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Message from the Ambassador H. E. Mr. Sanjay Kumar Verma

I am pleased to bring forth this edition of the newsletter of the Indian Embassy 'The Indian Connection'.

This edition brings you stories of growing India as well as initiatives of the Indian Government and resulting success stories besides stories of India-Japan.

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India On the Move

First-ever in-person Leaders' Summit of the Quad held in Washington DC

On September 24, President Biden hosted Prime Minister Scott Morrison of Australia, Prime Minister Narendra Modi of India, and Prime Minister Yoshihide Suga of Japan at the White House for the first-ever in-person Leaders' Summit of the Quad.

The leaders have put forth ambitious initiatives that deepen our ties and advance practical cooperation on 21st-century challenges: ending the COVID-19 pandemic, including by increasing production and access to safe and effective vaccines; promoting high-standards infrastructure; combatting the climate crisis; partnering on emerging technologies, space, and cybersecurity; and cultivating next-generation talent in all of our countries.

To date Quad countries have collectively delivered nearly 79 million safe and effective vaccine doses to the Indo-Pacific region. Vaccine Partnership remains on track to expand manufacturing at Biological E Ltd, it can produce at least 1 billion doses of COVID-19 vaccines by the end of 2022.

Japan, through Japan Bank for International Cooperation, will work with India to enhance key investments of approximately \$100 million in the healthcare sector related to COVID-19, including vaccine and treatment drugs.

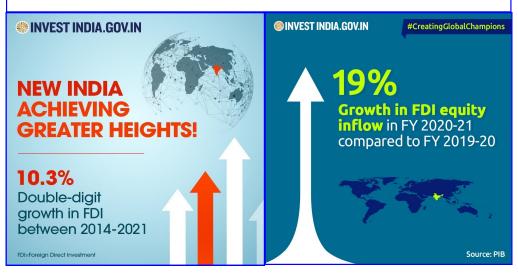
Building on the G7's announcement of Build Back Better World (B3W)—an infrastructure partnership focused on digital connectivity, climate, health and health security, and gender equality infrastructure—the Quad will rally expertise, capacity, and influence to strengthen ongoing infrastructure initiatives in the region and identify new opportunities

Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever

MAHATAMA GANDHI

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India launches National Single Window System for Investors and Businesses

NSWS will bring Transparency, Accountability & Responsiveness in the ecosystem and all information will be available on a single dashboard. Services include Know Your Approval (KYA), Common Registration & State registration Form, Document repository & E-Communication. Government has launched several initiatives recently, including the flagship Production Linked Incentive Scheme (PLI) and the India Industrial Land Bank System.

Details: https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1756966

Education Minister released the India Rankings 2021

This is the sixth consecutive edition of India Rankings of Higher Education Institutions in India. Over the years, three new categories and five new subject domains were added to bring the total tally to 4 four categories and 7 subjects. The four categories are Overall, University, College and Research Institutions. The 7 subjects are Engineering, Management, Pharmacy, Architecture, Medical, Law and Dental.

Details: https://pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetailm.aspx?PRID=1753517

15th East Asia Summit Energy Ministers Meeting

The theme of the meeting "We Care, We Prepare, We Prosper", aimed at coordinating efforts of ASEAN countries in pursuing the goal of energy security and energy transition that will benefit the people of the region. The Indian Power Minister participated in the meeting.

Details: https://pib.gov.in/PressReleaseIframePage.aspx?PRID=1755433

Medium Range Surface to Air Missile (MRSAM) System

DRDO handed over air defence missile (MRSAM) System to the Indian Air Force. The MRSAM (IAF) is an advanced network centric combat Air Defence System developed jointly by DRDO and Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI) in collaboration with the Indian industry comprising of private and public sectors including MSMEs. The missile is powered by an indigenously developed rocket motor and control system for achieving high manoeuvrability during the terminal phase.

ZyCoV-D developed by Zydus Cadila receives emergency use authorization

It is the world's first and India's indigenously developed DNA based #COVID19 vaccine to be administered in humans including children and adults 12 years & above



Excerpts of Prime Minister's Speech at the launch of Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission

Namaskar!

Today is a very important day for India marching in the 21st century. The campaign to strengthen the health facilities of the country for the last seven years is entering a new phase from today and this is not an ordinary phase, this is an unusual phase. Today a mission is being started, which can revolutionize the health facilities of India.

Friends.

Three years ago, the Ayushman Bharat scheme, dedicated to Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay ji on his birth anniversary, was implemented across the country. I am happy that from today onwards Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission is also being implemented across the country. This mission will play an important role in overcoming the problems faced by the poor and middle class in the country. Ayushman Bharat, which has connected patients with thousands of hospitals across the country through technology, is being expanded today with a strong technology platform.

The technology, which is being made the core for good governance and improving governance in India, is empowering the common man and it is unprecedented. Digital India campaign has empowered the country manifold by connecting the common man of India with digital technology and we know very well and our country can proudly claim there are 130 crore Aadhaar numbers, 118 crore mobile subscribers, about 80 crore internet users and about 43 crore Jan Dhan bank accounts. There is no such vast connected infrastructure anywhere in the world. This digital infrastructure is delivering to the common Indian from ration to administration in a rapid and transparent manner. Today India is making its mark in the world in digital transactions through UPI. The e-RUPI Voucher that has been launched recently is also a great initiative.

Friends,

India's digital solutions have also helped every Indian a lot in the fight against Corona. For example, the Arogya Setu App has helped a lot in preventing the spread of corona infection, creating awareness, understanding the whole situation and the surrounding areas. Similarly, under the Free Vaccine to All campaign, India has been able to administer about 90 crore vaccine doses so far. Co-WIN has played a great role in making the records and the certificate available to you. Even the developed countries do not have such a huge digital platform from registration to certification.

There has also been an unprecedented expansion of telemedicine during the Corona period. So far, about 1.25 crore remote consultations have been completed through e-Sanjeevani. This facility is connecting thousands of countrymen living in far-flung parts of the country every day with the senior doctors of big hospitals of cities while sitting at home. The services of well-known doctors have become easier. On this occasion, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all the doctors, nurses and medical staff of the country. Whether it is vaccination or treatment of corona patients, their efforts have provided great relief to the country in the fight against corona.

Brothers and sisters,

Ayushman Bharat – Digital Mission will facilitate the ease of living along with simplifying the procedures in hospitals. At present, the use of technology in hospitals is currently limited to only one hospital or to a single chain of hospitals. When a patient moves to a new hospital or a new city, he has to go through the same process again. In the absence of digital health records, he has to carry files of the past several years. In the event of an emergency, even this is not possible. As a result, a lot of time of both the patient and the doctor is wasted, the problem becomes acute and the cost of treatment also goes up. We often see that many people do not have their medical records when they visit the hospital. In such a scenario, the medical consultation, investigation, etc has to be done afresh. In the absence of a record of medical history, it is time consuming and costly and sometimes the treatment becomes contradictory and our brothers and sisters living in the countryside suffer a lot because of this. Since doctors do not advertise in newspapers, it is only through word of mouth that one gets to know about a good doctor. Now all the information of the doctors regarding their specialty, the nearby doctors, where to reach immediately will be available and I would like to tell you that the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission will play an important role in getting rid of such problems.

When new systems of technology will be developed by Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission, then it will be very easy for the patients of any country to consult, send their reports to doctors of India and get treatment. Of course, this will also have an impact on health tourism.

The road to a healthy India in this era of independence is very important to fulfill the big resolutions and to make big dreams come true. For this we have to make concerted efforts. I am sure all the people related to the medical field, our doctors, paramedics and medical institutions will assimilate this new system rapidly. Once again, I wish the nation all the very best for Ayushman Bharat – Digital Mission!!

Many thanks!



India scripted history at Tokyo Paralympics 2020 with 19 medals



Japan-India Summit Meeting

On September 23rd, PM Narendra Modi, who was visting Washington D.C., the United States, held a summit meeting with Japanese Prime Minister SUGA Yoshihide.

Prime Minister Suga reiterated the importace of the partnership with India, which shares the basic values with

Japan, and especially the role of Prime Minister Modi in it, who has long advocated the importance of rule-based order and the rule of law, to realize a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific." Prime Minister Suga also welcomed the steady progress in the cooperative relationship between the two countries even under the difficult situation caused by COVID-19. He also expressed his hope that the Varanasi International Cooperation and Convention Centre, which was built with Japan's grant aid and both Prime ministers celebrated together in July this year upon the completion, would be utilized as a "symbol of friendship between Japan and India."



Prime Minister Modi expressed his gratitude for Prime Minister Suga's significant contribution to the Japan-India relations and stated that India's relations with Japan are very important not only for both countries but also for the stability and prosperity of the region and the world. Prime Minister Modi also congratulated the success of Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games and the great performance of Japanese athletes, and Prime Minister Suga expressed his appreciation in response.

The two leaders shared the view on the importance of maritime security toward the realization of a "Free and Open Indo-Pacific" and reaffirmed to work closely with each other and also with the U.S. and Australia, in order to strengthen the connectivity in the region, as well as to form an international order based on the rule of law. The two leaders shared strong opposition to the economic coercion and unilateral attempts to change the status quo by force in the East and South China Seas.



Prime Minister Suga stated that Japan strongly condemned North Korea's recent ballistic missile launch as a violation of the relevant UN Security Council resolution, and that North Korea's recent nuclear and missile related activities threaten the peace and security of Japan, the region, and the international community and that the full implementation of United Nations Security Council resolutions is essential to achieve the complete, verifiable and irreversible dismantlement (CVID). Prime Minister Suga also asked for understanding and cooperation for the immediate resolution of the abductions issue.

The two leaders concurred that they would continue to cooperate in tackling COVID-19, as well as in the security field including holding the next round of Japan-India Foreign and Defence Ministerial Meeting ("2 + 2") at an early date. They also concurred on continuing cooperation in the field of economy and economic cooperation including in digital, green technology, healthcare, and enhancing connectivity. In that context, Prime Minister Suga mentioned potential areas of cooperation such as establishing safe and reliable 5G network and submarine cables, strengthening industrial competitiveness and supply chain, realizing realistic energy transitions, accepting workers from India under the system of Specified Skilled Worker (SSW), enhancing the exchanges of IT professionals, and promoting development of India's North Eastern Region. The two leaders also reaffirmed that they would continue to cooperate toward the steady progress of the High-Speed Rail project, which is the symbol of the Japan -India cooperation. At the end, they shared the views that various efforts would be made on the 70th Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between Japan and India in 2022 to take the birateral relations as the "Special Strategic and Global Partnership" to a new height.

Webinar on "Business Opportunities in India - Chiba"

As part of celebrations for India@75 and India-Japan@70, an online webinar on "Business Opportunities in India – Chiba" was jointly organized by the Embassy of India, Tokyo; JETRO, Chiba and The Chiba Chamber of Commerce and Industry with the support of Chiba Prefectural Government, City Government of Chiba and Japan

International Trainee & Skilled Worker Cooperation Organisation (JITCO) on September 01, 2021. The objective of the webinar was to promote the business opportunities in India among the companies in Chiba prefecture.

H. E. Mr. Sanjay Kumar Verma, Ambassador of India to Japan, in opening remarks, underlined the various initiatives and reforms by the Government of India to promote economic growth and improve investor's confidence, inlcuding reforms of corporate and labour laws, reduction of the Corporate Tax by 50% and steps taken to strengthen the manufacturing



sector such as Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes in 13 key sectors. He also mentioned that the Indian economy offers immense opportunities to Japanese companies in flagship national infrastructure pipeline programmes such as Make in India, Digital India, Start up India, Skill India, Smart cities and Industrial as well as technology corridors.

Mr. Mayank Joshi, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of India, Tokyo made presentation on the Business environment and opportunities in India. He highlighted the Economic, Social and Political factors which present huge opportunities of growth for businesses in India.

Mr. Junichi Sakamoto, Asia and Oceania Division, Overseas Research Department, JETRO made a presentation on India's economic potential and opportunities for collaboration. Mr. Y Akimoto, Managing Director, Toyo Engineering India Private Limited shared a case study based on their



business experience in India. Mr. Shigeo Matsutomi, Senior Vice President, Japan International Trainee & Skilled Worker Cooperation Organization (JITCO) made a presentation on various schemes of sending and accepting trainees and workers from India. The event was attended by around 50 delegates.

Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) organized the Digital Conference and Exhibition on Leveraging Partnerships through New Age Technologies on 14 September, 2021.

This event aimed to provide a platform for multi-sectoral technology providers an opportunity to showcase their products / services that can seamlessly integrate software, equipment, and people to increase the speed, reliability, and flow of information between all systems On September 22, 2021 Mr. Mayank Joshi, Cd'A, participated in Vanijya Utsav 2021 event: 'Interaction with Indian Missions Abroad for enhancing exports from the State of Odisha', organised by DGFT, State Government of Odisha & Indian Oilseeds and Produce Exports Promotion Council (IOPEPC) as a part of Vanijya Utsav 2021 and Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (75years of Independence) celebrations. The session also included speakers from Invest India; DGFT; State Government of Odisha; Indian Oilseeds & Produce Export Promotion Council (IOPEC) and WTC Bhubaneshwar.



Virtual Pitching Event by Indian Start-ups (8th Session)

As part of celebrations for India@75 and India-Japan@70, a Virtual Pitching Event by Indian Start-ups (8th Session) focusing on Food sector was jointly organized by Startup India and Embassy of India, Tokyo on 27th August, 2021 with support from JETRO. The objective of the session was to provide Indian startups a platform to pitch their innovations to Japanese investors and business corporations to explore investment and strategic business and technical collaboration.

Mr. Mayank Joshi, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of India, Tokyo delivered opening remarks at the event highlighting the importance of food sector, food security and the strength of India's food processing sector. He underlined the investment opportunities available in India in agricultural imports, machinery, agricultural supply chain management, ready to eat items, fisheries, organic produce, smart agriculture and cold chain logistics which have a great impact in food sector. He also informed about the initiatives taken by the Government of India sanctioning 41 food parks funded under the mega food parks as well as the evolvement of the Indian startup eco-system, which is the third largest eco-system in the world.



Mr. Masahiro Miyao, Director, DX Promotion Team, Invest Japan Department, JETRO delivered special address at the event where he explained the activities of Japanese companies in food sector operating in overseas market, which would be helpful to the Indian companies in identifying the ways for possible collaboration.



During the event, 8 Startups in food sector (mainly in food processing and access to food) from India made a live pitch to Japanese stakeholders: M/s Food Cloud Pvt. Ltd.; M/s Meal on Road; M/s God's Own Food

Solution Pvt. Ltd; M/s Vilcart Solutions Pvt. Ltd.; M/s Emelco Natural Additives OPC Pvt. Ltd.; M/s Vas Bros. Enterprises Pvt. Ltd.; M/s Mallipathra Nutraceutical Pvt. Ltd. and M/s Kiwi Kisan Window Pvt. Ltd.

Ms. Shivangi Jain, Assistant Vice President, Startup India made closing remarks and spoke on India's startup ecosystem, Japan's startup & food processing industry and the potential for both countries to learn, grow and synergize with each other.





Virtual tour of Indian and Japanese Buddhist sacred places

As part of the celebrations for #AmritMahotsav and India-Japan@70, a virtual tour of Indian and Japanese Bud-

dhist sacred places namely Bodhgaya, Nalanda, Leh and Nara was organized by VYatra and Asahi Travels, Japan in association with Vivekananda Cultural Centre, Embassy of India, Tokyo.

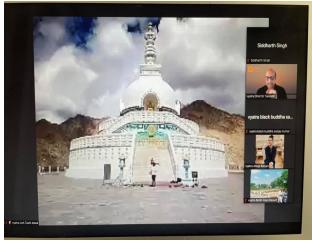
Prof. Siddharth Singh, Director, Vivekananda Cultural Centre, Tokyo delivered a speech about the historical significance of the places that played a great role in proliferation of the Buddhist teachings.

Several Buddhist scholars and priests like Rev. Kitakawara Kohkei, Rev. Enoku Osho, and Rev. Nakamura Ryukai delivered the speeches and performed the Buddhist chanting. Large number of audience including the members of the Discover India Club attended the virtual pilgrimage tour.



Mr Markus of Asahi Travels and Mr Saurabh Mishra of VYatra conducted the entire event.





Embassy of India with its Vivekananda Cultural Centre (VCC) launched **Digital Dance Series**. The series will be part of India at 75 & India-Japan at 70. The performances for this month are

- 1) Performance by Odissi artist Tomomi Fukui -https://youtu.be/r1XxHwNERG0
- 2) Performance by Bharatanatyam artist Ms Manami Mogari https://youtu.be/GLahjgxeaic
- 3) Performance by the Debadhara group led by Odissi artist Ms Kaori Naka https://youtu.be/LCvtwSC6Wys
- 4) Performance by Ms Kaname Tomiyasu https://youtu.be/byzmQKNwjvE

Embassy of India, Tokyo inaugurated the 14th eastern kabaddi tournament on 11th September 2021. 11mens and 3 female teams competed in the championship.





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In Celebration of India @ 75 & India-Japan @ 70



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Video Release Date: Saturday 2nd October Release Time: 1300hrs (Length Approx. 1.5 hrs)

Platform: YouTube & Facebook

Viewing: Free (No Prior Reservation Required)

祝賀動画公開日:2021年10月2日(土)

公開時間: 13:00 ~ (約1時間半)

ブラットフォーム: YouTube & Facebook 視聴料等:無料/予約不要(言語:英語)

The Embassy of India, Tokyo, cordially invites you to join us for the 152nd Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi by watching a special celebratory video featuring talks by notable Gandhians and a variety of cultural performances. Please access the Embassy's YouTube channel or Facebook page to view.

Programme Content

Opening Remarks: Mr. Mayank Joshi Charges D'affaires, Embassy of India, Tokyo

"Vaishnav Jan To" Dance: Mr. Sourav Mohanty

Lecture 1: Prof. Chiharu Takenaka Rikkyo University

Vande Matram: Ms. Miki Shimada & Ms. Emi Hasegawa

Lecture 2: Prof. Kazuya Ishii, Kagawa University

Dance Performance: Monika Bollywood Dance School

Lecture 3: Ms. Kaori Kurihara Graduate of Gujarat Vidyapith

Lecture 4: Dr. Ayako Uno Institute of Asian Cultural Studies, ICU

Recitation of Shlokas of Bhagavad Gita: VCC Students

Concluding Remarks: Prof. Siddharth Singh Director, Vivekananda Cultural Centre インド大使館ではマハトマ・ガンジー翁生誕 152 周年 特別祝賀 動画を公開いたします。著名な講演者によるガンジー翁が伝え たかったメッセージのお話し、各種文化パフォーマンス等、盛 りだくさんな内容となります。動画はインド大使館の公式 YouTube 又は Facebook ページにてご視聴いただけます。

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講演 2:香川大学 法学部 教授

石井一也先生

インド舞踊:モニカ・ボリウッド・ダンススクール

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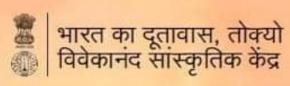


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14 सितम्बर 2021: अपराह्न 3.00 बजे (JST) India in Japan और ICCR in Japan के सोशल मीडिया पर

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