



Prime Minister's Office

PM addresses doctors on National Doctors' Day

Pays tribute to the services and sacrifices of doctors during pandemic

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Calls for evidence-based studies on benefits of yoga

Stresses the importance of documentation, Covid pandemic can be a good starting point for detailed documentation

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The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has greeted the doctor community on Doctors' Day today. He said this day, celebrated in the memory of Doctor BC Roy, is the symbol of the highest ideals of our medical fraternity. He thanked the Doctors on behalf of 130 crore Indians for their services during the difficult times in last one and half years of the pandemic. He was addressing an event organized by Indian Medical Association via video conference today.



डॉक्टर्स को ईश्वर का दूसरा रूप कहा जाता है, तो ऐसे ही नहीं कहा जाता।

कितने ही लोग ऐसे होंगे जिनका जीवन किसी संकट में पड़ा होगा, किसी बीमारी या दुर्घटना का शिकार हुआ होगा, या फिर कई बार हमें ऐसा लगने लगता है कि क्या हम किसी हमारे अपने को खो देंगे? - PM @narendramodi

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Acknowledging the doctor's contribution, the Prime Minister recalled their heroic efforts during the pandemic and paid homage to those who laid down their lives in the service of humanity. The Prime Minister said that our scientists and doctors have found solutions for all the challenges thrown by Corona. Our doctors are facing this new and fast mutating virus on the basis of their experience and expertise. Despite the limitations of long-neglected medical infrastructure and pressure of population, India's per lakh population rate of infection and death rate is still manageable compared to even developed countries. Loss of lives is always painful but many lives have been saved too. Credit goes to hard-working doctors, healthcare workers, frontline workers for saving many lives, said the Prime Minister.

ये पुण्य कार्य करते हुए देश के कई डॉक्टर्स ने अपना जीवन भी न्योछावर कर दिया।

मैं उन्हें अपनी विनम्र श्रद्धांजलि अर्पित करता हूं, उनके परिवारों के प्रति अपनी संवेदना व्यक्त करता हूं: PM @narendramodi

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The Prime Minister underlined the focus of the government on strengthening healthcare. During the 'first wave' about 15 thousand crores were allocated for healthcare and this year, health sector budget has been doubled to more than 2 lakh crore rupees. Rs 50 thousand crore have been allocated for credit guarantee scheme to develop health infrastructure in the under-served area. New AIIMS, medical colleges are being established. Work has been initiated on 15 AIIMS as opposed to total six AIIMS that existed in 2014. Number of Medical colleges have increased one and half times. Under graduate medical seats have increased one and half times and PG seats have grown by 80 per cent, informed the Prime Minister.



इस साल हेल्थ सेक्टर के लिए बजट का Allocation दोगुने से भी ज्यादा यानि दो लाख करोड़ रुपये से भी अधिक किया गया।

अब हम ऐसे क्षेत्रों में Health Infrastructure को मजबूत करने के लिए 50 हजार करोड़ रुपये की एक Credit Guarantee Scheme लेकर आए हैं, जहां स्वास्थ्य सुविधाओं की कमी है: PM

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2014 तक जहां देश में केवल 6 एम्स थे, इन 7 सालों में 15 नए एम्स का काम शुरू हुआ है। मेडिकल कॉलेजेज़ की संख्या भी करीब डेढ़ गुना बढ़ी है।

इसी का परिणाम है कि इतने कम समय में जहां अंडरग्रेजुएट सीट्स में डेढ़ गुने से ज्यादा की वृद्धि हुई है, पीजी सीट्स में 80 फीसदी इजाफा हुआ है: PM

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Shri Modi reiterated the Government's commitment for the safety of doctors. He mentioned stringent laws that have been brought in for preventing violence against doctors. Along with this, a free insurance cover scheme has been brought for the Covid warriors.

The Prime Minister called upon the doctors to continue to inspire the people to get vaccinated and adopt Covid appropriate behavior. He also commended medical fraternity for spreading awareness about Yoga. Work for propagating Yoga, that should have been done in the last century after Independence, is being done now, said the Prime Minister. He praised the doctors for giving their time to the evidence-based studies on the benefits of yoga for dealing with post-Covid complications. The Prime Minister asked if IMA can take up the evidence-based studies on yoga in a mission mode. He also suggested that studies on yoga could be published in international journals.

एक और अच्छी चीज हमने देखी है कि मेडिकल फ्रेटर्निटी के लोग, योग के बारे में जागरूकता फैलाने के लिए बहुत आगे आए हैं।

योग को प्रचारित-प्रसारित करने के लिए जो काम आजादी के बाद पिछली शताब्दी में किया जाना चाहिए था, वो अब हो रहा है: PM @narendramodi

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The Prime Minister stressed the importance of documentation of experiences by doctors. Along with the experiences, symptoms of the patients and treatment plan needs to be documented in great details. This can be taken up as a research study where effects of various medicines and treatments are noted. Shri Modi said that sheer number of patients served by our doctors put them ahead of the world. Now is the time when the world takes cognizance and take benefit from these scientific studies. Covid pandemic can be a good starting point for this. The Prime Minister wondered if we



could study more deeply how vaccines are helping us, how early diagnosis helps. There is no documentation available about the last century's pandemic but now we have technology and our documentation about how we faced Covid will help the humanity, concluded the Prime Minister.

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