

Modi cautions people against letting guard down in fight against Covid-19

In his Mann ki Baat address, says pandemic can turn uncontrollable with overconfidence

NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday warned people in the country against being overconfident just because Covid-19 has not reached the stage of being a pandemic.

"In any country, large as we are, at all get caught in the trap of overconfidence. It is not without a feeling that if corona has not yet reached our city, our village, our street or our office, it is not going to reach you here! Never make such a mistake! The experience of the world is warning a lot to us. And, here in our country we are always reminded again and again - where con-

dition has been lowered, the accident has happened", the Prime Minister said in his monthly Mann ki Baat programme.

People-driven fight
Getting people on the occasion of 'Shriyati Yatra, Modi said. The day-to-day activities are not, one like this, is 'Shriyati'. This day in mind is that no matter how many difficulties block our path, we started upon us and no matter how many contagions have to be faced - the human spirit of fighting and battling them are unshakable." He also gave the details of Jansan and Aardram programmes as the was an auspicious day for both the programmes. Modi also



PM Narendra Modi

Modi, India's fight against coronavirus is progressing, with the government and all ministries fully supporting them. Every person in this country is a soldier in the battle against Covid-19, putting up a fight in as per one's capacity and ability from food for the underprivileged, arrangements, ensuring lockdown, arrangements in hospitals to manufacturing medical equipment and drugs, such, the entire country has been deployed along together in the same direction, towards a single common objective, the Prime Minister observed.

According to him, the country is already experiencing the results of the country working in unison as a team. While Central government, state governments and every departments and institutions are working hand in hand to make sure relief reaches

everyone in the country those working in isolation sector and always are willing day and night to ensure the supply of essential goods and medicines reach the farthest corners of the country.

"Very adverse situation, every battle loses in it's wake a month while losses or loss a month, it paces the way for further possibilities, shaping the course for some good. The strength of the resolve the countrymen have deployed during the crisis has led to the beginning of a new transformation too in India. Our businesses, offices, educational institutions, our medical sector are rapidly advancing towards new operational changes. Our technology front, it actually seems every innovative in the country is coming up anew with something or the other amid the emerging situation," Modi said.

Democratic accountability missing: Yechury

The CPIM General Secretary Sitaram Yechury has written another letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi suggesting that huge stacks of foodgrains are rotting in central godowns and these should be sent to the States for free distribution. He alleged that some of his previous letters raising issues faced by common people were not even acknowledged by the PMO and said democratic accountability is missing.

He reiterated that the the forty-day nation-wide lockdown was announced suddenly and abruptly with a mere four-hour notice. Hunger, malnutrition and homelessness continue to plague the lives of people. Since the start of lockdown, he had suggested that the Centre must immediately provide free food to all the needy he said.

Centre appoints Tarun Bajaj as new Economic Secretary

Tarun Kapoor becomes Oil Secy

Based on the approval granted by Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), 1984 batch IAS officer Tarun Bajaj will be new Secretary in the Department of Economic Affairs. It is present, he is Additional Secretary in PMO. He will replace Anam Chakraborty who is retiring on April 30. Chakraborty's successor in Corporate Affairs Ministry Inam Senan is also

being on May 31 and he will be replaced by 1987 batch IAS officer Sagar Verma.

Oil Ministry will get new Secretary as Vice-Chairman of Delhi Development Authority and 1987 batch IAS officer Tarun Bajaj will replace present Secretary M K Singh who is retiring on April 30. The 1984 batch IAS officer Sagar Verma will now be new Road Transport & Highway Secretary in the place of Anam Chakraborty who has now been appointed as Shipping Secretary & Resourcing Secretary. Ran Mohan (1984 batch IAS officer) will be new Secretary in the Department of Economic Affairs. It is present, he is Additional Secretary in PMO. He will replace Anam Chakraborty who is retiring on April 30. Chakraborty's successor in Corporate Affairs Ministry Inam Senan is also

LittleMore Innovation launches exam-from-home solution for varsities

LittleMore Innovation Labs, a leading company in paperless digital examinations, has launched its exam-from-home solution - PEAA Lite - to help colleges and universities beat the Covid blues.

The nationwide lockdown since March 24 because of the Covid pandemic has thrown into disarray the examination schedule of colleges and universities. LittleMore launched a paperless digital examination product in the market in 2017, providing both the hardware - a digital device called Digital, and the software - PEAA, which is provided on the cloud. It has signed up a number of colleges and universities in the country.

According to Ishaan

Ganesh, founder and CEO, LittleMore Innovation Labs, PEAA Lite will be launched in India, Malaysia and Singapore. There has been demand for the product, tablets and smart phones, prompting it to come up with PEAA Lite. It can be operated on a Windows or Android device. Colleges and universities are keen to have a solution that enables them to conduct the examinations from home. "We are likely to conduct exams for 10,000 students in June for our customers," said Ganesh.

PEAA Lite is a device agnostic solution, designed to deliver examinations on student laptops, tablets and smart phones at home. It has built in biometric and digital proctoring features, which monitor student activities.

Insurance, securities firms to use Aadhaar authentication under money-laundering Act

NEW DELHI

The Finance Ministry has allowed 29 insurance companies and nine stock/securities entities to undertake the Aadhaar authentication services of ICDR under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA).

This would allow these entities to perform a KYC in real time and would also reduce the cost of these transactions, Finance Secretary Ajay Bhushan Pandey said.

This would also be beneficial to the customers or the investors, especially the small and retail investors, as they need not submit physical papers or documents for know-your-client (KYC), he said.

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the money will save KYC process and would reduce cost and time, besides preventing money laundering activities, if any, on official release said.

The satisfaction of concerned regulatory authorities such as IRDAI and SEBI, that they are complying with the standard of privacy and security as per the Aadhaar Act. This would ease their KYC process and would reduce cost and time besides preventing money laundering activities, if any, on official release said.

On the insurance front, 29 KYC has been permitted for 20 private life insurers (all most life insurers registered with IRDAI), three standalone health insurers and six general insurance companies. The three standalone health insurers who have got the approval are Apollo Micro Health Insurance, Manipal Cigna Health Insurance and Religare Health Insurance.

The six general insurance entities are Kotak Mahindra General Insurance, Future Generali India Insurance Company, Aditya Birla Insurance, Royal Sundaram General Insurance, IGI General Insurance and HDIC Ergo General Insurance.

In the case of securities, the entities that have got approval are BSE, National Securities Depository Ltd, Central Depository Services (India) Ltd, CDSL Ventures, NSD Database Management, NSI Data and Analytics, CAMS Investor Services, Computer Age Management Services and Link Income India.

Corporate heads expect economy to bounce back within 12 months

NEW DELHI

While both industry and business have been impacted negatively and the country's GDP growth is projected to be under 2 per cent in the current fiscal, corporate leaders expect the economy to bounce back in under 12 months. The good news is that only a fraction of CEOs are looking to lay off staff.

A majority of the CEOs are of opinion that the country would emerge stronger on the back of MSME stimulus package, fiscal incentives and 'Make in India' policy among others, according to a study by Atrium, a special reputation management advisory CEO is a general term to collectively refer to corporate executives with titles such as chief executive officer, chief financial officer and chief technology officer.



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of Atrium, said. "The study points to a critical lack of crisis preparedness within the C suite, with three out of five executives stating that they were only 'somewhat ready' and 'need their instincts to manage the situation, involving in a crisis-preparedness exercise would serve them well to successfully negotiate unforeseen crises and emerge with a stronger reputation," Singh added.

According to the study, as CEOs recalibrate in the new environment the priorities will be to reduce business strategy (31 per cent) followed by digitisation (35 per cent), growing (31 per cent) and innovation (47 per cent).

Another area that ranks high on the consideration list will be re-evaluating business model.

Cow-id times



With the four-day 'total lockdown' kicking in from 1 am on Sunday, an arterial road in Chennai sees a deserted look. The complete shutdown will end at 6 pm on April 29, says sources.

Nativelead subsidiary invests ₹1.2 cr in dairy products firm

NEW DELHI

The Native-English brand, the largest investment arm of Native, has invested ₹1.2 crore in Utharaashram Agro Products Pvt Ltd, based in Madhavaram, about 17 km south of Chennai.

The investment will be used to set up a dairy processing plant in Madhavaram, Karur, Chennai, Coimbatore and Thanjavur.

Utharaashram works directly with farmers and agri-workers, to bring fresh milk to consumers' tables without chemical interventions, according to a press release from Nativelead.

Founded in 2017, the start-up aims to establish direct trade between local farmers and consumers. Its offerings include fresh milk (delivered within 2 hours of sourcing), ghee and paneer.

According to Virendra Patel, co-founder of Utharaashram, a brand of organic employees, the idea behind the investment was the idea that organic and fresh produce should be commodities that are available for all, regardless of their socio-economic status.

The company has been working directly with individual farmers and cattle owners to source fresh milk which is transported to their facility in Madhavaram. The milk is then chilled in stainless containers, and bottled in eco-friendly glass bottles. The bottled milk is distributed to consumers within 2 hours.

The company now sells 4,000 bottles a day with the milk priced at ₹16 a litre. Lakshmi Ganapathi, the lead investor, is helping the company in adopting global best practices.

HDFC invokes pledged shares of Reliance Capital, RPower, RInfra

NEW DELHI

The Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd (HDFC) has acquired 6.41 per cent stake in Reliance Capital, 6.21 per cent stake in Reliance Infrastructure, and 6.97 per cent stake in Reliance Power following invocation of pledge on these companies shares by Axis Investor Services Ltd, its security trustee on behalf of the Corporation.

In a stock exchange filing, HDFC said it acquired 1,15,40,995 shares carrying voting rights in Reliance Infrastructure. According to the filing, HDFC also acquired 2,34,87,500 shares in Reliance Power.

The acquisition of shares by HDFC in the companies

'Indore's huge Covid toll may be due to more virulent strain'

PUNE

Doctors treating Covid-19 cases in Indore say a more virulent strain may be wreaking havoc in the city which has emerged as the coronavirus hotspot in Madhya Pradesh.

They say samples from Indore, where Covid-19 has killed 17 people, will be sent to the Pune-based National Institute of Virology (NIV) to confirm their apprehensions of the strain being deadlier than reported in other parts of the country.

the hospitals' late," she said. "In Indore both, the testing is confined to coronavirus detection only, and not its type, another doctor said.

Jyendra Bhargava, director of the state government-run school of Excellence in Pulmonary Medicine, also shared Bhatia's concern, saying the high mortality rate in Indore needs to be investigated through viral culture and RNA sequencing.

Mortality rate
It is also true that the mortality rate is high in patients who had comorbidities (presence of additional conditions along with the primary condition) such as cardiac and renal problems or diabetes and hypertension besides other immunity-compromising conditions, he said.

IRB Infra's board approves ₹2,500-cr fund-raise plan

NEW DELHI

Highways developer IRB Infrastructure on Sunday said that its board has approved fund raising of up to ₹2,500 crore.

The fund-raising is aimed at providing essential support for restarted operations and working capital requirement, in view of likely delays in compensations from authorities as a result of the Covid-19 outbreak. The board has approved fund-raising through appropriate instruments, permitted under the applicable statute, in one or more tranches to the eligible investors, it said.

Virendra D Mhatrekar, Chairman & Managing Director, IRB Infrastructure Developers, said, "We plan to use these funds to meet payments to creditors, fund up project expenses as well as the general corporate purposes, during the ongoing lockdown situation due to Covid-19."

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It may be noted that no claim shall be against the Company in respect of unclaimed dividend and equity shares transferred to IEPF pursuant to IEPF Rules.

The shareholders may please note that once the above special committee has transferred to the demat account of the IEPF Authority of such shares will not be available to the shareholders sale or transfer or dealing with it in any manner except as the process and provisions as prescribed in the aforesaid IEPF Rules of section 114 of the Companies Act, 2013.

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