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Government of India

<u>Report on action taken regarding EK BHARAT SHRESHTHA BHARAT in respect of</u> <u>Press Information Bureau during January, 2022</u>

Press Information Bureau through its Headquarters and Regional and Branch Offices spread across the country has been taking up several media activities under the umbrella of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) Campaign since its inception.

Year-long action plan of EBSB of PIB (Upto 31st October, 2022)

PIB has been carrying out large number of media activities under Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat including Pan-India publication of articles, press tours, social media campaigns, webinars, issuing press releases/photographs on EBSB programmes of various ministries.

EBSB aims to enhance interaction & promote mutual understanding among people of different states/UTs through the concept of states/UTs pairing. The states carry out activities to promote a sustained and structured cultural connect in the areas of language learning, culture, traditions & music, tourism & cuisine, sports and sharing of best practices, among others.

Some of the key activities through which EBSB has been highlighted this month includes splendid display of 750 m long Kala Kumbh scroll paintings on Rajpath during Republic Day, celebration of Harvest festival (Umang" and "Udaan), mega performance of Vande Bharatam: Ntriya Utsav at Rajpath on Janpath, webinar on 'Role of Bengal in the freedom movement for India', under Dekho Apna Desh among others.

As per revised strategy, Uttarakhand and Karnataka were paired states for the month of January, 2022. The PIB units of Uttarakhand and Karnataka organized various activities through the month of January, 2022 to highlight their paired state.

Activities carried out by PIB Karnataka in connection with Paired state of Uttarakhand

- PIB Bengaluru in collaboration with Regional Outreach Bureau conducted wide range of activities and programmes under EBSB in the month of January 2022.
- PIB Karnataka has actively promoted EBSB campaign using Social Media official handles of PIB Bengaluru Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.
- PIB's social media platforms highlighted cuisine, culture, handicrafts, heritage, tourist destinations of paired states Karnataka and Uttarakhand.
- PIB Bengaluru commissioned four articles and sent to PIB Dehradun. Following are the titles of these articles:
- Karnataka: A land of robust arts and culture

- Karnataka and Uttarakhand rich with historic spots
- Eco Tourism: Karnataka and Uttarakhand have a lot to share
- Floriculture & Horticulture: Uttarakhand and Karnataka have a lot to share and grow
- Total 6 Mini programs were organized on EBSB on the occasion of Republic day in Bagalkote, Ballari, Ankola, Belagavi, Kalaburgi and Udupi.
- On the occasion of Swami Vivekananda Jayanti, one field program was organized in Vijayapur highlighting the theme EBSB with National Youth Day.

Activities carried out by PIB Uttarakhand in connection with Paired state of Haryana

- Press Information Bureau Dehradun in collaboration with Regional Outreach Bureau conducted wide range of activities and programmes under EBSB in the month of January 2022.
- PIB Uttarakhand has actively promoted EBSB campaign using Social Media official handles of PIB Dehradun Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.
- PIB's social media platforms highlighted cuisine, culture, handicrafts, heritage, tourist destinations of paired states Karnataka and Uttarakhand.
- Four articles provided by the PIB Bengaluru office were published in Uttarakhand with the following topics:
- Karnataka: A land of robust arts and culture
- Karnataka and Uttarakhand rich with historic spots
- Eco Tourism: Karnataka and Uttarakhand have a lot to share
- Floriculture & Horticulture: Uttarakhand and Karnataka have a lot to share and grow

PIB HQ highlighted EBSB through various events like **National Youth Festival 2022** in which students participated from various parts of the country on one platform and shared their diversity. They were also familiarised with the concept of Unity in Diversity through cultural programmes pertaining to different states and participation in various interesting activities.

Kala Kumbh Scrolls created under the unique initiative 'Kala Kumbh' were installed at Rajpath for Republic Day 2022 celebration. These scrolls were produced by artists from various parts of the country who were brought together at mega workshops to create the wonderful masterpieces to highlight the unsung heroes of freedom struggle. They were also exposed to arts, culture and cuisine of various states during their participation in the workshops , embodying the spirit of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat.

Vande Bharatam, Nritya Utsav was another mega initiative under Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav in which dance groups from grassroots were encouraged to participated in the competition. Finally 480 dancers were selected who made a magnificent dance presentation at the Rajpath on Republic day, bringing together the splendour of myriad dance forms of the country under one umbrella in the true spirit of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat. • Media Activities of PIB: PIB prepared media plan for sustained and pan India publicity of the events over the entire month. Apart from regular press releases, issuing eye-catching and colourful photographs and updates, region-wise publicity was arranged for events like Vande Bharatam and Kal Kumbh scroll workshops as well as Dekho Apna Desh. PIB also arranged special press visits; bytes and visuals for Electronic media as well as online media and further shared with Regions. Special interviews of musicians of Vande Bharatam of international fane Ricky Kej and Bikram Ghosh were arranged which were published by Delhi Times/Mumbai Times/Bangalore Times/Kolkata Times of Times of India, Similarly, interviews of dance composers and costume designers were also carries by print and online media. This helped create a very good buzz through the media with all the key newspapers, TV channels as well as online media carrying special stories with photographs throughout the month and generating the atmosphere of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat successfully.

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Press Releases and Photographs:

PIB headquarter issued 18 press releases and related photographs on the theme of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav highlighting the spirit of EBSB. 8 press releases were issued by Regional/Branch offices of PIB in the month.

Social Media Activities

Along with PIB HQ and selected paired States for the month, other regional offices also highlighted EBSB through their social media handles.

Twitter

53 Tweets have been made by different handles of PIB HQs with **81215 Impressions** and **4792 engagements.**

116 tweets have been made by regional PIB offices with **131030 Impressions and 2819 engagements.** More than **300 tweets** done by Regional offices on National Youth Day and #NationalYouthDay garnered **238 million reach** among 223K mentions from 102K users. #NYF2022 garnered **36.5 million reach** among 40.9K mentions from 12.1K users.

Facebook

74 Facebook posts have been done on **Facebook** by regional PIB offices. **Reach** of FB posts: **3396**

Special Info graphics were created and disseminated through social media platforms showcasing the information relating to creative featuring various aspects of Karnataka and Uttarakhand on EBSB theme was organized through Twitter.

Clippings of commissioned articles(paired states of Karnataka and Uttarakhand):





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<u>Details of Exhibition & Programmes on EBSB showcasing various interesting aspects of</u> <u>the paired states of Karnataka and Uttarakhand:</u>



Few Glimpses of programs organized by FOBs on EBSB on Republic Day (PIB Bengaluru)





Creatives featuring various aspects of Karnataka and Uttarakhand

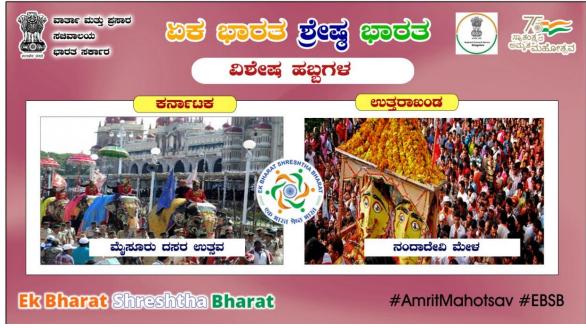
With the help of ROB, Dehradun in authentic content compilation, ROB Bangalore created and posted 11 creatives on social media (In Kannada and English both). These creatives featured various aspects of both partner states such as food, festivals, religious places, wildlife, tableaux on Republic day parade etc.



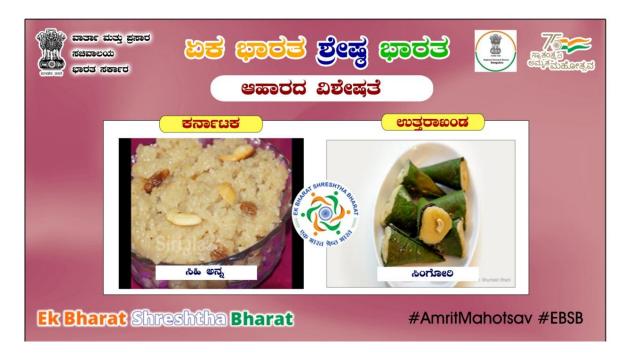
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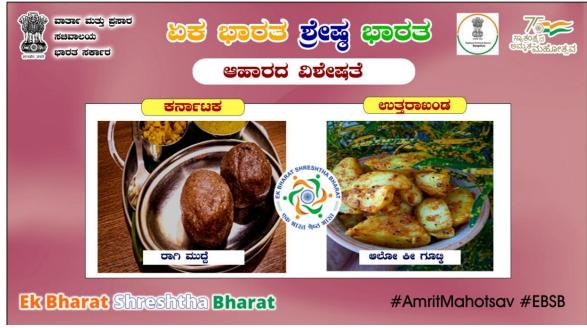
Creative featuring famous festivals (Hampi Utsav and Kumbh Mela) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



Creative featuring famous festivals (Mysuru Dassara and Nandadevi Mela) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



Creative featuring famous sweet dishes (Palu Annam and Singori) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



Creative featuring famous food (Raagi Mudde and Aloo ke gutke) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



Creative featuring famous food (Neer Dosa and Gahat Parathe) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



Creative featuring famous wildlife sanctuaries/national parks (Dandeli wildlife sanctuary and Corbett National park) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



Creative featuring famous wildlife sanctuaries/national parks (Nagarhole National Park and Deer Park) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



Creative featuring famous religious places (Nanjudeshwara temple and Badrinath) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



Creative featuring famous religious places (Murudeshwara and Kedarnath) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively



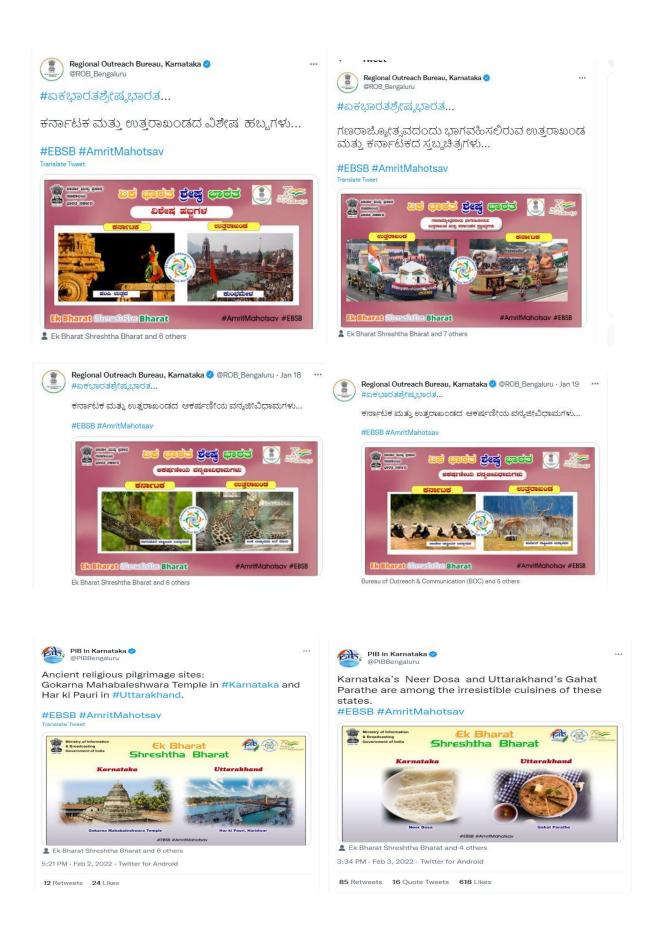
Creative featuring famous religious places (Gokarna temple and Har ki Pauri) of Karnataka and Uttarakhand respectively

Social media analytics of PIB Bengaluru

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Glimpse of Twitter Posts:







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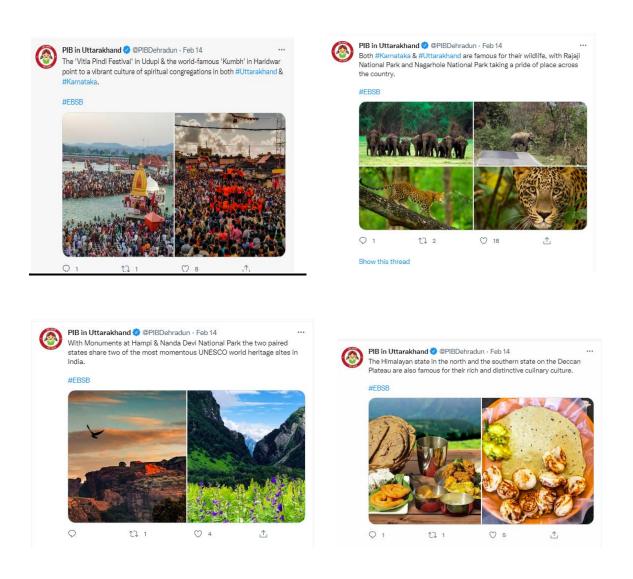
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PIB Dehradun has undertaken the following activities to promote the awareness of

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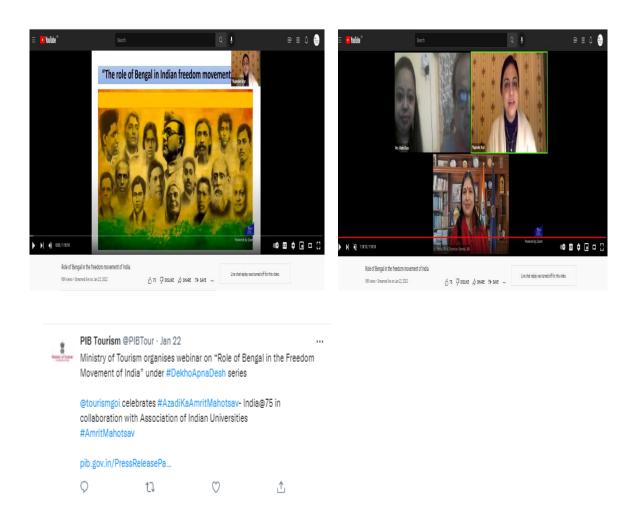


SPECIAL ACTIVITIES HIGHLIGHTED AT PIB HEADQUARTERS

<u>EK BHARAT SHRESTHA BHARAT HIGHLIGHTED THROUGH WEBINAR ON</u> <u>"ROLE OF BENGAL IN THE FREEDOM MOVEMENT OF INDIA" UNDER DEKHO</u> <u>APNA DESH SERIES</u>

Ministry of Tourism organises webinar on "Role of Bengal in the Freedom Movement of India" under Dekho Apna Desh series. On the eve of India's 75th Independence Day celebration on 14th August 2021, the Ministry of Tourism in collaboration with the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) held a webinar and during the webinar, a series of 12 episodes was launched that will take the participants on a virtual journey of Incredible India. The webinar titled "Role

of Bengal in the Freedom Movement of India" was the 6 episode of the series. Dekho Apna Desh Webinar Series is an effort to showcase India's rich diversity under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat and it is continuously spreading spirit of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat through virtual platform. The webinar was followed by a quiz hosted on MyGov. The Dekho Apna Desh Webinar and AKAM Webinar Series is presented in technical partnership with National e Governance Department, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.



<u>KALA KUMBH ORGANIZED UNDER AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV REFLECTS</u> <u>THE ESSENCE OF UNITY IN DIVERSITY</u>

The National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi celebrated Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav with Kala Kumbh- artist workshops for painting scrolls measuring approximately 750 metres, representing the tales of valor of unsung heroes of India's freedom movement. The scrolls reflect traditional forms of art as well as contemporary expressions, which showcase the essence of rich cultural and artistic heritage of India while also analyzing the absolute sacrifice and contribution of our unsung heroes proving to be a befitting tribute to Kalakumbh- Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and a true celebration of Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat.

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PIB in Tripura ② @PIBAgartala · Jan 14 ... Kala Kumbh organized under #AzadiKaAmritMahotsav reflects the essence of unity in diversity

Ten Gigantic scrolls of nearly 750 m will be an integral part of the Republic day celebrations 2022 @MinOfCultureGol @MIB_India @PIB_India pib.gov.in/PressReleseDet...



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AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV CELEBRATES THE JOYOUS TRADITION OF HARVEST FESTIVALS THROUGH "UMANG" AND "UDAAN"

"Umang and Udaan", representing the colours of rangoli and the flight of the kites symbolizing our vibrant culture, were celebrated across 18 states and Union Territories at more than 70 locations to showcase the event. Be it be Uttarayan in Gujarat and Rajasthan, lohri in Punjab Pongal in southern regions, Makar Sankranti in Uttarakhand, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh, the essence of celebration remains the same. These truly represent the spirit of Ek Bharart Shreshtha Bharat which is embodied in our culture all around us. The occasion was graced by Minister of State for Culture Smt. Meenakashi Lekhi and Minister of State for Textile Smt. Darshana Vikram Jardosh. Secretary Culture Shri Govind Mohan and Secretary Textiles Shri Upendra Prasad Singh were also present on this occasion.



VANDE BHARTAM, NRITYA UTSAV WINNERS PERFORM AT THE REPUBLIC DAY 2022 PARADE AT RAJPATH

The 480 performers selected by the Ministry of Culture through Vande Bharatam-Nritya Utsav competition gave a splendid peformance at the Republic Day 2022 parade at Rajpath bringing out the various hues of India's culture including dance . music and costumes. The Vande Bharatam competition began at the district level on November 17 and saw the participation of more than 3,870 contestants in 323 groups. Those who cleared the screening at the district level took part in the state-level competition from November 30, 2021. More than 20 virtual events were conducted for the state-level competition over a span of 5 days till 4th December 2021. The zonal finals took place at Kolkata, Mumbai, Bengaluru and Delhi from 9th to 12th of December.



<u>GLIMPSES OF MAGNIFICENT KALA KUMBH SCROLLS CREATED UNDER THE</u> <u>UNIQUE INITIATIVE 'KALA KUMBH' INSTALLED AT RAJPATH FOR REPUBLIC</u> <u>DAY 2022 CELEBRATIONS</u>

Hindustan Times



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Gigantic scrolls created under 'Kala Kumbh' installed at Rajpath for Republic Day celebrations

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Artists engaged in painting the heroic tales of valour of the unsung heroes of India's freedom struggle in scrolls at @Silicontech_bbs, #Bhubaneswar #Odisha as part of Kala Kumbh. The scrolls will be displayed on Rajpath during #RepublicDay2022

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<u>NATIONAL YOUTH FESTIVAL 2022 CELEBRATED UNDER AZADI KA AMRIT</u> <u>MAHOTSAV HIGHLIGTED THE SPRIT OR EBSB</u>

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the 25th National Youth Festival on 12th January, 2022 via video conferencing in Puducherry. January 12 being the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda, is observed as National Youth Day due to covid-19 the event was held virtually from 12th -13th January.

A comprehensive media plan for pan-India outreach was drawn up by PIB for the National Youth Day celebrations as well as the National Youth Day Festival 2022 to be inaugurated by the Prime Minister. The media plan was prepared much in advance to create appropriate buzz and for pan-India visibility in partnership with regional offices of PIB and NYKS/NSS, various media units of I&B Ministry including AIR/DD /BOC; SAI, Department of Youth Affairs, My Gov, PM Unit, Social Media Cell of YAS Minister Shri Anurag Thakur and Social Media cells of PIB, DD, AIR, Bureau of Outreach Communication and I&B along with social media cells of Regional offices of PIB.

PIB arranged pan-India publication of special article by the MoS Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal titled "National Youth Day: Turn possibilities into realities", which got published in 46 New papers across India in multiple languages. Along with these Regional offices also commissioned articles written by experts on National Youth Day. More than 40 press releases were issued from the PIB HQs & Regional. 18 WEBINARS were organised by Regional/Branch Offices of PIB on various themes related to the National Youth Day/Festival which were reported widely by the local regional media and created visibility for the entire event.

Social Media: PIB popularised the key hashtag #NationalYouthDay & #NYF2022 specified for the purpose on twitter through its official handles at HQs as well as Regional handles. Social media handles of AIR/DD/BoC/various Ministries/SAI/Deptt of Youth Affairs etc were also encouraged to use the hashtags to garner traction for the theme and help generate awareness.

- Apart from the large number of tweets from PIB India (English and Hindi) and ministry handles, more than 300 tweets were made from twitter handles of Regional/Branch Offices.
- All the important tweets of
- National Youth Day and National Youth Festival got huge response on social media. On the National Youth Day, four hashtags related to the theme were top four trends for the large part of the day ie #NationalYouthDay, #NYF2022, #SwamiVivekananda and #स्वामीविवेकानंद were trending in top 4 slots on twitter.
- PMO approved #NationalYouthDay garnered 238 million reach among 223K mentions from 102K users.
- #NYF2022 garnered 36.5 million reach among 40.9K mentions from 12.1K users.
- PIB also amplified the initiative to invite suggestions through registrations on pmevents.ncog.gov.in for Prime Minister's address for National Youth Festival
- All the important tweets of National Youth Day, National Youth Festival and Prime Minister address, which were tweeted by the Minister of YAS Shri Anurag Thakur were retweeted by PIB. These were also shared with regional offices of PIB as well as media Units of I&B Ministry for retweeting.

PIB issued 4 Press releases and photographs of the events were also issued and shared with R/B offices for wide publicity.

Post-21 knot to help women professionally: PM

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

New Delhi: PM Modi on Wednesday said the purpose of raising the age of marriage of women from 18 to 21 years was based on the principle of equality and to bring more women into the country's workforce allowing them an opportunity to pursue their professional goals.

Addressing the participants of the National Youth Festival in Puducherry virtually, PM Modi said by raising the marriage age "daughters can also make their career, they get more time, this is a very important step in this direction."

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equal. With this thinking, the government has decided to raise the age of marriage to 21 years," he said.

During the winter session of Parliament the government introduced the legislative changes to increase the marriage age of women from 18 to 21, to bring gender equality and also ensure that they get equal opportunity with regard to higher education, vocational training and skill sets to enter employment and make themselves atma nirbhar.

At the same event, the PM also highlighted the contribution of the youth amid the Covid-19 crisis, saying that India is entering the 'golden age of start-ups' and is being reckoned as a force in the unicorn system and digital payments all over the world due to its innovations. The PM said the youth are a demographic dividend as well as driver of development. He said India's youths are writing the code of global prosperity.

"India today has a strong ecosystem of over 50,000 startups out of which more than 10,000 start-ups came up amidst the challenge of the pandemic," the PM said, adding that the "mantra of the New India is to 'compete and conquer'. That is, get involved and win." The PM cited India's performance in the Olympics and Paralympics and participation of youths in the vaccination drive as proof of the will to win and a sense of responsibility among the youth.

(The Times of India)

Raising marriage age will help women build career: PM

New Delhi: PM Narendra Modi on Wednesday said the government has decided to raise the marriageable age of women from 18 to 21 so that they can build their career. Modi was speaking at the inauguration of the 25th National Youth Festival in Puducherry via video conferencing.

"We believe that sons and daughters are equal. Keeping this in mind, the government has decided to raise the age of marriage to 21 years for the betterment of daughters. Daughters can also make their career, they get more time, this is a very important step in this direction," Modi said.

The government had introduced the Prohibition of Child Marriage (Amendment) Bill during the winter session of the Parliament. **ENS**

(The India Express)

Modi exhorts youth to adopt motto of 'compete & conquer'

Inaugurating National Youth Festival, PM praises 'can-do' spirit of new generation

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT PUDUCHERRY

Foreseeing the dawn of the golden age of start-ups in India, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday issued a call to the country's youth to adopt the motto of "compete and conquer" as their guiding principle in life.

Inaugurating, in virtual mode, the 25th National Youth Festival (NYF) hosted by the Union Territory of Puducherry, Mr. Modi said the evolution of the start-up ecosystem that had grown to over 50,000 units, about 10,000 of them initiated during six to seven months of the COVID-19 pandemic, reflected the "can-do" spirit of the youth of today. The resilience, spirit of innovation and the zest for problem6 The sense of social responsibility shown by the youngsters in the 15-18 age-group in volunteering for COVID-19 vaccination that led to a coverage in excess of 2 crore children in a short span of time, strengthened my belief that India's youth will be at the forefront of building a vibrant nation NARENDRA MODI PRIME MINISTER

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The government had initiated several schemes focused on creating space for the youth to translate their ideas and develop their skills such as MUDRA, Start-Up India, Stand-Up India and the Atal Incubation centres, the Prime Minister said.

'Vocal for local'

Drawing from the words of Sri Aurobindo, whose 150th anniversary also coincided with the NYF, that "a brave, frank, clean hearted, courageous and aspiring youth is the only foundation on which the future nation can be built," Mr. Modi said he believed that the nation's youth were not only a "demographic dividend" but "drivers of development" and proponents of democratic values.

The Prime Minister also gave a call to the youth to espouse a "vocal for local" motto as a fitting tribute to the great sons that the country had produced.

COVERAGE OF EBSB EVENTS OF PARTICIPATING MINISTRIES AT PIB HEADQUARTERS:

(The Hindu)

PIB headquarter issued press releases on the theme of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav highlighting the spirit of EBSB. Few of them are given below:

- Ministry of Tourism celebrates Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav- India@75 in collaboration • with Association of Indian Universities https://pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetailm.aspx?PRID=1791826
- Vande Bharatam- the dance extravaganza and the gigantic scrolls created under 'Kala Kumbh' to be one of star attractions at Republic Day 2022 programme at Rajpath tomorrow https://pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetailm.aspx?PRID=1792604
- The gigantic and magnificent scrolls created under the unique initiative 'Kala Kumbh' • installed at Rajpath for Republic Day 2022 celebrations https://pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetailm.aspx?PRID=1791242
- Winners of Vande Bhartam, Nritya Utsav competition gearing up to enthrall audiences at the Republic Day 2022 parade at Rajpath https://pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetailm.aspx?PRID=1790860
- Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrates the joyous tradition of Harvest Festivals through . "Umang" and "Udaan" https://pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetailm.aspx?PRID=1790005
- Kala Kumbh organized under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav reflects the essence of unity . in diversity https://pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetailm.aspx?PRID=1789907

Glimpses of Social Media activities of regional offices of PIB in January 2022



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#AzadiKaAmritMahotsav celebrates the joyous tradition of harvest festivals through "Umang" and "Udaan"

These truly represent the spirit of #EkBharatShreshthaBharat which is embodied in our culture all around us

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PIB in Odisha @ @PIBBhubaneswar - Feb 4 #ExploreOdisha

Chhau Dance of Mayurbhanj, #Odisha performed with grace & poise is one of the most enchanting dance forms. Set in a style that is free, intenee, atomy set fyrical, the dance form depicts tales from great epice like Ramayan & Mahabharat.

