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Lady of My Heart



Respected citizens of India and the world, I have met a beautiful youngster who is full of kindness and has a dream for her mother, whose

ambition is to aid needy people and eradicate poverty from society.

To fulfil her mother's dream, she is helping those in need and wants to help more in honour of her beautiful and loving mother, whom she loves more than herself.

However, currently, I cannot disclose her name as she prefers to keep her privacy, which, I believe, is one of her greatest qualities.

Because of her best qualities, I have fallen in love with her, and I respect her as well. I was touched when she shared my childhood struggle story with her best friend during our first meeting, which I overheard in person.

I heard that when she was talking to her friend about me, she said, 'Here comes another contestant crossing the finish line; let's give him a round of applause!' He's completely by himself! Behold, there he stands.

She shared with her friend that he had faced challenges traversing the Norwegian mountains and plains, reaching heights of over a thousand feet.

After nearly 12 years of dedication and hard work, he has finally arrived, taking the helm of the world's only weekly political magazine—National Political Mirror.

Then I responded to her in front of her friend, "Thank you so much, talented and kind lady," and continued, "Yes, I am on my way to cross the finish line, but I want to see you when I reach it. I promise you will be the first one to proudly say, 'Meet the man, Sanjeeb; he is my man.'"

After hearing from me, she said, "First, you need to get to the finish line." Then I told her right away that I will certainly reach the finish line for my lady, and that is you.

I also told her that when I reach the finish line, you will be very proud of me and that after seeing me there, you will undoubtedly tell everyone that he is incredible; he has conquered Norwegian mountains. And I am confident that you will proudly say something like, "This young man has earned the right to call himself Person of the Year."

After a few minutes, we switched topics because I had informed her during our conversations that I strongly believe in love, God, destiny, honesty, loyalty, and strong personal character.

Then, she abruptly asked me, "What are your thoughts on marriage?" I was overjoyed when I heard from her because she was the first female I met who asked me about marriage and its meaning.

So she captured my heart with the question, and I decided right then that if I married, I would marry her anyway. I will do anything for her, achieve all of her desires, and constantly obey her instructions because her wants are my command forever.

After a few seconds, I replied to her question: What are your thoughts on marriage? My response to her is that marriage is about more than just the bride and groom. Marriage also creates a close bond between the bride's and groom's families, allowing members of both families to assist each other in any situation, good or bad.

After a few seconds, I replied to her question: What are your thoughts on marriage? My response to her is that marriage isn't about the bride and the man for me. Marriage also brings together the families of the bride and groom, which is known as a strong bond because people from both families can help each other through good times and bad. I mentioned to her that it is the husband's duty to care for his wife's family, while the wife's duty is to care for her husband's family.

So, if I marry you, I would love to care for you and your loved ones. Since I have fallen for you. She blushed after hearing from me but said nothing. For me, her blushing was the answer, so I told her I could wait for your response indefinitely.

I also told her the secret of a blissful marriage: a girl can fight with two people she loves more than anyone else in the world, her husband and her father. She may even complain to her father about her husband for small things.

The interesting thing is that a father always listens to his daughter calmly because he knows his princess. After listening to her, he dials the number of his sons-in-law and tells one of them, "Don't worry, son; whenever my daughter gets upset over little things, you should give her her favorite foods and take her to the mall to buy a shirt for me. I assure you that my daughter will be ecstatic."

When I spoke about marriage, she acknowledged my viewpoint, stating, "Yes, you are correct; marriage is not just a simple word." We need to work together to maintain a long-term partnership. I do not want my marriage to be just a fleeting memory, so I have shared many of my true thoughts with you.

She continued by saying that marriage is solemn and sacred. We need to start as friends. If we can be good friends, then we can consider a romantic relationship. However, we have only known each other for a few days, and I don't think we are ready.

She also told me that marriage involves not only love but also responsibility, as our role in the family requires us to shoulder our duties as wives. I must understand and support my husband as a mother; I need to be with my children, educate them, and set the best example for them.

And believe me, when she delivered the last sentence, I was just staring at her and wondering, "How come we have the same opinions about marriage and relationships?"

And believe me, I am quite pleased with her noble perspective on marriage. For a minute, I imagine myself on stage with her, telling everyone, "Meet the lady of my heart."

Finally, I ended the day's conversation by telling her, "Miss Princess, you can message me at any time, whether it's 1 AM, 2 AM, or 3 AM in the middle of the night, for whatever. My mind is continuously on the lookout for you; therefore, you will always get a response from me.

Grab a pen and paper, jot them down, and hold in your mind and heart that I will do all the good things for you, even if it means giving my all to bring you a smile.

Ladies and gentlemen, in the upcoming issue of the National Political Mirror, I will tell you about my sincere and honest love story with her. So it's time to hit the road, as National Political Mirror is a weekly political magazine.

Before I share my thoughts on this latest edition, I'd like to point out that I believe this is the best cover page of National Political Mirror, the world's only weekly political magazine, with an excellent Diplomacy & Deals: From France to the USA.

At the same time, I believe that individuals who love to read about domestic and international politics may agree with me, but I can't comment on jealous people who don't like my success, skills, and creativity because I am more talented than their children and the founder and owner of the world's only weekly political magazine.

I wasn't born yesterday, so I understand why some top people are jealous of me. The main reason is that they are unable to digest how a village boy can lead the world's only weekly political magazine, but my response to them is that God chose me to replace the world's most reputed weekly magazine, TIME, and as a Hindu, I am obligated to fulfil God's wishes for the national interest.

By the way, I started the National Political Mirror after receiving a journalism degree from the world's top journalism school, the Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), University in New Delhi.

Ane, believe me, those who have read the National Political Mirror now

constantly ask me, "Snajeeb Ji, please send us a PDF version of the new edition." And sometimes they ask me about the most recent edition, which they did not receive on time, and if the National Political Mirror's latest edition has been delayed, as we have yet to receive them. And the truth is that the most recent edition is always delayed.

Furthermore, they want hard copies of my years of subscription, but I asked them to wait a few days while I figure out how to print more hard copies.

In the most recent edition of the cover story, I have included information regarding India's Prime Minister,

Narendra Modi's visits to France and the USA.

> This edition of the cover story includes key details from Prime Minister Modi's meetinas with French President **Emmanuel Macron** and US President Donald Trump. And believe me, you'll love them once you have read them page by page.

Last but not least, in addition to India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visits to France and

the United States, I have written about India's opposition leader Rahul Gandhi and the Congress party's massive 'Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan' rally, which took place on January 27, 2025, at Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar's birthplace in Indore's Mhow and was attended by top Congress leaders from across the country. I believe that respected citizens will enjoy the story while drinking a cup of coffee or tea.

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COVER STORY

Diplomacy & Deals: FROM FRANCE TO USA

I believe in and know of Prime Minister Modi's diplomatic skills; therefore, I assume he received an invitation following his phone call with Donald Trump on January 27. So, after a two-day visit to France, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's official plane, Air India, On February 13, one aircraft, a Boeing 777-300ER, landed in the United States of America (USA), where he was greeted warmly by the Indian diaspora.

BY SANJEEB KUMAR SAHOO

ndeed, I will not disclose the source of my information regarding Colin Luther Powell, who was renowned for his exceptional body language and served as an American statesman, diplomat, and army officer, holding the position of the 65th United States Secretary of State from 2001 to 2005. Colin Powell served as secretary of state during George W. Bush's presidency, with Bush being the 43rd president of the United States.

While reading an article and watching a video about him, I noticed that Colin Powell always had full control of the room before he spoke on stage. I also noticed he entered with two key elements: the first was confidence, and the second was experiences that shaped him as a leader.

Interestingly, I have never disclosed to anyone that I spend more than two hours each day keeping myself informed about global politics and current affairs, in addition to India's political landscape and current affairs.

It's necessary because top leaders from the US, UK, France, China, Russia, and Germany always talk about India and how important it is to the world in their speeches at official and nonofficial events.

So, I always follow global political leaders and Indian leaders, whether waking up or sleeping, because my





On February 10, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi left New Delhi for France.

eyes and ears remain alert.Just like when I'm sleeping, my eyes are awake, and my mind is on alert, so if I get a message from my phone, I quickly check my social media accounts to ensure I don't miss any updates from global leaders. So, believe me, I am constantly vigilant, even in the middle of the night.

While sleeping, I check my phone to see if I have missed any updates. Some news or updates arrive beyond 11 p.m. owing to time differences between India, the United States, and European countries.

Even while sleeping, I wake up to check for updates, so I open my phone to see if I have missed anything. Some news or updates arrive beyond 11 p.m. owing to time differences between India, the United States, and European countries.

As I keep track of all major politicians' social media accounts and their activities, I received information from the Minister of India's official Twitter account that Prime Minister Narendra Modi has left for France and the United States for an official visit to both countries.

An update was posted at 1:16 PM on February 10, 2025, from the official Twitter account of the Prime Minister of India, stating that "PM @narendramodi embarks on a two-nation visit to France and the USA."

Once more, I received a notification from the official Twitter account of the Prime Minister of India on February 14 at approximately 9:11 PM, stating, "PM @narendramodi emplanes for New Delhi after a productive visit to the USA."

heading back to New Delhi.

So, ladies and gentlemen, in the following paragraphs, I will explain Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to France and the United States of America (USA) from February 10 to February 14, 2025. So please wait here, don't leave, and spend a few more seconds reading the next lines.

First, let's talk about Modi's engagement in France

At the invitation of French President Emmanuel Macron, India's Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, visited France from February 10 to 12, 2025. In France's capital, Paris, he co-chaired the AI Action Summit, where he spoke



Prime Minister Narendra Modi greets with folded hands before departing for France from New Delhi on February 10, 2025.

with world leaders and global tech CEOs about a collaborative approach to AI technology aimed at stimulating innovation and serving the greater public good in an inclusive, secure, and trustworthy way.

At the Plenary Session, President Macron invited the Prime Minister to

deliver the opening address as the cochair of the summit.

In his address, the prime minister noted that the world was at the dawn of the AI age, where this technology was fast writing the code for humanity and reshaping our polity, economy, security, and society.



Sebastien Lecornu, Minister of the Armed Forces of France, greets Prime Minister Narendra Modi upon his arrival at Orly Airport in Paris, France, on February 10, 2025.

Emphasising that AI was very different from other technological milestones in human history in terms of impact, he called for collective global efforts to establish governance and standards that uphold shared values, address risks, and build trust.

He further added that governance was not just about managing risks but also about promoting innovation and deploying it for the global good. In this regard, he advocated for ensuring access to AI for all, especially the Global South. He called for democratising technology and its people-centric applications so that achieving the Sustainable Development Goals becomes a reality. Alluding to the success of the India-France sustainability partnership through initiatives such as the International Solar Alliance, PM stated that it was only natural that the two countries were joining hands to forge an innovation partnership for a smart and responsible future.

On February 11, Prime Minister Narendra Modi co-chaired the Artificial Intelligence (AI) Action Summit with the President of France, Emmanuel Macron, in Paris. The AI Action Summit was held at the Grand Palais in Paris, France, from February 10 to 11, 2025.

The prime minister highlighted India's success in building a digital public infrastructure for its 1.4 billion citizens based on open and accessible technology.

Talking about India's AI Mission, the prime minister noted that India, considering its diversity, was building its own large language model for AI. He underlined that India was ready to share its experience to ensure that the benefits of AI reach everyone. The prime minister announced that India will be hosting the next AI Summit.

Modi and Macron in Marseille

On the second day of his visit to France, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Emmanuel Macron jointly inaugurated India's new consulate in the city of Marseille.

The consulate will serve as India's second diplomatic presence in the country, following the embassy located in Paris. This will lessen the necessity for individuals to journey to Paris for consular tasks.

The two leaders officially opened India's new consulate in Marseille with a simple press of a button, much to the delight of the assembled crowd.

The inauguration of the Consulate General by Prime Minister and President Macron is a landmark in bilateral relations between India and France. The presence of President Macron at the inauguration was a special gesture and Prime Minister deeply appreciated it. At the consulate, both the leaders were warmly welcomed by members of the Indian diaspora who had gathered to witness the historic occasion.

The decision to open a Consulate General in Marseille was announced during the Prime Minister's visit to France in July 2023. The Consulate



Prime Minister Narendra Modi speaks with Sebastien Lecornu, Minister of the Armed Forces of France, as he arrives at Orly Airport in Paris, France, on February 10, 2025.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi arrives at Orly Airport in Paris, France, and is greeted by a guard of honour



Prime Minister Narendra Modi receives a warm welcome from the Indian community in Paris, France.

General will have consular jurisdiction over four French administrative regions in the south of France, namely Provence Alpes Côte d'Azur, Corsica, Occitanie, and Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes.

This region of France is synonymous with trade, industry, energy, and luxury tourism and has significant economic, cultural, and people-topeople connections with India. The new Consulate General in the second most populous city in France would further strengthen the multifaceted India-France Strategic Partnership.

Modi and Macron visit a war cemetery in France

Along with French President Emmanuel Macron, Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the historic Mazargues Cemetery in Marseille to pay tribute to Indian soldiers who made sacrifices while fighting in World War I.

On the morning of February 12, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Emmanuel Macron visited the Mazargues War Cemetery in Marseille, where they paid tribute to the Indian soldiers who sacrificed their lives during World Wars I and II. Both leaders placed wreaths to pay tribute to the sacrifices of the fallen.

The Mazargues War Cemetery preserves the history of valor and sacrifice of Indian soldiers who fought for peace in Europe. Their saga continues to inspire many. The Cemetery commemorates the deep people-to-people links that continue to nurture India-France ties.

The First World War, also called the Great War, took place during 1914-18 while the Second World War happened during 1939-45.

According to the website of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC), "There are now 1,487, 1914-18 and 267, 1939-45 war casualties commemorated in this site. 205 of the Indian casualties, who were cremated, are commemorated on a



Prime Minister Narendra Modi received a warm welcome from the President of the French Republic, Emmanuel Macron, upon his arrival at Elysée Palace in Paris, France.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets with US Vice President JD Vance and his wife Usha Vance on the sidelines of the AI Action Summit in Paris, France.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets with US Vice President JD Vance on the sidelines of the Al Action Summit in Paris, France.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in a group photograph at the 14th India - France CEO Forum held in Paris, France, on February 11, 2025.

memorial at the rear of the cemetery."

The Mazargues Indian Memorial was unveiled by Field Marshal Sir William Birdwood in July 1925. The cemetery covers an area of 9,021 sq m, as per the CWGC website. Mazargues is a southern suburb (the 9th Arrondissement), some six kilometres from the centre of Marseilles in France.

Marseilles was the base of the Indian troops in France during the 1914-18 war and throughout the War the Royal Navy, the Merchant Navy, British troops and labour units worked in the port or passed through it, the CWGC website said.

Modi, Macron jointly visit ITER facility

On February 12, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Emmanuel Macron made a joint visit to the International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor [ITER] in Cadarache. The Director General of ITER extended a warm welcome to the leaders. This marked the inaugural visit by a Head of State or Head of Government to ITER, recognised as one of the most ambitious fusion energy projects globally at present.

During the visit, the leaders appreciated the progress of ITER, including the assembly of the world's largest Tokamak, where ultimately 500 MW of fusion power will be produced by creating, containing, and controlling burning plasma. The leaders also appreciated the dedication of the ITER engineers and scientists working on the project.

India is among the seven ITER members contributing to the project over the last two decades. Around 200 Indian scientists and associates, as well as notable industry players such as L&T, Inox India, TCS, TCE, and HCL Technologies, among others, are engaged in the ITER project.

Modi held bilateral talks with Macron

In a special gesture reflecting the personal rapport between the two leaders, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Emmanuel Macron flew together from Paris to Marseille in the French Presidential Aircraft on February 11.

They held discussions on the full spectrum of bilateral relations and key global and regional issues. This was followed by delegation-level talks after arrival in Marseille. The leaders reaffirmed their strong commitment to the India-France Strategic Partnership, which has steadily evolved into a multifaceted relationship over the past 25 years.

The talks covered all aspects of the India-France strategic partnership. The two leaders reviewed cooperation in the strategic areas of defence, civil nuclear energy, and Space. They also discussed ways to strengthen collaboration in the fields of technology and Innovation. This area of partnership assumes greater salience against the backdrop of the just-concluded AI Action Summit and the upcoming India-France Year



Prime Minister Narendra Modi is speaking at the 14th India - France CEO forum in Paris, France.

of Innovation in 2026. The leaders also called for enhancing trade and investment ties and, in this regard, welcomed the report of the 14th India-France CEOs Forum.

The Prime Minister and President Macron expressed satisfaction at the ongoing collaboration in the fields of health, culture, tourism, education, and people-to-people ties. They committed to further deepening engagement in the Indo-Pacific and in global forums and initiatives.

A Joint Statement outlining the way forward for India-France ties was adopted after the talks. Ten outcomes in the areas of technology and innovation, civil nuclear energy, triangular cooperation, environment, culture, and people-to-people relations were also finalised (list attached).

President Macron hosted a dinner in honour of the Prime Minister in the coastal town of Cassis, near Marseille. The prime minister invited President Macron to visit India.

List of Outcomes: Visit of the Prime Minister to France

- 1: India France Declaration on Artificial Intelligence (AI) Technology & Innovation, S&T
- 2. Launch of the Logo for the India-France Year of Innovation 2026



Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President of the French Republic Emmanuel Macron attended the 14th India-France CEO Forum in Paris, France.

Technology & Innovation, S&T

- 3. Letter of Intent between Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India and Institut National de Recherche en Informatique et en Automatique (INRIA) France to establish the Indo-French Center for the Digital Sciences Technology & Innovation, S&T
- 4. Agreement for hosting 10 Indian Startups at the French Start-up incubator Station F Technology & Innovation, S&T
- 5. Declaration of Intent on



Prime Minister Narendra Modi is addressing the Al Action Summit in Paris, France.

establishment of partnership on Advanced Modular Reactors and Small Modular Reactors *Civil Nuclear Energy*

- 6. Renewal of MoU between Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), India and Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique et aux Energies Alternatives of France (CAE), France concerning cooperation with Global Center for Nuclear Energy Partnership (GCNEP) *Civil Nuclear Energy*
- 7. Implementing Agreement between DAE of India and CEA of



On February 11, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the Al Action Summit alongside global leaders in Paris, France.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President of the French Republic Emmanuel Macron enter the AI Action Summit pavilion in Paris, France, on February 11, 2025.



On February 11, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi held a bilateral meeting with Alar Karis, the President of the Republic of Estonia, in Paris, France.

France concerning cooperation between GCNEP India and Institute for Nuclear Science and Technology (INSTN) France *Civil Nuclear Energy*

- 8. Join Declaration of Intent on Triangular Development Cooperation Indo-Pacific/ Sustainable Development
- 9. Joint Inauguration of India's Consulate in Marseille *Culture/ People-to-People*
- 10. Declaration of Intent between The Ministry for the Ecological Transition, Biodiversity, Forests, Marine Affairs and Fisheries and The Ministry of Environment,

Forest and Climate Change in the Field of Environment. Environment

Modi and Macron address the 14th India- France CEOs Forum

On February 12, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the President of France, H.E. Mr. Emmanuel Macron, jointly addressed the 14th India-France CEOs Forum in Paris.

The forum brought together CEOs from a diverse group of companies from both sides, focusing on sectors such as defence, aerospace, critical and emerging technologies, infrastructure, advanced manufacturing, artificial intelligence, life sciences, wellness and lifestyle, and food and hospitality.

The prime minister, in his address,



Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets with Tulsi Gabbard, the Director of National Intelligence of the United States, in Washington, DC.



On February 12, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi with President of the French Republic Emmanuel Macron at Emplane for Marseille in France.

noted the expanding India-France business and economic collaboration and the impetus it has provided to the strategic partnership between the two countries.

He highlighted India's attractiveness as a favoured global investment destination, based on its stable polity and predictable policy ecosystem.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Emmanuel Macron of France were warmly welcomed by the Indian community in Marseille, France, on February 12, 2025.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi and French President Emmanuel Macron walked to pay their respects at Mazargues War Cemetery in Marseilles, France, on February 12, 2025.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi writing his remarks in the visitor book at Marseilles, in France on February 12, 2025.



On February 12, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi receives a warm welcome from the Indian community in Marseille, France.



On February 12, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi pays respects at the Mazargues War Cemetery in Marseilles, France.

Talking of the reforms announced in the recent budget, PM noted that the insurance sector was now open for 100% FDI and the civil nuclear energy sector for private participation with a focus on SMR and AMR technologies; the customs rate structure was rationalised; and a simplified income tax code was being brought in to enhance the Ease of Living.

Referring to the government's commitment to continue ushering in reforms, he noted that a high-level

committee for regulatory reforms had been constituted to establish trust-based economic governance. In the same spirit, more than 40,000 compliances had been rationalised in the last few years.

The prime minister invited French companies to look at the immense opportunities offered by the India growth story in the defence, energy, highway, civil aviation, space, healthcare, fintech, and sustainable development sectors.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi, along with the President of France, Mr. Emmanuel Macron, jointly inaugurated the Indian Consulate in Marseille, France, on February 12, 2025.

Underlining global appreciation and interest in India's skills, talent, and innovation and in its newly launched AI, semiconductor, quantum, critical minerals, and hydrogen missions, he called upon French enterprises to partner with India for mutual growth and prosperity.

He outlined the importance of active engagement in these sectors, reaffirming the commitment of both nations to fostering innovation, investment, and technology-driven partnerships.

External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar, alongside the Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs of France, Jean-Noël Barrot, and the Minister of the Economy, Finance, and Industrial and Digital Sovereignty of France, Eric Lombard, also addressed the Forum.

CEOs from both sides who attended the meeting were: Indian Side:

- 1: Jubiliant Foodsworks/Jubiliant Life Sciences, Food and Beverage Hari Bhartia, Co-Chairman and Director
- 2: CII

Chandrajit Banerjee, Director General

Systems

3: Titagarh Rail

Limited (TRSL), Railways and Infrastructure Umesh Chowdhary, Vice Chairman and Managing Director

- 4: Bharat Light & Power Private Limited, (Renewable Energy) Tejpreet Chopra, President & CEO
- 5: P Mafatlal Group, Textiles and Industrial Products Vishad Mafatlal, Chairman
- 6. boat, Consumer Electronics (Wearables) Aman Gupta, Co-Founder
- 7: Dalit Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (DICCI), Business Advocacy and Inclusion Milind Kamble, Founder/Chairman
- 8. Skyroot Aerospace, Aerospace & Space and Technology Pawan Kumar Chandana,Co-Founder
- 9. Agnikul, Aerospace & Space and Technology Srinath Ravichandran, Co-Founder & CEO
- 10.Tata Advanced Systems Ltd,



Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the Harbour in Marseille alongside the President of France, Mr. Emmanuel Macron, on February 12, 2025.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi visits ITER in Marseille, France, alongside the President of France, Mr. Emmanuel Macron, on February 12, 2025.

Aerospace and Defense Sukaran Singh, Managing Director

- **11:UPL Group, Agrochemical and Agribusiness** *Vikram Shroff, Vice Chairman and Co-CEO*
- 12.Sula Vineyards, Food and Beverage Rajeev Samant, CEO
- 13.Dynamatic Technologies Ltd, Aerospace & Defence, and Engineering



Prime Minister Narendra Modi departs from Marseille after saying goodbye to France's President, Emmanuel Macron.

Udayant Malhoutra, CEO & Managing Director

- 14.Tata Consulting Engineers (TCE), Engineering and Consulting Amit Sharma, Managing Director & CEO
- 15.Nykaa, Cosmetics and consumer goods Falguni Nayyar,CEO

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Modi lands in the USA

efore proceeding with the story, I would like to mention that Narendra Modi visited the USA at the invitation of President Donald Trump, as reported by Reuters, citing a White House official. The official, speaking on the condition of anonymity regarding the visit, refrained from offering additional details. I believe in and know of Prime Minister Modi's diplomatic skills; therefore, I assume he received an

invitation following his phone call with Donald Trump on January 27.

So, after a two-day visit to France, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's official plane, Air India, On February 13, one aircraft, a Boeing 777-300ER, landed in the United States of America (USA), where he was greeted warmly by the Indian diaspora.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the USA on February 13, 2025, was his first since Donald Trump became president for the second time. At the airport, Prime Minister Modi was welcomed by Vinay Mohan Kwatra, India's Ambassador to the USA, along with other officials.

Despite the severe winter conditions and frigid temperatures, the Indian community in Washington, DC, has extended a warm and enthusiastic reception to Prime Minister Modi. Prime Minister Modi expressed his gratitude to the Indian diaspora via tweets for the warm welcome he received.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi touches down at Joint Base Andrews in Washington DC, USA.

Narendra Modi at the White House

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President Donald Trump exchanged hugs as the latter welcomed the former to the White House. Trump and Modi exchanged cordial greetings and shook hands.

While meeting PM Modi, Trump said, "We missed you; we missed you a lot." US President Donald Trump introduced PM Modi to other officials, including US Secretary of State Marco Rubio and US Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) head Elon Musk.

During a joint press conference,



Prime Minister Narendra Modi receives a warm reception from India's Ambassador to the US, Vinay Mohan Kwatra, along with other senior officials at Joint Base Andrews in Washington DC, USA.

President Donald Trump referred to Modi as "a great friend of mine," yet cautioned that India would not be exempt from the higher tariffs he has started to impose on USA trade partners globally.

The trade balance between the U.S. and India shows a deficit of \$50 billion, benefiting India. In 2023, the total trade in goods and services between India and the United States reached approximately \$190.1 billion. The External Affairs Ministry of India reports that U.S. exports to India reached nearly \$70 billion, while imports amounted to \$120 billion.

Modi, in the meantime, maintained his pattern of showering compliments on Trump. The prime minister expressed his commitment to "Make India Great Again," or "MIGA"—a play on the president's "MAGA" or "Make America Great Again" catchphrase and movement.

Trump also stated that he would support extraditing one of the plotters of the 2008 Mumbai attacks, referring to Tahawwur Hussain Rana, who was convicted in 2011 in the U.S. for plotting an attack on a Danish newspaper.

Prior to Modi's arrival at the White House, Trump signed an order to increase tariffs to match the tax rates that other countries charge on imports, which affects American trading partners around the world including India.

On the other hand, before he met with Trump at the White House, PM Modi conducted bilateral discussions with US National Security Advisor Mike Waltz, Tesla CEO Elon Musk, Indian-origin entrepreneur Vivek Ramaswamy, and US Director of National Intelligence (DNI) Tulsi Gabbard.

India, USA Joint Statement

President Trump and Prime Minister Modi launched a new initiative—the "U.S.-India COMPACT (Catalysing Opportunities for Military Partnership, Accelerated Commerce & Technology) for the 21st Century" to" drive transformative change across key pillars of cooperation. Under this initiative, they committed



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to a results-driven agenda with initial outcomes this year to demonstrate the level of trust for a mutually beneficial partnership.

Defense

Highlighting the deepening convergence of USA.-India strategic interests, the leaders reaffirmed their unwavering commitment to a dynamic defense partnership spanning multiple domains. To advance defense ties further, the leaders announced plans to sign this year a new tenyear Framework for the U.S.-India Major Defense Partnership in the 21st Century.

The leaders welcomed the significant integration of U.S.-origin defense items into India's inventory to date, including C-130J Super Hercules, C-17 Globemaster III, P-8I Poseidon aircraft; CH-47F Chinooks, MH-60R Seahawks, and AH-64E Apaches; Harpoon antiship missiles; M777 howitzers; and

MQ-9Bs. The leaders determined that the U.S. would expand defense sales and co-production with India to strengthen interoperability and defense industrial cooperation. They announced plans to pursue this year new procurements and co-production arrangements for "Javelin" Anti-Tank Guided Missiles and "Stryker" Infantry Combat Vehicles in India to rapidly meet India's defense requirements. They also expect completion of procurement for six additional P-8I Maritime Patrol aircraft to enhance India's maritime surveillance reach in the Indian Ocean Region following agreement on sale terms.

Recognizing that India is a Major Defense Partner with Strategic Trade Authorization-1 (STA-1) authorization and a key Quad partner, the U.S. and India will review their respective arms transfer regulations, including International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR), to streamline defense trade, technology exchange and maintenance, spare supplies and in-country repair and overhaul of U.S.provided defense systems. The leaders also called for opening negotiations this year for a Reciprocal Defense Procurement (RDP) agreement to better align their procurement systems and enable the reciprocal supply of defense goods and services. The leaders pledged to accelerate defense technology cooperation across space, air defense, missile, maritime and undersea technologies, with the U.S. announcing a review of its policy on releasing fifth generation fighters and undersea systems to India.

Building on the U.S.-India Roadmap for Defense Industrial Cooperation and recognizing the rising importance of autonomous systems, the leaders announced a new initiative - the Autonomous Systems Industry Alliance (ASIA) - to scale industry partnerships and production in the Indo-Pacific. The leaders



Prime Minister Narendra Modi alongside President Donald Trump during a Joint Press Conference at the White House in Washington, DC, on February 13, 2025.

welcomed a new partnership between Anduril Industries and Mahindra Group on advanced autonomous technologies to co-develop and coproduce state-of-the-art maritime systems and advanced AI-enabled counter Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) to strengthen regional security and between L3 Harris and Bharat Electronics for co-development of active towed array systems.

The leaders also pledged to elevate military cooperation across all domains – air, land, sea, space, and cyberspace – through enhanced training, exercises, and operations, incorporating the latest technologies. The leaders welcomed the forthcoming "Tiger Triumph" triservice exercise (first inaugurated in 2019) with larger scale and complexity to be hosted in India.

Finally, the leaders committed to break new ground to support and sustain the overseas deployments of the U.S. and Indian militaries in the Indo-Pacific, including enhanced logistics and intelligence sharing, as well as arrangements to improve force mobility for joint humanitarian and disaster relief operations along with other exchanges and security cooperation engagements.

Trade and Investment

The leaders resolved to expand trade and investment to make their citizens more prosperous, nations stronger, economies more innovative and supply chains more resilient. They resolved to deepen the U.S.-India trade relationship to promote growth that ensures fairness, national security and job creation. To this end, the leaders set a bold new goal for bilateral trade – "Mission 500" – aiming to more than double total bilateral trade to \$500 billion by 2030.

Recognizing that this level of ambition would require new, fairtrade terms, the leaders announced plans to negotiate the first tranche of a mutually beneficial, multi-sector Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA) by fall of 2025. The leaders committed to designate senior representatives to advance these negotiations and to ensure that the trade relationship



Prime Minister Narendra Modi responds to a journalist's question while looking at the face of US President Donald Trump at a Joint Press Conference at the White House in Washington, DC, USA, on February 13, 2025.

fully reflects the aspirations of the COMPACT. To advance this innovative, wide-ranging BTA, the U.S. and India will take an integrated approach to strengthen and deepen bilateral trade across the goods and services sector and will work towards increasing market access, reducing tariff and non-tariff barriers, and deepening supply chain integration.

The leaders welcomed early steps to demonstrate mutual commitment to address bilateral trade barriers. The United States welcomed India's recent measures to lower tariffs on U.S. products of interest in the areas of bourbon, motorcycles, ICT products and metals, as well as measures to enhance market access for U.S. agricultural products, like alfalfa hay and duck meat, and medical devices. India also expressed appreciation for USA measures taken to enhance exports of Indian mangoes and pomegranates to the United States. Both sides also pledged to collaborate to enhance bilateral trade by increasing U.S. exports of industrial goods to India and Indian exports labor-intensive manufactured of products to the United States. The two sides will also work together to increase trade in agricultural goods.

Finally, the leaders committed to drive opportunities for U.S. and Indian companies to make greenfield investments in high-value industries in each other's countries. In this regard, the leaders welcomed ongoing investments by Indian companies worth approximately \$7.35 billion, such as those by Hindalco's Novelis in finished aluminum goods at their state-of-the art facilities in Alabama and Kentucky; JSW in steel manufacturing operations at Texas and Ohio; Epsilon Advanced Materials in the manufacture of critical battery materials in North Carolina; and Jubilant Pharma in the manufacture of injectables in Washington. These investments support over 3,000 highquality jobs for local families.

Energy Security

The leaders agreed that energy security is fundamental to economic growth, social well-being and technical innovation in both countries. They underscored the importance of USA.-India collaboration to ensure energy affordability, reliability, and



Following a meeting between two global leaders, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Donald Trump converse with journalists at the White House in Washington, D.C., on February 13, 2025.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi writing his remarks in the visitor book at White House in Washington DC, USA on February 13, 2025.

availability and stable energy markets. Realizing the consequential role of the U.S. and India, as leading producers and consumers, in driving the global energy landscape, the leaders recommitted to the U.S.-India Energy Security Partnership, including in oil, gas, and civil nuclear energy.

The leaders underscored the importance of enhancing the production of hydrocarbons to ensure better global energy prices and secure affordable and reliable energy access for their citizens. The leaders also underscored the value of strategic petroleum reserves to preserve economic stability during crises and resolved to work with key partners to expand strategic oil reserve arrangements. In this context, the U.S. side affirmed its firm support for India to join the International Energy



Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets with Elon Musk, CEO of Tesla and Head of the US Department of Government Efficiency, and his family at Blair House in Washington, DC, USA.

Agency as a full member.

The leaders reaffirmed their commitment to increase energy trade, as part of efforts to ensure energy security, and to establish the United States as a leading supplier of crude oil and petroleum products and liquified natural gas to India, in line with the growing needs and priorities of our dynamic economies. They underscored the tremendous scope and opportunity to increase trade in the hydrocarbon sector including natural gas, ethane and petroleum products as part of efforts to ensure supply diversification and energy security. The leaders committed to enhance investments, particularly in oil and gas infrastructure, and greater cooperation facilitate between the energy companies of the two countries.

The leaders announced their

commitment to fully realize the U.S.-India 123 Civil Nuclear Agreement by moving forward with plans to work together to build U.S.designed nuclear reactors in India through large scale localization and possible technology transfer. Both sides welcomed the recent Budget announcement by Government of India to take up amendments to the Atomic Energy Act and the Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage Act (CLNDA) for nuclear reactors, and further decided to establish bilateral arrangements in accordance with CLNDA, that would address the issue of civil liability and facilitate the collaboration of Indian and U.S. industry in the production and deployment of nuclear reactors. This path forward will unlock plans to build large U.S.-designed reactors and enable collaboration to develop, deploy and scale up nuclear power

generation with advanced small modular reactors.

Technology and Innovation

The leaders announced the launch of the USA-India TRUST ("Transforming the Relationship Utilizing Strategic Technology") initiative, which will catalyze government-to-government, private academia and sector collaboration to promote application of critical and emerging technologies in areas like defense, artificial semiconductors. intelligence, quantum, biotechnology, energy and space, while encouraging the use of verified technology vendors and ensuring sensitive technologies are protected.

As a central pillar of the "TRUST" initiative, the leaders committed to work with U.S. and Indian private industry to put forward a U.S.-India Roadmap on Accelerating AI Infrastructure by the end of the identifying constraints to year, financing, building, powering, and connecting large-scale U.S.-origin AI infrastructure in India with milestones and future actions. The U.S. and India will work together to enable industry partnerships and investments in next generation data centers, cooperation on development and access to compute and processors for AI, for innovations in AI models and building AI applications for solving societal challenges while addressing the protections and controls necessary to protect these technologies and reduce regulatory barriers.

The leaders announced the launch of INDUS Innovation, a new innovation bridge modeled after the successful INDUS-X platform, that will advance U.S.-India industry and academic partnerships and foster investments in space, energy, and other emerging technologies to maintain U.S. and India leadership in innovation and to meet the needs of the 21st century. The leaders also reinforced their commitment to the INDUS-X initiative, which facilities partnerships between U.S. and Indian defense companies, investors and universities to produce critical capability for our militaries, and welcomed the next summit in 2025.

The leaders also committed, as part of the TRUST initiative, to build trusted and resilient supply chains, including for semiconductors, critical minerals, advanced materials and pharmaceuticals. As part of this effort, the leaders plan to encourage public and private investments to expand Indian manufacturing capacity, including in the U.S., for active pharmaceutical ingredients for critical medicines. These investments will create good jobs, diversify vital supply chains, and reduce the risk of life-saving drug shortages in both the United States and India.

Recognizing the strategic importance of critical minerals for emerging technologies and advanced manufacturing, India and the United States will accelerate collaboration in research and development and promote investment across the entire critical mineral value chain, as well as through the Mineral Security Partnership, of which both the United States and India are members. Both countries have committed to intensifying efforts to deepen cooperation in the exploration, beneficiation, and processing as well as recycling technologies of critical minerals. To this end, the leaders announced the launch of the Strategic Mineral Recovery initiative, a new U.S.-India program to recover and process critical minerals (including lithium, cobalt, and rare earths) from heavy industries like aluminum, coal mining and oil and gas.

The leaders hailed 2025 as a pioneering year for U.S.-India civil space cooperation, with plans for a NASA-ISRO effort through AXIOM to bring the first Indian astronaut



Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets with Elon Musk, CEO of Tesla and the head of the US Department of Government Efficiency, at Blair House in Washington, DC, USA.

to the International Space Station (ISS), and early launch of the joint "NISAR" mission, the first of its kind to systematically map changes to the Earth's surface using dual radars. The leaders called for more collaboration in space exploration, including on long duration human spaceflight missions, spaceflight safety and sharing of expertise and

Modi meets SpaceX CEO

Prime Minister Narendra Modi met with Tesla CEO Elon Musk and his family at Blair House in Washington DC.

Prime Minister and Musk discussed strengthening collaboration between Indian and US entities in innovation, space exploration, artificial intelligence, sustainable and development. Their discussion also touched on opportunities to deepen cooperation in emerging technologies, entrepreneurship and good governance.

Musk was accompanied by family members for the meeting.

professional exchanges in emerging areas, including planetary protection. The leaders committed to further commercial space collaboration through industry engagements in conventional and emerging areas, such as connectivity, advanced spaceflight, satellite and space launch systems, space sustainability, space tourism and advanced space manufacturing.

The leaders underscored the value of deepening ties between the U.S. and Indian scientific research communities, announcing a new partnership between the U.S. National Science Foundation and the Indian Anusandhan National Research Foundation in researching critical and emerging technologies. This partnership builds on ongoing collaboration between the U.S. National Science Foundation and several Indian science agencies to enable joint research in the areas of semiconductors, connected vehicles, machine learning, next-generation telecommunications, intelligent transportation systems, and future biomanufacturing.

The leaders determined that their governments redouble efforts



Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets the National Security Advisor of USA, Michael Waltz at Blair House in Washington DC, USA.

to address export controls, enhance high technology commerce, and reduce barriers to technology transfer between our two countries while addressing technology security. The leaders also resolved to work together to counter the common challenge of unfair practices in export controls by third parties seeking to exploit overconcentration of critical supply chains.

Multilateral Cooperation

The leaders reaffirmed that a close partnership between the U.S. and India is central to a free, open, peaceful and prosperous Indo-Pacific region. As Quad partners, the leaders reiterated that this partnership is underpinned by the recognition of ASEAN centrality; adherence to international law and good governance; support for safety and freedom of navigation, overflight and other lawful uses of the seas; and unimpeded lawful commerce; and advocacy for peaceful resolution of maritime disputes in accordance with international law.

Prime Minister Modi looks forward to hosting President Trump in New Delhi for the Quad leaders' Summit, ahead of which the leaders will activate new Quad initiatives on shared airlift capacity to support civilian response to natural disasters

Modi meets US NSA Michael

Prime Minister Narendra Modi met US National Security Advisor Michael Waltz oin Washington, DC, marking his first engagement of the day before a highly awaited meeting with President Donald Trump.

The discussions touched upon ways to further deepen the India-U.S. Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership, with a focus on strategic technologies, as well as defense industrial cooperation and civil nuclear energy with an emphasis on small modular reactors, and counterterrorism.

They also discussed international and regional issues of mutual interest.

The meeting took place at Blair House, where Modi is staying during his visit. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and Indian NSA Ajit Doval were also present, given the strategic significance of the discussions.

and maritime patrols to improve interoperability.

The leaders resolved to increase cooperation, enhance diplomatic

consultations, and increase tangible collaboration with partners in the Middle East. They highlighted the importance of investing in critical infrastructure and economic corridors to advancing peace and security in the region. The leaders plan to convene partners from the India-Middle East-Europe Corridor and the I2U2 Group within the next six months in order to announce new initiatives in 2025.

The US appreciates India's role as a developmental, humanitarian assistance and net security provider in the Indian Ocean Region. In this context, the leaders committed to deepen bilateral dialogue and cooperation across the vast Indian Ocean region and launched the Indian Ocean Strategic Venture, a new bilateral, whole-of-government forum to advance coordinated investments in economic connectivity and commerce. Supporting greater Indian Ocean connectivity, the leaders also welcomed Meta's announcement of a multi-billion, multi-year investment in an undersea cable project that will begin work this year and ultimately stretch over 50,000 km to connect five continents and strengthen global digital highways in the Indian Ocean region and beyond. India intends to invest in maintenance, repair and financing of undersea cables in the Indian Ocean, using trusted vendors.

The leaders recognized the need to build new plurilateral anchor partnerships in the Western Indian Ocean, Middle East, and Indo-Pacific to grow relationships, commerce and cooperation across defense, technology, energy and critical minerals. The leaders expect to announce new partnership initiatives across these sub-regions by fall of 2025.

The leaders also resolved to advance military cooperation in multinational settings to advance global peace and security. The leaders applauded India's decision to take on a future leadership role in the Combined Maritime Forces naval task force to help secure sea lanes in the Arabian Sea.

The leaders reaffirmed that the global scourge of terrorism must be fought and terrorist safe havens eliminated from every corner of the world. They committed to strengthen cooperation against terrorist threats from groups, including Al-Qa'ida, ISIS. laish-e Mohammad, and Lashkar-e-Tayyiba to prevent heinous acts like the attacks in Mumbai on 26/11 and the Abbey Gate bombing in Afghanistan on August 26, 2021. Recognizing a shared desire to bring to justice those who would harm our citizens, the U.S. announced that the extradition to India of Tahawwur Rana has been approved. The leaders further called on Pakistan to expeditiously bring to justice the perpetrators of the 26/11 Mumbai and Pathankot attacks and ensure that its territory is not used to carry out cross-border terrorist attacks. The leaders also pledged to work together to prevent proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their delivery systems and to deny access to such weapons by terrorists and non-state actors.

People to People Cooperation

President Trump and Prime Minister Modi noted the importance of advancing the people-to-people ties between the two countries. In this context, they noted that the more than 300,000 strong Indian student community contributes over \$8 billion annually to the U.S. economy and helped create many direct and indirect jobs. They recognized that the talent flow and movement of students. researchers and employees have mutually benefitted both countries. Recognizing the importance of international academic collaborations in fostering innovation,



Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets with Indian-American entrepreneur Vivek Ramaswamy at Blair House in Washington, DC, USA.

Modi meets Tulsi Gabbard

Prime Minister Narendra Modi met with Tulsi Gabbard, the newly confirmed Director of National Intelligence (DNI) for the United States, during his visit to Washington, D.C.

Prime Minister fondly recalled his earlier interactions with Gabbard. The discussions touched on enhancing bilateral intelligence cooperation, particularly in counterterrorism, cybersecurity, emerging threats, and strategic intelligence sharing. They also exchanged views on regional and global developments of mutual interest, reaffirming their commitment to a secure, stable, and rules-based international order.

improving learning outcomes and development of a future-ready workforce, both leaders resolved to strengthen collaborations between the higher education institutions through efforts such as joint/dual degree and twinning programs, establishing joint Centers of Excellence, and setting up of offshore campuses of premier educational institutions of the U.S. in India.

Both leaders emphasized that the evolution of the world into a global

workplace calls for putting in place innovative, mutually advantageous and secure mobility frameworks. In this regard, the leaders committed streamlining avenues to for legal mobility of students and professionals, and facilitating shortterm tourist and business travel, while also aggressively addressing illegal immigration and human trafficking by taking strong action against bad actors. criminal facilitators, and illegal immigration networks to promote mutual security for both countries.

The leaders also committed to strengthen law enforcement cooperation to take decisive action against illegal immigration networks, organized crime syndicates, including narco-terrorists human and arms traffickers, as well as other elements who threaten public and diplomatic safety and security, and the sovereignty and territorial integrity of both nations.

President Trump and Prime Minister Modi pledged to sustain high-level engagement between our governments, industries, and academic institutions and realize their ambitious vision for an enduring India-U.S. partnership that advances the aspirations of our people for a bright and prosperous future, serves the global good, and contributes to a free and open Indo-Pacific.

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Congress sends a message to them through 'Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim'

And believe me, after seeing only Congress addresses and supporters everywhere, my eyes couldn't believe how Congress lost the 2023 Madhya Pradesh Assembly elections when Congress has a strong presence in Madhya Pradesh, which is why more than one lakh people attended Congress's 'Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim.'

BY SANJEEB KUMAR SAHOO

elieve me, I still can't believe I went to Mhow, which is now called Dr. Ambedkar Nagar, on January 26, 2025, via Indore. Indore is a beautiful and clean city in Madhya Pradesh; in fact, the government of India named it the cleanest city in India for the seventh year in a row.

Recently, I had the chance to experience Mhow, Indore, firsthand

and attend the Congress Party's largest rally, the Jai Bapu Jai Bhim rally. This event was organised to strengthen its social justice narrative and challenge the BJP regarding the alleged disrespect towards Dr. Bhimrao



Top Congress leaders attended the "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally at Mhow.

Ambedkar, the chief architect of the Constitution.

Before sharing more about the Congress Party's largest rally, the Jai Bapu Jai Bhim rally, I would like to express my gratitude to the Congress Party and its official, Pramod Rawat. Thanks to them, I had the opportunity to learn a bit about Mhow, the birthplace of Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar, and Indore. Mhow, also known as Dr. Ambedkar Nagar, is a town located in the Indore district of Madhya Pradesh, India.

So, on January 27, 2025, the Congress party organised a 'Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan' rally at Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar's birthplace in Indore's Mhow, in which prominent Congress leaders from across the country participated, and I will provide some names of leaders and pictures of party leaders in the following paragraphs.

So, ladies and gentlemen, I arrived in the beautiful city of Indore at 8 pm on February 26 to cover the Congress Party's Jai Bapu Jai Bhim rally, and I was captivated by the sights as soon as I landed.

After landing in Indore, I was on my way to the accommodation arranged for my stay. However, I noticed that some people in the city were not adhering to traffic rules, which disappointed me a bit, especially since the government of India has recognised Indore City as the cleanest city in India for the seventh consecutive year.

To keep evidence for future submission, I clicked pictures of them and also made a video while sitting on the bus. However, I did not upload it on social media because I wanted to add my feelings to this story, so I have included them here.

However, I was a little upset because some people were not following the rules. Still, when I arrived at the place where I stayed and saw the accommodation arrangement with Indore foods, as I am a food lover, I felt relaxed and overjoyed, and I forgot about the people who did not obey the traffic rules.

After dinner, I continued working late into the night since it was Sunday. Every Sunday, I put together the edition of National Political Mirror. After working late into the night and releasing the cover page of the January 26th edition, I went to bed and woke up around 8 am.

But I was ready for breakfast by 8:35 a.m., after enjoying a superb Indori meal of Poha and Jalebi. After



Strong relationship between Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi.



India's opposition leader and Congress's second most powerful leader, Rahul Gandhi, addressing the crowds at the "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally in Mhow while holding a red constitution book.



At the "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally in Mhow, Congress National President Mallikarjun Kharge and Rahul Gandhi, the party's second most important leader, were joined by BSP founder Kanshi Ram's sister Swarn Kaur. Other Congress leaders, K. C. Venugopal and Bhanwar Jitendra Singh, joined them.



Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka, Salman Khurshid and Pawan Khera.



India's opposition leader and Congress's second most powerful leader, Rahul Gandhi, addressing the crowds at the "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally in Mhow.

finishing the Indori breakfast, I left for Mhow from Indore.

However, the journey took over two hours due to the heavy crowds on the road, as thousands of Congress supporters were heading to attend the Congress's 'Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan' rally in Mhow. That's why my bus arrived at the event a little bit late.

And believe me, after seeing only Congress addresses and supporters everywhere, my eyes couldn't believe how Congress lost the 2023 Madhya Pradesh Assembly elections when Congress has a strong presence in Madhya Pradesh, which is why more than one lakh people attended Congress's 'Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim.'

The show begins from here

Before I begin the story, I want to present some facts about Dr. Ambedkar Nagar, which was formerly known as Mhow. It is a town located in the Indore district of Madhya Pradesh, India. In 2003, the government of Madhya Pradesh changed the name of the town to pay tribute to Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar, a notable political reformer and a native of the town.

It might be part of the politics or strategy of the Congress party, but I strongly believe the Congress party selected Mhow for the second mega event, Jai Bapu-Jai Bhim-Jai Samvidhan, to pay honour to the architect of the Indian Constitution, Dr. BR Ambedkar.

Consequently, the Congress Party held its second grand rally, Jai Bapu-Jai Bhim-Jai Samvidhan, in Mhow, the birthplace of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, the architect of the Indian Constitution, in the BJP-ruled Indore district of Madhya Pradesh on January 27, 2025.

On the other side, the Congress party conducted its first "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan' rally at Belagavi on January 21, 2025, as part of the Gandhi Bharat celebrations to honour the centenary of Mahatma Gandhi presiding over the Congress Session that took place here in 1924 during the freedom movement.

I believe that Belagavi and Mhow railies had organised to send messages to Amit Shah and Mohan Bhagwat that no one is above the Indian Constitution and Bhimrao Ramji Ambedka, the architect of the Indian Constitution, over their statements on Bhimrao Ramji Ambedka, and India's independence.

At the first "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan' rally at Belagavi on January 21, 2025, Congress national president Mallikarjun Kharge criticized the BJP for blaming the Congress for Ambedkar's election defeat. "If you provoke us, we are like fire. You will get burnt. You cannot survive," he said. The AICC President described Priyanka Gandhi as a symbol of 'women power' and Rahul Gandhi symbolizing 'youth power,' hailing the contribution of the two leaders.

On the other hand, at the Congress Party's second rally in Mhow, India's opposition and Congress leader (Lok Sabha) Rahul Gandhi stated,"This is an ideological battle between the Congress and the RSS-BJP. While the Congress believes in the country's Constitution and is fighting for it, the BJP-RSS is against it."

Regarding the comments made by RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat on January 13 about "true independence," Gandhi stated, "Always remember the day our Constitution is destroyed, there will be



Congress leaders attend Mhow'Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan' rally across the country.



Congress politician Col Rohit Chaudhry (V) attended the Mhow "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai



Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh, Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, addresses the crowds at the "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally in Mhow.

nothing left for poor, Dalits, tribals and backward sections in the country."

What the RSS chief said

On January 13, 2025, Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) chief Mohan Bhagwat claimed that India achieved 'true independence' on the day of Ram Mandir construction in Ayodhya. According to him, the date of Ram temple consecration should be celebrated as "Pratishtha Dwadashi".

After political India aot independence from the British on August 15, 1947, a written Constitution was made according to the path shown by that specific vision, which comes out of the 'self' of the country, but the document was not run according to the spirit of the vision at that time," Mohan Bhagwat said..

The RSS chief said the date should be celebrated as "Pratishtha Dwadashi" as the true independence of Bharat, which had faced "parachakra" (enemy attack) for several centuries, was established on this day.

Mohan Bhagwat was speaking after presenting the 'National Devi Ahilya Award' to Champat Rai, general secretary of Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust, in Indore.

According to the Hindu calendar, the consecration of the Ram temple in Ayodhya took place on Dwadashi of 'Shukla Paksha' of the Paush month, 2024. The date in the Gregorian calendar was January 22, 2024. This year, the Paush Shukla Paksha Dwadashi fell on January 11.

What Amit Saha said

During an address in the Rajya Sabha in December 2025, India's home minister and the BIP's second top leader, Amit Shah, criticised the Congress party, claiming that it had become a 'fashion' for the party to use Ambedkar's name.

"Abhi ek fashion ho gaya hai -Ambedkar. Ambedkar. Ambedkar. Ambedkar, Ambedkar, Ambedkar.







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Telangana Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy addresses the crowds at the "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally in Mhow.



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Pawan Khera, Chairman, Media & Publicity (Communication Deptt), addressing the crowds at the "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally in Mhow.



Congress leaders Jitu Patwari, Bhanwar Jitendra Singh, Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu, Randeep Singh Surjewala, and Digvijaya Singh attended the Mhow "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally.



Gurdeep Singh Sappal, Rahul Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge



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Congress supporters attend Mhow's "Jai Bapu, Jai Bhim, Jai Samvidhan" rally.

Itna naam agar bhagwan ka lete to saat janmon tak swarg mil jata (It has become a fashion to say Ambedkar, Ambedkar, Ambedkar, Ambedkar, Ambedkar, Ambedkar'. If they had taken God's name so many times, they would have got a place in heaven)," Shah stated in the Rajya Sabha at the end of a two-day session on the 75th anniversary of the Constitution, taking a shot at the opposition.

Who is Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar?

Dr. Ambedkar was born on April 14, 1891, in Mhow, Madhya Pradesh, which is now referred to as Ambedkar Nagar. On April 14, 192.From humble beginnings, Dr. Ambedkar rose to become one of the most prominent



Young Rahul Gandhi's supporter

legal practitioners.

Apart from being a notable figure in Indian history, Dr. Ambedkar was also a prominent economist, politician, social reformer, and jurist. In addition to advocating for the rights of labourers and women, he devoted his life to eradicating societal prejudice against untouchables, or Dalits.

Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar is



Jitu Patwari, Madhya Pradesh Congress president, and Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh



Jitu Patwari, Madhya Pradesh Congress president with Jairam Ramesh, MP and General Secretary (Communications).



Praniti Shinde



Rahul Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge alongside party leaders



Varun Choudhary, National President of the National Students' Union of India (NSUI)

largely regarded as the architect of the Indian Constitution. Dr. Ambedkar was appointed India's first Law Minister in Jawaharlal Nehru's Cabinet. In 1990, he was posthumously granted India's highest civilian honour in 1990. The birthday of this great individual is celebrated as Ambedkar Jayanti.

After returning to India from his studies abroad, Bhimrao Ambedkar

observed that caste discrimination was almost fragmenting the nation. For the upliftment of the downtrodden, Dr Ambedkar provided reservations for Dalits and other religious communities. In 1923, he set up the 'Bahishkrit Hitkarini Sabha (Outcastes Welfare Association), to spread education and culture amongst the downtrodden, improve the economic status and raise

BK Hariprasad, Sachin Pilot and Prithviraj Chavan

matters concerning their problems in proper forums to focus attention on them and find solutions to the same.

In 1927, he led the Mahad March to the Chowder Tank. This signalled the start of the anti-caste and anti-priest campaign. Dr. Ambedkar's temple entry movement that began in 1930 in the Kalaram temple in Nasik is another watershed moment in the struggle for



Praniti Shinde and Nana Patole



human rights and social justice. Dr. Ambedkar attended all three Round Table Conferences in London and consistently expressed his support for the 'untouchable'. He pushed the oppressed sections to improve their living conditions and gain as much political power as possible.

He became a well-known activist against the inequalities of India's caste system, advocating for the advancement of Dalits and other impoverished communities. His efforts to advance the Hindu Code Bill demonstrated his dedication to increasing women's empowerment and gender equality in India. Having experienced first-hand the suffering of the disadvantaged Dalits in India Congress leaders

since his early years, Ambedkar was a fervent supporter of improving the lot of these people. It is stated that this inspired him to fight for equality and their cause.

True story that must be told

Dr. Ambedkar's family belonged to the untouchable Mahar caste, which was noted for its valour. Bhim's forefathers served in the Army of East India Company from the time it first began operations in India. One interpretation of Mahar is "Maha-Ari" (The Great Enemy), which represents the community's fighting attitude and ferocious nature.

He graduated from Columbia University with an M.A. in 1915 and

a Ph.D. in 1916. He subsequently departed for London to pursue additional academic pursuits. He was granted permission to prepare for the D. Sc. at the London School of Economics and political science and admitted to Gray's Inn for Law. But he was called back to India by the Dewan of Baroda. He ultimately earned both his Bar-at-Law and D.Sc. During the same time, he attended Bonn University in Germany.

He read an essay titled 'Castes in India - Their Mechanism, Genesis, and Development' in 1916. He earned his Ph.D. in 1916 after writing his thesis, 'National Dividend for India—A Historic and Analytical Study'. This was published after eight years under the title "Evolution of Provincial Finance in British India. Then, after getting this highest degree, he returned to India and was appointed a Military Secretary to the Maharaja of Baroda with a view to grooming him as the finance minister in the long run.

Dr Babasaheb returned to the city in September 1917, after his scholarship period expired, and entered the service. But, after a brief stay in the city till November 1917, he departed for Mumbai. He had to leave the service due to mistreatment based on untouchability.

Dr. Ambedkar returned to Bombay and accepted a position as Professor of Political Economy at Sydenham College. As he was well read, he was very popular among the students but he resigned his post to resume his studies in Law and Economics in London. The Maharaja of Kolhapur gave him financial help. In 1921, he wrote his thesis-"Provincial Decentralization of Imperial Finance in British India,' and got his M.Sc. Degree from London University. He spent some period in Bonn University in Germany. In 1923, he submitted his thesis — "Problem of Rupee its Origin and Solution", for the D.Sc. Degree. He was called to the Bar in 1923.





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After returning from England in 1924, he founded the Association for the Welfare of the Depressed Classes with Sir Chimanlal Setalvad as President and Dr. Ambedkar as Chairman. To spread education, improve economic conditions and represent the grievances of depressed classes were the immediate objects of the Association. He founded the Bahiskrit Bharat newspaper on April 3, 1927, to address the issue of the downtrodden classes in light of the new reform.

On October 13, 1935, a provincial conference of the depressed classes was held at Yeola in Nasik District. In this conference, he shocked the Hindus by announcing. "I was born in Hinduism but I will not die as a Hindu." Thousands of his followers supported his decision. In 1936, he addressed the Bombay Presidency Mahar Conference and advocated the renunciation of Hinduism.

On August 15, 1936, he formed the Independent Labour Party to safeguard the interest of the depressed classes, which mostly formed the labour population. In 1938, Congress introduced a Bill making changes in the name of untouchables. Dr. Ambedkar criticized it. In his point of view changing the name is not the solution to the problem.

In 1942, he was appointed to the Executive Council of the Governor General of India as a Labour member. In 1946, he was elected to the Constituent Assembly from Bengal. At the same time, he published his book, 'Who were Shudras?' After Independence, in 1947,





he was appointed as a Minister of Law and Justice in Nehru's first cabinet. In 1951, he resigned his ministership, expressing his differences on the

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Kashmir issue, India's Foreign Policy and Nehru's Policy towards the Hindu Code Bill.

In 1952, Columbia University



Mallikarjun Kharge, Rahul Gandhi, Jitu Patwari, Bhanwar Jitendra Singh and K. C. Venugopal



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awarded him an LL.D. in appreciation of his contributions to the writing of India's Constitution. In 1955, he released his book "Thoughts on Linguistic States". On January 12, 1953, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar received a doctorate from Osmania University. After 21 years, he proved true what he had said in Yeola in 1935: "I will not die as a Hindu". On October 14, 1956, he adopted Buddhism in a historic

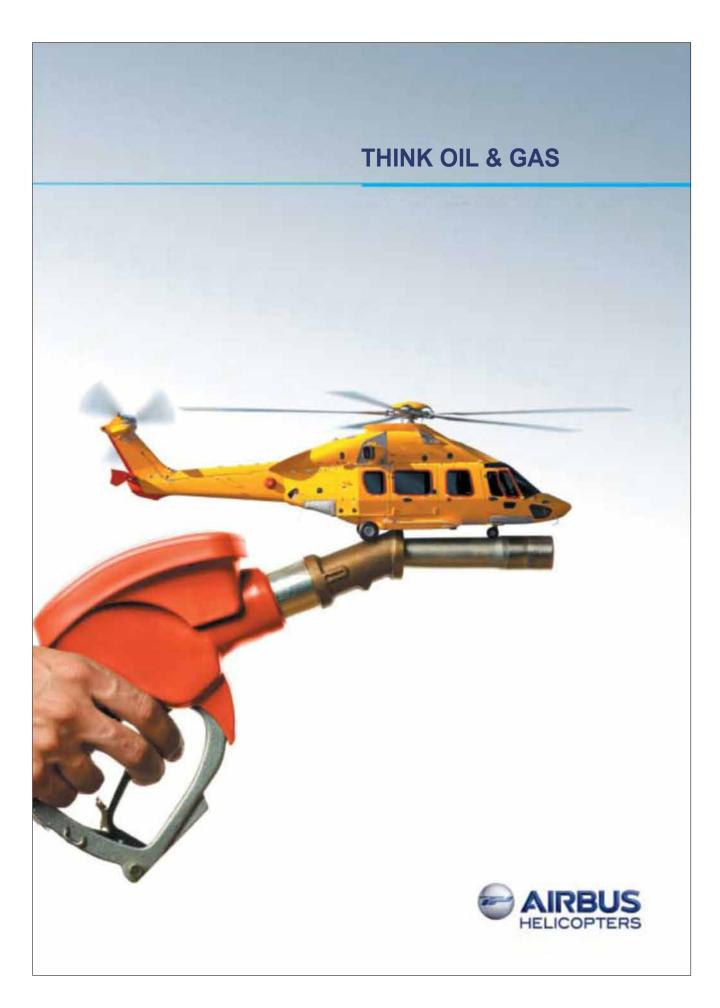
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ceremony at Nagpur and died on December 6, 1956.

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unique aspect is that Dr. Ambedkar was given the title of Bodhisattva while he was living. He also contributed to India's Independence struggle and in its reforms post-independence. Apart from this, Babasaheb played a significant role in the formation of the Reserve Bank of India. The Central bank was formed on the concept presented by Babasaheb to the Hilton Young Commission.







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