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Highlights

- ◆ First BRICS MSME Forum and Third SME Working Group Meeting
- ◆ Inauguration of Technology Centre, Patna
- ◆ Laying of Foundation Stone for Technology Centre, Gaya Ji



MSME DAY 2026

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Yoga is the pause button humanity
needs... to breathe, to balance, to
become whole again.

Shri Narendra Modi

Hon'ble Prime Minister



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Engagement Corner

Explore exciting initiatives, competitions, consultations, and opportunities by the Ministry of MSME. Participate, win exciting prizes, earn participation certificates, and contribute to strengthening India's vibrant MSME ecosystem.

MSME Idea Hackathon 6.0

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01. Vice President of India Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan Presided Over 'MSME Day 2026'



Hon'ble Vice President of India Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan presided over the 'MSME Day 2026–Udyami Bharat' event at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi, on 27 June 2026. The event was graced by Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi, Hon'ble Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Sushri Shobha Karandlaje, Hon'ble Minister of State for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; Shri Manoj Goel, Chairman, Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC); and senior officials of the Ministry and its organizations. Policymakers, industry leaders, women entrepreneurs, financial institutions, academia and other key stakeholders from the MSME ecosystem also participated in the event.

Launch of Digital Platforms and Release of Key MSME Publications by the Hon'ble Vice President of India



The Hon'ble Vice President of India Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan launched a series of transformative digital platforms, portals and publications aimed at empowering MSME across India. These included the **PMEGP 2.0 Portal**, **SAMADHAAN 2.0 Portal**, **PMS Portal**, **MSME Global Mart 2.0 Portal**, **MSME Testing Portal** and **MSME Idea Hackathon 6.0** and **Multilingual Access Across MSME Portals**.

- The Vice President also released:

- E-Coffee Table Book on PM Vishwakarma
- E-book on the Self Reliant India (SRI) Fund



Hon'ble Vice President of India Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan highlighted the Pivotal Role of the MSME sector in economic growth



The Hon'ble Vice President extended his greetings to entrepreneurs and stakeholders on MSME Day. Emphasising the pivotal role of MSME in economic growth, he congratulated the Ministry of MSME, KVIC, NSIC and all stakeholders for their contributions.

Hon'ble Vice President also launched a range of sustainable and eco-friendly KVIC products, including:

- Tukun – Infant Wear
- Rangtaal – Table Runners and Mats
- Bela – Infant Wrap Sheets
- Vanya – Eri Stoles
- Umang – Wool Stoles

Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi reaffirmed the Government's commitment to empowering entrepreneurs



Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi, Hon'ble Union Minister of MSME, said, "The Government of India remains committed to building an ecosystem where every entrepreneur has

an equal opportunity to innovate, grow, and contribute to nation-building." "Our focus remains on formalisation, digital empowerment, easier access to finance, stronger market linkages, technology adoption, and innovation-led growth," he added. Shri Manjhi, also congratulated and conveyed best wishes on the MSME Day.

Hon'ble Minister of State Sushri Shobha Karandlaje highlighted the role of entrepreneurs in Nation building



Sushri Shobha Karandlaje, Hon'ble Minister of State for MSME, said, "MSME sector is considered as the engine of growth of the Indian economy, and entrepreneurs are the drivers of this growth."

"The Ministry of MSME is providing digital support, skill development, technology, and marketing linkages", she added. "You, the entrepreneurs, are partners in India's development. MSME sector is much more than enterprises; they are dreams taking shape, ideas turning into enterprises, and hard work transforming lives," she said.

Secretary, Ministry of MSME presented an overview of the MSME sector

Shri Bharat Khara, Secretary, Ministry of MSME, presented an overview of the MSME sector, highlighting its role in India's economic growth and outlining the key initiatives and schemes being implemented by the Ministry of MSME. He complimented all the stakeholders for contribution in the MSME sector. The MSME Day celebrations concluded with

two technical panel discussions on "Ushering a New Era of Women Entrepreneurship" and "The Role of Growth Capital in Building Scalable MSME."

02. Ministry of MSME successfully hosted First BRICS MSME Forum and Third SME Working Group Meeting at Agra



The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India, successfully hosted the First BRICS MSME Forum and the Third SME Working Group Meeting on 19 June 2026 at Agra, Uttar Pradesh, under the overarching theme 'Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability'. The event brought together policymakers, senior government officials, industry leaders, entrepreneurs and stakeholders from BRICS member and partner countries, including Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, South Africa, the UAE, Belarus, Cuba, Malaysia, Uganda and India.

The programme commenced with the inauguration of an exhibition showcasing the diversity and excellence of MSME across sectors. The Third SME Working Group Meeting deliberated on the theme 'Building MSME Ecosystem – Sustainable Roots to Global Routes,' with member countries sharing their experiences and

policy interventions aimed at strengthening MSME ecosystems.

Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi, Called for Stronger BRICS Collaboration on MSME Development



During the event, Union Minister of the Ministry of MSME Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi highlighted the critical role of MSME as engines of economic growth, innovation and employment across BRICS nations and the Global South. He emphasised the need for stronger BRICS cooperation in areas such as affordable finance, technology adoption, digital transformation, market access, skilling and sustainability. The Minister underlined India's commitment to building a resilient and inclusive MSME ecosystem under the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047 and called for collaborative efforts to strengthen innovation, global value chains and sustainable development across BRICS economies.

Hon'ble MSME Minister of Uttar Pradesh Shri Bhupender Chaudhary highlighted ODOP Success



Shri Bhupendra Chaudhary, Hon'ble Minister of MSME, Government of Uttar Pradesh, highlighted the State's thriving MSME ecosystem, driven by the One

District One Product (ODOP) initiative. He emphasized that stronger BRICS collaboration in knowledge sharing, technology and sustainable business practices can create new opportunities for MSME and promote inclusive economic growth.

India's Digital Public Infrastructure Highlighted at BRICS MSME Forum



Shri Bharat Khara, Secretary, Ministry of MSME, highlighted the pivotal role of MSME in driving resilience, innovation and inclusive growth across BRICS nations. He called for stronger cooperation in finance, technology, digitalisation and sustainability, while showcasing India's Digital Public Infrastructure as a catalyst for a globally competitive MSME ecosystem.

Key Outcomes of BRICS SME Meeting



Dr. Rajneesh, Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner, Ministry of MSME also highlighted the context for the inaugural BRICS MSME Forum by presenting the key outcomes of the three BRICS SME Working Group Meetings. He highlighted the progress made in advancing cooperation among BRICS nations in areas such as digital transformation, innovation, sustainability,

market access and capacity building for MSME.

Speaking on the occasion, delegates also reiterated the vital role of MSME as engines of economic growth, employment generation, innovation and inclusive development. They emphasized the need for enhanced cooperation among BRICS nations to promote resilient supply chains, foster digital transformation and facilitate knowledge sharing for the benefit of MSME worldwide.

03. Hon'ble Union Minister of MSME, Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi and Hon'ble CM of Bihar, Shri Samrat Choudhary inaugurated Technology centres and Extension Centres



Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi, Hon'ble Union Minister of MSME, and Shri Samrat Choudhary, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Bihar, jointly inaugurated the MSME Technology Centre at Sikandarpur, Bihta, Patna, along with Extension Centres at Muzaffarpur, Rohtas, Darbhanga and Munger on 28 April 2026. They also inaugurated the Entrepreneur Awareness and Special Vendor Development Programme under the National SC/ST Hub Scheme.

The dignitaries interacted with exhibitors from the National SC/ST Hub, PM Vishwakarma and PMEGP, who showcased their products at the exhibition organised at the Technology Centre. They also distributed toolkits and cheques to beneficiaries of the PM Vishwakarma Scheme, Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) and

Gramodyog Vikas Yojana, besides presenting certificates of recognition to beneficiaries of the National SC/ST Hub Scheme. Senior officials from the Ministry of MSME and the Government of Bihar were present on the occasion.

Bihar Chief Minister Shri Samrat Choudhary technology and skill development infrastructure to benefit lakhs of youth



Bihar Chief Minister, Shri Samrat Choudhary stated that the establishment of a Technology Centre at Sikandarpur, Bihta, and four Extension Centres will provide opportunities for youth to receive training in advanced, industry-oriented domains, while also providing technological support to MSME. He further said that the Ministry of MSME's initiatives will benefit lakhs of Bihar's youth. He said that under the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister, the Government of Bihar is committed to providing all possible support for the development of the MSME sector.

Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi highlighted MSME Schemes and infrastructure support for Bihar's growth



Union Minister of Ministry of MSME, Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi conveyed his best wishes on inauguration of the Technology Centre

and Extension Centres in Bihar. He appreciated the commendable efforts of the Ministry of MSME in establishing these centres in Bihar. He said that these initiatives will significantly contribute to the state's growth and development. Shri Manjhi highlighted that under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister, the Ministry of MSME is providing financial, infrastructure, skilling and market linkage support through various schemes and initiatives such as PM Vishwakarma, PMEGP, Coir Board, KVIC and National SC/ST Hub.

04. Union Minister for MSME Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi and Bihar Chief Minister Shri Samrat Choudhary Lay Foundation Stone for Technology Centre, Gaya Ji



Union Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi and the Chief Minister of Bihar, Shri Samrat Choudhary, laid the Foundation Stone for the upcoming Technology Centre at Khizarsarai, Gaya Ji, Bihar. The ceremony commenced with a traditional Bhoomi Pujan (ground-breaking ceremony), marking the beginning of a landmark project aimed at strengthening the MSME ecosystem and industrial

infrastructure in the region. The event was attended by senior officials from the Ministry of MSME and the Ministers from Government of Bihar, along with representatives from industry and local stakeholders.

Hon'le Union Minister of the Ministry of MSME emphasised Technology-Driven MSME growth



Hon'ble Union Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi highlighted the importance of TC Gayaji in providing technology support to MSME of not only Bihar but also neighbouring States. He said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi is working towards establishing technology-driven centres across the country. He also stated that what once seemed impossible has been made possible with the establishment of the Technology Centre in Gaya Ji. The centre is expected to train around 7,000 trainees and will play a crucial role in skill development and employment generation.

Chief Minister of Bihar highlighted MSME as drivers of Self-Reliance



Chief Minister of Bihar, Shri Samrat Choudhary expressed his gratitude to the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for

providing the opportunity to establish such Technology Centres across the country. He said that it was a matter of pride to inaugurate a centre that would play a transformative role in skill development and employment generation. Highlighting the contribution of the MSME sector, he said that the Ministry of MSME is creating significant employment opportunities and strengthening the foundation of self-reliance. He emphasized that this is the time for Bihar to transform and move forward with determination and hard work. He remarked that the vision of a Viksit Bharat can be achieved only when people gain employment and enhance their skills through technology and innovation.

MSME Ministry Highlighted Expansion of Technology Centres in Bihar



Shri Bharat Khera, Secretary, Ministry of MSME stated that the Ministry of MSME is establishing Technology Centres and Extension Centres across various States/UTs of the country. Recently, TC at Patna, Bihar was inaugurated and now TC at Gaya ji will be established. Dr. Rajneesh, Additional Secretary and Development Commissioner, Ministry of MSME, outlined the progress made in MSME sector in India and provided an overview of the MSME sector in Bihar and the proposed Technology Centre (TC), Gaya Ji.

05. Union Minister Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi Reviewed MSME Schemes in Ladakh

Union Minister of MSME Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi reviewed the implementation of flagship MSME schemes in the Union Territory of Ladakh during a high-level meeting held in Leh on 29–30 June 2026. The meeting brought together senior officials, bankers, industry representatives and entrepreneurs to assess progress, discuss challenges and strengthen the MSME ecosystem in the region.



Emphasised Inclusive and Sustainable Growth

Addressing the stakeholders, the Minister highlighted the vision of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for promoting employment generation through MSME. He underscored the importance of wider awareness of Udyam Registration and noted that MSME, with their low carbon footprint, are well suited for sustainable development in ecologically sensitive regions like Ladakh. He also assured timely resolution of issues raised by entrepreneurs.

Visited KVIC CREATE Centre



During his visit, Shri Manjhi toured the KVIC Centre for Rural Enterprise Acceleration through Technology (CREATE) in Leh, where he observed the Pashmina yarn production process. He appreciated the Centre's efforts in blending traditional craftsmanship with modern technology to empower local artisans and generate rural employment. Interacted with PMEGP Entrepreneurs

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The Union Minister visited PMEGP-supported enterprises, including Pure Ladakh, Nilza Bakery and Ladakh Tissue, where he interacted with entrepreneurs and appreciated their innovation. He highlighted the role of PMEGP in fostering self-employment, entrepreneurship and sustainable livelihoods.

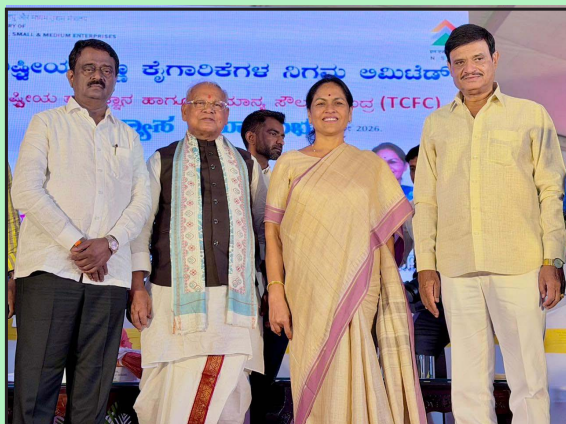
Encouraged Women Skill Development



Shri Manjhi also visited the SEWA Skill Training Centre in Leh, supported by MGIRI under the Ministry of MSME. He reviewed the ongoing training programme, interacted with trainees and commended the initiative for equipping women with modern skills and expanding opportunities for technology-driven livelihoods.

06.

NSIC Technology- cum- Common Facility Centre Project Launched in Bengaluru



Hon'ble Union Minister for MSME, Jitan Ram Manjhi and Hon'ble Minister of State for MSME Sushri Shobha Karandlaje, laid the foundation stone for the NSIC Technology cum Common Facility Centre (TCFC) at the Peenya Industrial Area in Bengaluru on 12-May-2026

The event witnessed the presence of the Secretary, Ministry of MSME, senior officials from the Government of India, Government of Karnataka, NSIC, industry associations, MSME entrepreneurs, bankers and other stakeholders.

The upcoming NSIC Technology cum Common Facility Centre (TCFC) at Peenya Industrial Area, Bengaluru, is set to become a major hub for technological advancement, innovation, skill development, and MSME empowerment. The initiative will strengthen Karnataka's MSME ecosystem and manufacturing sector while contributing significantly towards the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat and Viksit Bharat.

07.

Leadership Transition at Ministry of MSME: Shri Bharat Khera Assumed Charge as Secretary



On 1 May 2026, Shri Bharat Khera, a 1995-batch IAS officer of the Himachal Pradesh cadre, assumed charge as Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Government of India.

Prior to this assignment, Shri Khera served as Additional Secretary in the Department of Consumer Affairs. Over the course of his distinguished career, he has held several key leadership positions at both the State and Central Government levels. During his earlier seven-year tenure with the Government of India, he served as Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Defence for more than five years and as Joint Secretary in the Cabinet Secretariat for nearly two years.

As Secretary, Ministry of MSME, Shri Khera is committed to strengthening the MSME sector and enabling it to play a pivotal role in achieving the vision of Viksit Bharat 2047.

Highlights of Ministry of MSME

- 01.** Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi Held Bilateral Meeting with South Africa's Minister of Small Business Development



On 1 June 2026, Hon'ble Union Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi, held a bilateral meeting with the Hon'ble Minister of Small Business Development of the Republic of South Africa, Ms. Stella Tembisa Ndabeni, at Kartavya Bhawan, New Delhi.

The discussions focused on strengthening bilateral cooperation in the MSME sector, with emphasis on access to finance, digitalization, entrepreneurship, skilling, and enterprise development. Both Ministers reaffirmed the shared commitment of India and South Africa to fostering inclusive growth and building a stronger, more resilient MSME ecosystem.

- 02.** Government Assessed Geopolitical impact on MSME



Union Minister of MSME, Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi, chaired a high-level review meeting at Kartavya Bhavan New Delhi, on 2 June 2026 to assess the potential impact of geopolitical developments in West Asia on India's MSME sector. The meeting reviewed issues related to raw material availability, supply chains, trade, logistics, energy, and working capital. The Minister directed officials to closely monitor the evolving situation and formulate timely measures to safeguard MSME, while reaffirming the Government's commitment to strengthening the sector's resilience and sustained growth.

03. Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi Participated in Tree Plantation Drive under “Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam” Campaign on World Environment Day



On 5 June 2026, in response to the call of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Union Minister for MSME Shri Jitan Ram Manjhi participated in a tree plantation drive under the “Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam” campaign at his native village Mahkar, Khizarsarai, Gaya (Bihar) on the occasion of World Environment Day.

The programme was attended by officials of the Ministry of MSME, Dr. Anil Kumar, State President of the HAM (Secular) Party, Shri Romit Kumar, Hon'ble MLA, Shri Prafull Kumar Manjhi, and Shri Lalan Ram, among other dignitaries. The initiative reinforced the collective commitment towards environmental conservation and sustainable development.

04. PMEGP Khadi Natural Paint Manufacturing Unit Visited in Rohtas, Bihar



A PMPGP-supported Khadi Natural Paint Manufacturing Unit established by Shri Suman Saurabh at Indrapuri, Tilouthu,

Jamuhara, Rohtas district, Bihar, was visited to review its operations and interact with entrepreneurs. Established in 2023, the unit reflects the promotion of sustainable rural enterprises under PMPGP. The visit was attended by the State Director of the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), the General Manager of DIC Rohtas, bank officials, beneficiaries, and local residents.

05. Ministry of MSME Celebrated International Yoga Day 2026



The Ministry of MSME celebrated International Yoga Day on 21 June 2026 with a yoga session at NSIC, Okhla, promoting wellness, mindfulness and a healthy lifestyle. Senior officers from the Ministry and NSIC participated in the session. A Health Check-up Camp was also organised in collaboration with MASSH Super Speciality Hospital, where employees underwent basic health screenings, including Blood Pressure (BP), Random Blood Sugar (RBS) and Body Mass Index (BMI). Free health check-up coupons were also distributed to employees for further medical tests and consultations.

06. Workshop on “AI for MSME” organised by M/o MSME

Ministry of MSME organised a workshop on “AI for MSME” on 7 April 2026 in

collaboration with the Wadhvani Foundation. The workshop aimed to enhance awareness and understanding of the transformative role of Artificial Intelligence in strengthening the MSME sector.



The session was attended by the Secretary, Ministry of MSME, the Officer on Special Duty, senior officers, and officials from the Ministry of MSME and the Office of the Development Commissioner (MSME). The workshop provided valuable insights into the application of AI-driven solutions for improving productivity, innovation, and competitiveness within the MSME ecosystem.

07. MSME Sector status and key Government initiatives highlighted at Inter-Ministerial Briefing



At the Inter-Ministerial Briefing on Recent Developments in West Asia held on 16 April 2026, Dr. Rajneesh, Rajneesh, shared an update on the current status of MSME in India and the key initiatives undertaken by the Government of India.

- The Ministry is conducting stakeholder consultations regularly with MSME associations at the central, state and sub-state levels. All field offices of the

- Ministry of MSME remain in constant touch with micro, small, and medium enterprises.
- Over 20 lakh MSME were newly registered on the Udyam portal during February–March, taking the total number of registered units to over 8 crore. Credit support remained strong, with outstanding lending to MSME exceeding ₹36.7 lakh crore and annual credit growth reaching 23.5%.
- The collateral-free lending limit for micro and small enterprises was doubled from ₹10 lakh to ₹20 lakh, effective from 1 April 2026.
- Credit guarantee support also remained robust, with over 5.27 lakh guarantees worth ₹92,000 crore provided during February–March.
- On liquidity support, the TReDS platform recorded significant growth in invoice discounting, rising from ₹4,300 crore in 2022 to over ₹7 lakh crore currently, including ₹85,000 crore during February–March alone.

The Ministry continues to engage with all stakeholders and follows a whole-of-government approach. The situation is being closely monitored, and the Ministry of MSME remains committed to supporting micro, small and medium enterprises across India, Dr. Rajneesh noted.

08. Where Heritage Meets Intelligence: Empowering Artisans through AI



In a pioneering step towards inclusive digital transformation, the Ministry of

MSME, Government of India, has successfully trained over 2,500 beneficiaries under the PM Vishwakarma Scheme—comprising traditional artisans and craftspeople—on the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools to enhance their livelihoods and business potential.

This initiative aligns with the vision of “AI for Social Good”, as emphasized by the Hon'ble Prime Minister during the IndiaAI Impact Summit and reflected in the Delhi Declaration. It stands out as a first-of-its-kind effort across Government of India Ministries, aimed at integrating grassroots artisans into the rapidly evolving AI ecosystem.

The training program was conducted through hands-on and practical sessions, delivered in simple language and tailored to local contexts, ensuring accessibility and relevance for artisans across diverse trades. Participants were introduced to leading AI platforms such as ChatGPT, Indus, and Google Gemini, enabling them to leverage technology for real-world applications.

09. Breakaway Session on “Sustainable Livelihood through PM Vishwakarma” Held on Civil Services Day



On the occasion of the 18th Civil Services Day, the Ministry of MSME organised a Breakaway Session on “Sustainable Livelihood through PM Vishwakarma” at Vigyan Bhawan. The session brought

together senior government officials and domain experts to review the progress and impact of the scheme in empowering traditional artisans and craftspeople.

Discussions Highlighted Collaborative Approach

The session began with a presentation by Dr. Rajneesh, Additional Secretary and Development Commissioner, Ministry of MSME, outlining the scheme's vision, implementation framework, skill development, market linkages and whole-of-government approach. A panel discussion featuring senior representatives from the Ministries of MSME, Skill Development, Financial Services, Department of Posts and SIDBI highlighted collaborative efforts to strengthen the PM Vishwakarma ecosystem and promote sustainable livelihoods for artisans.

10. Ministry of MSME Hosted the 1st BRICS SME Working Group Webinar on MSME Access to Finance



Ministry of MSME, within the framework of BRICS PartNIR track, successfully convened 1st SME Working Group Webinar on the topic Enhancing Access to Finance on 25th April 2026. Discussions revolved around bridging MSME credit gap & strengthening fintech driven ecosystem for MSMEs across BRICS member countries.

11.

CGTMSE Organised Global Symposium on Credit Guarantees and 38th ACSIC Annual Conference



The Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE) organised the Global Symposium on Credit Guarantees along with the 38th Annual Conference of the Asian Credit Supplementation Institution Confederation (ACSIC), from 23rd–24th April 2026 in Mumbai, as part of its Silver Jubilee celebrations.

The event highlighted CGTMSE's pivotal role in expanding access to collateral-free credit for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs). It witnessed distinguished global participation, bringing together delegates from over 19 countries and 26 leading organisations, including policymakers, credit guarantee institutions, financial entities and international experts underscoring the growing importance of global cooperation in strengthening credit guarantee ecosystems.

12.

PM Vishwakarma Scheme Implementation Roadmap Finalised in West Bengal



The Office of Development Commissioner, Ministry of MSME, officially held the kick-off meeting for the implementation of the PM Vishwakarma Scheme in West Bengal,

along with senior officials of the Government of West Bengal on 14 May 2026.

The scheme implementation process and modalities were discussed during the meeting, emphasizing the core mission of providing artisans and craftspeople with essential recognition, skill upgradation, and the financial tools needed to thrive in today's competitive market. A key focus was the detailed explanation of roles and responsibilities to ensure a smooth rollout.



State officials were also briefed on the critical verification hierarchy and the administrative framework required to identify and support genuine beneficiaries at the grassroots level. The meeting concluded with a roadmap for successful implementation, prioritizing the welfare of Bengal's legendary craft community.

13.

New Transformer Testing Facility Became Operational at MSME Testing Centre, Kolkata



Dr Rajneesh, Additional Secretary & Development Commissioner, Ministry of MSME inaugurated the "Transformer

Testing Facility” at MSME Testing Centre, Kolkata on 21 May, 2026. The establishment of this modern transformer testing facility will provide affordable and reliable testing services under one roof with cost competitiveness. The facility will support testing of a wide range of capacity-oriented transformers, including both step-up and step-down transformers, in line with evolving industry and utility requirements. The project is expected to significantly benefit Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) engaged in transformer manufacturing by providing access to reliable and standardized testing facilities within the region, thereby reducing dependency on distant laboratories and minimizing testing turnaround time.

14. Ministry of MSME Convened the 2nd BRICS SME Working Group Webinar



Ministry of MSME, within the framework of the BRICS PartNIR track, successfully convened the 2nd SME Working Group webinar on the theme “Enhancing Access to Technology for MSME” on 26th May, 2026. The deliberations focused on strengthening technology adoption, promoting innovation ecosystems, capacity building and bridging the technology divide to enhance productivity, competitiveness, and global integration of MSME across BRICS Member Countries.

15. Secretary, Ministry of MSME Visited ni-msme

Shri Bharat Khera, IAS, Secretary, Ministry of MSME, and Ms. Mercy Epao, Joint Secretary, Ministry of MSME, visited ni-msme, Hyderabad, during 28–29 May 2026. During the visit, they participated in MSME Connect at ALEAP, held discussions with IIT Hyderabad on the COMET project to promote technology adoption among MSMEs, and reviewed the institute's key initiatives.



Earlier, on 26 May 2026, ni-msme also participated in the Telangana MSME Greening Summit at HiTEX, Hyderabad, where it showcased its activities through an informative exhibition stall and engaged with stakeholders on sustainable MSME development.



16. ni-msme Conducted Job Mela for ESDP Trainees Under the ATI Scheme

The National Institute for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (ni-msme) conducted a Job Mela for Entrepreneurship and Skill

Development Programme (ESDP) trainees under the Assistance to Training Institutions (ATI) Scheme of the Ministry of MSME on 19 May 2026 at the ni-msme campus. The initiative provided trainees with employment opportunities by connecting them with prospective employers, supporting the Ministry's efforts to enhance employability and promote sustainable livelihoods through skill development. 200+ candidates participated across IT & ITeS, Beauty & Wellness, BFSI, Media & Entertainment & Telecom sectors. 25 recruiters joined the drive, with 80+ candidates shortlisted for the next interview round.



17. Empowering PM Vishwakarma Artisans with AI-Driven Packaging & Branding



The one-day workshop on Packaging, Branding and Marketing through use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools for PM Vishwakarma artisans held at the District Library, Barpeta, Assam on 19 May 2026.

A workshop was organised by the Indian Institute of Packaging in association with the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) to educate PM Vishwakarma beneficiaries on Packaging Ideas.

A total of 196 Metal Smith Artisans from the districts of Barpeta, Nalbari, and Kamrup participated in the workshop. Marking the first training-cum-packaging sample distribution programme for PM Vishwakarma artisans in the North East Region.

In its first of kind initiative the workshop also included hands-on training on modern packaging, branding and marketing techniques with the use of AI tools for business growth and market expansion. Participants were introduced to packaging vendors and provided with packaging samples.

18. India–Republic of Korea Signed MoU to Strengthen MSME Cooperation

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed on 20th April 2026 between the Ministry of MSME, Government of India, and the Ministry of SMEs and Startups, Republic of Korea, during the visit of H.E. Lee Jae Myung, President, Republic of Korea. The MoU aims to enhance cooperation through exchange of information and experts, business matching, technical and economic cooperation to boost trade and investment in the MSME sector.

Key Highlights of the Government

Key Government decisions and insights

12 *Vishwas ke, Vikas ke, Jan-kalyan ke*

“The next 25 years are the Amrit Kaal for fulfilling the dreams of every citizen and building a Viksit Bharat”.

- Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister

01. 12 SAAL Vishwas ke, Vikas ke, Jan-Kalyan ke

Over the last 12 years, India has witnessed change at a scale and speed rarely seen in its history. What began as a promise of Minimum Government, Maximum Governance has evolved into a nationwide movement focused on empowerment, inclusion, infrastructure, innovation and national pride. This transformation is visible not only in policies, but in the everyday lives of citizens-in homes receiving tap water and electricity, farmers receiving direct support, women becoming entrepreneurs, youth leading startups, villages getting digital connectivity, and heritage sites reclaiming their lost grandeur.

Pillars shaping the vision of VIKSIT BHARAT

- Lok Seva
- Sashaktikaran
- Rashtra Nirman
- Rashtra Pratham
- Vikas Bhi, Virasat Bhi

LOK SEVA

- 4 crore+ houses built under PM Awas Yojana
- 80 crore+ people receiving free food grains under PMGKAY
- 58 crore+ Jan Dhan accounts opened for financial inclusion
- 12 crore+ toilets constructed under Swachh Bharat Mission
- 25 crore people lifted out of multidimensional poverty since 2014

Empowering Farmers

- ₹4.28 lakh crore transferred through PMKISAN
- MSP procurement value increased to ₹26 lakh crore+
- Agriculture exports reached US\$ 51.1 billion
- Farmers continue to receive heavily subsidised urea at ₹242 per bag

Strengthening the Middle Class

Over the decade, governance reforms have also significantly improved the ease of living for the middle class.

- Tax-free income increased from ₹2 lakh to ₹12.75 lakh
- Metro rail expanded from 5 cities to 26 cities
- 66 crore average daily UPI transactions powering digital payments
- Affordable internet costs reduced from ₹269/GB to ₹8-10/GB

Affordable Healthcare for All



- 43 crore+ Ayushman cards issued
- 1.84 lakh+ Ayushman Arogya Mandirs operational
- 19,000+ Jan Aushadhi Kendras providing affordable medicines
- More than 220 crore vaccine doses administered during COVID-19

SASHAKTIKARAN

Women at the Centre of Development



- 32 crore+ women Jan Dhan accounts opened
- 10.57 crore LPG connections provided under Ujjwala
- 10.5 crore women linked to Self Help Groups

- 3 crore+ Lakhpati Didis created across rural India
- Women now receive 2 out of every 3 Mudra loans

Youth Powering the Aspirations of Viksit Bharat



- Startups expanded from 350 in 2014 to 2 lakh+ recognised startups
- 22 lakh+ direct jobs created through startups
- 1.64 crore youth trained under PMKVY
- 12 crore+ Mudra loans supporting new entrepreneurs
- 63,000+ athletes participated in Khelo India Games.

Empowering Farmers Beyond Agriculture

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- ₹4.82 lakh crore sales recorded on e-NAM
- 11,000+ agri-startups driving innovation
- Food processing nearly doubled to ₹2.24 lakh crore
- PM-KISAN disbursed ₹4.28 lakh crore directly to farmers

Prioritising the Marginalised

- 10% EWS reservation introduced in education
- 1.36 crore e-UDID cards issued for Divyangjan
- 2.65 crore SVAMITVA property cards distributed
- 5 crore tribal citizens covered under Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan

RASHTRA NIRMAN

Economic Strength

- GDP reached ₹323.12 lakh crore in 2025-26
- Exports touched an all-time high of USD 863 billion in 2025-26
- Forex reserves crossed USD 700 billion
- Electronics production surged from ₹1.9 lakh crore to ₹11.3 lakh crore

Infrastructure Driving Transformation at Scale

- National highways expanded to 1.46 lakh km
- Metro network grew from 248 km to 1,155 km
- Railway electrification reached 99.6% of broad-gauge network
- Port capacity nearly doubled to 2,762 MMTPA
- Installed power capacity rose to 532.74 GW

Technology Transforming Governance



- UPI processed 23.20 billion transactions in May 2026
- Internet connections crossed 100 crore
- 69 crore+ DigiLocker users connected digitally
- Broadband connections rose from 6.1 crore to over 100 crore

Northeast India Emerging as a Growth Engine

- Violence declined by nearly 90% since 2015
- Railway expansion crossed 1,900 km
- Domestic tourist visits nearly doubled

- Over ₹7.12 lakh crore allocated under 10% GBS since 2014

Ease of Living and Ease of Doing Business



- India improved 79 ranks in Ease of Doing Business rankings
- UPI transactions surged from 2 crore (2016-17) to 24,162 crore (2025-26)
- Jan Dhan accounts increased to 58 crore+
- Data costs reduced from ₹269/GB to ₹7.9/GB
- Over 4,623 compliances decriminalised or eliminated

RASHTRA PRATHAM

Foreign Policy: India's Rising Global Influence

- Energy imports diversified from 27 to 41 countries
- 30.12 crore COVID vaccines supplied to 99 countries under Vaccine Maitri
- 100% consensus achieved during the New Delhi G20 Leaders' Declaration

From Red Corridor to Naxal-Mukt Bharat

- LWE-affected districts reduced from 126 to just 2
- 88% decline in Naxal violence
- 15,068 km roads built in affected regions
- 9,627 mobile towers installed
- 2,337 Naxals surrendered in 2025 alone

Modernising Defence, Strengthening SelfReliance

- Defence exports surged from ₹686 crore to ₹38,424 crore
- Defence budget increased to ₹7.85

lakh crore in FY27

- Defence production crossed ₹1.54 lakh crore
- Over 5,500 defence items placed under indigenisation lists
- INS Vikrant and INS Arighaat strengthened maritime capability

A Zero-Tolerance Approach to Terrorism

- Stone pelting incidents reduced to zero since 2023
- NIA conviction rate crossed 95%
- Operation Sindoor destroyed 9 terror camps
- Over 93% of the Pakistan border fenced

VIKAS BHI, VIRASAT BHI

Restoring Heritage and Civilisational Confidence

- UNESCO World Heritage Sites increased from 32 to 44
- Antiquities repatriated rose from 13 to 653
- India now has 11 Classical Languages, the highest globally
- 12.3 lakh antiquities and 11,406 heritage sites digitised
- Over ₹1,900 crore invested under the PRASHAD Scheme

A Cultural Renaissance Rooted in Bharat's Identity

- 66 crore devotees participated in Maha Kumbh 2025
- Ayodhya recorded 50 crore+ visitors in four years
- 173 countries co-sponsored International Yoga Day at the UN
- 23 crore+ homes joined the Har Ghar Tiranga campaign
- Cultural exchanges now cover 192 countries

Leading the Green and Sustainability Transition

- Renewable energy capacity increased from 76 GW to 274.68 GW

- Solar capacity surged from 2.82 GW to 150 GW
- 36.87 crore LED bulbs distributed under UJALA
- 24.5 lakh EV sales recorded in FY26
- PM Surya Ghar empowered 36.88 lakh households

A New Era of Wildlife and Environmental Conservation



- Ramsar sites increased from 26 to 100
- Tiger population rose from 2,226 to 3,682
- Protected areas expanded from 745 to 1,134
- 262 crore saplings planted under Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam
- Forest and tree cover reached 25.17% of geographical area

02. International Day of Yoga 2026

“ When yoga becomes a way of life, it becomes the foundation of human unity. ”

- Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister



When Prime Minister Narendra Modi proposed the idea of an International Day of Yoga at the United Nations in 2014, few could have predicted the scale of the movement it would become. Supported by 175 countries, the proposal led to the declaration of 21 June as the International Day of Yoga (IDY). Since its first observance in 2015, Yoga has evolved from an ancient Indian practice into a global symbol of health, harmony and holistic living. Today, International Day of Yoga is celebrated in more than 190 countries, making it one of the largest people-led wellness movements in the world. A major milestone came in 2016 when Yoga was inscribed on UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. This recognition reinforced India's role as a global leader in promoting wellness and sustainable lifestyles.

IDY 2026: Yoga for Healthy Ageing



PM Modi led the national observance of the 12th International Day of Yoga from Red Road in Kolkata. This year's theme, "Yoga for Healthy Ageing", highlights the growing importance of preventive healthcare in an ageing world. Addressing the gathering, PM Modi said that "The country and the world seemed connected through a shared commitment to wellness and harmony, reflecting the unifying power of yoga."

A Decade of Growth and Participation

The journey of IDY has been marked by remarkable public participation and innovation. Key milestones over the past

decade include:

- International Day of Yoga 2015: 35,985 participants from 84 countries came together at New Delhi, setting two Guinness World Records.
- Expanding across India: National celebrations have travelled across the nation, including Chandigarh, Lucknow, Dehradun, Ranchi, Mysuru, Jabalpur, Srinagar and Visakhapatnam.
- During the Covid-19 pandemic, campaigns such as Yoga at Home, Yoga with Family and Yoga for Wellness ensured that millions remained connected through virtual participation.



Making Yoga Accessible to Everyone



One of the most significant achievements of IDY has been the development of the Common Yoga Protocol - the standardised 45-minute routine that enables people to practise Yoga together regardless of age, language or location. The government has also expanded Yoga's reach through initiatives such as:

- Yoga 365, encouraging year-round practice instead of limiting Yoga to a single day.

Y-Break, a workplace Yoga programme designed to reduce stress and improve

productivity.

- Special Yoga protocols for noncommunicable diseases such as diabetes, hypertension and asthma.
- Tailored modules for children, women, senior citizens, pregnant women and individuals undergoing de-addiction programmes.
- Digital platforms - Yoga Sangam Portal and Yoga Park Portal help communities participate and practise regularly.

Over the past decade, Yoga has emerged as a bridge connecting nations, cultures and communities through a shared commitment to health and well-being. As the movement enters its second decade, the message is clear: Yoga is not just an annual celebration. It is a daily practice that empowers individuals, strengthens communities and contributes to a healthier world.

03. From Cash to QR Codes



Transforming Transactions to Build Trust & Global Leadership

India's payment landscape has undergone a remarkable transformation over the past decade. What once required long queues, paperwork, and time-consuming processes has now become instant, seamless, and accessible at the tap of a

screen. This shift is not just technological—it represents a fundamental change in how citizens participate in the economy.

JAM Trinity: The Foundation

At the core of this transformation lies the JAM Trinity—Jan Dhan accounts, Aadhaar, and mobile connectivity. Together, these have built a robust digital financial ecosystem that has brought millions into the formal banking system.

Through Direct Benefit Transfers (DBT), government benefits now reach citizens directly, reducing leakages and building trust in digital systems. This widespread participation laid the groundwork for India's next big leap in payments.

UPI: The Game Changer

The launch of the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) in 2016 marked a turning point. By simplifying transactions into a mobile-based interface, UPI removed the need for complex banking details and enabled real-time payments across banks and platforms.

Its ease of use, interoperability, and low-cost structure have made it accessible to everyone—from urban professionals to street vendors—driving mass adoption across the country.

- **21.7 billion** transactions processed in January 2026
- **₹28.33 lakh crore** transaction value in a single month
- **81%** share in India's retail digital transactions
- **49%** of global real-time payment transactions

Driving Inclusion & Opportunity

The real impact of this revolution lies in inclusion. Small merchants, informal workers, and rural users are now active participants in the digital economy. QR codes have replaced cash dependency,

and instant transfers have enabled faster business cycles.

UPI has also evolved into a broader financial platform, supporting features like recurring payments, micro-transactions, and access to credit—expanding opportunities for individuals and enterprises alike.

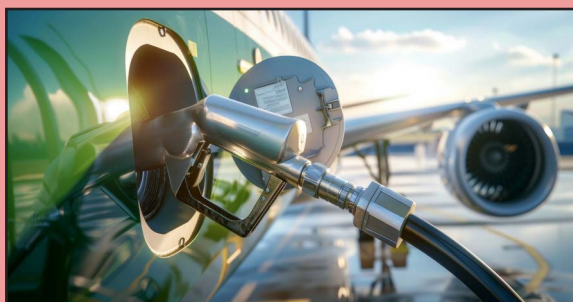
Building Trust and Global Leadership

Strong regulatory frameworks, including two-factor authentication, have enhanced security and user confidence. At the same time, India's payment model is gaining global recognition, with UPI expanding to multiple countries and setting benchmarks for efficiency and inclusiveness.

India's payment revolution is more than a shift from cash to digital—it is a transformation in participation, empowerment, and trust. By combining innovation with inclusion, the country has built a system that not only simplifies transactions but also strengthens the foundation of a modern, digital economy.

04. Cabinet Decision

4.1 Fuel Price Stability for Airlines



The Union Cabinet has approved a ₹10,000 crore Price Stabilization Fund to support stable Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) prices for Indian airlines amid global fuel price volatility caused by the West Asia crisis. The measure will help airlines manage costs,

reduce fare fluctuations, sustain domestic and international connectivity, protect jobs, and ensure uninterrupted air services.

4.2 Boost to Power & Urban Connectivity

Urban Mobility Transformation The approval of Jaipur Metro Phase-2 (₹13,037 crore) will expand a 41 km corridor, improving citywide connectivity, reducing congestion and emissions, and promoting sustainable public transport for a growing urban population.

Clean Energy Expansion

The Cabinet approved two major hydropower projects—1720 MW Kamala HEP (₹26,069 crore) and 1200 MW Kalai-II HEP (₹14,105 crore) in Arunachal Pradesh. These projects will strengthen power supply, support peak demand, enhance grid stability, and drive infrastructure and socio-economic development in the region.

4.3 Ensuring Affordable Fertilizers for Farmers



The Cabinet has approved Nutrient Based Subsidy (NBS) rates for Kharif 2026 with an outlay of ₹41,533.81 crore. The decision ensures timely availability of phosphatic and potassic fertilizers at affordable prices, supporting farmers during the cropping season while maintaining price stability and strengthening agricultural productivity across the country.

MSME

Schemes at a Glance

Technology Support

- Tool Rooms & Technical Institutions
- Technology Centre Systems Programme
- Technology Centres/ Extension Centres



Building Enterprises

- PM Vishwakarma
- National SC-ST Hub
- Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme



Access to Finance

- Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises
- Fund of Funds
- Special Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme



Khadi & Village Industries

- Khadi and Gramodyog Vikas Yojana (KGVY)
- Coir Vikas Yojana (CVY)



Infrastructure Support

- Micro & Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programme
- Promotion of MSMEs in NER and Sikkim



Innovation & Incubation Support

- A Scheme for Promotion of Innovation, Rural Industry, and Entrepreneurship
- MSME Champions Scheme
 - MSME Sustainable (ZED) Certification
 - MSME Competitive (LEAN) Scheme



Access to Market

- Public Procurement Policy
- Procurement and Marketing Support Scheme
- International Cooperation Scheme



Training Support

- Assistance to Training Institute
- Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programme



Other Schemes

- Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance Programme
 - MSME TEAM Initiative
 - MSME SPICE Scheme
 - MSME GIFT Scheme
 - MSME ODR Portal



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Success Stories of MSME Entrepreneurs

01. Reviving Tradition, Empowering Livelihoods



Shri Bajirao Satpute

Registration No.: MH/010/178916/00709660

Kolhapur, Maharashtra

Cobbler

BACKGROUND

Shri Bajirao Shamrao Satpute, an artisan from Kolhapur, revived his traditional Charkmakar craft through the **PM Vishwakarma Scheme**.

With modern tools and training, he increased production from **one to three chappals a day** and earned praise from the **Prime Minister** and **Textiles Minister Giriraj Singh**. He now employs **12-15 local women** and sells his unique lightweight **Kolhapuri chappals** across multiple states.

Scheme Benefits

- Training Completed
- Scheme Loan Availed
- Toolkit Received

IMPACT THROUGH PMV SCHEME

- Production increased from **1 to 3 units/day**, improving efficiency.
- Income rose from **₹5,000 to ₹25,000**.
- Gained national recognition for **lightweight Kolhapuri chappals**.

02. From Idea to Winning Public Tender Bids: The Journey of Shri Balwant Lal Suman



The transformative intervention of the **NSSH Scheme** is best exemplified by the inspiring story of **Shri Balwant Lal Suman**, a first-generation entrepreneur from Hazaribagh, Jharkhand. A Mechanical Engineer with over fifteen years of professional experience, he started his business with a dream to build a scalable and public procurement ready enterprise. He founded **Rigtech Infra (OPC) Private Limited**, a manufacturing unit producing pipes for infrastructure applications.

The National SC-ST Hub provided him with critical support through the Special Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme. He availed the capital subsidy of ₹25 lakh for advanced manufacturing equipment in Sept, 2023. The upgradation of machineries and equipment resulted in enhanced production, improved quality, boosting competitiveness and brand value. This enabled him to integrate into public procurement supply chains. A major breakthrough came when he secured tenders from Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd. for fencing panels, uprights, gates, and anticlimbing devices in 2025. His enterprise expanded its market reach, generated employment of 16 persons and achieved substantial growth in annual turnover.

03. OSOP: Creating opportunity to Economic Empowerment for Divyangjan Artisan



Shri Ghanshyam Kumawat, a Divyang carpenter from Jaipur, Rajasthan, transformed his traditional carpentry skills into a sustainable livelihood with the support of the PM Vishwakarma Scheme. Under the scheme, he was allotted a retail outlet near Gandhinagar Railway Station, providing him with a dedicated platform to showcase and sell his handcrafted wooden products. Within just 15 days, he generated significant revenue through the sale of

quality furniture and woodwork.

By consistently delivering durable and finely crafted products, Shri Ghanshyam earned the trust of his customers and built a loyal clientele. Today, his growing enterprise has not only strengthened his family's financial condition but also stands as an inspiring example of how PM Vishwakarma is empowering artisans, promoting self-reliance, and creating sustainable livelihoods.

04. GPS Renewables: Powering India's Clean Energy Transition



Background

Shri Mainak Chakraborty and Shri Sreekrishna Sankar founded **GPS Renewables** with the vision of converting organic waste into clean and sustainable energy. The company has emerged as India's largest biogas engineering company, developing innovative solutions for Bio-CNG, Renewable Natural Gas (RNG), Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF), and Green Hydrogen, supporting India's transition towards a circular and low-carbon economy.

SRI Fund Impact

With support from the **SVL SME (Neev II) Fund under the Self Reliant India (SRI) Fund**, Shri Mainak Chakraborty and Shri Sreekrishna Sankar expanded GPS Renewables' operations, enabling the company to achieve 500% revenue growth over the last three years. The investment accelerated the deployment of large-scale

waste-to-energy infrastructure and supported the development of innovative solutions that convert agricultural and urban waste into clean fuels while creating sustainable economic opportunities.

Key Outcomes

Created employment for approximately 750 professionals across operations and project execution.

Strengthened rural value chains by creating economic value from agricultural waste.

Expanded international presence across Colombia, Bangladesh, Maldives, Sri Lanka and Germany.

Enabled large-scale deployment of Bio-CNG and renewable energy infrastructure across India.

Contribution to Atmanirbhar Bharat

Under the leadership of Shri Mainak Chakraborty and Shri Sreekrishna Sankar, GPS Renewables reduced dependence on conventional fossil fuels through indigenous clean-energy solutions. The company promoted circular economy practices, supported rural income generation and sustainable waste management, and showcased Made-in-India clean-energy technologies in international markets.

Looking Ahead

Shri Mainak Chakraborty and Shri Sreekrishna Sankar aim to further expand GPS Renewables' biomethane production capacity, deploy more large-scale Bio-CNG projects, advance indigenous clean-fuel technologies for agricultural waste, and strengthen the company's global presence while contributing to India's vision of a self-reliant and low-carbon energy future.

05. Expanding Horizons with NSSH Support: A Tale of Growth by Shri Bahadurbhai Panchiyabhai Chaudhari



The success story of **Shri Bahadurbhai Panchiyabhai Chaudhari** also tells a positive example of how **NSSH Scheme** is strengthening SC/ST enterprises. Hailing from Surat, Gujarat, he founded the **Modufurn Benchcraft LLP**, in June 2023 to manufacture durable high-quality furniture. The support provided by NSSH scheme enabled him to streamline operations in line with organized market and compliance requirements. With a vision to cater to institutional demand, the unit positioned itself to serve government and educational sectors requiring standardized and durable furnishing solutions.

The National SC-ST Hub played a pivotal role in opening a pathway for integration onto Government e-Marketplace (GeM). The firm successfully secured and executed supply orders from the Ministry of Education, GoI and the Education Department, Govt of Gujarat. Building on this growth trajectory, the enterprise further leveraged support of the Special Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme, availing ₹25 lakh for machinery upgradation in March 2026. This intervention enhanced production capacity, improved consistency in quality and enabled scalable operations, thereby, positioning the unit for sustained growth and participation in public procurement markets.

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