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## Shaping New India Through Yuwa Shakti

### Abstract

*In the last two- three years the Government has succeeded to change the mindset and behaviour of the people and the economy is heading towards a different level of growth and integration. The series of bold initiatives of the Government made the Indian economy more shock proof and the succeeded to retain the tag of the third largest economy in the world with a robust, fast growing market for food and services. The range of stories like resurgent India, Digital India, Inclusive India, Incorruptible India, Transparent India, Transforming India, Emerging India, Caring India and Communicating India are in the process of shaping India as a 'New India'. The New India movement 2017-2022 envisages India free from Poverty, corruption, terrorism, communalism, casteism and unclenliness and unite the entire country by adopting good governance and using the technology.*

### ORIGINAL ARTICLE



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To commemorate 75 years of Quit India Movement the Narendra Modi Government led the nation to a pledge to create a New India that is strong, prosperous in all encompassing; an India that will make our freedom fighter proud.

The new India is an India with more conducive business environment, a more empowered citizenry and a better infrastructure among many other interesting initiatives that the Government has been planning and implementing surely and steadily. The New India is the dream of 140 crore Indians which is unfolding right before our eyes. This New India is driven by innovation, hard work and creativity, characterized by peace, unity and brotherhood and free from corruption, terrorism, black money and dirt.

Several initiatives taken by the Government of India point in the direction of making India one of the greatest super powers in the world. The make in India initiative, the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana, the Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan. The Digital Dhan initiative and the subsequent launch of the Bhim App are all programmes that are launched to mobilize people and resources towards creating a better future.

The pledge is to build a New India by 2022; an India that is devoid of corruption is clean, has no poverty, is free of terrorism, has no distinction on the basis of caste and religion. The Prime Minister explained

his idea of a new India and Indians saying it should be a country that offers opportunities to the poor “A New India where the poor do not want anything by way of charity, but seek opportunity to chart out their own course” Indians today are not waiting for Governmental sops. They only want opportunities to be created for them so that they can work for their livelihood and prosperity.

Here in this article we discussed some effective initiative taken by the Government to make India as a New India in the special reference of Yuwa Shakti.

India has one of the largest youth populations in the world, around 66% of the total population is below the age of 35. Indians demographic dividend is pivotal in propelling economic and societal growth. It is imperative to involve youth in participatory governance because in the present but they are 100% of our future. Youth involvement in participatory governance is critical to building civic capacity and long term community sustainability. When youth develop valuable skill and build self confidence. We prosper multifold as country. Participator governance is based on citizens involvement and voice in policy formulation, implementation and governance that impacts or influences them. The Government is more effective and makes better decision when the public is involved, citizens also profit from having access to the knowledge widely spread in the society.

My Gov. is Government of Indias citizen engagement platform which is launched by Hon’ble Prime Minister on 26 July 2014. My Gov facilitates participatory governance or JanBhagidari by:

Information Dissemination, two way communication, transparency, fact check, infusing collaborations. The Government is more effective and make better decision when the public is involved; citizens also profit from having access to the knowledge widely spread in the society. When youth develop valuable skill and build self confidence we prosper multifold as a country.

The youth of our country has played and is playing a critical role in promoting participatory governance. Due to efforts from our young population My Gov has been able to reach out the masses and disseminate important information. Our young generation’s skills, knowledge and capabilities will benefit our country. Transparency within public bodies incorporated to build strong and inclusive public institutions. Participatory governance is the key to achieving equitable and sustainable goals. Paying attention to youth peoples aspirations and utilising their energies and ideas in serving local communities through youth participation is vital. My Gov calls upon all youngsters to unleash their talents and contribute their bit to participatory governance and nation building.

## **Access to Holistic Education**

“India has been a global centre of knowledge from ancient times and there is an implicit understanding in the society that an effective education system is essential to fulfil the aspirations of the youth”. In the modern era of education reforms the most significant was introduction of NEP; that is changing India’s education system. It focuses on new age skills and provides room for students to learn at their own pace.

The policies implementation seeks to make India’s youth solution- oriented, agile and mentally equipped to handle real life situations and operate in challenging environments. The new policy has prioritized efforts to boost literacy and numeracy achievement in primary schools while lowering dropout rates in middle and secondary schools. The adoption of multi-disciplinary approach, academic bank of credits and multiple entry exit options make higher education more responsive and flexible, additionally the policy focuses on early childhood care, education in one’s mother tongue, assessment and exam reforms, teacher training and broad based evaluation. The Government has also tripled the number of operational or established All India Institute of Medical Sciences. Also National Medical Commission Act took effect on 8 August 2019, bringing in new National Medical Commission aimed at serving as the country’s top medical education regulator, NMC has also brought transparency and accountability in medical education. The footprint of education has been

expanded to ensure that no one is left behind. Eklavya Model Residential school has been setup in tribal areas for talented scheduled tribe children to give high quality education. Government increase number of Navodaya Vidyalaya, IIT, IIM, universities for the betterment of the future of India's youth. A concerted effort is being made to ensure the quality education is within the reach of every child. Access to such premiere institutions often faces the barrier of finances. Cheaper education loans and expansion of the scholarship programmes, particularly for the Sc and ST students at school level have also made access to education easy. This ensures that the meritorious students have a genuine shot and do not have to worry about the implication on their families.

## **Ease of Living**

Modern Infrastructure and seamless service have a positive impact on enhancing quality of life. It have boosted academics, vocational and entrepreneurial integration of new generations even in the remotest part of India. The Government has taken visible and tangible actions on ground. "Positively impacting the lives of crores of the youth adapting the mantra of 'ease of living' at the core of every development programme".

Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gram Jyoti Yojana and Saubhagya scheme ensured that over 99% of Indian Households today have electricity, bringing huge change in the lives of the youth. Cleanliness is now part of a life style for the youth. After the success of Swachh Bharat Mission 1.0 to make India open- defecation free, more than 1.34 lakh villages have become Open Defecation Free (ODF) plus; which means solid and liquid waste collection treatment and reuse has started in these villages. It is not only improving the environment in rural India and helping achieving the public health goals, but also bringing dignity to our youth. Today more than 10.75 crore (56%) rural households have assured clean tap water supply through Jal Jeevan Mission. A self owned house brings assurance and also single steps towards elimination of poverty. Through PM Awas Yojana over 3 crore houses have been constructed and these are not only providing shelter but the construction itself has skilled several communities and provided employment of youth.

Connectivity has been ensured with schemes like UDAN; which has made flying not only accessible and affordable but has also provide much needed exposure and opportunities to youth. This is complimented by the vast expansion of Highways, railways and urban public transport network, bringing the transformational change in terms of efficiency and enhancing productivity of India's youth.

## **FIT INDIA Movement**

This movement was launched in August 2019 to reinvigorate the mindset of youth to keep themselves fit. Another major boost was with the revival of grassroots sports, culture among the youth through Khelo India programme. Through this programme talented youth are identified at various levels and provided with annual financial assistance of Rs. 5 Lakhs per annum for 8 Years. Fit India Movement version is to bring about behavioural changes and move towards a physically active life style. The movement attempted to put the nation on a path towards wellness and fitness. Fitness is a crucial component of well being in modern environment of stress and life style disorders and is crucial to maintaining our health, preventing illness and assuring a higher standard of living. A special and exciting chance to work towards a healthier India is provided by this initiative. The goal of Fit India movement is to raise awareness about the importance of physical activity and to encourage school to incorporate sports from an early stage. This is crucial if we want to develop athletes of the highest calibre who can compete on a global stage. The National Education policy (NEP 2020) places a similar emphasis on this. Several new and innovative initiative undertaken to strengthen the impact and spread awareness of FIT India as a movement for example.

Samagra Shiksha Scheme, FIT India school movement, FIT India school week, FIT India Quiz, FIT India freedom run 3.0. All these recent initiatives have provided much needed systematic interventions and change of mind set concerning to sports. The Government has been playing a crucial role in promoting sports and fitness in the country. A holistic approach of the Government towards sports and emphasis on fitness is going to change the way India takes its sports and games.

## Improving Health

In India, the youth constitute nearly half of the country's population. "Our Youth largely contribute to the economic growth of the country as it is the most productive age group being employed in various sectors. Much of the economic growth potential of India is derived from the vibrant and highly skilled youth population in the country". "Our youth face a lot health issues because of their psychological state, behaviour, diet, work and other factors many of which are related to their behavioural habits. Some health issues are mental health, alcohol and drug use, tobacco use, physical inactivity, diabetes and hypertension and other health problems". In this regard Government takes various initiatives which aim at healthier youth- Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karykram, Adolescent Friendly Health Clinics; peer Education programme, Menstrual Hygiene scheme, Health Wellness Centres under Ayushman Bharat Programme, FIT India and various health programmes like National programme for prevention and control of cancer, diabetes, cardiovascular diseases and stroke; National AIDS control Programme, National Mental health programme and other strive in improving youth health.

"Our youth constitute around half of India's population and are the foundation of country's economic growth and development. Though, otherwise healthy population the youth face a host problems due to their age, behaviour and other factors which can have long term effect during old age. Prevention of ill health effects in youth can have long term benefits individually at family level and at national level. The policies aimed at youth should be targeted at healthier lifestyle, adoption of regular physical activity and health prevention and promotion measures. Healthy youth today will make healthy nation tomorrow".

As a leader in innovation and entrepreneurship, India provides numerous opportunities for its young population to explore and grow. The Government introduced the New Education Policy in 2020 to make India a global education hub. A student can now take online courses from class 9 till post graduation on the SWAYAM portal which is helping bridge the digital divide. The Agnipath scheme is a transformative reform implemented by the Government. This initiative aims to create a younger, fitter and more diverse profile for the Armed forces to better meet future challenges. "One another important plan is Karmyogi Bharat, is a special purpose vehicle under the administrative control of the Department of personal and training for capacity building of all Government employees. Karmayogi prarambh is an online orientation course for all new appointees in various Government departments."

"The challenges faced by the youth of India are being addressed by the Government on a mission mode. But the Government alone cannot solve all the issues, equal participation of the private and non profit sectors is of paramount importance".

## Conclusion

Today, India's youth are coming up with innovative, cost effective solutions in area of waste management, health, communication, renewable energy, food processing, artificial intelligence and other fields. It is the youth of the country who can enable India to realise its full potential and dreams. "In 2047, when India will be celebrating 100 Years of its Independence, contribution of today's youth will be the key factor in making India become not only the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest economy but truly a developed nation". To achieve the goal, the Government has taken a number of initiative to not only equip our youth with education, skills and good health but also import the right value system i.e. fraternity well being of everyone as India strives to change its destiny. The focus must be continued on furthering ways and means to tap the energy and ambitions of our youth.

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