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Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi addressing delegates at the 5^{th} edition of the Viva Tech

16 - 30 June 2021

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I hope you are well.

Prime Minister of India, Mr Narendra Modi delivered the keynote address at the 5th edition of VivaTech today via video conference. The Prime Minister was invited as a Guest of Honour to deliver the keynote address at VivaTech 2021, one of the largest digital and startup events in Europe, held in Paris every year since 2016.

Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said that India and France have been working closely on a wide range of subjects including in the technology sphere. He mentioned Infosys providing tech support for the French Open tournament and collaboration involving French companies like Atos, Capgemini and India's TCS and Wipro as examples of IT talent of the two countries serving companies and citizens all over the world. More can be read here.

More news can be read in the next section.

Stay safe and healthy.

Best wishes,

Mrinalini Kaur Sapra, First Secretary (Economic & Commercial) Embassy of India [trade.thehague@mea.gov.in] News Articles Page 2

India attracted US\$6.24 billion total FDI inflow during April 2021

Measures taken by the Government on the fronts of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy reforms, investment facilitation and ease of doing business have resulted in increased FDI inflows into the country. During April, 2021, Mauritius is the top investing country with 24% of the FDI Equity inflows, followed by Singapore (21%) and Japan (11%). Read More

Prime Minister Modi announces key initiatives on the occasion of the 7th International Yoga Day

Prime Minister launched the "mYoga" application, developed by the Morarji Desai National Institute of Yoga, Ministry of Ayush in partnership with the World Health Organisation. The application will contain training and practice videos and audios based on Common Yoga Protocol which can be used by all—with the objective of promoting one world, one health. Read More

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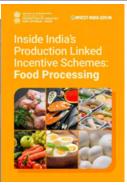
Anaesthetics & cardio-respiratory
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 Radiology & imaging and nuclear imaging

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BRICS nations agree on innovation cooperation

BRICS Nations have unanimously agreed on an innovation cooperation at the 11th BRICS S&T Steering Committee Meeting. The proposal put forward by India would be considered at the BRICS Science, Technology and Innovation Entrepreneurship (STIEP) working group for elaborating the action plan. Read More

<u>G20 Education Ministers reiterates commitment to ensure</u> continuity of quality education during the pandemic

The Minister of State for Education Shri Sanjay Dhotre participated in the G20 Education Ministers' Meeting on 22nd June, 2021. G20 Education Ministers exchanged views on how to progress on the fight against educational poverty and inequalities, especially in context of the Covid 19 pandemic. Read More

Bhutan's Tax Inspectors Without Borders (TIWB) programme launched in partnership with India

Tax Inspectors Without Borders (TIWB), a joint initiative of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), launched its programme in Bhutan today. India was chosen as the Partner Jurisdiction and has provided the Tax Expert for this programme. Read more

India maintains 43rd rank on IMD's World Competitiveness Index; Switzerland tops chart

Switzerland led the 64-nation list, followed by Sweden (moved up to the second position from sixth in 2020), Denmark, the Netherlands and Singapore. Among the BRICS countries, India was ranked second after China (16), followed by Russia (45th), Brazil (57th) and South Africa (62nd).

The report states that India has made major advancements in

government efficiency in 2021. Read More



India's eng, research, development market to reach US\$ 63 billion by 2025 : NASSCOM

According to NASSCOM, the market share of the Indian engineering, research, development market to the global market is projected to grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 12-13% to reach US\$ 63 billion by 2025. NASSCOM President, Ms. Debjani Ghosh highlighted that the pandemic has transformed the way consumers perform, interact with businesses, and how corporations interact. Read More







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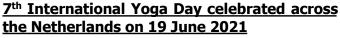
Invest India Business Immunity Platform is designed as a comprehensive resource to help businesses and investors get real-time updates on India's active response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Please keep checking www.investindia.gov.in website for regular updates.

Ambassador Rawat addresses Dutch and Indian business community during the NIBM on 17 June 2021

Ambassador of India to the Netherlands, Pradeep Kumar Rawat spoke at the Netherlands India Business Meet organized by the Netherlands India Chamber of Commerce and Trade along with Ms Edith Nordmann, Chairman NICCT & Managing Partner ACG International and other eminent speakers. The theme for this year was "Towards a Sustainable Planet Through Netherlands — India Collaboration".



Ambassador of India to the Netherlands, Pradeep Kumar Rawat and Mrs. Shruti Rawat visited Eindhoven and had a fruitful meeting with the Directors of Indo-Dutch Association Eindhoven at Philips Fruit Tuin in Eindhoven.



The Yoga Protocol Session was conducted at the India House, Wassenaar and other locations across the Netherlands to mark the International Yoga Day. Ambassador of India to the Netherlands, Pradeep Kumar Rawat spoke about the relevance of Yoga and Ayurveda in promoting good health.











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