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“In India, we are developing a vibrant defence sector, creating an ecosystem where every component bears the mark of ‘Made in India’ ”

- PM Shri Narendra Modi

From the CEO's Desk



Dear Readers,

Welcome to the October 2025 Edition of MyGov Bharat Matters!

In our ‘India in Global News’ section, we have given rich insights into the recent state visits of the Prime Ministers of Singapore, Mauritius, and Bhutan, alongside Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi’s powerful address at World Food India 2025.

In ‘Celebrating PM Modi’s Visionary Leadership,’ we mark the PM Modi’s 75th birthday and showcase messages from global leaders, underscoring his service, vision, and global leadership.

Echoing PM Modi’s call to strengthen Made in India and embrace Swadeshi, we also urge readers this festive season to choose Indian products and celebrate with pride.

Also, read about how the festival of Dussehra is not just celebrated in India but across the globe.

‘From the Indian Diaspora’ section brings you stories of how Indian culture, service, and language are being celebrated globally—highlighting Seva Parv, Hindi Diwas, and more.

Through these stories, we hope to reflect India’s narratives in the world of diplomacy, development, outreach, and pride. As always, we invite you to engage deeply, offer feedback, and carry forward this spirit of India speaking to the world.

Happy Reading!

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01 India in Global News



India-Singapore: Partnership Beyond Diplomacy

PM Lawrence Wong of Singapore visited India

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi warmly welcomed Singapore's Prime Minister

Lawrence Wong on his first official visit to India. The visit was especially significant as it coincided with the 60th anniversary of India-Singapore diplomatic

relations, a partnership that has continually grown stronger.

Trade, Investment & Defense Cooperation

PM Modi underlined that Singapore is India's largest trading partner in Southeast Asia and a leading investor. Defense cooperation continues to expand, while people-to-people relations remain deep and vibrant.

A Comprehensive Roadmap for the Future

Both leaders outlined new areas of cooperation such as advanced manufacturing, green shipping, skilling, civil nuclear energy, and urban water management. Technology and innovation will also play a central role, with expanded collaboration in AI, quantum, digital technologies, and a new space cooperation agreement.

Our confidence in India
is backed by proven track
record-
PM of Singapore

Skilling & State-Level Partnerships

Singapore will help establish a National Centre of Excellence for Skilling in Chennai, aimed at creating an advanced manufacturing workforce. Indian states are also

playing a key role to deepen ties, while Gujarat's GIFT City has emerged as a financial bridge with Singapore.



Strengthening Digital & Maritime Connectivity

The UPI–PayNow digital payments linkage has expanded, now joined by 13 more Indian banks. Agreements on Green & Digital Shipping Corridors will enhance fuel supply chains, digital port clearance, and strengthen maritime cooperation. The inauguration of Bharat Mumbai Container Terminal Phase-2, built by Singapore’s SPA International, is a landmark achievement.

Innovation & Youth Engagement

The Semiconductor Ecosystem Partnership has boosted R&D and witnessed strong participation from Singaporean companies in Semicon India. To foster youth innovation, the next India–Singapore Hackathon will be held later this year.

Shared Vision for Regional Peace & Security

Singapore remains a vital pillar of India’s Act East Policy and a key partner in promoting peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific. PM Modi also thanked Singapore for its support and condolences after the recent terrorist attack in Pahalgam, reiterating the shared commitment to fight terrorism.

A Partnership with Purpose

Concluding the press meet, PM Modi declared: “Our relations go far beyond diplomacy. This is a partnership with purpose, rooted in shared values, guided by mutual interests, and driven by a common vision for peace, progress and prosperity.”



PM OF MAURITIUS DR. NAVINCHANDRA RAMGOOLAM VISITED INDIA

Prime Minister of Mauritius, Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam concluded his eight-day State Visit to India from 9-16 September 2025 with significant outcomes that further strengthened the long-standing bonds of friendship and cooperation between the two nations. This was his first overseas bilateral visit in his current term, underscoring the priority that Mauritius attaches to its relationship with India.

A Journey Across India

During his visit, Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam travelled to Tirupati, Mumbai, Varanasi, Ayodhya, Dehradun, and New Delhi. His stopover in Varanasi reflected civilizational ties and cultural heritage that connect the two countries.

Paying Tributes and Engaging Leadership

In New Delhi, Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam paid tributes at Rajghat to Mahatma Gandhi and at Sadaiv Atal to former PM Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee. He also visited the New Parliament Building and called on VP Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan and President Droupadi Murmu.

Strengthening Bilateral Cooperation

The visit yielded a series of important agreements and announcements. Seven Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) were signed, covering diverse sectors:

- » Cooperation in science and technology
- » Collaboration between India’s CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography and the Mauritius Oceanography Institute



- » Civil services capacity building under Karmayogi Bharat
- » Cooperation in the power sector
- » Indian grant assistance for Phase II of Small Development Projects
- » Renewal of hydrography cooperation
- » A landmark space science agreement to establish a telemetry, tracking, and telecommunications station in Mauritius

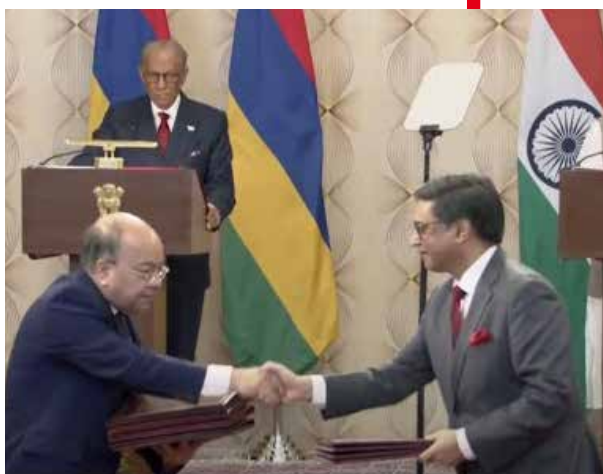
New Initiatives Announced

In addition, new initiatives were announced to expand educational and sustainable energy cooperation. These include MoUs between IIT Madras and the University of Mauritius, and between the Indian Institute of Plantation Management, Bengaluru, and the University of Mauritius. India will also support the development of a 17.5 MW Floating Solar PV Project at Tamarind Falls, with NTPC Ltd. set to finalise the agreement shortly.

A Milestone in India–Mauritius Partnership

The outcomes reaffirm India’s role as Mauritius’s closest partner in its developmental journey. They also reflect the spirit of “Neighbourhood First” and “SAGAR – Security and Growth for All in the Region”, policies championed by PM Modi.

Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam’s visit not only deepened cooperation in areas such as science, energy, and space, but also reinforced the timeless cultural and people-to-people ties between India and Mauritius. It stands as a milestone in the vibrant partnership that continues to define India’s engagement with the Indian Ocean region.



BHUTAN’S PM DASHO TSHERING TOBGAY’S VISITED INDIA



Prime Minister of Bhutan, Dasho Tshering Tobgay, along with His Holiness the Je Khenpo, undertook a four-day official visit to India from 3–6 September 2025. The visit highlighted the deep spiritual and cultural bonds between India and Bhutan while also advancing cooperation in energy, education, and connectivity.

Shared Spiritual Heritage

The visit began with the consecration of the Royal Bhutan Temple at Rajgir, Bihar, a powerful symbol of the two nations’ shared Buddhist heritage. PM Tobgay also visited Nalanda University, proposing greater collaboration in education and cultural exchange, and travelled to Bodh Gaya to offer prayers at the Mahabodhi Temple. In a historic gesture, he visited the Ram Janmabhoomi Temple in Ayodhya, underscoring the broad spiritual ties that enrich India–Bhutan relations.

Bilateral Engagements & Outcomes

In New Delhi, PM Tobgay reviewed cooperation in hydropower, trade, and connectivity. A major outcome was the signing of agreements for a 570-MW Wangchhu Hydroelectric Project, including a Power Purchase Agreement between India’s Adani Power Ltd. and Bhutan’s Druk Green Power Corporation.

A Special Partnership

The visit reaffirmed the unique India–Bhutan partnership, rooted in civilizational ties and strengthened by forward-looking developmental cooperation.

World Food India 2025

PM Modi addressed the World Food India 2025 summit at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi on 25 September 2025. He highlighted India’s “triple strength of diversity, demand, and scale,” which makes the country one of the most attractive destinations for global food investors. With cuisines that change every hundred kilometers, rising consumer demand, and large-scale production, India’s food sector presents unparalleled opportunities.

A Decade of Transformation

PM Modi underscored that 25 crore Indians have overcome poverty in the last ten years, joining the neo middle class whose aspirations are reshaping food consumption trends. India is now the world’s third-largest start-up ecosystem, with hundreds of start-ups innovating in food and agriculture using AI, drones, e-commerce, and modern apps.

Farmers, FPOs, & Cooperatives as Growth Engines

PM Modi emphasized the central role of small farmers, cooperatives, and Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) in strengthening India’s food economy. More than 10,000 FPOs established since 2014 now market over 15,000 products online, from Kashmiri saffron and Himachali apple juice to



millet cookies from Rajasthan and makhana from Bihar. Over 1,100 FPOs have become “millionaires”, achieving annual turnovers above ₹1 crore. Similarly, cooperatives are powering India’s dairy sector, making the country the largest milk producer with 25% of global supply.

Expanding Global Food Security

India is already the top producer of millets, second in rice and wheat, and a major supplier of fruits, vegetables, and fisheries. The PM reaffirmed that India contributes significantly to global food security, stepping up whenever crises disrupt supply chains. Notably, India’s marine sector now employs nearly 3 crore people, with rising exports due to government investments in smart harbours and cold-chain infrastructure. The PM highlighted that

farmers are being connected with food irradiation techniques, which have extended the shelf life of agricultural products and strengthened food security. He affirmed that units engaged in this work are receiving comprehensive support from the government.

Policy Push: Investment, Innovation, and Reform

The government’s push for 100% FDI in food processing, expansion of mega food parks, and the PLI scheme has transformed the sector. India’s food processing capacity has grown twentyfold in the past decade, and exports of processed food have more than doubled. Recent GST reforms further lowered costs for farmers and consumers, with over 90% of processed foods now taxed at 0–5%, including staples like butter, ghee, and ready-to-eat products.

A Global Showcase

World Food India 2025 brought together 21 countries and 150 international participants, with exhibitions, CEO roundtables, and thematic sessions on sustainability, nutraceuticals, plant-

based foods, and more. Credit-linked support of ₹770 crore was extended to 26,000 beneficiaries under the PMFME scheme, catalyzing micro food enterprises worth ₹2,510 crore.



Conclusion

The event reinforced India’s rising role as the world’s food processing hub—where tradition meets innovation, and farmers, entrepreneurs, and investors together shape a healthier, sustainable future.

GLOBAL REPORTS

Narrating India's Growth Story

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Under PM Modi's visionary leadership, India's reforms, skilled workforce, and tech-driven growth are earning global praise, positioning the nation as a hub for innovation and investment.

"India's comparative strengths, its young and skilled workforce, robust saving and investment rates, and relatively sustainable debt profile will help sustain high growth even in a volatile global environment. By building resilience and advancing capabilities in critical technologies, India is well-placed to move closer to its Viksit Bharat aspirations by 2047."

- EY report 2025

"Companies operating in India are planning to outpace global adoption in certain technologies, with 35% expecting semiconductors and computing technologies and 21% expecting quantum and encryption to transform their operations."

- Future of Jobs Report 2025
(World Economic Forum)

"India's auto component export value is projected to reach \$70 billion to \$100 billion by 2030"

- McKinsey Study

"The rationalisation of tax slabs marks an important step towards building a simpler, transparent, and more efficient tax system. Such forward-looking reforms not only improve the business climate in India but also send a strong signal to global investors about the country's commitment to fostering growth and ease of doing business"

- US-India Business Council (USIBC)



CELEBRATING PM MODI'S VISIONARY LEADERSHIP

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At 75, PM Modi stands as a symbol of selfless service and transformative leadership, a Pradhan Sevak who has redefined governance by putting Bharat first. With over five decades of selfless service to the nation, he has consistently placed Nation First. His vision of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas has translated into transformative action, delivering welfare to every doorstep, empowering women, farmers, youth and the marginalized through

Modi ki Guarantee, and driving the spirit of Aatmanirbhar Bharat. His leadership has given India inclusive growth at home and a respected, decisive voice abroad, guiding India towards becoming Vishwaguru. As global leaders extend their wishes, they also acknowledge the impact of a statesman whose visionary governance is shaping Viksit Bharat and offering solutions to the world. Here are the glimpses:



President Donald Trump
(USA)



Prime Minister Anthony Albanese
(Australia)



Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni
(Italy)



President Vladimir Putin
(Russia)



President Mohamed Bin Zayed
(UAE)



PM Benjamin Netanyahu
(Israel)



PM Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam
(Mauritius)

MADE IN INDIA

Products Making Global Waves

Launched in 2014 under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Make in India started as a call to reimagine India's manufacturing strength. A decade later, it has evolved into a global movement—attracting investments, inspiring innovation, and making India a trusted partner in global growth.

Voices from the World

Global leaders and industry captains have openly acknowledged the transformation:

Vladimir Putin, President of Russia: "Our friends in India and Prime Minister Narendra Modi... presented 'Make in India'. It had a visible effect on the Indian economy."

Rolf Habben Jansen, CEO of Hapag-Lloyd: "The world needs a program like Make in India."

Jan Thesleff, Swedish Diplomat: "Companies are not only making in India but co-creating in India, moving their research and innovation centres here."



Bezael Smotrich, Finance Minister of Israel: "Israel was the first to implement Prime Minister Modi's 'Make in India' vision. Israeli companies are already working with Indian firms."

Alex Chalk, Former UK Minister: "Make in India is a great opportunity for India."

Tim Cook, Apple CEO: "We see a future of Apple retail in India... the government is really receptive."

The Impact of Make in India

Restoring Trust: FDI inflows rose by approx 143.5%, from \$308 billion (2003–14) to nearly \$750 billion (2014–25), with exports crossing \$825 billion in 2024–25.

Fueling Ingenuity: India began exporting Apple product components to China and Vietnam—reversing traditional trade flows.



Igniting Pride: Now the world's 2nd largest mobile phone manufacturer, with 99% of phones sold domestically made in India.



Building Resilience: Pharma exports doubled, making India the trusted pharmacy of over 200 nations.

Inspiring Confidence: From 4 unicorns in 2014 to 120+ in 2025, India now has 1.92 lakh startups.



Strengthening Unity: GST and next-gen reforms simplified taxes and formalized millions of businesses.

Celebrating Authenticity: The toy industry, once import-dependent, now produces 400 million toys annually and exports to 153 countries.



Nurturing Empowerment: 57% of recognized startups now emerge from Tier II & III cities, fueling grassroots entrepreneurship.



Sparking Optimism: India is the world's fastest-growing major economy, with nominal GDP tripling in a decade.



Accelerating Innovation: UPI has become the world's No. 1 real-time payment system, surpassing Visa in daily transactions.

The world calls it Make in India. But we call it India making the world believe again in trust, resilience, ingenuity, and authenticity. From unicorns to UPI, pharma to phones, toys to technology, India is no longer following trends, it is setting them.

This is not just Make in India. This is Make for the World.

DUSSEHRA: India's Triumph, World's Celebration

Here's how Dussehra festival unites continents in the triumph of good over evil

Where It All Began – India

Across India, effigies of Raavan, Kumbhkaran, and Meghanath go up in flames as arrows of fire pierce the night sky—symbolizing victory of dharma over adharma. Streets resound with cheers, reminding us that light always conquers darkness.

A Royal Echo – Thailand

In Thailand, the spirit of Dussehra shines through Ramakein, Thailand's retelling of the Ramayana. Golden masks, ornate temple murals, and the elegant Khon dance bring Rama's story to life—infusing Thai heritage with timeless Indian ethos.

Temples and Traditions – Indonesia

From Java to Bali, the Ramayana breathes in daily life. During Dussehra, shadow puppetry (Wayang Kulit), music, and temple rituals recreate the divine battle. At Yogyakarta's Prambanan Temple, it feels less like a performance and more like a sacred continuum of faith.

Dussehra's flame unites humanity in hope, courage, and truth worldwide.



INDIA'S SPORTING SPIRIT SOARS



India's sporting spirit continues to rise, inspiring pride and unity across arenas and abilities.

In hockey, the Indian Men's Team triumphed at the Asia Cup, clinching the title and securing a berth in next year's World Cup. Their victory reinforces India's dominance in the sport and the nation's relentless pursuit of excellence.

The Indian Women's Hockey Team too shone brilliantly, earning the Silver Medal at the Women's Asia Cup 2025—a testament to their grit, teamwork, and growing prowess on the Asian stage.

Adding to the nation's medal tally, Sheetal Devi and Rakesh Kumar created history by winning Bronze in Mixed Team Compound Open Archery. Their performance was a masterclass in focus, courage, and determination.

As the world turns its eyes to India, Delhi proudly hosts the World Para Athletics Championships 2025, commencing 27 September. The event celebrates the power of perseverance and inclusivity, embodying the spirit of a New India that champions ability beyond limits.

From hockey fields to archery ranges, India's athletes are scripting stories of strength, skill, and pride—lighting the way for a more inclusive sporting future.



INDIA'S COMMITMENT TO UN'S SDG

India has made significant progress in reducing inequality, reflecting its commitment to UN Sustainable Development Goal 10 – **“Reduce inequality within and among countries.”** Under Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's leadership, schemes like Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY, 2014) have enabled millions to access banking, credit, insurance, and pensions, ensuring the benefits of growth reach all citizens.

Schemes like Stand-Up India (2016) and Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (2015) provide financial support to women, SC/ST entrepreneurs, and micro-enterprises, bridging gaps in entrepreneurship and employment.

Skill Development and Livelihood Opportunities

Programs such as Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY, 2014) and PM-DAKSH (2020–21) focus on skilling marginalized communities, rural youth, and sanitation workers, enabling sustainable employment and career growth. Urban livelihoods are strengthened through DAY-NULM, supporting self-employment and skilled wage opportunities for the urban poor.



Health, Nutrition, and Social Security

Flagship programs like Ayushman Bharat – PMJAY (2018) and Poshan Abhiyaan (2018) provide health coverage and nutritional support. Complementing these, PM-SYM (2019) and Atal Pension Yojana (2015) offer income security for informal sector workers, reducing economic vulnerability.



Women and Marginalized Communities

Initiatives such as Mahila E-Haat (2016), SMILE (2022), Lakhpati Didi, and National SC/ST Hub (2016) empower women, transgender persons, and marginalized groups with access to credit, markets, and skills. PM-YASASVI (2021) and SHRESHTA (2022) ensure equitable access to quality education for OBCs, SCs, and other backward communities.

Under Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's visionary leadership, India's approach to SDG 10 is holistic, transformative, and future-ready, reflecting a nation determined to leave no one behind.

Transforming India Towards Equity

Through these interventions, India is bridging economic and social disparities and building an inclusive society. By integrating financial inclusion, education, healthcare, skill development, and social security, India demonstrates a strong commitment to reducing inequalities within and among communities.

INDIA'S HUMANITARIAN AID



Supporting a key Global South partner- Mozambique

India sends medical assistance to Mozambique. The first tranche of the aid was dispatched via an Indian Coast Guard vessel. The aid comprises medicines, surgical supplies and consumables which will augment Mozambique's healthcare capabilities.



India Sends Urgent Aid to Afghanistan

A devastating earthquake hit the Kunar Province of Afghanistan. India delivered 1000 family tents in Kabul. 15 tonnes of food material was also being immediately moved by the Indian Mission from Kabul to Kunar. 21 tonnes of relief materials including blankets, tents, hygiene kits, water storage tanks, generators, kitchen utensils, portable water purifiers, sleeping bags, essential medicines, wheelchairs, hand sanitizers, water purification tablets, ORS solutions & medical consumables were also sent.



IMPACT STORIES: At A Glance

At the Virtual BRICS Summit, EAM Dr. S. Jaishankar represented PM Shri Narendra Modi, underscoring India's call for BRICS to play a stabilizing role in the global economy. He highlighted the need to address the disproportionate impact of ongoing conflicts on the Global South and reiterated India's push for proactive reforms in multilateralism—reflecting Bharat's commitment to shaping a fairer, more inclusive international order.



SAMHiTA Conference on South Asia's Manuscript Traditions & Mathematical Contributions was inaugurated in New Delhi on 4 September 2025. Emphasizing the importance of intellectual leadership in shaping India's future, he underlined that Bharat's journey of global engagement must be anchored in 'Atmanirbharta' and national self-confidence.



India has been re-elected to both the Postal Operations Council (POC) and the Council of Administration (CA) at the 28th Universal Postal Congress in Dubai, marking a significant milestone in the nation's growing global leadership under the vision of PM Modi. This achievement underscores India's commitment to innovation, financial inclusion, and sustainability in the postal sector. With the world's largest postal network serving 1.4+ billion people, India is uniquely positioned to advance the Universal Postal Union's mission of a modern, inclusive, and resilient global postal system.



India has been elected to the INTERPOL Asian Committee for 2025–29 at the 25th INTERPOL Asian Conference in Singapore, reinforcing its commitment to regional cooperation and collective security. This membership highlights India's proactive role in addressing shared challenges such as drug trafficking, cybercrime, terrorism, and human trafficking, strengthening collaboration across Asia to ensure a safer and more secure region.

BIMSTEC Young Leaders' Summit, Assam

India hosted the BIMSTEC Young Leaders' Summit from 9–11 September 2025 in Guwahati, Assam, as part of the 21-point action plan announced by Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi at the 6th BIMSTEC Summit. The initiative reaffirmed India's focus on empowering youth as catalysts of growth and cooperation.

Diverse Participation

The summit brought together over 80 young leaders from all BIMSTEC countries. Participants represented politics, business, culture, & civil society, showcasing the region's diversity.

Shaping 21st-Century Leadership

The summit emphasized resilient and inclusive leadership. Sessions on entrepreneurship, design thinking, and collaboration inspired sustainable and socially responsible solutions. Cultural exchanges and country-sharing discussions built mutual trust and understanding, resulting in innovative social business ideas and long-term cooperation networks.



North East as a Bridge



The event underlined the importance of North East India as a land bridge connecting the Bay of Bengal region's socio-economic corridor.

Shared Regional Vision

Aligned with India's Neighborhood First, Act East, and MAHASAGAR visions, the summit prepared young leaders to drive policies, meet challenges, and steer the region toward shared prosperity.

FROM THE INDIAN DIASPORA

Hindi Diwas Celebrations across
the Globe

Hindi is not just a language, but a symbol of our culture, heritage, and identity. The Indian diaspora community across the globe came together to celebrate our Hindi language, culture, and heritage. Here are the glimpses from various Indian Embassies:



Viksit Bharat Run

The Viksit Bharat Run 2025 united 150 cities across India and the world, celebrating India's development journey through culture, service, economy, environment, and youth engagement, while strengthening ties with the global Indian community.





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