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YEAR END REVIEW OF MINISTRIES AND DEPARTMENTS (PART - I) (AN ENRICHMENT DOCUMENT)

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Note: This document provides a concise overview of the Year-end Reviews for 2023 pertaining to different Ministries/Departments of the Government of India, as published on the Press Information Bureau (PIB). Consider it a resourceful document offering insights into the initiatives, progress, and accomplishments across various government sectors. It serves as a valuable tool for quick revision for the upcoming Personality Tests and can be utilized as supplementary material by students to enhance their notes.

Part - I encompasses the Year-end reviews of 19 Ministries/Departments, as outlined in the Table of Contents. A summary of Year-end reviews for the remaining ministries/departments will be provided in Part II.

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1. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

THEMES	INITIATIVES/ PROGRESS/ ACHIEVEMENTS
Aatmanirbharta in Defence	 Positive Indigenisation Lists(V) was updated with 98 items Important Facts (2022-23): Value of defence production crossed Rs one lakh crore. Defence exports crossed Rs 16,000 crore. 75 % of the defence capital procurement budget was earmarked for domestic industry. Defence allocation for 2023-24 was 13.18% of the total budget. Major Developments HAL Helicopter Factory at Tumakuru (Karnataka) will produce Light Utility Helicopters (LUHs). HAL handed over Tejas to the IAF. Department of Defence Production Srijan Portal - To provide support to MSMEs, Startups, Industry for import substitution. ASTRA indigenous Beyond Visual Range (BVR) air-to-air missile successfully fired. ATMAS (Indigenous Air Traffic Management System) developed by BEL and AAI, commissioned. Varunastra's (an indigenous ship-launched anti-submarine heavy-weight torpedo) trial conducted I-ATS (Indigenous- Automatic Train Supervision) system, developed by BEL, was formally launched on the Red Line. MIDHANI (Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited) indigenously developed SNI C276 sheets, a premier corrosion-resistant material.
Defence Acquisition	 Su-30 MKI aircraft being upgraded. Procurement of 26 Rafale Marine aircraft. 31 MQ-9B (16 Sky Guardian and 15 Sea Guardian) High Altitude Long Endurance (HALE) will be imported from the USA.
Border Infrastructure	 Various infrastructure projects of BRO were dedicated to the nation such as Nechiphu Tunnel, Siyom Bridge, Shinku la and Sela la bridge (Arunachal Pradesh) and Kandi (J&K). BRO is focusing on green initiatives by: Focussing on Energy Conservation Building Code norms, and Net Carbon Neutral Habitats for Casual Paid Labourers (CPLs).
INDIAN ARMY	 Reduced areas under Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA-1958) in north east. Modernisation being pursued through capital contracts, use of iDEX, exploring 5G/6G, AI. System and processes are being integrated by National Logistics Policy, PM Gati Shakti, Integrated Government Online Training (iGOT) Karmayogi platform, additional training with BISAG-N and adoption of SPARSH to ensure 'Right Pension to Right Person at Right Time'. Gender Neutrality achieved by induction of Women Officers (WOs) as JCOs, command of units by Women Officers. Defence Diplomacy being strengthened by joint exercises, enhancement of common challenges in Indo-Pacific by Indo-Pacific Armies Management Seminar (IPAMS), Indo-Pacific Armies Chiefs Conference (IPACC), etc. Army is also contributing to Nation Building with schemes such as Mission Amrit Sarovar, Vidyanjali, etc.





INDIAN NAVY	 Indian Navy is committed to become fully <i>Aatmanirbhar</i> and indigenous by 2047 with initiatives such as Make scheme, Technology Development Fund and iDEX. INS Vagir was commissioned and <i>Sandhayak</i> a survey Vessel would be commissioned in January 2024. Ships such as Vindhyagiri, <i>Sanshodhak, Mahendragiri</i> were launched. Indian navy is moving towards a gender neutral force by induction of women into all branches, permanent commission to Women Officers, Women Agniveers, adoption of gender neutral language, etc. Exercise such as TROPEX, AMPHEX, Malabar, <i>Sea Dragon</i> was conducted in the region.
INDIAN AIR FORCE (IAF)	 Project SAMAR has led to successful indigenisation of the prototype of ground based platform for firing Air-to-Air missile. IAF participated in exercises such as Veer Guardian, PASSEX, Desert Flag, Cobra Warrior, Cope India, Orion, etc. Important humanitarian measures at international level such as such as Op Dost (Turkiye and Syria), Op Kaveri (Sudan), and Op Ajay (Israel - Hamas Conflict) and at domestic level at Goa, Tamilnadu, Ladakh have been carried out. It has helped in nation building and internal security by participating in various operational G20 tasks, controlling internal security issues in Manipur, Haryana. Aero India 23 and Bharat Drone Shakti 2023 displayed strength of IAF. A new IAF Ensign was unveiled with the IAF tricolour roundel in the lower right canton. The IAF Crest has the national symbol, the Ashoka lion on the top with the words "सत्यमेव जयते" in Devanagari below it. Digitisation with the help of e-MMS(e-Maintenance Management System) Development of Airfield at Nyoma, Ladakh is being undertaken to enhance the operational reach.
INDIAN COAST GUARD	Digital Coast Guard project for the construction of an advanced Data Centre, the establishment of a robust Disaster Recovery Data Centre is being pursued.
DEFENCE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT ORGANISATION (DRDO)	 Indigenous Technology Cruise Missile, a new generation Long Range Land Attack Cruise Missile is being developed for land and sea platforms. Maiden test of ASTRA BVRAAM Missile on LCA Tejas successfully conducted. 3rd generation Man-Portable Anti-Tank Guided Missile with 'Fire & Forget' and 'Top Attack' capabilities was conducted. Autonomous Flying Wing Technology Demonstrator has successfully carried out a flight trial. Air Droppable Container (ADC-150) designed and developed with a pay load capacity of 150kg to enhance naval operational logistic capabilities. Crew Module Parachute System for Gaganyaan was successfully demonstrated. DRDO also has a Policy for Free Access of DRDO Patents by Indian industries to increase the technological capabilities.
NATIONAL CADET CORPS (NCC) AND SAINIK SCHOOLS	 NCC 75th anniversary of NCC, the largest uniformed youth organisation in the world raised in, was celebrated. NCC Integrated Software designed on 'Entry to Exit Model' with a vision of 'Once a Cadet always a Cadet', to digitalise entire process from enrolment till exit. SAINIK SCHOOLS 100 new Sainik Schools would be set up to provide quality education to the students in tune with National Education Policy.





2. MINISTRY OF LAW & JUSTICE

Important Enactments by	• Mediation Act, 2023: Provides legislative framework for mediation,
the Parliament	especially institutional mediation.
	• ARBITRATION COUNCIL OF INDIA (ACI): Section 10 of the Arbitration
	and Conciliation (Amendment) Act, 2019 relating to ACI has been
	notified dated October 12, 2023.
	New Delhi International Arbitration Centre (Amendment) Act, 2022
	came into force w.e.f. Jan 27, 2023 which renamed NDIAC to India
	International Arbitration Centre (IIAC).
	• Advocates (Amendment) Act, 2023: Repealed certain sections of the
	Legal Practitioners Act, 1879.
Guide on Alternative	A handbook titled 'A Guide to Alternative Dispute Resolution' was
Dispute Resolution (ADR)	released on Constitution Day (Nov 26, 2023).
Foreign Law Firms	The Bar Council of India has informed that the entry of foreign
	lawyers/law firms would be on reciprocal basis.
Law Commission of India	Significant reports submitted by the Law Commission:
	o 279th report - Usage of the Law of Sedition.
	o 280th report - The Law on Adverse Possession .
	o 282 nd report - Amendment in the Code of Criminal Procedure for
	enabling online registration of FIR.
	o 283 rd report - Age of consent under the POCSO Act, 2012 .

3. MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

SemiconIndia 2023,	Organized by India Semiconductor Mission with the theme 'Catalyzing India's	
Gandhinagar	Semiconductor Ecosystem'.	
Global Partnership	• New Delhi Declaration on advancing safe, secure, and trustworthy AI and	
on Artificial	commitment to supporting the sustainability of GPAI projects.	
Intelligence (GPAI)		
India Stack	• Incentive scheme for promotion of RuPay Debit Cards and low-value BHIM-UPI transactions.	
	• UIDAI had rolled out a new security mechanism based on AI/ ML for Aadhaar based fingerprint authentication .	
	Free of Cost online document update in Aadhaar.	
G20 initiatives	First G20 Digital Economy Working Group (DEWG) meet held in Lucknow.	
	Digital Innovation Alliance (DIA) Programme, Bengaluru	
Government	• Extension of the Digital India programme during the period of the 15th	
initiatives	Finance Commission i.e., 2021-22 to 2025-26.	
	• Production Linked Incentive Scheme – 2.0 for IT Hardware.	
	Memorandum of Cooperation between India and Saudi Arabia on cooperation in the field of Digitization and Electronic manufacturing.	

4. MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Climate	Green Credit Programme (GCP) launched on the sidelines of the COP28.
Change	• Green Credit Rules, 2023 notified under the Environment Protection Act, 1986.
	India's achievements against the NDC targets:
	o As on October 31, 2023; the cumulative electric power installed capacity from
	non-fossil fuel-based resources is 43.81% (186.46 MW) of the total cumulative
	electric power installed capacity.
	 The emission intensity of its GDP reduced by 33% between 2005 and 2019.
	• India's Third National Communication to the UNFCCC: Energy sector contributed
	the most to the overall anthropogenic emissions with 75.81%, followed by agriculture
	sector (13.44%), Industrial Process and Product Use (IPPU) (8.41%) and Waste
	(2.34%).





	 India Cooling Action Plan: As against the target of 35% reduction from the baseline as on Jan 01, 2020, India achieved 44% reduction in Hydro Chlorofluorocarbons (HCFC). During HCFC Phase-out Management Plan (HPMP) Stage-II, India completely phased out the use of HCFC - 141b in manufacturing of rigid foam.
G20 initiatives	• Gandhinagar Implementation Roadmap and the Gandhinagar Information
under India's	Platform (GIR-GIP) - Global Alliance on land restoration of forest fire and mining
Presidency	affected areas.
J	Resource Efficiency Circular Economy Industry Coalition (RECEIC).
	High-Level Principles for a Sustainable and Resilient Blue/ Ocean-based Economy
	(HLPSRBE).
Forest	• Faunal inventory of all the 75 Ramsar Sites has been published by ZSI on 1st
Conservation	<u> </u>
Conservation	September 2023.
	• Floral inventory for 75 Ramsar Sites is under preparation.
	• Forest (Conservation) Amendment Act, 2023.
	• Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats & Tangible Incomes (MISHTI) was
	launched on the World Environment Day (June 05, 2023).
	Blue Flag Beaches: In 2022, total 12 beaches had blue flag certification.
PARIVESH	Integration of GatiShakti Portal with PARIVESH 2.0.
	o PARIVESH is a web based, role based workflow application developed for online
	submission and monitoring of the proposals for seeking Environment, Forest,
	Wildlife and CRZ Clearances from various authorities.
Air Quality/	• Annual PM10 levels improved in 90 cities in 2022-23 vis-à-vis base year 2017.
Pollution	
Circular	Amendments made to promote circular economy:
Economy	Plastic Waste Management Rule
	 Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) for Used Oil"
	o E-Waste (Management) Rules
	Battery Waste Management Rules
Wildlife	• Transcontinental relocation of Cheetah: 8 cheetahs from Namibia and 12 cheetahs
	from South Africa have been translocated to Kuno National Park in Sept, 2022 and Feb,
	2023, respectively.
	• 50 years of project tiger : India is home to more than 75% tiger population of the
	world. (Tiger Census, 2023)
	 Digitization of Flora, Fauna and herbarium records: The BSI and ZSI have carried
	out the digitization of 16500 specimens with 45000 images of the Type and Non-Type
	of Indian Faunal specimens.

5. DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE (MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY)

G20 initiatives	• Startup20 Engagement Group was institutionalized to create a global narrative
	for supporting startups.
Production Linked	PLI units established in more than 150 districts (24 States).
Incentive (PLI)	• Value addition of 20% in mobile manufacturing within a period of 3 years.
Scheme	• Import substitution of 60% achieved in the Telecom sector and India has
	become almost self-reliant in Antennae, GPON (Gigabit Passive Optical
	Network) & CPE (Customer Premises Equipment).
	Transfer of technology has happened in manufacturing of Medical Devices such
	as CT scan, MRI etc.
	Drones sector has seen 7 times jump in turnover, which consists of all MSME
	Startups.
Startup India	• More than 1.14 Lakh startups have been recognized which have reported
Initiative	creation of more than 12 lakh jobs .
	• More than 21,800 DPIIT recognized startups have been on-boarded on
	Government e-Marketplace (GeM).





	• Startup India organized 3 regional and 2 international capacity building and exposure visits for officials from States/ UTs.
Open Network for Digital Commerce	• Recorded more than 6.3 million transactions in the month of November'23 across 600+ cities.
(ONDC)	• Around 400 SHGs, micro-entrepreneurs and social sector enterprises have
	been onboarded.
	Mobility through the ONDC is live in Bengaluru, Mysuru, Kochi and Kolkata.
	• Successful conducted of pilot for exports , with Singapore being the first market to buy products through ONDC.
One District One	ODOP- Ekta/Unity Mall to be set-up in states.
Product (ODOP)	• Out of 27, Detailed Project Reports of 17 States have been approved for Unity Malls.
Ease of Doing	• More than 3,600 compliances have been decriminalized and more than
Business (EoDB)	41,000 compliances have been reduced by various Ministries/ Departments and
	States/ UTs.
	• Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Bill, 2023 passed by the Parliament.
	• National Single Window System (NSWS) presently offers approvals from 32 Central Ministries/Departments and 25 States/UTs.
PM GatiShakti	• Individual portals of 39 Central Ministries (Infrastructure, Social, and Economic)
National Master	have been developed and integrated with NMP.
Plan (NMP)	• State Master Plan (SMP) portals for 36 States/UTs have been developed for
	mapping and synchronized integration of infrastructure assets.
Logistics	• 5th edition of Logistics Ease Across Different States (LEADS) 2023 report was
	released.
	• 23 States have notified their respective State Logistics policies.
	• 35 systems of 08 different Ministries have been integrated on Unified Logistics
	Interface Platform (ULIP).
Industrial	• During Apr - Oct period of FY 2023-24, IIP registered cumulative growth of
Performance	6.9% (Y-o-Y).
	• During Apr - Oct period of FY 2023-24, output of core industries increased by
	8.6% (Y-o-Y).
Intellectual	• India retained its 40 th position in the Global Innovation Index (GII) in 2023.
Property	• Patents filed by women rose by of more than 345 times, from between 2014-
	15 and 2023- 24.

6. MINISTRY OF COMMERCE

	1	
Foreign Trade Policy	•	Foreign Trade Policy 2023 (FTP 2023) was launched based on 4 pillars:
2023		o Incentive to Remission,
		 Export promotion through collaboration,
		 Ease of doing business,
		o Emerging Areas – E-Commerce Developing Districts as Export Hubs
		and streamlining SCOMET policy.
	•	Initiatives under FTP 2023
		 Advance Authorisation Scheme
		 One-time Amnesty Scheme for exporters
		o Recognition of new towns through "Towns of Export Excellence
		Scheme" and exporters through "Status Holder Scheme".
G20 Initiatives under	•	G20 Trade and Investment Ministerial Meeting, Jaipur
India's Presidency	•	Adoption of High-Level Principles on digitalization of trade
		documents
	•	A Jaipur Call for Action for enhancing access to information for MSMEs
	•	G20 Generic Mapping Framework : For key building blocks of key data,
		analysis, and representation of Global Value Chains.
Bharat Mandapam		An International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre (IECC) complex in
Dilai at Mailuapaili	•	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
		New Delhi to promote India as a global business destination.





Bilateral Cooperation	India and the United States
-	New working group on "Resilient Trade".
	MoU on establishing semiconductor supply chain and innovation
	partnership.
	• MoU on "Enhancing Innovation Ecosystems through an Innovation
	Handshake".
	• Establishment of "Innovation Handshake".
	India-UAE
	• 1st Meeting of the Joint Committee (JC) of the India-UAE CEPA.
	• Agreed on mutual exchange of preferential trade data for effective
	monitoring of the CEPA.
	Agreed to set-up a UAE-India CEPA Council (UICC) as a B2B collaboration
	mechanism, with a focus on MSMEs and start-ups.
Indo-Pacific Economic	• Signed IPEF Supply Chain Resilience Agreement to make IPEF supply
Framework for	chains more resilient, robust, and well integrated .
Prosperity (IPEF)	
Ministerial Meeting	DOTT without the amounted makes to simplify coloration of
Policies regarding import/export	• DGFT notified the amended rules to simplify calculation of Composition Fee for extending Export Obligation under Advance
import/export	Authorization Scheme.
	Scheme for Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products
	(RoDTEP) support extended till Jun 30, 2024.
Other Initiatives	Global Millets (Shree Anna) Conference organized by APEDA.
one minutes	 Establishment of National Turmeric Board.
	- Loudingment of Mutonal Latinette Doura.

7. MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

Efforts towards strengthening Price Monitoring Mechanism	 Price Monitor Cell monitors wholesale and retail prices of twenty two essential commodities. Number of price reporting centres increased to 550 (140 added in 2023). Operational Guidelines of the scheme for Strengthening of Price Monitoring Cell. Mobile App for reporting daily price. Predictive price forecasting model.
Price Stabilization Fund to check price volatility	• It was set up in 2014-15 to absorb extreme volatility of the horticulture commodities .
Bharat Dal	 To ensure availability of dal to consumers at affordable prices. Also introduced Bharat Atta at subsidized price.
The World Consumer Rights Day (Mar 15, 2023)	• The theme of the event was "Empowering Consumers through Clean Energy Transitions".
Guidelines for Prevention and Regulation of Dark Patterns, 2023	 Guidelines to regulate dark patterns similar in the nature of "misleading advertisements" or "unfair trade practice" under the Consumer Protection Act, 2019. Guidelines specify 13 types of dark patterns including false urgency, Basket Sneaking, Confirm shaming, Subscription trap, Rogue Malwares etc.
Online Portal to file consumer complaints	Online application portal named "edaakhil.nic.in" has been developed to facilitate online filing of consumer complaint/ appeals.
Revamp of National Consumer Helpline	• Consumers can register their grievances from all over the country in 17 languages through a toll-free number 1915.
CONFONET Application	 CONFONET, launched in 2007, has been modernized with upgradation in technology, safety and usage. Integrated the CMS, OCMS, e-daakhil and NCDRC modules at a single platform.





	The upgraded new central software application named e-Jagriti will
C: L L D L	significantly improve the consumer case management process.
Standards Development	• During Apr - Nov 2023, 1320 standards were formulated and 2118
	Standards were reviewed.
	 8500 Indian Standards have been harmonized with ISO/IEC standards. The Bureau of Indian Standards released the Standards National Action
	Plan (SNAP) (2022-27).
Efforts Towards	The number of BIS recognized Assaying and Hallmarking centres have
Hallmarking	increased from 1403 to 1499 between Apr - Nov, 2023.
	• Issued amendment to Quality control order for mandatory hallmarking
	of gold jewellery/artefacts.
	• "G20 Standards Dialogue 2023" organized by BIS to explore sustainability
	through inclusive standardisation and good regulatory practices to achieve
C: I I I	'Zero Defect and Zero Effect'.
Steps towards Legal	Online Portal for services provided by Legal Metrology. Description: Output Description:
Metrology	• The Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 2011 were
	amended to allow the electronic products industries to declare certain mandatory declarations in the digital form.
International	Bharat has become only 13th country in the world, authorized for issuing
Organization of Legal	OIML approval certificates.
Metrology	 The domestic manufacturers can now export weighing and measuring
	instrument worldwide without incurring additional testing fees.
	o Generation of forex in terms of fee by issuing OIML approval
	certificates.
	OIML is an intergovernmental organization that provides approval certificates to sell weight or measure in international market.
Efforts towards	New mascot "Jagriti" was launched to reinforce top-of-mind awareness.
Consumer Awareness	• Use of cinema theatres across the country in Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities for
	spreading consumer awareness.

8. MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

National Career Service	• NCS portal is integrated with 28 State/UTs to develop a comprehensive
(NCS) Project	pan-India network.
(,,,,,,,,,	• On Nov 30, 2023, NCS platform has more than 3.64 crore registered
	Jobseekers, 19.15 Lakh employers and more than 1.92 crore vacancies
	since its launch in 2015.
Atmanirbhar Bharat	• Launched in 2020 to boost employment generation and minimize socio-
Rozgar Yojana (ABRY)	economic compact of Covid-19 pandemic.
	• As on Dec 05, 2023, total benefits of Rs. 10,043.02 Crore have been given
	to 60.48 lakhs beneficiaries.
Employees State Insurance	• Expanded coverage to 611 districts, including Lakshadweep, with a
Corporation (ESIC)	network of 161 hospitals and 1574 dispensaries.
	• The number of Insured Persons (IPs) increased to over 3.72 crore
	providing social security to more than 12 crore beneficiaries.
	• ESIC has introduced Chemotherapy services in 38 of its hospitals.
	• Launch of a 5G Ambulance service.
Employees Provident Fund	• Reforms taken : Transparent computer-generated inspection system,
Organisation (EPFO)	introduction of an e-Passbook, onboarding with UMANG, reduction in
	administrative charges, simplified monthly electronic challan cum return.
The G20 Labour and	G20 Policy Priorities on Strategies to Address Skill Gaps Globally.
Employment Ministers'	• G20 Policy Priorities on Adequate and Sustainable Social Protection and
Meeting	Decent Work for Gig and Platform Workers.
	 G20 Policy Options for Sustainable Financing of Social Protection.





9. DEPARTMENT OF LAND RESOURCES (MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT)

•	It is a Central Sector Scheme to improve real-time information on land.
•	Changes and achievements:
	 DILRMP extended for a period of five years (2021-22 to 2025-26)
	 95.08 per cent Record of Rights (RoR) have been completed
•	Other initiatives under DILRMP:
	o Unique Land Parcel Identification Number (ULPIN) or Bhu-Aadhar (adopted in
	29 states/UTs)
	• National Generic Document Registration System (NGDRS) or e-Registration:
	One Nation One Registration Software (adopted in 18 states/UTs)
	o Linkage of e-Court with Land Records / Registration of Database (26
	States/UTs have clearances from the concerned High Courts)
	o Transliteration of Land Records in all languages of Schedule VIII in all
	States/UTs (17 states are pursuing it)
	o Bhoomi Samman (168 districts have achieved Platinum Grading Certificate
	Scheme by completing >=99% work).
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10. DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING (MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING)

Livestock	Contributed 5.73% of total GVA in 2021-22.
sector	• Grew at a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 13.36% from 2014-15 to 2021-
	22.
Dairy	• Single largest agro-commodity contributing 5% of the national economy and
sector	employing more than 8 crore farmers directly.
	• India is ranked first in milk production contributing 24.64% of global milk production.
	Milk production is growing at the CAGR of 5.85% over the past 9 years.
	• The per capita availability of milk is 459 grams per day in India during 2022-23 as
	against the world average of 322 grams in 2022.
Egg and	• India ranks 2nd in Egg Production and 5th in meat production in the world. (FAOSTAT
Meat	Production Data, 2021)
Production	• Egg production in the country is growing at the CAGR of 7.35% over the past 9 years.

11. DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES (MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY & DAIRYING)

Fisheries Sector	• India is the third largest fish producing country in the world accounting for
	8% of global production.
	• It contributes about 1.09% to the country's Gross Value Added (GVA) and
	over 6.724% to the agricultural GVA.
G20 Agriculture	• Themes: 'Sustainable agriculture for nutritional food', 'Role of women in
Ministers' meet	farming expansion and agriculture' in connection with biodiversity.
Pradhan Mantri	• Inland Fisheries: Approved 44,408 Nos of cages, 20,849.41 hectares of pond
Matsya Sampada	area for inland aquaculture, 788 fish and 4 scampi hatcheries, etc.
Yojana (PMMSY)	• Marine Fisheries: Approved 2,255 Bio-toilets in mechanized fishing vessels,
since 2020-21 till	1,518 of open sea cage for fish culture, 1,380.86 hectares of pond area for
date	brackish water aquaculture, 463 deep sea fishing vessel, etc.
	• Fishermen Welfare: Approved 6,498 replacement boats and nets for fishermen,
	livelihood and nutritional support for 5,97,709 fishers' families etc.
	• Fisheries Infrastructure: Sanctioned 26,067 units of fish transportation
	facilities namely motor cycles, bicycles with ice box, auto rickshaws, insulated
	truck, etc.





	 Aquatic Health Management: Approved 17 disease diagnostic centres and quality testing labs, 29 mobile centres and testing labs and 5 aquatic referral labs. Ornamental Fisheries: Approved 2,153 ornamental fish rearing units and 163 Integrated Ornamental fish units (breeding and rearing).
	 Seaweed Cultivation: Approved 46,095 rafts and 66,330 monoline tube net. Development of North East Regions: Total Project cost of Rs 1,391.62 crore have been approved for Construction of new ponds, Integrated Fish Farming, etc.
Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah- Yojana (PM-MKSSY)	 Central Sector Sub-scheme under PMMSY introduced to further enable activities for fishermen, fish vendors and micro & small enterprises. PM-MKSSY envisages to focus on gradual formalization of the unorganized fisheries sector including digital inclusion, etc.
Other Initiatives	 Mobile app "Report Fish Disease" launched under the National Surveillance Programme for Aquatic Animal Diseases. Global fisheries Conference India 2023 was organised in Gujarat Science City, Ahmedabad.

12. MINISTRY OF TEXTILE

PM MITRA	PM MITRA Parks Scheme launched to develop world class infrastructure
	including plug and play facility.
	• Inspired by the 5F vision of Farm to Fibre to Factory to Fashion to Foreign .
	PLI Scheme for textile over a five year period was cleared.
Kasturi Cotton Bharat	• A branding, traceability and certification exercise carried out jointly by
	the Gol, Trade Bodies and Industry to promote Indian Cotton.
	• To encourage self-regulation, MoU has been signed between Cotton
	Corporation of India (CCI), Ministry of Textiles and TEXPROCIL.
National Technical	Key pillars:
Textile Mission	Research Innovation & Development
(NTTM)	o Promotion and Market Development
()	o Education, Training and Skilling
	o Export Promotion
Amended Technology	Under ATUFS, ratio of MSME: Non-MSME is 89:11, while under previous
Upgradation Fund	versions of TUFS it was 30:70.
Scheme (ATUFS)	Volume of Totale was bon of
SAMARTH	Aims to provide demand driven and placement oriented National Skill
	Qualification Framework (NSQF) compliant skilling programmes
Cotton Sector	CCI has implemented QR code using Block Chain Technology from processing
00000100001	of cotton and warehousing till its e-auction sale.
Jute Sector	The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved mandatory packaging
Juce Sector	norms for Jute Year 2023-24 providing for:-
	o 100% reservation of the food grains and
	 20% of sugar to be compulsorily packed in jute bags.
	• Jute Packaging Material Act, 1987 protects interest of Jute farmers, workers
	and persons engaged in jute goods' production.
Silk Sector	International Grade quality Silk production has increased from 25 % to
Sim Sector	35% between 2013-14 and 2022-23.
	Raw silk yield per hectare has increased to 109.23 kg during 2022-23 as
	compared to 95.93 kg during 2013-14.
Wool Sector	• Integrated Wool Development Programme, (IWDP) a central sector
Troor beetor	scheme to be implemented during the period of 15th Finance Commission.
Handloom sector	Assistance under MUDRA Scheme is being imparted to beneficiaries.
Bharat Tex 2024	 A global textile mega event organised by a consortium of 11 Textile Export
Diai at 1CA 2027	Promotion Councils, supported by the Ministry of Textiles.
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13. MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

International Cooperation and Coordination with Multilateral agency	 India has been elected in United Nations Statistical Commission (UNSC) as a member for a term of four years starting Jan 01, 2024. India had been re-elected as - One of the three Vice Chairs of the Bureau of UN ESCAP Committee on Statistics (CST) and To the Governing Council of Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (SIAP) for the period 2022-2024.
Revised Guidelines on MPLADS and launch of new Web-Portal	Web-portal incorporates several technology-enabled functionalities for MPLADS development project and online monitoring system.
Data visualization	• Data visualization section has been added to the MoSPI's website for the first time.

14. MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES

Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Electric	• Subsidy amounting to Rs. 5,228 Cr. given to electric vehicle manufacturers.
Vehicles in India (FAME)	• 148 EV Public Charging Stations (PCS) have been commissioned.
Phase II Scheme	 Announced 800 Cr. for setting up 7432 public fast charging stations.
Production-Linked	 Approved a PLI Scheme' with an outlay of Rs. 25,938 Cr. over a period
Incentive (PLI) Scheme for	of 5 years .
Automobile and Auto	-
	• It proposes financial incentives to boost domestic manufacturing of
Components	'Advanced Automotive Technology' (AAT) products and investments
	in the automotive manufacturing value chain.
PLI Scheme' for	• To enhance India's Manufacturing Capabilities and Exports of
manufacturing facilities for	Advance Chemistry Cell (ACC).
Advance Chemistry Cell	
GST Concession Certificate	• Online portal for issuing Aadhar Authenticated GST concession
	certificate was launched in Nov 2020.
	• A total of 5513 GST Concession Certificates were issued in current and
	last year through this portal.
Other Key Initiatives	"Towards Panchamrit'- An event for promotion of electric mobility.
-	• 'National Conference on Robotics' organized in Jul 2023.
	• India's first set of Selective Catalyst Reactors (SCR) for limiting NO x
	emissions - manufactured by BHEL for the Yadadri Thermal Power
	Station in Telangana.
	• "BHEL SAMVAAD 3.0" - To promote indigenization of Imported Goods.

15. MINISTRY OF TOURISM

G20 initiatives under India's Presidency	 G20 Roadmap for Tourism with 5 priority areas: Green Tourism, Digitalization, Skills, Tourism MSMEs and Destination Management for achieving the SDGs. Travel for LiFE initiative under G20 roadmap – launched formally on World Tourism Day (Sep 27, 2023). G20 Tourism Expo at organized at Jaipur.
Visit India Year 2023	 2023 declared as the Visit India Year. India was the partner country for the JATA Tourism Expo, held at Tokyo.
Promotion of Tourism in India	 11th edition of International Tourism Mart in the North Eastern Region. Campaign to showcase India as a premier wedding destination on the global stage. Krishnaveni Sangeetha Neerajanam at Vijayawada celebrated the legacy of the rich heritage of Indian classical music.





Government schemes	 Development of Infrastructure for Pilgrimage and Heritage Tourism in the State of Meghalaya under PRASHAD scheme inaugurated at the 11th International Tourism Mart. Swadesh Darshan 2.0 (revamped Swadesh Darshan) to create a robust framework for integrated development of tourism destinations. Nature based Tourism at Ramsar sites: Training to local tourism service providers under Implementation of Amrit Dharohar. Alternative Livelihood Programme under the Amrit Dharohar Capacity Building Scheme-2023.
Awards/ Achievements	 Ministry of Tourism has bagged Golden & Silver Star at the International 'Golden City Gate Tourism Awards 2023' in 'TV/Cinema Commercials International and Country International' Category at ITB, Berlin 2023.

16. MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

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UDAN	 Launched in 2016 to enable air operations on un-served/underserved routes. 60 New RCS routes commenced in 2023.
Digi Yatra	 It is a project to achieve contactless, seamless processing of passengers at Airports. >35 lakh users have downloaded the Digi Yatra app. >91 lakh passengers have availed the facility of Digi Yatra.
Greenfield Airports	 Greenfield Airports Policy was adopted in 2008. 'In-principle' approval has been given for 21 such airports out of which 12 have been operationalized.(3 in 2023)
Drones	 Digitization of application forms under Drone Rules, 2021 on the Digital Sky Platform and simplification of drone certification scheme. Drone import policy has banned import of foreign drones and freeing up import of drone components. Drone (Amendment) Rules, 2022 abolished requirement of drone pilot licence. Drones and Drone Components have been included in the PLI Scheme.
Green Energy	 66 airports run with 100% Green Energy. Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA)'s baseline has been lowered to 85% of 2019 emission with India's push and support from like-minded countries.
Amendments to Height Rules	 Height Rules for buildings around airports were amended to utilise the infrastructure to the maximum extent. In the past about 40% of the airspace was unavailable for civilian use and IAF controlled 30% of national airspace. Out of this, 30% has been released as upper airspace under Flexible Use of Airspace.
International connectivity	 India presently provides direct connectivity to more than 52 countries, and more than 100 countries through indirect routes. MoU between DGCA and European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) for technical cooperation in Unmanned Aircraft Systems and Innovative Air Mobility. India entered into Open Sky Arrangements (unlimited flights to and from) with Maldives and Canada (2022) and with New Zealand in 2023. India now has open sky arrangements with 24 countries.
Krishi Udan	 Krishi Udan Scheme 2.0 (2021) focuses on transporting perishable food products from the hilly areas, North-Eastern States and tribal areas. It covers 58 airports in the country. The scheme waives of landing charges, parking charges.





17. MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS

Key initiatives	 Government has notified six Minorities viz. Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Parsis, & Jains under the National Minorities Commission Act, 1992. Pradhan Mantri Virasat Ka Samvardhan (PM VIKAS) Scheme has subsumed five existing schemes namely Seekho aur Kamao, USTAAD, Hamari Dharohar, Nai Roshini and Nai Manzil. Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram- a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to develop infrastructure projects in the areas where the minority population is > 25%. National Minorities Development and Finance Corporation (NMDFC) established as per Companies Act 2013, under the administrative control of the Ministry of Minority Affairs. NMDFC launched MILAN (Minority Loan Accounting Software for NMDFC) to digitise loan accounting processes.
ICT Activities of the Ministry of Minority Affairs	 Web Portals have been created and hosted for various schemes: Seekho Aur Kamao (Scheme for Skill Development of Minorities) Nai Roshni (Scheme for Leadership Development of Minority Women) Nai Manzil(An integrated Education and Livelihood Initiative for the Minority Communities) USTTAD(Scheme for supporting capacity building initiatives to preserve traditional arts and crafts of minority communities) USTTAD (Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/ crafts for Development Naya Savera(Free Coaching and allied Scheme for the Candidates/Students belonging to Minority Communities) Prime Minister Jan Vikas karyakram(Scheme for Infrastructure Development in Minority Concentration Areas) NGO Grants Portal(Aggregator and Web Portal) Jiyo Parsi (Scheme for arresting the population decline of the Parsi Community)

18. DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS (MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS)

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Achievements by	• Asian Games held (Hangzhou, China): 107 Medals (28 Gold, 38 Silver, 41 Bronze
Indian	Medals)
Sportspersons in	Asian Para Games: 111 Medals including 29 Gold Medals.
International	• World Athletics Championship: Neeraj Chopra won India's first-ever Gold Medal
Events	in August 2023.
	FIDE World Cup: Grandmaster R. Praggnanandhaa finished second.
	• Special Olympics World Summer Games 2023 (Berlin): Indian contingent won
	202 medals (76 Gold, 75 Silver and 51 Bronze).
	• Swiss Open Badminton Championship: Satwiksairaj Reddy and Chirag Shetty
	became the First-ever Indian pair to win Swiss Open Badminton Championship.
	• ISSF Rifle/Pistol World Cup 2023 (Bhopal, India): India finished 2 nd with 7
	Medals (1 Gold, 1 Silver, 5 Bronze).
International	FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023, Bhubaneswar – Rourkela
Events hosted by	• First-ever MotoGP Bharat , NOIDA.
India in 2023	• IBA Women's World Boxing Championship 2023, New Delhi.
	• 141st International Olympic Committee (IOC) Session, Mumbai.
Events under	Fit India Campaign
various	o 3rd Khelo India Quiz
government	o FIT India Swacchata Freedom Run 4.0 launched at Major Dhyan Chand
schemes	National Stadium, New Delhi.
	Khelo India Scheme
	o First-ever Khelo India Para Games, Delhi.
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		o 3 rd edition of Khelo India University Games (KIUG) 2022 organized in Uttar
		Pradesh.
		o "Khelo India Dus Ka Dum" organized on International Women's Day 2023 to
		broad-base success of the Khelo India Women's Leagues.
		o 5th edition of Khelo India Youth Games held at Upper Lake, Bhopal (MP).
		o 3rd Khelo India Winter Games held at Gulmarg (J&K).
Anti-Doping	•	MoUs signed
measures		o Between Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, FSSAI and National Institute of
		Pharmaceutical Education & Research (NIPER), Hyderabad.
		o Between National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) and South Asia Regional
		Anti-Doping Organization (SARADO).
	•	Know Your Medicine: Web-portal and mobile application to strengthen drive
		towards clean nutritional supplements.

19. MINISTRY OF CULTURE

Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav	 Launched to honour and commemorate 75 years of India's independence. Foundation stone for Amrit Vatika and Amrit Mahotsav Memoria was laid from soil collected from every part of country under Meri Maati Mera Desh. Meri Maati Mera Desh-Maati Ko Naman Veeron ka Vandan a nationwide campaign to honour the veers who sacrificed their lives for the nation.
G20 Activities and International Cultural Relations	 G-20 Culture Working Group Meetings organized at Khajuraho (MP), Bhubaneswar (Odisha), and Hampi (Karnataka). 'Kashi Culture Pathway' agreed upon by all G20 countries at 4th G20 Culture Working Group Meet. Cultural Exchange Program (CEP) signed with countries such as Egypt, Columbia, Mauritius, Italian, Belarus, etc. Retrieval of Antiquities: Total 357 antiquities have been retrieved from 1976 till Nov 2023. Ministry of Culture hosted first Global Buddhist Summit in collaboration with International Buddhist Confederation.
Inclusion in UNESCO's World Heritage List	 45th World Heritage Committee (2023) meeting was held in Riyadh (Saudi Arabia). Santiniketan and Hoysala temples (Sacred Ensembles of Hoysalas) from India inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. India's is now paced at 6th position in the world in the number of UNESCO World Heritage Sites [Total of 42 (Cultural-34, Natural-7, Mix-1)]. In 2023, Gwalior and Kozhikode were included in the UNESCO Creative Cities Network as creative cities of Music and Literature, respectively. 'Garba of Gujarat' has been inscribed on the UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.
Important events held	 200th Birth anniversary of Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati was inaugurated. 'Vitasta festival' to celebrate the vibrant cultural traditions of Jammu and Kashmir. 'Utkarsh', India's largest Folk and Tribal Cultural event organised in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. Rani Durgavati's bhoomi poojan of 'Veerangana Rani Durgavati Smarak aur Udyaan in Jabalpur held on her 500th birth centenary. On Saint Meera Bai's 525th birth anniversary a commemorative coin of Rs. 525/-and postage stamp on the life of Saint Meera Bai was released. Gita Press, Gorakhpur was selected as the recipient of the Gandhi Peace Prize (for 2021).

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