Q.1. What has Modi done for me as an individual?

Following are some of the key initiatives of Modi Government, that have made life of a Common Citizen much easier-

1. **Jan-dhan Yojana** This scheme helped the middle class citizen get connected to Banks directly without any hassle. Previously a strata of people who were excluded from the Financial system, finally became a part of it due to this scheme. Only 50% people had bank accounts before 2014 and now almost all households have a bank account. So far more than 33 crore Jan Dhan accounts have been opened.

2. **Swachha Bharat Abhiyan** This initiative had an exponential reach especially in the Rural Areas. Rural Sanitation coverage before 2014 was 38% and now it is 95%. More than 9 crore Household Toilets Constructed under Swachh Bharat Mission and 5,42,286 villages are declared Open Defecation Free (ODF).

3. **Mudra Yojana** The Mudra Yojana is furthering a spirit of enterprise and self-reliance among the youth and women of India. So far, 15,37,34,853 loans have been sanctioned under mudra yojana. 76% of loans given so far are to women and more than 50% belong to SC,ST &OBC, 28% or 3.25 crore were first time entrepreneurs. Govind from Jammu a beneficiary of this policy says Mudra loan has helped him create jobs for others too.

4. **Ujjawala Yojana** More than 6 crore LPG connections have been released to poor woman so far. Lower middle class citizen can get the gas connection without deposit. Before the launch of Ujjawala Yojana 55% households had a gas connection and now 90% households have a gas connection.

5. **Awas Yojana** The PM Awas Yojana ensures housing for all with over 1.48 crore houses built and loans upto 9 lakh and 12 lakh with low interest rates like 4% and 3% have been given. These houses are changing the countryside at a faster pace and are equipped with facilities such as toilet, LPG connection, electricity, drinking water etc.
## Modi Govt Transforming India

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*As on 7th December 2018*
Assi Ghat, Varanasi

THEN

Assi Ghat, Varanasi

NOW
Q.2. Why is there no tax relief for middle class people?

Modi Government has taken various steps to ensure that Middle Class Citizen is not overburdened by tax liabilities.

In Financial Year 2014-15 base exemption limit was increased from 2 Lakh to 2.5 Lakh, which means tax benefit of 50,000.

- In Financial Year 2017-18 tax rate for lowest slab was reduced from 10% to 5%, thus resulting in tax benefit of 12,500.

- For people having home loans, the interest rates have come down from 10-12% in 2013 to 8-10% in 2018. This has resulted in significant saving. For instance, a person with a home loan of 75 lakh for a period of 30 years would be saving around 1 lakh per year due to reduced interest rate.

- Lower Middle class benefited by reduction of household expenditure due to GST. An analysis says GST on goods of daily usage such as sugar, cereals, edible oil, cosmetics and etc taxes have come down by 39%.
Q.3. Even though PM Modi claims so much of development then why can’t we see anything on ground?

- **Electrification**- 18,452 is the number of villages Congress govt did not provide electricity. 13,523 (73%) of these received power under PM Modi. Free Connections also given to 22.4 Lakh BPL Households under Saubhagya Yojana.

- **Railway Sector** – In Comparison to the UPA government (2009-14) that was only able to cover 7,600 KM for Railways Tracks (Broad Gauge Line Commissioned), Modi government successfully covered 9,528 KM till 2018. Also there has been a 50% increase in Railway track renewal and maintenance.

- **Roadways** – As compared to UPA Government (2013-14), speed of Construction of roads increased from 12 kms per day to 27 kms per day. Which is more than 50%. Further, 1.69 Lakh Kms of rural roads were build, increasing rural road connectivity from 56% to 82%.

- **Farmer Welfare**- Record budgetary allocation for Farmers welfare. 2,11,694 Crore allotted for FY – 2014-19 in comparison to UPA’s 1,21,082 crore (2009-14) tenure, 74% increase in budget allocation.

- **Increased connectivity in North-East** – Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya put on rail map of India. 15 New Projects of 1,385 KM at a cost of Rs. 47,000 Crore in progress. PM Modi inaugurated the 4.94 km-long Bogibeel Bridge over Brahmaputra river, now travel time between Dibrugarh and Itanagar will reduce from 24 hours to only 5 hours.

- **Increased ITR** – Higher trust in government, higher tax compliance. Number of ITR’s filed risen from 80.5% as compared to UPA (2009-14).
Free Connections to BPL Households

THEN

9.6 lakh

2013-14

NOW

22.4 lakh

2016-17

EXPENDITURE ON ROAD CONSTRUCTION

₹1,16,324 crores

₹32,483 crores

2013-14 2017-18

NATIONAL HIGHWAY NETWORK EXPANDED

92,851 km

1,20,543 km

2013-14 2017-18

SPEED OF CONSTRUCTION INCREASED

27 km per day

12 kms per day

2013-14 2017-18

2,000 kms of coastal connectivity roads identified for construction and development
CONNECTING NORTH EAST

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What Does Bigibeel Bridge Give to India?

- Reduces the Distance from Dibrugarh to Rangiya by 170 Kms
- Direct Train Route via North Bank of Brahmaputra, thus connecting far fetched areas of North East India
- Train Journey between Itanagar & Dibrugarh Reduced to 180 Kms from 800 Kms and time reduces from 24 Hours to 5 Hours
- Facilities of Dibrugarh Medical College easily available to all the people of North East
- Will Reduce the time taken to re-enforce the supplies to our Armed Forces at the Indo-China Border in a huge way
Long pending neglected projects that were completed by Modi govt

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Q.4. Why is Railways achievement seen very less in Karnataka, is it because majority of new train work is done in north India?

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the 110 km railway track from Bidar to Kalaburgi in Karnataka, which will reduce distance from Bengaluru to New Delhi and upcountry destinations by 380 km and save 6-8 hours of travelling time.

- The new track, laid over 16 years, was originally estimated to cost Rs 370 crore but escalated to Rs 1,542 crore.

- The Prime Minister also flagged off the first train on the new line from Bidar station to Kalaburgi.

- Though the foundation stone for the project was laid in 1996 when Janata Dal-Secular supremo HD Deve Gowda from the state was the Prime Minister of a coalition government, construction began only in 2000 under the BJP-led NDA government and the railways took 16 years to complete it.
Q.5. Swacch Bharat Cess, Krishi Kalyan Cess, Education Cess amounts more than 1500 crore, but no progress on these fronts which looks to be failure in governance. Why it has not happened way it was promised?

Swachh Bharat Mission has equipped 75 million households with toilets. At the time of its launch, fewer than 40% of households had toilets at home. Today that figure is up to over 85%. The number of Open Defecation-Free (ODF) villages has gone up from 47,000 to 384,000.

- An independent survey of over 92,000 households across the country, guided by a group of international experts and representatives of UNICEF and World Bank, verified that 96% of the villages declared ODF were indeed ODF, and 77% of the households surveyed had toilets (consistent with the official estimate of 76% at the time of the survey).

- **27 States** and **585 districts** have been declared ODF. This is till far the ‘Largest Public Movement’

- Of the people who had access to toilets, 93% were found to use them regularly, which is very close to an even higher estimate of 95% revealed by a separate survey conducted by the National Sample Survey Office.
Sanitation Coverage

38.70% (Oct 2, 2014)

India

98.55% (As on Date)
Q.6. Hastily implemented GST penalised general public with numerous price slabs, this was expected to be stabilized but still entire nation is suffering, is it not a part of failure in governance?

The govt has been very pro-active and has time and again held the GST Council meetings whenever needed in order to make GST people oriented and people friendly. It was noted that various GST slabs were causing difficulty, therefore, the govt has by recent GST council meeting removed all the slabs and created a single slab for all items of basic necessity. This shall be applicable from the 1st Jan 2019.

- Large number of items of daily usage are either exempt or in 5% slab. 95% items fall below 18% slab.
- All the decisions with regards to GST and tax slabs are taken by the GST Council, which in turn consists of representations from each State Government, wherein all of them have equal say. Therefore, any decision taken, is with consensus of all members and not just the centre.

- ‘The number of enterprises registered from Independence until now was 66 Lakh, in just one year after implementation of GST, the number of new enterprises registered is 48 Lakh.’ – PM Narendra Modi
### GST

**Cleaner economy with increasing formalisation**

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Q.7. There is no policy to address population explosion, why is it that the govt does not have a futuristic view on this aspect?

- To achieve the country’s population control faster, the government has decided to accelerate family planning measures by identifying 146 districts where the Total Fertility Rate (TFR) is more than three and which add up to 28% of the population.

- The Health Ministry has launched ‘Mission Parivar Vikas’ in the 146 districts of seven states of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Assam to improve access to family planning services, create awareness and make family planning choices available.

- These 146 districts have TFR (Total Fertility Rate) of more than 3.0 and are home to 28% of India’s population (about 33 crores).

- 15th Finance Commission may consider to incentivize State Governments who have worked towards population control. This is a novel idea to motivate States to adopt Population Control Measures. Now 2011 will be taken as the year for taking population data not 1971.
Q.8. Why is the NDA govt interfering with the statutory bodies like CBI?

- The reason behind sending both Asthana and Verma on leave was to make sure that the sanctity of CBI doesn’t get tainted by the feud between the two officers, further to ensure a fair enquiry into the allegations. As per the allegations of CVC Mr. Verma was not cooperating in its investigations against him. It is important to note that, it was CVC that had suggested that both the officers should be sent on leave, so that probe against them can be conducted smoothly.

- The Supreme Court in its recent judgement essentially has reinstated Alok Verma as the Director of CBI. However the High Powered Committee comprising of Prime Minister Modi, LoP Mallikarjun Kharge and Justice Sikri have decided that the allegations against Alok Verma are serious and the said officer is thus transferred to a different department. It is interesting to note that prior to this Mr. Kharge was opposing appointment of Alok Verma as the CBI director is the one now who doesn’t want him removed.

- There have been various instances in the past wherein Congress Leaders have exploited the functioning of statutory and democratic bodies. For instance, dismissing Chief Ministers of 9 State Governments by Indira Gandhi when she was the Prime Minister, or harassment of former CBI Director T Pai to protect Mrs Gandhi’s close aids in a corruption scandal.
Q.9. Why the govt is not passing the ordinance on Ram Mandir and Sabrimala?

- The 60-year old Ram Janambhoomi dispute and Sabrimala temple dispute is subjudice in Supreme Court i.e., Review Petition has been accepted in Supreme Court in latter case also. It has been the norm that government does not pass the ordinance when there is pending litigation in the court respecting the Scheme of separation of Power within the Constitutional framework.

- ‘The decision on the Ram Mandir is being stalled by all the Congress Lawyers as they have been creating obstacles for the decision to come and added that all the Lawyers including the Congress lawyers should head to court together and ensure that there is an early juridical verdict on the issue so that the government can perform its responsibilities.’ –PM Modi

When both the cases are at the last stage of hearing, there is a need of some patience. There is abundant evidence in Ram Janambhoomi dispute that it is sure the case will be decided in the favour of temple. In Sabrimala dispute, the Right to Wait campaign has given impetus to public consciousness. The Court has to consider public consciousness and then decide the matter.
Q.10. If BJP is not playing politics with Ram Mandir, why is it being spoken about just 5 months before election?

Ram Mandir is not just any political issue but an issue of national importance, an issue which brought about a change in the narrative of politics in India. The 2014 BJP manifesto consisted of the promise of making all possible efforts within the Constitutional Framework for constructing a Ram temple.

- BJP is the only political Party which has always supported the cause of Ram Temple. It was Advani Ji who did a Rath Yatra on Temple, BJP sacrificed 5 state governments on it and for BJP Ram Temple is an issue of National Pride and Reconstruction.

- The Ram Janmabhoomi dispute is more than a legal dispute between two private parties pending before the Supreme Court of India.

- In this current scenario, there are still steps which government can take pro-actively in order to fulfill its promise. It is not just to invoke sentiment or to gain votes.
Q.11. Why the central govt has not taken any stand on Mahadayi, even though BJP is in power in Goa?

- Primarily it is important to understand that a dispute between two states over water bodies comes under the Jurisdiction of Water Dispute Tribunal and Supreme Court under Article 131 of Indian Constitution. Therefore, the central government has no authority in the said matter.

- This dispute was pending before the Mahadayi Water Disputes Tribunal, the Tribunal gave its award on 14th August 2018, in its award allotted 13.42 tmcft (including 3.9 tmcft for diversion into the depleted Malaprabha river basin) from the Mahadayi river basin to Karnataka. Maharashtra has been allotted 1.33 tmcft.

- State Water Resources Minister Vinod Palyekar of the Goa government has said that they are happy that justice has been finally served and the dispute has come to an end.
Q.12. A Draconian Aadhar and the failed attempt to deny citizens a fundamental right to privacy which resulted in mass leakage data, will the govt take responsibility of intrusion of illegal immigrants, financial fraud etc.?

On 26 September 2018, a five-judge Supreme Court Constitutional Bench by a majority judgement upheld Aadhaar as Constitutionally valid.

- Biometric information obtained for Aadhaar enrolment were photographs, fingerprints, and iris scan, which are least intrusion in physical autonomy of an individual.

- As far as Aadhar is concerned, it stands tall as an Indian innovation, globally acknowledged as the world’s largest digital identity programme. It has become an important technological instrument to empower the poor and entitle them to get their benefits without any interruption or middlemen. In this pursuit, Aadhaar is concretizing the most important objective of Digital India: leading to digital inclusion and empowering common Indians.

- Information sought for Aadhaar is limited and only for the purpose of Identification.

- By ensuring targeted delivery through digital Identification, it not only provides them a Identity but also attempts to ensure the delivery of benefits, services and subsidies.

The Modi Govt has already saved in excess of Rs. **70,000 crore**, all thanks to Aadhaar and the Direct Benefit Transfer scheme.
Direct Benefit Transfer Ensuring Money in Account, Removing Middlemen

World’s largest cash transfer program with over 20.14 cr beneficiaries receiving ₹69,815 cr

₹3,65,996 cr directly transferred into bank account of beneficiaries of 431 schemes
Unprecedented Rise in Direct Benefit Transfer
Plugging Leakages & Diversion

Number of Beneficiaries under DBT
- 2016-17: 35.70 Cr.
- 2017-18: 118.30 Cr.

Total Fund Transferred
- 2015-16: 61942 Cr.
- 2016-17: 74707 Cr.
- 2017-18: 185153 Cr.
Q.13. Why the govt is not acting in swift mode addressing the issue of Gau Rakshak, other self-appointed group attacking Minorities, creating hostile situation across nation?

- The government has already clarified that it does not support any kind of vigilantism. Since, the matter is related to law and order situation, it is a state subject and shall be dealt accordingly. The Centre can only grant assistance and cannot encroach upon the powers of states.

- It is a law and order problem that should be addressed on state level. Over the past two years, the issues posed by cow vigilantism and cow protectors (gaurakshaks) has dominated the rhetoric of opposition parties of India and formed one of their main electoral planks. They have raised a persistent cry of danger and oppression owing to violent cow protectors. They have highlighted Hindu cow protection-based violence as massive and communal in nature, threatening the safety of all Muslims and perhaps all Dalits as well.

- “No such incident reflects well on a civilised society. No voices ever should support such incidents. This is totally wrong and totally condemnable. Did it start after 2014? This is a result of ills within the society. For improving this situation, we should all work collectively. I am not in favour of pursuing a debate that this happened in this government and that happened in that government. Even one incident is condemnable.” – PM Modi
Q.14. Why has the govt failed in bringing Nirav Modi, Vijay Mallya back or at least communicate the difficulties to the people of the nation whereas Congress has made it as election issue and part of every speech?

The Lower Court Magistrate of the London Court has ordered the extradition of Vijay Mallya and the decision is pending adjudication before the appellate authority in UK. Mallaya has also offered to repay the amount of banks. Whereas the PNB Scam accused Mehul Choksi refuses to return to India due to health reasons. Already 963 crore had been recovered from Mallya.

After a special court in Mumbai declared the embattled Vijay Mallya as a fugitive economic offender, Enforcement Directorate (ED) has started compiling a list of his properties, worth over Rs 1,200 crore and shares worth Rs 11,000 crore, for confiscation. Mallya is the first businessman to be tagged so under the Fugitive Economic Offenders Act, 2018.

The Enforcement Directorate had moved the special court in Mumbai requesting permission for immediate confiscation of about 7000 crores worth assets of Nirav Modi under the ‘Fugitive Economic Offenders Ordinance’.

ED has also seized foreign bank accounts of the absconding Choksi.
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Q.15. Why is there no firm stand on Uniform Civil Code?

- The Apex Court had held Triple Talaq Unconstitutional and had given a direction to the govt to come up with a law on the same. The govt had come out with a law which had criminalized the offender. But the same law could not be passed because of the stalling in the Rajya Sabha. The same law was further passed through Ordinance.

- The SC had further quashed the plea to hear the constitutionality of this ordinance. The govt will act on the UCC once it efficiently gets the triple talaq law implemented on the ground which will further help the govt to expose the dissenting nature of opposition for political numbers.

- Banning Triple Talaq was termed as the first step towards bringing in Uniform Civil Code. Threats were issued that the ruling party may have to bear the consequences of hurting the Muslim sentiments. But still, the government went on with introducing the Triple Talaq bill in Lok Sabha and the bill has not been passed in Rajya Sabha yet. This shows the motive of opposition parties.

- It is disappointing to see that Political Parties such as INC, AIMIM, TMC, SP, BSP, AAP have been opposing such a progressive move for political motives.
Q.16. Why has PM Modi not brought back Black Money as he had promised in 2014?

The Modi government signed a pact with the Swiss National Bank in November 2016. The Swiss National Bank agreed to share account details of Indians with the Indian government from September 2019. The figure has dropped by 80 per cent since the Modi government came to power. The non-bank deposits have declined from $800 million in 2016 to $524 million in 2017.

- The government implemented Anti-Avoidance Rules (GAAR) that came into force on April 1, 2017 and signed in May 2016 the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) with Mauritius, one of the biggest routes for money laundering and sources of black money generation.

- The Benami Property Act of 1988, was revived and enforced by Modi govt in Nov. 2016 after demonetisation to go after the corrupt. 1600 benami properties worth Rs. 4300 crore attached.
Modi Government's Report card on action taken to Recover Black Money!

Around ₹2,12,360 Cr worth Black Money recovered/captured

For reducing the scope of corruption they did many things like Demonetisation, Direct Benefit Transfer.

Narendra Modi govt set up SIT on black money as soon as they came in Power.

NDA passed many Bills like RERA, FCRA (Amnd’t), Benami, FEOB bill, PMLA (Money Laundering).

In order to tackle 'Swiss Accounts', deal with Switzerland is Signed in 2017 according to which Tax related Data sharing starting from 2019.

How much 'Black Money' recovered -

- Under IDS (Income Disclosure Scheme)’15 a total of 3,770 crore declared.
- Under IDS’16 a total of 65,250 crore declared.
- 16,000 crore didn’t came back to Banks post 'Demonetisation'.
- 21000 people declared 4,900 crore under PMGKY.
- Undisclosed income of 42,448 crore admitted u/s 132(4).
- 33,028 crore detected as Undisclosed Income.
- 4,164 crore declared under 'Black Money & Imposition Tax Act'.
- 4,300 crore worth properties attached under 'Benami (Prohibition) Act'.
Stringent action against Black Money

- Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement with Mauritius, Cyprus, Singapore
- Agreement on real time information sharing with Switzerland
- Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act 2015 enacted
- PMLA amended to allow confiscation of property equivalent in value of black money stashed abroad
Q.17. Why is it that PM Modi is more keen to monitor foreign policy, defence as compared to agricultural issues?

Modi Govt’s aim is to **double farmers income by 2022**.

- **Neem coated urea**: A simple technique led to pilfering of urea meant for farmers to Industry. Neem coating on urea saves it’s usage by 20%. It is also helpful in preventing insect attacks.

- Record allocation of **14.34 lakh crore** for Rural Development and Agriculture. Farmer to get **1.5 times higher than cost as MSP**.

- **22,000 Gramin Agriculture Markets** to help farmers sell their produce. Institutional credit for Agriculture hiked to Rs. 11 Lakh Crore.

- Operation Greens to augment Food Processing.


- Farmers main problem is Rain fed irrigation and to overcome this **Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana** was launched.

- Due to irrigation assuming farmers income rise by minimum 2-3 lakh per hectare, it adds 1.38 lakh cr- 2lakh cr. to farmers.

- More than **16.9 crore Soil Health Cards** dispatched.
Prosperous Farmers, Progressive Nation

- Record production of more than 275 million tonnes of food grain & 300 million tonnes of horticultural produce
- Agricultural commodities valued at about Rs. 36,000 crore traded on e-NAM
- Work of completing 99 Irrigation projects that were held up for decades is in progress
- Production bonus given on pulses and oil seeds, record rise of over 38% seen
- PM Kisan Sampada Yojana to prevent damage to agriculture produce before it reaches market
- Dairy Processing Infrastructure Development Fund with a corpus of Rs. 11,000 crore being set up
- Production of urea increased, mandatory 100% Neem coating of urea eliminated its black marketing
Towards Improving Soil Health & Fertility

- More than 16.9 crore Soil Health Cards dispatched
- Over Rs. 20,000 lakh released under Soil Health Management scheme
- Over Rs. 51,700 lakh released under Soil Health Card scheme
- More than 1,738 soil testing labs made operational
- Production of neem-coated urea increased to a 100%
Q.18. What is Modi govt’s Kashmir policy?

PM Modi believes development is the only solution to Kashmir’s problem.

- PM Narendra Modi has announced a **Rs.80,000 crore** package for J&K. This package includes money for rehabilitation of Kashmiri Pandits, Roads and Highways, Health and Tourism.
  
  - PM has also inaugurated construction of **6,809 crore Zojila Tunnel** project in J&K, Leh. It will be India’s and Asia’s longest and strategic bi-directional road tunnel which will provide **all weather connectivity between Srinagar, Kargil and Leh**. Modi govt has build country’s longest road tunnel that links Kashmir Valley with Jammu by an all-weather route and reduces the distance by 30 km called **Chenani Nashri Tunnel**.

- The Centre govt proposed setting up of two AIIMS—one each in the state’s capital cities of Jammu and Srinagar.

- In the last 4 years of Modi govt, some **600 militants** have been killed, these numbers are much higher than UPA 1 and UPA 2 era.

- The state had municipal elections after 13 years and Panchayat elections after 8 years. It is a much needed move for the development of the state.

- In the last 4 years, India has attained success in isolating and exposing sanctuaries of terrors in our neighborhood on key international forums.
MODI GOVERNMENT BUILDS CHENANI-NASHRI TUNNEL
Q.19. Why are the prices of Petrol and Diesel very high?

Petrol Prices today is less than they were in 2013. Petrol is at **68 rupees** and it was 74 rupees per litre in 2013.

- On average the price of petrol rose by 11.2 per cent during the 10 year rule of the UPA (2004 and 2014), the average rate of petrol hike in petrol prices would come to just 3.25 per cent annually.

- States are also reluctant to forgo the huge windfall that they are getting from taxes on petroleum products. In 2017-18, the states earned RS. 1.84 Lakh crore through sales tax\VAT.

- Previous government had left **Oil Bond debt on India**. It amounted to around **2.14 Lakh crore** with interest. The Previous Prime Minister had also very clearly stated that the debt will have to be repaid by our future generations. Current Government has already started repaying the Oil Bond Debt which Previous Government left for them to repay.

- India has already started work on Ethanol and Methanol Mixing with Fuel to bring down the prices in India.

- Currency Exchange agreement is now being signed with various oil producing countries like UAE so that we don’t have to pay for Crude Oil Prices in Dollars and we can make the payment directly in Indian Rupees.
TODAY’S FUEL PRICE LESS THAN UPA

During Congress Government

Fuel Price in Delhi: 71.52 Rs in December 2013
Crude Oil Price: 112$ per Barrel in December 2013

During Modi Government

Fuel Price in Delhi: 70.63 Rs in December 2018
Crude Oil Price: 57$ per Barrel in December 2018

So, is the comparison between Fuel Price and Crude Oil Price actually right thing to do?

Oil Bond Debt

- Around 2 Lakh Crore Rs

Subsidy on Fuel

- 4.34 Lakh Crore from 2005 to 2015

Average Inflation

- 10.65% during UPA
- 4.67% during Modi

Previous PM had clearly said that “Oil Bond debt will have to be repaid by Future Generations.” The Current govt is doing exactly the same.

Tax Paying Citizens were made to pay for the Subsidy.

Prices of Daily needs were increasing uncontrollably then while their prices are now under control or have reduced.

Modi Government has started repaying the Oil Bonds Debt, controlled Inflation and also freed the middle class from Oil Subsidy and still managed to bring the Fuel Prices to a lesser level than 2013.
Q.20. Fasal Bima Yojana has reached a very limited section of Farmers why?

Unlike previous schemes, **PMFBY** is open for both farmers who have taken loans as well as those who have not.

- The earlier crop insurance schemes had a limit on the Govt subsidy that was payable. However, PMFBY has done away with it. In this, even if the balance premium is 90 per cent, it will be borne by the Govt.

- The scheme also mandates use of new technology include remote sensing and drones to measure crop fields.

- PMFBY has seen **47.5 million hectares** of gross cropped area being covered in 2017-18. Even as the centre plans to increase coverage to 50 per cent of crop area in FY19.

- The agriculture ministry's data showed PMFBY had a sum insured amount of **Rs. 1.9 lakh crore** and a premium volume of **24,351 crore** in FY18.
PM FASAL BIMA YOJNA

**BEFORE**
- Cap on premium rate resulting in low claims

**WHAT'S NEW**
- Cap removed now, farmers will get claim against full sum insured without any reduction
- Technology to be used intensively

**FEATURES**
- 2% premium for Kharif crops, 1.5% for Rabi crops
- One Crop One Rate
- 5% premium for annual commercial and horticultural crops
- No upper limit on Government subsidy; even if balance premium is 90% it will be borne by the Government

**IMPLICATION FOR FARMERS**
- Very low premiums
- Full insured amount against crop loss on account of natural calamities
- Makes agriculture more remunerative
- Boost to agriculture and farmers' welfare

- Smart phones to capture and upload data of crop cutting to reduce delays in claim payment to farmers
- Remote sensing to reduce the number of crop cutting experiments
Q.21. Why is the River Ganga not clean yet? Is Namami Gange a failure?

The Union govt is working for ensuring a vital and Nirmal ganga. **Rs. 1,700 crore** are being invested to construct steps and nullahs so that sewage is not discharged into the holy river.

- **254 projects worth rupees 24,672 crore** sanctioned under Namami Gange Programme.
- **131 projects sanctioned for 3076 MLD** New Sewage Treatment plants (STPs)
- Rehabilitation on 887 MLD of existing STPs & 4942 km sewer network.
- **ODF in all 4465 villages & 10,83,688 house hold toilets constructed.**
- Many cities including Kanpur, Varanasi and Prayagraj, located on the banks of Ganga have been selected for constructed of STPs and beautification of ghats.
- In a major push to revive river Ganga, engineers from Jal Nigam in Uttar Pradesh and Namami Gange – have successfully diverted the sewage being discharged to the river from Asia’s oldest drain Sisamau Nala.
- **The 128 year old drain in Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh, which discharged 14 crore litres of untreated sewage to Ganga everyday, is one of the major contributors of the dying river.**
128 year old drain in Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh Cleaned by Modi Govt
What are the significant steps taken towards Cleaning Ganga?

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*Millions of Litre per day
**Projects taken up**

- Sewage infrastructure
- Ghats & crematoria development
- River front development
- River surface cleaning
- Institutional development
- Biodiversity conservation
- Afforestation
- Rural sanitation
- Public participation

**Total sanctioned**

261 projects worth Rs.25,562 crore for various activities

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**River Front Development**

Construction at
57 Ghats and 11 crematoria
completed

works in progress at
88 ghats and
42 crematoria
(Expected to be completed by March 2019)
Q.22. Even after new health insurance schemes, healthcare remained unaffordable for the middle class and poor, why?

The government's flagship scheme Ayushman Bharat scheme has provided healthcare to 600,000 people in the first three months since its launch. The scheme aims at providing tertiary healthcare of up to Rs 500,000 for 500 million citizens. This would be as close as India can get to universal health coverage.

- Affordable medicines with **PM Bharatiya Janashudhi Kendra**. More than 3,000 stores, resulting in saving of over 50% money of patients.

- **Mission Indradhanush** for immunization of children. It has impacted more than 25.3 million children and 6.8 million pregnant women by providing life-saving vaccines in four phases.

- **1054 essential medicines** brought under price control regime giving consumer total benefit of more than 10,000 cr.

- *A woman in Gujarat, Champaben was suffering with Brain Tumor for a long time. After being identified as beneficiary under Ayushman Bharat the surgery was performed free of cost which would have otherwise costed the family INR 3 Lakh.*
Championing the Cause of Healthcare for All

with Ayushman Bharat (PM-JAY)

- Over 6.95 lakh beneficiaries in 100 days
- Over 41.45 lakh e-cards generated
- 68% beneficiaries are being treated in private hospitals
- Average claim size per patient Rs. 15,589
- Record 10,000 beneficiaries admitted in a single day

PM-JAY: Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana

As on 2nd January, 2019
Q.23. Why is PM Modi inclined to help billionaires?

PM Modi has shown zero tolerance on malpractices of banks and industrialists who are responsible for high NPAs.

- From **1947 to 2007**, in 60 years, banks gave loans worth **18 lakh crore** while from **2008** to **2014**, loans of the same banks scaled up to **52 lakh crore**.

- Present govt has put up checks across the system and even brought in the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC). IBC has already resulted in the recovery of a whopping of **Rs. 36,000 crore and a further 83,000 crore** worth of pending loans.

- Big business tycoons who have taken loans from govt were earlier roaming free but now they are absconding and taking shelters abroad. For e.g. **Vijay Mallya, Nirav Modi, Mehul Choksi**

- **Essar steel has agreed to settle its 54,000 crore NPA loan to banks taken between UPA period of 2004-14.**

- IBC insolvency is as big a reform as GST.
Q.24. Why has the Govt Failed in job creation?

In the Four Years, the Indian economy has transformed itself into a very attractive global investment destination, which has consequentially created jobs.

41.26 Lakh new job created in the formal sector only in just eight months:
Employees’ Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO)

- **Mudra Revolution** - Which has funded total 10.6 crore entrepreneurs, 3 crore of which are first timers.

- From $280 billion in 2014, India's Foreign Exchange Reserve have consistently increased to reach a comfortable all time high of $ 400 billion in 2018.

- India's ranking in world bank's **ease of doing business** improved by 53 places to reach 77th place, becoming the top ranked country in South Asia for the first time and third among BRICS.

- Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast-tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like **Prime Minister’s Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)**, **Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS)**, **Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY)** etc.

- Government has been taking various steps to boost industrial development, capital formation and employment generation in the country like **Make in India, Startup India and Ease of Doing Business initiatives.**
Q.25. Why only few agricultural crops are included under MSP?

In a historic decision for the welfare of farmers Modi Govt increased the MSP to 1.5 times more than the cost of production for the kharif.

- MSP of Moong increased by Rs 1400 per quintal. MSP of sunflower increased by Rs 1288 per quintal. MSP of Ragi up by Rs 997 per quintal MSP of common paddy increased by Rs 200 per quintal. The increase in the MSPs of Nigerseed at Rs. 1827 per quintal, Moong by 1400 per quintal and cotton by Rs. 1130 per quintal.

- Amongst cereals and Nutri cereals, in terms of absolute increase, MSP of Paddy has been raised by Rs. 200 per quintal, Jowar by Rs. 5730 per quintal and Ragi by Rs. 997 per quintal.
Significant Increase in MSPs fixed for Rabi Crops
To be marketed in 2019-20 season

*Return over cost of production (%)

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Q.26. Why have the Kashmiri Pandits not returned to their homes till now?

- The NDA government, after assuming office in 2014, had earmarked **Rs 500 crore for the rehabilitation of Kashmiri Pandits** who were driven away from the valley since January 19, 1990 following the rise in militancy.

- Taking up the issue of rehabilitation, Home Minister Rajnath Singh had written to the then Chief Minister Omar Abdullah to identify land for resettling them. However, the Abdullah government had cited the model code of conduct for elections, which was in existence at that time, as the reason for not taking up the task immediately but told the Centre that the idea was fraught with a danger as they could become easy target for militants.

- The Union Cabinet in November 2015 cleared a proposal to provide **3,000 State government jobs and 6000 transit accommodation in Kashmir** for the rehabilitation of Kashmiri migrants at a cost of RS 2,000 crores.
Q.27. Why are the results of Make in India and Skill India are not visible?

Make in India:

- There has been a marked increase in industrial growth on the advent of this programme.
- The renewable energy industry attracted FDI equity inflow worth USD 3.4 Bn during 2014-18 - a significant increment from USD 2.4 Bn during 2010-14.
- The Current Government has given manufacturing a major boost under the Make in India programme.
- The initiative has given a new impetus to the development across various sectors.
- First made in India Air Defence missile system, Akash handed over to the Indian Air Force.
- Light Combat Aircraft, Tejas inducted into the Air Force.
- Launched three navigation satellite for NAVIC, India's own GPS.

Skill India:

- 17.93 Lakh people trained under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVK).
- Employees to engage 10% of total workforce as apprentices.
- 33 Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra (PMKK) set up.
- Number of ITIs increased from 10,750 in May 2014 to 13,105 in May 2016.
A Milestone in Make In India
PM Modi Inaugurates one of the World’s Largest Mobile Manufacturing Units in Noida

To produce 12 crore mobile phones annually

4 lakh jobs created since 2014 in mobile manufacturing units

From just 2 mobile factories in 2014 to 120 in 2018

23 Electronic Manufacturing Clusters opened in 15 States employing about 6 lakh persons

July 2018
Q.28. Why has the govt failed to implement National curriculum framework across all state in all education institutions?

- Kasturirangan Committee was formed by the Central government for preparing a report on the new education policy. The committee has prepared its report on the 15th December 2018.

- The New Education Policy framed under the leadership of PM Modi gives huge importance to research and innovation, it provides for ATAL TINKERING LABS (Under ATAL INNOVATION MISSION), Under this new policy, students from class 6 to class 12 can work on 3-D printing, robotics, artificial intelligence and others.

- The Report prepared by the Committee of the policy has five pillars namely Accessibility, Affordability, Equity, Quality and Accountability which will allow the government to fulfill not only the objectives of RTE act but also provide the poor with quality education with an aim to make India a Superpower.

- Government has also drafted a new National Education Policy. This is a significant step since the Education Policy currently in place was drafted in 1986 and revised in 1992.
MODERNISING THE EDUCATION SYSTEM

For building innovative skills, 2,400 Atal Tinkering Labs sanctioned in schools at ₹20 lakh each

For the first time, a distinct focus on learning outcomes among students & accountability among various stakeholders

54,000 ramps & railings built and 50,000 special toilets for Divyang children

UGC has granted graded autonomy to the top 60 universities

National Testing Agency to conduct all professional exams as per international standards

Numerous scholarships provided to students to complete their studies

Vigorous attention devoted to teacher training to produce top quality teachers

20 institutes will be declared as “Institute of Eminence”
Q.29. Under NDA, FDI has been slipping, stock market plummeted, Rupee is in coma, and will the govt attribute this failure in its competency?

The entire campaign of Narendra Modi in 2014 election was based on economic reforms and economic prosperity. With the leadership of PM Modi India gained a stable govt and a stable govt is the first sign of a prosperous market. The entire world economy saw a declining phase due to the China-US trade war and signs of it were seen on the Indian Economy as well.

- It would be unfair to say that declining economy was incompetence on the part of Modi Govt as For the first time in two decades, India has been getting more foreign investment than its neighbor China. In 2018, India saw more than $38 billion of inbound deals compared with China’s $32 billion, buoyed by stable fundamentals, a bankruptcy code and fresh opportunities in sunrise sectors.

- India’s foreign direct investment (FDI) was the highest ever with 235 deals amounting to $37.76 billion this calendar year, according to data from Dealogic, a global M&A and capital markets data provider beating china.

- India would also be witnessing a 300 billion-dollar FDI in the next two years is what the Union commerce minister told media. The stock market has again seen a rise after increasing FDI and easier way of doing business.
Q.30. Why is it that the Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana considered seems like a failure?

**Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana** is a rural development programme broadly focusing upon the development in the villages which includes social development, cultural development and spread motivation among the people on social mobilization of the village community.

- Under the Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana, 478 and 218 Members of Parliament have identified Gram Panchayats.

- Recognizing that the implementation of SAGY requires highly motivated and knowledgeable personnel, the ministry organised capacity building exercise for 373 SAGY Functionaries form the phase - 2nd/3rd Gram Panchayats during April-June 2018.

- The Guidance of as many as 22 central schemes have been amended or enabled to accord priority for the SAGY Gram Panchayats.

- Developed a 35 point outcome indicator covering basic amenities, education, health, sanitation, livelihood, women empowerment, financial inclusion, food security and e-governance to gauge the impact of SAGY in the Gram Panchayats.
DEVELOPMENT IN JAYAPUR – VILLAGE ADOPTED BY PM MODI
Q.31. The BJP had promised to launch Diamond Quadrilateral bullet train network project. However, it has made only a marginal headway on the Ahmedabad-Mumbai stretch, why?

Narendra Modi during his entire campaign in 2014 talked about development and providing India a better infrastructure. India can only develop when it has a fast and effective transportation system. The **Diamond Quadrilateral** is one such network project.

- This project aims at connecting the four metropolitan cities. While the proposed Mumbai-Ahmedabad rail corridor is facing serious issues related to land acquisition and compensation to farmers, the government has joined hands with China, Spain and Germany to conduct feasibility studies of sections of the Diamond Quadrilateral network.

- In the Rail Budget 2014-15, the study for setting up the Diamond Quadrilateral network of high-speed rail connecting major metros and growth centers of the country was announced. Feasibility studies were planned for network of trains linking Delhi-Mumbai, Mumbai-Chennai, Chennai-Kolkata, Kolkata-Delhi and both the diagonals - Delhi-Chennai and Mumbai-Kolkata.

- The government has assigned the Delhi-Mumbai high speed rail corridor to TRSD, a Chinese conglomerate, for a feasibility study of the proposed route for running trains at a maximum speed of 300 km per hour.
Q.32. Corruption is under control at higher level. But why are the local authorities still corrupt?

The Narendra Modi govt has taken a very strong stand on corruption. There has been no major corruption allegation against the top leaders or local authorities unlike the previous regime. The government has been very vigilant and is proactive to end corruption. This stand of government under the PM Modi leadership is known by the recent amendments to the Prevention of Corruption Act (PC Act).

- The objective of the amendments at a primary level seem to, perhaps appropriately, place a lot of accountability on commercial organizations.

- This principle approach is certainly in line with global standards of anti-bribery and anti-corruption measures. For instance, if any party contracting with a company indulging in corrupt practices and such company accepts it for lack of procedures or guidelines in place, which could otherwise be prevented, then the company (and its directors) could get prosecuted under the Act.

- **Section 10** of PC Act now imposes specific terms for imprisonment and a fine where the commercial organization's directors, officers in default or a person with control over the organization has consented to the corrupt act violating the provisions of the Act.
Q.33. Demonetisation has completely failed to bring back black money, it is true?

Demonetisation was a brave step and much needed to check corruption. A much needed shock treatment to the Indian economy.

- The tax authorities have found undisclosed income of 17,526 crore, and they have also seized Rs 1,003 crore after the demonetisation.

- Because of the demonetisation Tax-base has widened, the number of e-returns of individual taxpayer filed till 5th August increased to 2.79 crore from 2.22 crore returns filed during the corresponding period of last year.

- The Income Tax Department showed a growth of about 4.79 per cent in the collection of Advance Tax under Personal Income Tax.

- After the Demonetisation over 37,000 shell firms were detected. The govt has cancelled registration of over 1 lakh companies.

- The CBDT claimed to have identified over 300 Benami Properties.
Demonetisation Success: Slew of Benefits to the Country

- Deposits in the banking system increased around Rs.3 lakh crore
- Additional liquidity helped reduce interest rates by 100 basis points
- Digital payments increase by 56% from 71.27 crore transactions in October 2016 to 111.45 crore transaction in May, 2017
- More than 1 crore workers added to EPF and ESIC system post-demonetisation
- Bank accounts opened for about 50 lakh workers to get their wages credited directly in their accounts

Scrutiny of suspected 18 lakh accounts done
- Cash deposits worth Rs.2.89 lakh crore under investigation
- Advance data analytics tools identified 5.56 lakhs new suspect cases
- 4,73,003 suspicious transactions detected
- Undisclosed income worth Rs. 29,213 crore detected & admitted
- Black Money worth Rs 16,000 crore did not return post demonetization

21% Reduction in currency in circulation
Q.34. Farmers are protesting all across the country for support price, no new Mandis have been introduced, why has the govt not been addressing core farmers issues?

Modi govt is committed to the development of Agriculture and welfare of farmers.

- Historic rise in the MSP of for all Kharif crops (including pulses).
- **Budget allocation for farmer welfare increased double fold from Rs 1.21 Lakh Cr. (2009-14) to Rs 2.12 Lakh Cr. (2015-19).**
- 100% of neem coating of urea achieved which improves soil health and boosts yield.
- **13.6 crore farmers covered under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana.**
- **29 lakh hectare covered under Micro irrigation in Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana.**
- Impetus to alternative sources of income including blue revolution, white revolution, fisheries among others.
- **E - NAM: Digital National Agriculture Market - 16 States, 585 Mandis Registered 95 lakh farmer Registered, 85 lakh traders registered.**
PMKSY* launched to modernize supply chain infrastructure

Budget allocation doubled to push Food processing industry

GrAMs, electronically linked to e-NAM, to make direct sale to consumers and bulk purchasers

Operation Greens to address price volatility of perishable commodities like tomato, onion and potato

Develop existing 22,000 rural haats into Gramin Agricultural Markets (GrAMs), helping 86% small farmers

*Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana

Farm Credit Target raised to ₹ 11 lakh crore for 2018-19

₹ 2,000 cr for Agri-market infrastructure fund set up

Corpus of ₹ 10,000 cr to create infrastructure in fishery, aquaculture and animal husbandry sectors

Tax incentives to promote post-harvest agricultural activities

₹ 1,290 cr allocated under National Bamboo Mission to help setting up small industries
Q.35. What is the govt doing about the Bangladeshi Infiltrators?

Assam Accord was signed on August 15, 1985. However, even after the Accord was put in place and signed, the process of detecting and expelling immigrants never really officially took place.

- Subsequent Congress government continued to allow illegal immigration because it was too tempting from an electoral standpoint.

- The Supreme Court ordered the Govt in 2015 to update NRC in a stipulated time frame. However the process started in right earnest only after the BJP won 2016 Assam.

- **Recently, the Union Cabinet approved the formation of a high-powered committee to suggest means to implement Clause 6 of Assam Accord.** For recognition as citizens, the Accord sets March 24, 1971 as the cutoff. Immigrants up to the cutoff date would get all rights as Indian citizens. Therefore, Clause 6 was inserted to safeguard the socio-political rights and culture of the “indigenous people of Assam”.

- Modi Govt also proposes to include Koch Rajbongshi, Tai Ahom, Chutia, Moran, Matak and tea tribes of the state in the ST category.

- **The Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2016 has been introduced in the Lok Sabha so that the minorities in countries of Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afganistan have not to suffer.**
Q. 36 What is the Impact of ‘National Nutrition Mission’?

► On the occasion of International Women’s Day, the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi launched the National Nutrition Mission.

► The Prime Minister emphasized that the National Nutrition Mission should be run in the form of a Jan Andolan to make them a success on the ground.

► The National Nutrition Mission (NNM) has been set up with a three year budget of Rs.9046.17 crore commencing from 2017-18.

► The NNM is a comprehensive approach towards raising nutrition level in the country on a war footing. It will comprise mapping of various Schemes contributing towards addressing malnutrition, including a very robust convergence mechanism, ICT based Real Time Monitoring system, incentivizing States/UTs for meeting the targets, incentivizing Anganwadi Workers (AWWs) for using IT based tools, eliminating registers used by AWWs, introducing measurement of height of children at the Anganwadi Centres (AWCs), Social Audits, setting-up Nutrition Resource Centres, involving masses through Jan Andolan for their participation on nutrition through various activities, among others.
Holistic Approach to Ensure Adequate Nutrition

Cabinet approves setting up of National Nutrition Mission

To reduce the level of stunting, under-nutrition, anemia & low birth weight babies

To monitor, supervise, fix targets & guide the nutrition related interventions

Will create synergy, ensure better monitoring, issue alerts for timely action

Will incentivize States/UTs for meeting the targets

To cover 315 districts in 2017-18, 235 districts in 2018-19 & remaining districts in 2019-20

Budget of ₹ 9046.17 Cr earmarked for 3 years
Building a Healthy India

POSCHAN Abhiyaan to Ensure Proper Nutrition

First of its kind initiative launched to tackle Malnutrition through multi-modal interventions

Target to reduce Malnutrition through Convergence, Use of Technology & a Targeted approach

As on 1st January, 2019
Q. 37 What has the Modi Govt. done for North-East States?

North East (NE) region does not only have 8 states but also 200 ethnic tribes. For a long time this region has been completely ignored and isolated by the previous government Congress Government. During the Modi government following steps have been taken –

► **Rail Connectivity:** About **15 Railway projects** with total distance of **1385 km** are in process in the present Modi government. With the capital of Arunachal Pradesh and Agartala already on the Broad gauge line, there are now plans to connect the capitals of Sikkim, Manipur, Meghalaya and Mizoram by 2020.

► **Road Connectivity:** Giving Priority to the Highway network in **North East India, National Highways & Infrastructure Development Corporation** was incorporated on **18th July 2014**.

► NHIDCL has taken up road projects for roads of **1034 km in Arunachal Pradesh, 993 km in Assam, 573 km in Tripura, 380 km in Mizoram, 1750 km in Manipur, 909 km in Sikkim and 823 km in Meghalaya.** The commissioning of **9.17 km Dola Sadiya Road bridge** and **5.17 km Bogibeel bridge in 2017** and 2018 again shows the commitment of NDA government in fulfilling the promises made to the public.

► **Air Connectivity:** The Modi Government has allocated **Rs 3,400 crore** to Airports Authority of India (AAI) for the upgradation of airports in the North East region. Various projects in the northeast include re-carpeting of the runway at **Silchar and Lilabari airport;** installation of an **instrument landing system (ILS)** at the **Shillong airport;** and operationalisation and development of the Tura airport.

The Modi govt has cleared the expansion of **Bharat Petroleum Corporation’s Numaligarh Refinery.** The move will generate direct and indirect employment in Assam and is a part of the govt’s **Hydrocarbon Vision 2030 for the North East.**
**STORY OF NORTH EAST**
From the Most Neglected to Most Focussed

#FirstTime in NE after Modi's 'Act East' Policy

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**Air Connectivity**
- Sikkm and Arunachal pradesh get their first airport.
- 92 new flight routes under UDAAN scheme.

**Health & Education**
- World class National sports university in manipur.
- Medical Colleges in Arunachal & Mizoram.
- First AIIMS in assam.

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**Rail Connectivity**
- Arunachal, Mizoram & Meghalaya put on India's Rail map.
- All north east state capitals to be connected to Rail network.
- 15 New projects of 1385 KMs at a cost of 47,000 Cr Rs in progress.
- 9000 KMs of railway tracks converted to broad gauge.

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**Road Connectivity**
- 1300 KM long North East Express Highway.
- Longest Rail-cum Road bridge. Asia's longest river bridge, between Dhola and sadiya.
- NH-54 in Assam, connecting lumbini to maibang.

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**Industrial Revolution**
- Global investment summit in Assam.
- Hydro Power project in Mizoram.
- Sikkm becomes world's first 100% Organic state.
- Buddhist circuit from India to south east asia passes through North east. Major boost to tourism.
- 2 fold increase in trade between India & Myanmar Via NE from 77.52 Cr Rs in 2013 to 144.72 Cr Rs in 2018.
- Allocated 1290 ₹ Cr to promote the bamboo sector of a Bamboo rich North East. Will benefit 1 lakh farmers.
- More... in different NE.
Connecting North-East, Connecting India

North East is fully integrated with rest of India with the entire network converted to Broad Gauge.

Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram on India’s rail map for the first time.
**PM MOIDI's ACT EAST POLICY**

- Pradhan Mantri Urja Ganga started with 2,500 kms long Jagdishpur-Haldia- Bokaro-Dhamra Natural Gas Pipeline Project. With an investment of Rs. 12,500 crore, it will cater to energy requirements of five states, covering 40 districts and 2,600 villages.
- Opening up road and rail routes to our neighbouring countries to boost the economic development of the region.
- Continued special dispensation in assistance pattern to North-eastern states in the ratio of 90:10 for core central schemes and 80:20 for non-core schemes.
- All Meter-Gauge tracks in the north-eastern states will be converted to Broad-Gauge. Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya have been put on the rail map.
- The Brahmaputra Cracker and Polymer Limited and Numaligarh Refinery Limited's wax unit will create huge employment opportunities in the North East region.
- The Govt has approved North East BPO promotion scheme for creation of employment opportunities.
- Ministry of Tourism has identified a thematic circuit for the North East region.
Q.38 What has the Modi Government done for Hindu Cause?

- Restoring old name of cities of India to regain the glory – *Faizabad reverted to its original name Ayodhya.*

- Govt is planning to construct a **221-meter tall statue of Lord Ram in Ayodhya.**

- Modi Govt via the **Citizenship Amendment Bill** has granted citizenship to Hindu, Sikh and Jain refugees from Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan.

- Modi Government has also approved **Bharatiya Shiksha Board**, paving way for Vedic and modern studies.

- Cancellation of FCRA licenses of 20,000 NGOs. Many of these NGOs received funds from foreign countries for conversion.

- Artifacts\ idols stolen from India returned by many countries, such as USA, Germany, Australia and etc.

- Modi Govt has Popularised Yoga across the globe and 21\textsuperscript{st} June is now declared as **International Yoga Day.**

- Special Focus for Ganga. The water quality of river Ganga has significantly improved and 70-80\% of the river will be clean by March 2019.
Artifacts and stolen idols brought back by Modi Govt.
Making the whole world bow to the feet of Hindu Spirituality

As the result of effort made by Modi Govt, UN declared 21 June as International Day of Yoga,

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Faizabad reverted to its original name Ayodhya
Allahabad reverted to its original name Prayagraj
Gurgaon renamed Gurugram
Mughalsarai railway station renamed Deen Dayal Upadhayay Junction
Aurangzeb road renamed to Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Road

#TakingForwardHinduCause
To introduce the young generation with the life of Bhagwan Shri Ram and to imbibe them with the highest human values taught by the Ramayana.

₹225-crore Ram Museum spread over 25 acres in Ayodhya.

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Making easy to visit rich heritage of different part of our country under the Swadesh Darshan scheme, thirteen thematic circuits have been identified namely:


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MAKING PILGRIMAGE EASY FOR THE DEVOTEES OF BHAGWAN SHRI RAM

Shri Ramayana Express to cover all important destinations associated with the life of Bhagwan Shri Ram in a 16 days.

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