure expansion of this new mobility experience.

Railways

18 We have made all efforts to make the experience of rail journey safe, smooth, clean and satisfying and have achieved great results. We will continue the pace of work in this regard and encourage private participation in the development of railway amenities and infrastructure and provision of services.

19 We will ensure conversion of all viable rail tracks to broad gauge by 2022.

20 We will make all efforts to ensure electrification of all railway tracks by 2022.

21 We will expand connectivity and experience of high speed trains and new version trains such as Vande Bharat Express across the length and breadth of the country in the next five years.

22 We will complete the dedicated freight corridor project by 2022.

23 We will launch a massive programme for modernization of railway stations in the country.

24 We will equip all main railway stations with Wi-Fi facility by 2022.
Establishment of New Airports

In 2014 there were 65 functional airports and there are a total of 101 functional airports today. In the next five years, we will double the number of functional airports.

Coastal Development

Potential of coastal development for transportation, tourism and for economic upliftment of coastal communities has remained unexploited in the country. To exploit this potential fully, we have launched the Sagarmala programme and will ensure speedy completion of the projects under this programme.

We will double our port capacity in the next five years.

We will further encourage integrated development of coastal areas including coastal cities, coastal transport and coastal industrialization.

We will undertake the upgradation of infrastructure for connecting the coast and hinterland to ensure smooth transportation.

We will continue to focus on development of inland waterways for shifting inland cargo movement from road and rail to water transport.

Energy

We had made a commitment to provide 24x7 electricity to all and the country has substantially attained the goal. All remaining villages have been electrified. Similarly, almost all remaining households have been provided with an electricity connection. Thus, we are near completion of our promise in a record time. We will further work towards completing any unfinished task in this regard.

Exceptional work has been done in adding to the electricity generated and in laying down of transmission lines and in putting up the nationwide transmission grid. With these milestone achievements, India can now claim that quantum of or access to electricity is no longer an issue. In fact, India has also become a net exporter of electricity. Now, we will work towards:

- Ensuring a right mix of energy which leads towards a cleaner environment
- Supplying quality electricity to all consumers
- Making the state electricity entities financially sound and administratively more efficient.

India has become a global champion in addressing the issues of climate change through effective and feasible interventions. We have achieved cumulative installed renewable energy capacity of 76.87 GW as on February, 2019 and are on track to achieve our goal of 175 GW by 2022. We will continue our efforts in this regard and make it a popular movement. We will further make all efforts to invite other countries of the world to become members of the International Solar Alliance.

Digital Connectivity

Every Gram Panchayat will be connected with high speed optical fibre network by 2022. Through village level high speed broadband services, we will provide a range of services such as telemedicine, tele-education and agriculture related advisories.
Health for All

Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi took a historic step last year through the roll out of Ayushman Bharat the World’s largest healthcare programme. In addition, we have conceived and implemented programmes for controlling prices of medicines, and significantly expanding Medical education. We are committed to leverage all resources to ensure that the out-of-pocket expenditure on health is reduced and all citizens can avail necessary medical services.

Making Healthcare Accessible

01 While providing annual health cover of Rs. 5 lakh to 10.74 crore poor families under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana under Ayushman Bharat, we also initiated a programme to set up 1,50,000 Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) by 2022. Till date 17,150 HWCs have become functional. We will take up the programme of HWCs to next level. We will target provisioning of telemedicine and diagnostic laboratory facilities at these HWCs by 2022 to ensure quality primary medical care to the poor at his doorstep.

02 We will create an essential devices list and a separate pricing policy for medical devices to ensure their accessibility and affordability to masses.

Strengthening Health Infrastructure

03 With our initiatives, we have successfully reached the stage of ensuring one Medical College for every three Parliamentary Constituencies. We will take it forward and set up one Medical College or Post Graduate Medical College in every district, through public or private participation, by 2024. To start with 75 such Medical Institutes will be set up by 2022. This would ensure availability and accessibility of quality secondary and tertiary medical care to the citizens across the diverse landscape of our country.

04 In a mere span of 5 years, we have increased the number of MBBS seats by 18,000 and that of Post-graduate Medical seats by 12,000. We would further accelerate the pace of reforms in medical education sector so as to ensure transparency on one hand and improved doctor: population ratio on the other hand. With our efforts we will double the number of MBBS and Specialist doctors in the country by 2024 as compared to the work done from 1947 till 2014. Further, we will also accelerate the reforms in para-medical education sector so as to increase the availability of nurses, pharmacists and other paramedical personnel.

05 We will also accelerate the reforms in paramedical education sector so as to increase the availability of nurses, pharmacists and other paramedical personnel.

Immunization and Nutrition

06 We will endeavour to make the National Nutrition Mission a mass movement and strengthen infrastructure and capacity in all Anganwadis.

07 The Mission Indradhanush programme has ensured full immunization of 3.39 crore children and 87.18 lakh pregnant mothers. Further, the annual increase in the rate of immunization has jumped from 1% per year to 6% per year. Continuing this pace, we will ensure full immunization coverage for all the children and pregnant women by 2022.

Eliminating Tuberculosis

08 Tuberculosis claims more lives every year than any other infectious disease. As on today, more than 25 lakh citizens are suffering from TB while over 3 lakh persons die due to TB every year. The disease mainly affects the poor and malnourished. We have rolled out a Special Mission to eliminate TB from India by 2025. We will ensure this becomes a success much ahead of the target given in Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
Good Governance

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has always maintained that Good Governance is the cornerstone of good politics. In the last five years, we have put in place a framework of governance which will yield rich dividends over the next generation.

Simultaneous Elections

01 We are committed to the idea of simultaneous elections for Parliament, State assemblies and local bodies to reduce expenditure, ensure efficient utilisation of government resources and security forces and for effective policy planning. We will try to build consensus on this issue with all parties.

02 Single Voter List - In order to ensure that every citizen gets the right to exercise his/her franchise for all public bodies and to avoid confusion created by multiple voter lists, we will strive to ensure a common voter list for all elections.

Corruption-free Bharat

03 In order to curb corruption, the Modi government has taken many effective steps such as enacting the Fugitive Economic Offenders Act, 2018, Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018, and the Benami Transaction Prohibition (Amendment) Act, 2016. We have eliminated inertia in the government by ensuring decisive actions under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi and will continue to make efforts to ensure more effective governance and transparent decision making.

Civil Service and Governance Reforms

04 To transform India into a developed nation, we need to work with the guiding principle of “Minimum Government and Maximum Governance” and we will bring reform in the Civil Services and implement it in a manner to achieve the same. In order to ensure better implementation of policies and coordination, we will merge similar and complementary departments into sectoral ministries. This will allow policymakers to frame holistic and comprehensive policies on the one hand and ensure smooth implementation on the other.

05 We will continue to implement the Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan in a focussed manner to build the capacity of members of Panchayati Raj Institutions and ensure effective delivery of schemes at the grassroots.

Police reforms

06 Police is the most basic and key functionary affecting the people’s life. An effective policing and peaceful law and order is the key to growth and development. Our present police and policing is based upon the colonial police force and there is a need to change and transform the police according to the challenges of the 21st century. Therefore, we will bring Police Reform. We will formulate a ‘Model Police Act’ in consultation with the States to have a pro-people citizen friendly police. This will take the Indian policing at par with its contemporaries anywhere in the world.

Judicial Reforms

07 We will work towards simplifying procedural laws, encouraging mediation and strengthening judicial and court management system in order to increase accessibility.
Making India the centre of arbitration - We will increase the number of Alternative Dispute Resolution forums to ensure avenues for quick disposal of matters. We will also take all necessary steps to make India a hub of arbitration services.

International Financial Services Centre Authority

In order to establish India as a hub of financial services, we will expedite the enactment of legislation for creating an International Financial Services Centre Authority which will put in place a robust regulatory framework. We will continue and further increase the ongoing incentives to expand digital transactions.

Implementing Cooperative Federalism Effectively

We have set an example of inclusive federal governance through steps such as the creation of NITI Aayog, establishment of the GST council and restructuring of central schemes in line with our pledge of cooperative federalism. We will continue to pursue this course by ensuring greater involvement of the states in all aspects of policy making and governance thereby strengthening federalism. We will also ensure implementation of the 14th Finance Commission’s recommendations.

Ease of Living

We will set up a committee for Easing Citizens’ Interactions with Government (CECIG) to work with experts in reforming citizen’s interface with Government across domains such as taxes, business compliance, rules and regulations for greater simplicity and ease.

To empower citizens and ensure time-bound delivery of public services, we will explore every avenue to implement the Right to Service.

Science and Technology

The future belongs to Science and Technology and the use of technology for development of people. We will launch a new Science Mission for development of cutting edge technologies and future technologies with two submissions, specifically focused on (a) artificial intelligence mission and (b) robotic research mission with the aim to leapfrog into the future world of cutting edge technologies.

Our first agenda is our people. Today much of our S&T investment is in central institutions. We will aim to spread this to the 95% of students who attend state government institutions also. This will be done by investment from the government through a National Research Foundation in partnership with States. Industry investment in R&D will also be enhanced, in partnership with our network of national laboratories.

We will launch a Language Translation Mission that will enable ready translation of English text in Science & Technology and humanities in any of our languages. This will take the best works, bilingually, to every student in the country.

We will initiate a genome mission for human health that will bring the latest diagnosis and treatment to our entire population through frugal innovation.

We will explore the diversity of our oceans, have a human crewed submersible going to the deepest oceans that will facilitate sustainable use of resources. With a thrust on non-fossil fuels, our research mission in this area will reduce imports and make India a leader in new technologies.

The supercomputer, Artificial Intelligence and Quantum Missions will make India not only Industry 5.0 ready but also a leader. The Swachh Bharat mission has transformed one side of Swachhata. Now we will get the latest technologies to transform Waste to Energy and Wealth in a major mission. We will also strive towards semiconductor manufacturing within the country.
After achieving unprecedented success through Mission Shakti, we are committed to ensuring that ‘Gaganyaan’ successfully demonstrates our scientific capabilities of executing a manned mission in space. We will start the ‘National Program for Rapid Research in Socially Contextual Technologies’ to create research paths in desirable technologies and to manage financing of such projects in coordination with the private sector.

**Forest and Environment**

We have ensured speed and effectiveness in issuing forest and environmental clearances for eligible projects due to which we have added around 9000 Sq. Kms to the forest cover of the country. We are committed to maintaining this pace through adoption of cleaner practices to make our nation a greener country.

We have evolved technologically better strategies and devices to map the level of pollution in cities and rivers and have taken effective steps to reduce the level of pollution in major cities, including the national capital. We will convert the National Clean Air Plan into a Mission and we will focus on 102 most polluted cities in the country. Through concerted action, we will reduce the level of pollution in each of the mission cities by at least 35% over the next five years.

We have continuously protected and promoted the interest of forest dwellers particularly the tribal communities. We have endeavoured to provide basic amenities, such as roads, telephone connectivity and cooking gas connection in addition to houses and toilets, at the doorstep of people living in remotest forest areas. We are committed to continuing our work in this direction.

**Protecting the Himalayas**

We will ensure the Himalayan States are provided special financial assistance in the form of a ‘Green Bonus’ to facilitate the protection and promotion of forests in those states.

**Focussing on Island Territories**

We have taken important steps such as establishing the Island Development Authority to ensure the overall development of the island regions. We will continue to focus on these areas given their economic potential and strategic importance.

We will preserve the unique identity of Andaman–Nicobar and Lakshadweep Islands and build a world-class infrastructure compatible with the local ecosystem. We will focus on fully developing the potential of tourism in these islands to bring transformational improvement in the standard of living and income of the residents.

**Focussing on Union Territories**

We will develop Union Territories as models of development and good governance, and ensure the highest quality of living, citizen services and infrastructure for the residents of Union Territories.

**Development of Northeastern States**

We have ensured that the insurgency in the Northeastern States is brought under control and the security situation in these states improved significantly. We will leverage this situation to ensure accelerated development of the Northeastern states.

We will continue to focus on the development of infrastructure and improved connectivity in this region to ensure that the Northeastern states duly participate in the economic progress of the country. We will continue to take the necessary steps to leverage the tremendous potential of hydroelectric, tourism, horticulture etc in the Northeastern states.

We are committed to ensure that the unique linguistic, cultural and social identity of the Northeastern States is adequately protected and take steps to ensure the same.
Yuva Bharat – Tomorrow’s India

We need to create stepping stones for the next-generation in order to ensure that they can participate more fully in building New India.

Creating Opportunities for Youth

01 We will create new opportunities of employment by providing more support to the 22 major ‘Champion Sectors’ identified as the main drivers of Indian economy. We will optimally leverage the untapped employment-generation of potential of sectors such as defence and pharmaceuticals to take advantage of the opportunities available in domestic and foreign markets.

02 Entrepreneurship & StartUps - To encourage the spirit of entrepreneurship amongst the youth, we will take the following steps:

- We will launch a new scheme to provide collateral-free credit up to ₹50 lakh for entrepreneurs. We will guarantee 50% of the loan amount for female entrepreneurs and 25% of the loan amount for male entrepreneurs.
- We will set-up new ‘Entrepreneurial Northeast’ scheme to provide financial support to the micro, small and medium industries and for employment generation in the Northeastern state.
- More than 17 crore entrepreneurs have availed loans under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana. We will expand this initiative further to take the number of beneficiaries of Mudra loans up to 30 crore.
- We will continue to promote and encourage Startups through creation of a ‘Seed Startup Fund’ of ₹20,000 crore.

Youth In Governance

03 Engaging Youth with Society - To ensure increased participation of youth in our society, we will take the following steps:

- We will incentivise and reward self-organized groups of youth who adopt social assets like schools, hospitals, lakes, public gardens etc. and ensure their maintenance and cleanliness to encourage greater civic engagement of the youth.
- We will launch a special awareness and treatment programme for de-addiction among youth to protect them from the harmful effects of substance abuse and addiction.

04 Youth in Urban Governance - We will support a large scale internship programme for the youth in urban local bodies, matching skills needed by the local bodies and providing the young with much needed understanding of urban issues.

Sports

05 We will map state and district-wise sport talent and strengths, recognize the traditional sporting practices and focus on the promotion of specific sports in specific regions.

06 Our government has taken comprehensive steps to develop the culture of sports in the country through the ‘Khelo India’ scheme, and we will continue to provide adequate resources under this scheme to ensure the achievement of declared objectives. Under this scheme, special attention will be given to encourage sporting talent among women and tribals.
In order to further promote sports, we will introduce practical sports courses as part of the educational curriculum and also establish a National Sports Education Board for the development of sportspersons.

We will support the creation of a mini-stadium in each sub-district, with the participation of state governments, to encourage sports and to make sporting infrastructure available in the rural areas.

We will formulate a mechanism to ensure that the capacity of existing sporting infrastructure is easily accessible for use of sportspersons and new models including PPP will be explored to ensure maintenance and management of such assets.

We will promote the Fit India campaign as an integral part of building a culture of sports in India and will consistently undertake necessary steps to encourage broader awareness and participation in the campaign.

“India is a youthful country. A country with such a major percentage of youth has the capability to change not only its own, but the fate of the entire world.”

- Shri Narendra Modi
Education for All

While keeping the education system in pace with modern trends and knowledge, our efforts will continue to be oriented towards ensuring a global, scientific, outcome-focused, knowledge-oriented, accessible, inclusive and student-friendly education system in order to ensure that students can optimally benefit from the education system.

Primary and Secondary Education

01 Having achieved access and equity in school education, our emphasis will now be on quality of learning. We have already identified learning outcomes for various classes and our priority in the next five years will be to ensure that children achieve these learning outcomes. We will focus on teachers training and capacity building as a key factor in achieving these learning outcomes.

02 We consider it our duty to provide a conducive environment for talented children in our country to facilitate them to unleash their talent. For this, we will initiate a ‘Prime Minister Innovative Learning Program’ to bring together such children for a certain period in a year in one place from all over the country and provide them with facilities and resources for them to excel. This would instill a culture of lateral thinking and innovation among them.

03 We will establish National Institutes of Teachers’ training. These institutions would provide four-year integrated courses that would set the standards for quality teachers in our schools. We will also motivate States to replicate this model as it is our firm belief that quality teachers lay the foundation of quality learning.

04 We are committed to using technology in classrooms and in imparting education. We will move ahead to provide smart classes to our children in schools. To begin with, we will initiate this process in the secondary classrooms.

05 Kendriya Vidyalalas and Navodaya Vidyalas have done yeoman service in the field of school education. In order to cater to the demands of more such schools, we aim to open another 200 such schools by 2024.

Higher Education

06 We will take all necessary steps to increase the number of seats in Central Law, Engineering, Science and Management institutions by at least 50% in the next five years. We will also motivate States to accordingly increase the number of seats in State institutions.

07 We have given due emphasis to on-line courses as a medium of delivering education in the last five years. We will take it to the next level and make it a major resource for imparting higher education.

08 While we have world-class Technology, Science and Medical institutions, the same needs to be replicated in other areas. We will set up an Arts, Culture and Music University with a focus on fine arts such as music and dance. We will also open a state-of-the-art Hospitality and Tourism University and a Police University. States will be encouraged to establish similar institutions of excellence.

09 We will relook the role of existing regulatory institutions’ and make necessary changes in the legislation to ensure a regulatory overhaul. We will formulate new regulatory mechanism to provide autonomy to quality institutions and focus towards setting national standards. It will work towards promoting excellence and quality learning in higher education while providing academic and functional autonomy to institutions.
In the past five years, our emphasis has been on quality higher educational institutions and Institutions of Eminence have been a step in that direction. We will take it forward in the next five years and create 50 such institutions by 2024.

In the past 5 years, a number of our institutions have figured in the top 500 institutions of the world. We will encourage academic institutions towards excellence and motivate more such institutions to rank among the top 500 institutions of the world.

We will consciously promote a programme for ‘Study in India’, which will focus on bringing foreign students to study in higher educational institutions in our country and make India a major destination for education for foreign students.

To ensure innovation and quality research, we will incentivise the industry to collaborate with our scientific labs and technological institutions, to undertake research in cutting-edge technology and science.

We have launched the ‘National Digital Library of India’ and provided access to e-books and many other papers to the students free-of-cost. To further promote a research-orientation in our higher education institutions, we will take it forward by providing access to leading journals free of cost to the students.

Skill Development

We will formulate a ‘National Policy for Reskilling and Upskilling’ to evolve a flexible and industry-responsive workforce which is capable of accessing new opportunities and to insulate it from technological shocks.
Women Empowerment

As, The Prime Minister has stated that ‘India needs not just women development, but women-led development that makes women the leading force of our development trajectory’, and as per this belief, we have determinedly gone beyond tokenism to take substantive measures to ensure overall development of women and achieve gender equality. Building on these positive measures we will continue to pursue the course of holistic development and increased participation of women in society and economy.

Women-led Development

01 The gains made under our pioneering ‘Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao’ programme have been impressive. We are committed to continue to build on these gains to provide accessible and affordable quality education to all women. We will ensure that ample financial support is available to girls through out their education and subsidised education loans are provided for higher education.

02 During the last five years, we have focussed on ensuring a safe and dignified life and access to basic resources for women through various schemes such as Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, Ujjwala, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, Saubhagya. In the next 5 years, to ensure financial empowerment among women in rural and semi-rural areas and create better employment opportunities for them, we will make every effort to ensure access to credit and other resources, capacity building, market and distribution network for women entrepreneurs, SHGs and women farmers.

03 We are committed to make women equal partners in and equal beneficiaries of the progress and prosperity of the nation and will formulate a comprehensive ‘Women in Workforce’ roadmap focussed on dramatically increasing the female workforce participation rate over the next five years. We will also encourage industries and corporates to generate better employment opportunities for women.

04 To generate better work opportunities for women, 10% material to be sourced for government procurement will be done from MSMEs having at least 50% women employees in their workforce. This will cover various import substitution items including, but not limited to, apparel, leather, paper and wood, articles, stone items like idols, etc, plastic and rubber items, furniture, clocks, toys etc.

05 To ensure greater participation of women in the workforce, it is necessary to enable them to continue in the workforce by providing support for child care. Our government has already made it mandatory for any establishment with 50 or more employees to have the facility of a creche. We will now strengthen the creche programme with special focus on the needs of parents employed in the unorganized sector to provide creche and child care facilities by leveraging the existing Anganwadis, civil society organisations and the private sector. We will ensure that the number of childcare facilities is increased three fold by 2022.

Ensuring Equal Rights

06 We have determinedly taken substantive measures to ensure overall development of women and promote gender equality. Continuing our work, we will legislate a bill to prohibit and eliminate practices such as Triple Talaq and Nikah Halala.

Ensuring a Dignified Life for Women

07 Continuing our efforts to ensure safe motherhood through schemes such as Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Matritva Suraksha Abhiyaan and Ayushman Bharat, we will focus on ensuring good quality, easily accessible and affordable maternal healthcare services for all women.

08 The government has launched a major initiative on malnutrition by launching the POSHAN Abhiyan. We will reduce the malnutrition level by at least 10% in the next five years, doubling the rate of reduction of malnourishment.
We have very significantly increased the honorarium of ASHA and Anganwadi workers. We will increase the coverage of Ayushman Bharat to include all Anganwadi workers and ASHA workers to ensure improved health and social support system for these frontline workers.

Women’s security will be given more priority. We have constituted the Women’s Security Division in the Home Ministry, and have made strict provisions for transferring the laws in order to commit crimes against women, in particular in a time-bound investigation and trial for rape. In such cases, forensic facilities and fast track courts will be expanded to bring convicts to justice.

To create a positive atmosphere for women, promote gender justice and create awareness on issues related to women, gender sensitisation courses will be made an essential part of all educational institution’s curriculum and training modules of public offices.

We are committed to ensure the welfare of widows of defence personnel who were killed in action. We will formulate a dedicated programme for the creation of work opportunities, provide skill training and strengthen social security mechanism for widows of our Martyrs.

Reservation for Women

Women’s welfare and development will be accorded a high priority at all levels within the government, and the BJP is committed to 33% reservation in parliament and state assemblies through a constitutional amendment.

"After all, our dream of 'New India' is the one where women are strong and empowered and are equal partners in the development of the country."

- Shri Narendra Modi
Inclusive Development

The creation of an open and egalitarian society is central to the philosophy of the BJP. ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas’ is at the heart of PM Modi’s vision of New India.

Ensuring Justice for All

01 We are committed to ensure benefits of constitutional provisions of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and backward classes. We will ensure that proper representation and opportunities are available for these sections.

02 We have decisively ensured that the economically weaker sections (EWS) of the society who belong to the non-reserved category are represented and have access to government jobs and higher education through the 10% EWS reservation which was long overdue. We will implement the law in the same spirit while ensuring that SCs, STs and OBCs continue to have their fair representation.

Strengthening ‘Sabka Vikas’

03 To ensure that quality education is available and easily accessible, every block with more than 50% ST population and at least 20,000 tribal persons will have an Eklavya Model Residential School. Eklavya Schools will be at par with Navodaya Vidyalayas and besides providing state of the art training in sports and skill development, these schools will have special facilities for preserving local art and culture.

04 Continuing our efforts to promote social and political empowerment, we will ensure that the rights of all forest dwellers are fully protected.

05 We will establish 50,000 ‘Van Dhan Vikas Kendras’ in the tribal areas of the country to ensure the availability of primary processing and value addition for forest produce and to provide employment for tribals and increase tribal income.

06 We will make adequate provisions for personal safety equipment and accelerate the adoption of mechanized cleaning to ensure occupational health and safety for Safai Karamcharis.

Ensuring welfare of Poor

07 We are committed to bringing down the percentage of families living below the poverty line to a single digit in the next five years.

08 We will ensure pucca houses for families either living in kuchha houses or without access to housing by 2022.

09 We have been successful in extending the food security cover to over 80 crore people from poor and lower-middle-income families who are receiving food grains (wheat/rice/coarse grains) at highly subsidized prices. We will further widen this cover to provide subsidized sugar (at Rs. 13 per kg per family per month) to these 80 crore families in line with our motto ‘Sabka Saath-Sabka Vikas’.

10 The unprecedented success of the Jan Dhan Yojana has dramatically improved financial inclusion in India. We will take further steps to ensure access to bank branches, payment banks and banking correspondents by creating a new data-sharing framework that builds on the success of Jan Dhan and Aadhaar platforms while ensuring data privacy and security. With this scheme, we will ensure that every Indian has access to banking facilities within a radius of 5 km. We will also launch a technology-enabled programme for broader financial literacy by complementing financial literacy with mass media campaigns to provide information on financial products and their use to enable effective participation of every Indian in the financial system.
Responsive to the Needs of Aspirational Middle Class

11 After providing major tax relief in the recent budget, we are committed to further revise the tax slabs and the tax benefits to ensure more cash and greater purchasing power in the hands of our middle-income families.

12 We will make all efforts to ensure that our aspirational middle class has access to education, employment opportunities and suitable urban infrastructure for a better quality life.

Commitment to Geographical Equity

13 Inclusive development also means inclusion by geography. To this end, our Government has identified 115 aspirational districts that are being given special attention. We intend to continue with this effort to ensure that these districts catch up with the rest of the country. Similarly, we have already laid the foundation for economic and social progress of Eastern India through improved connectivity, construction of high impact infrastructure projects and provision of adequate financial resources. We intend to continue our efforts to resolve the geographical imbalance of the said region and ensure that Eastern India is an equal participant in the progress and growth of the nation. In PM Modi’s words, this is ‘Purvoday’ (Rise of the East).

Development with Dignity for the Minorities

14 We are committed to the empowerment and ‘development with dignity’ of all minorities (Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains and Parsis etc).

Caring for the Elderly

15 We will strengthen the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana to ensure that poor senior citizens in need of aids and assistive devices receive them in a timely manner.

Enabling Divyangs

16 To take forward the gains achieved under Sugamya Bharat, we will put in place a system of continuous accessibility audits and ratings for cities, public infrastructure including airports, railway stations and public transport systems, to ensure that they are fully accessible, with collaboration with industry and civil society organisations.

17 We will prioritize Divyang beneficiaries under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana and mandate accessibility benchmarks to be met in Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana.

18 Anganwadi and pre-school system will be strengthened to ensure that cases of disabilities are detected at an early stage.

19 We will offer higher interest rates on fixed deposits by divyangs.

Political resolution on the matter of Gorkha

20 We will recognise the 11 left out Indian Gorkha sub-tribes as Schedule Tribes. We are also committed to implement the reservation in the legislative assembly of Sikkim for Limboo and Tamang tribes.

21 We are committed to work towards finding a permanent political solution to the issue of Darjeeling Hills, Siliguri Terai and Dooars region.
Ensuring welfare of the Labour Force

Under our government, there has been a 42% growth in the National Minimum Wage. We will maintain the same direction over the next five years to ensure a respectable living for the workers.

Pension Scheme for all Small Shopkeepers

We will expand the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan scheme to cover all small shopkeepers.

Ensuring Welfare of Artisans

We will create an umbrella scheme ‘Pradhan Mantri Kalanidhi Yojana’ to allow flexible and customized packages of credit, working capital and social security options to provide comprehensive support to traditional arts.

Protecting Our Children

We will formulate a comprehensive Child Protection Framework to facilitate the setting up of standards and robust inspection and monitoring of child care institutions across India.

Empowering Transgenders

We are committed to bring transgenders to the mainstream through adequate socio-economic and policy initiatives.

We will ensure self-employment and skill development avenues for transgender youth.
Cultural Heritage

Since inception, the philosophy of the BJP is anchored in the civilisational ethos of India. As we build ‘New India’, we intend to actively invest in strengthening our cultural roots and preserving civilisational continuity. Far from seeing our cultural values as hurdles to progress, we see them as essential ingredients of our future.

Ram Mandir

We reiterate our stand on Ram Mandir. We will explore all possibilities within the framework of the Constitution and all necessary efforts to facilitate the expeditious construction of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya.

Conserving Bharatiya Faith and Culture

We are committed to conserve and promote all culturally, religiously and spiritually significant heritage sites related to every faith in India and the ongoing PRASAD scheme will be expanded to achieve this goal.

Conserving Bharatiya Linguistic Culture

We will constitute a National Task Force to study the status of all written and spoken languages and dialects in India. We will also work towards revival and promotion of vulnerable or extinct dialects and languages.

With a focused effort on promotion of Sanskrit, we will ensure that the teaching of Sanskrit is expanded and popularised at the school level. We will also provide 100 Panini fellowships to researchers and scholars across India to promote research in Sanskrit.

Namami Gange: A matter of Pride

We are committed to ensure a clean and uninterrupted flow of river Ganga from Gangotri to Ganga Sagar. We will ensure that the sewerage infrastructure to deal with 100% of the waste water from the Ganga towns is completed and is functioning effectively, and take steps to enhance the river flow.

The villages located on the banks of the river, which are already open defecation free, will be taken up under a special project to ensure complete sustainable management of solid and liquid waste.

Sabarimala

We will undertake every effort to ensure that the subject of faith, tradition and worship rituals related to Sabarimala are presented in a comprehensive manner before the Hon’ble Supreme Court. We will endeavour to secure constitutional protection on issues related to faith and belief.

Promoting Yoga Globally

We will further continue our efforts to promote Yoga globally as the world celebrates 21st June as the International Yoga Day. We will promote Yoga as a vital method to achieve physical wellness and spiritual rejuvenation across the globe and will continue to work towards training of Yoga practitioners. We will undertake a rapid expansion of Yoga health hubs, Yoga tourism and research in Yoga.

Bharatiya Cultural Festival

An International Cultural Festival will be organised on a grand scale every year in 5 different states to showcase and promote the rich diversity of Indian culture and efforts will be made for greater participation of Pravasi Bharatiya population and international community.
Dharohar Darshan

To increase accessibility and promote all culturally and historically significant heritage sites and museums in India, we will launch a web-enabled virtual tour of all such locations through ‘Dharohar Dharshan-an integrated web portal’. Eliminating the geographical boundaries, the portal will provide real-time experience of Indian cultural heritage, accessible from any corner of the globe.

Uniform Civil Code

Article 44 of the Constitution of India lists Uniform Civil Code as one of the Directive Principles of State Policy. BJP believes that there cannot be gender equality till such time India adopts a Uniform Civil Code, which protects the rights of all women, and the BJP reiterates its stand to draft a Uniform Civil Code, drawing upon the best traditions and harmonizing them with the modern times.
Foreign Policy

We believe that India’s time has come. She is emerging as a power and connecting stakeholders in a multi-polar world. The rise of India is the new reality and we shall play a major role in shaping global agenda in the 21st century.

‘Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam’

While pursuing our national developmental and security interests, the ancient Indian vision of ‘Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam’ will form the basis in our global co-operation for progress, prosperity, peace and security, especially with friendly countries and neighbours. Besides working to secure and safeguard ‘global commons’, we will strengthen our role as ‘first responder’ for disaster relief and humanitarian assistance and develop partnerships for disaster resilient infrastructure.

Global Coordination on Knowledge and Technology

We will make knowledge exchange and transfer of technology for the development of all countries a major focus of our diplomatic relations. As a part of this, we will endeavour to create an ‘International Space Technology Alliance’ for better coordination and cooperation on issues related to space technology to ensure that the benefits of space technology reach all, especially the smaller countries.

Continuous Dialogue with Indians Living Abroad

We will create an institutional mechanism to deepen the relationship of culture and heritage with people of Indian origin, and to regularly engage with them. We will simultaneously launch ‘Bharat Gaurav’ campaign to increase interaction among the Indian diaspora and enable their continuous engagement with the Indian missions. We will strengthen the MADAD portal as single-point avenue for information and services for Indians living abroad.

Combating Terrorism through Global Forums

We are committed to taking concrete steps on international forums against countries and organizations supporting terrorism, and we will take all necessary measures to isolate such countries and organizations on the global stage. To ensure the same, we will work towards establishing a ‘Comity of Nations Against International Terrorism’ as a voluntary multi-lateral forum based on the principles of the draft Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism.

Deeper Multilateral Co-operation

We will effectively pursue co-operation against global evils, such as terrorism and corruption through forums like UN, the G20, BRICS, SCO, Commonwealth, etc. Significant interactions such as Russia-India-China (RIC) and Japan-America-India (JAI) will be strengthened. To forward our ‘Neighbourhood First’ policy, we will extensively leverage forums such as BIMSTEC, to accelerate regional coordination and economic co-operation with countries in our neighbourhood. Act East Policy, cooperation with ASEAN and ensuring an open, inclusive, prosperous and secure Indo-Pacific will be pursued vigorously.

Permanent membership of the United Nations Security Council

We are committed to seeking permanent membership of the United Nation Security Council so that the body reflects the contemporary geopolitical realities of the world. We are determined to intensify our efforts towards these objectives.
We will increase the strength of the diplomatic and allied cadres to keep pace with our increasing global engagement and enhanced stature of India in the world. In addition, we will facilitate the participation of experts in foreign policy-making through a robust mechanism. We will establish a full-fledged University of Foreign Policy, the first of its kind in the region, to focus on academic study and research on foreign policy and geopolitical issues relevant to India and capacity building of our and friendly foreign diplomats. India’s states will be actively assisted in their international outreach for economic development.

International relations are based on mutual understanding and cooperation

- Shri Narendra Modi
75 Milestones for India @ 75
Under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the central government has brought positive change in the life of every Indian in the last 5 years. While ensuring accountability, government has worked for the welfare of the public. Hon’ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has demonstrated his commitment that when India celebrates its 75th year of independence in 2022, we will take the message of transformation to every Indian. On the 75th anniversary of independence in 2022, we express our confidence in fulfilling the following goals for the country based on the achievements of the last five years. We express faith in these 75 steps to help strengthen India and bring about positive change in the life of every Indian:

**Agriculture**

1. Achieve the target of doubling farmers’ income by 2022.
2. Enable the creation of 10,000 new Farmer Producer Organizations.
3. Ensure adequate market avenues for the realisation of MSP through e-NAM, GrAMs and Pradhan Mantri AASHA Yojana.
4. Work towards ensuring that maximum farmers get income support under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana.
5. Launch a pension scheme for small and marginal farmers to ensure social security after 60 years of age.
6. Work towards completing all irrigation projects under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayi Yojana.
7. Provide short-term new agriculture loans up to ₹1 lakh at 0% interest rate for 1-5 years on the condition of prompt repayment of the principal amount.
8. Increase the cropped area under irrigation.
10. Strive to ensure all-weather connectivity for every village.
11. Work towards assisting the maximum number of fishermen by ensuring the availability of storage and other infrastructure under a new ‘Matsya Sampada Yojana’.
12. Ensure 100% disposal of liquid waste and reuse of waste water.

**Youth and Education**

13. Aim to cover all the secondary schools under Operation Digital Board.
14. Enable investment of ₹1 lakh crore in higher education through Revitalising of Infrastructure and Systems in Education (RISE).
15. Work towards increasing the number of seats in premier management institutes.
16. Work towards increasing the number of seats in premier engineering institutes.
17. Work towards increasing the number of seats in premier law institutes.
18. Establish at least one Atal Tinkering Lab in every block.
19. Under a new ‘Entrepreneurial Northeast' scheme, provide financial support to MSMEs and for employment generation in northeastern states.
20. Ensure a pucca house to every family.
21. Ensure the LPG gas cylinder connection to all poor rural households.
22. Ensure 100% electrification of all households.
23. Ensure every citizen has access to a bank account.
24. Ensure a toilet in every household.
25. Ensure access to safe and potable drinking water for all households.
Complete Phase-1 of Bharatmala Project expeditiously.

Double the length of national highways. Ensure 100% waste collection under Swachh Bharat Mission to achieve ODF+ and ODF++ in cities and villages.

Ensure ODF status for all villages and cities.

Achieve 175 GW of renewable energy capacity.

Strive to achieve 10% blending of ethanol in petrol.

Connect every Gram Panchayat with high speed optical fibre network.

Ensure the supply of piped cooking gas in major Tier 1 and 2 cities.

Form a new Ministry of Water unifying the water management functions. This will help approach the issue of water management holistically and ensure better co-ordination of efforts.

Aim to increase the number of operational airports to 150 for better air connectivity.

Increase port capacity to 2,500 MTPA.

**Railways**

Ensure conversion of all viable rail tracks to broad gauge by 2022.

Make all efforts to ensure electrification of all railway tracks by 2022.

Start developing smart railway stations across India.

Work towards equipping all main railway stations with Wi-Fi facility.

Complete the dedicated freight corridor project by 2022.

**Health**

Establish 1.5 lakh health and wellness centres under Ayushman Bharat.

Start setting up 75 new medical colleges/ postgraduate medical colleges.

Target provisioning of telemedicine and diagnostic laboratory facilities at all health and wellness centres to ensure quality primary medical care to the poor at their doorstep.

Work towards increasing the number of childcare facilities threefold.

Ensure a drastic reduction in cases of tuberculosis.

Increase the doctor-population ratio to 1:1400.

Under the POSHAN Abhiyaan, aim to reduce the malnutrition level as well as accelerate the rate of reduction of malnourishment.

**Economy**

Further improve India’s rank in ‘Ease of Doing Business’ ranking.

Work towards improving GDP share from manufacturing sector.

Work towards doubling the total exports.

Establish National Traders’ Welfare Board and create a National Policy for Retail Trade for the growth of retail business.

Work towards creating a single-window compliance and dispute resolution mechanism for MSMEs.

Strive to ensure reduced tax rates, higher tax collection and greater compliance. Work towards ensuring a stable taxation regime.

In order to incentivise compliance of law and ease of doing business, amend the Companies Act to impose civil liability for technical and procedural defaults of a minor nature, thus unclogging the majority of cases from courts.
Good Governance

57 Ensure the availability of banking services within 5 kms of every individual.
58 Achieve complete digitisation and modernisation of courts.
59 Promote and increase digital transactions.
60 Ensure end-to-end digitisation of government processes.
61 Enable digital delivery of government services.
62 Work towards substantially reducing the current levels of air pollution.
63 Work towards completely eliminating crop residue burning to reduce air pollution.
64 Put an Indian in space in an Indian spacecraft as part of ‘Gaganyaan’ mission.

Cultural Heritage

73 Achieve the goal of Clean Ganga by 2022.
74 Complete the development of all projects under Swadesh Darshan, PRASAD and HRIDAY schemes.
75 Work towards digitisation of collections in all national museums.

Inclusive Development

55 Ensure full immunisation coverage of children.
56 Strive to make all government buildings accessible.
57 Ensure the completion of six Tribal Freedom Fighters Museums.
58 Work towards completing the development of ‘Pancheerth’ circuit.
59 Expand the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan scheme to cover all small shopkeepers.
60 Ensure comprehensive social security coverage for all unorganised labourers including insurance, pension etc.

Women

71 Work towards increasing female workforce participation rate.
72 Ensure justice for Muslim women by enacting the law against triple talaq.
The nation will never stop, never bow before anything, never get tired. We have to scale new heights. It is our aim to achieve enormous progress in the years to come.

- Shri Narendra Modi
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