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The Prime Minister's Address on Completing 25 Years — 'We Will Do It'

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The gist of the address — in the Prime Minister's words

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“If these 25 years are to be assessed, it will not be by where I have reached; the real evaluation will be by where my country has reached.”

— Prime Minister, New Delhi, 7 October 2026

- 25 years — gratitude**
 From the oath as Chief Minister of Gujarat on 7 October 2001 to today, 25 continuous years as head of government — the result of the people's blessings; a bow to India's democracy and Constitution; greetings to the participants of the Seva Jyoti Yatra.
- Prayer at the Shri Vinayak temple**
 A morning prayer for the country and for 140 crore Indians, and one for himself — for the strength to work for the country with even more energy, and that his ability to learn may never diminish.
- Every event taught something**
 The Morbi flood taught the spirit of service, the Bhuj earthquake taught persistence in reconstruction, Chandrayaan taught rising after failure, and Corona taught the value of the nation's collective consciousness; every village and every poor person taught that means may be limited, but dreams must be big.
- Mission, not glorification**
 25 years are not an occasion for personal glorification; organisational work till the age of 50 without contesting a single election — ‘not for ambition, but for a mission’; the Gita's karma yoga — karma as dharma, karma as sadhana for the country, no concern for reward or credit.
- The Gujarat years**
 In 2001, no experience of running a government, no knowledge of administration — only faith in the people; decisions, policies and their implementation with the people; ‘Gujarat showed it can be done’, and the lessons of problems on the ground, stuck files and last-mile delivery are still in use today.
- Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas = saturation**
 If the problem is everyone's, the solution must be for everyone — a dry field or a dark village does not belong to one caste or community; every eligible beneficiary covered, no one left out, no one robbed of their rights — the real story of change.
- India 100 years ago**
 In the 1920s even freedom was hard to imagine, yet the country was free within about 20 years; fewer than 40 crore then, more than 140 crore now — so Viksit Bharat 2047 ‘will certainly be achieved’; a young India is history's biggest opportunity, not to be lost.
- The closing faith**
 ‘Never underestimate India's capability’; complete faith in the capability of 140 crore Indians — ‘we will see India become developed before our own eyes’; there is no reason for India to stop now.
- ‘This capital belongs to the country’**
 25 years of public trust and experience are, in his own words, ‘not Modi's alone — the country's capital’; every child of Bharat Mata has a right to it; every citizen has the greatest claim on him.
- ‘We will do it’**
 Not a day for memories but for renewing resolve; the goals repeated with the gathering — Viksit Bharat 2047, a top-3 economy, Atmanirbhar Bharat, a global manufacturing hub, hosting the Olympics, steps in space.
- The real evaluation**
 The assessment of 25 years is not ‘where I have reached’ but ‘where my country has reached’; the chance to serve a sacred land like India is itself priceless.
- The picture since 2014**
 From an economy called a ‘gone case’ to talk of resilience today; from policy paralysis to a reforms express; from finding ways to import to export records; from importing mobile phones to Made in India phones; from blackout headlines to talk of solar capacity; the past decade the fastest-growing one for agriculture.
- Big, extraordinary goals**
 Small or easy goals would be an injustice to Bharat Mata and to the nation's capability; Viksit Bharat, Atmanirbhar Bharat, a top-3 economy, wiping out poverty, a drugs-free India; India as the name the world takes for tourism, education, entertainment, health and wellness, sports, innovation and technology; today the world talks of India's pilots, one day of a Made in India plane.
- Achievements that give confidence**
 From the Fragile Five to the top five; 60 years to reach a \$1 trillion economy, more than \$2 trillion of growth in 12 years with the right policies; in Corona India saved itself and helped more than 100 countries; the COP21 pledges met ahead of time — the only G20 country to do so; the wall of Article 370 broken, the back of Naxalism broken, terror answered; 25 crore people out of poverty in a decade.



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When I took oath as Chief Minister of Gujarat on 7 October 2001, I had not imagined that this milestone would ever come.

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These 25 years of public trust, these 25 years of experience, are a very big capital. And this capital is not Modi's alone — this capital belongs to the country.

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The country has given me so much; that is why my duty towards the country is also the greatest. And I believe from my heart that every citizen of this country has the greatest claim on me.

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Even today I consider myself a student. Every day I try to learn something new.

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Whoever gave me victory taught me to be humble. Whoever made me fall taught me to stand up again.

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Every village, every poor person taught me that means and resources may be limited, but dreams must be big and spirits must be high.

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This day is not only for memories; it is a day to fill our resolves with new energy. It is a day to repeat that promise, to express that intent, which says: We will do it.

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I have been a person who lives not for ambition, but for a mission.

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For me, karma is everything; karma is my dharma. ... For me, karma is not merely a responsibility — it is my sadhana for the country.

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Position and prestige can be found anywhere in the world, but a sacred land like India will not be found.

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If I had anything then, it was faith in the people. ... I took decisions with the people, made policies with the people, implemented policies with the people.

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If the problem is everyone's, the solution must be for everyone too. ... Saturation means every beneficiary is covered, no eligible person is left out, no one entitled is left behind, and no one can rob anyone of their rights.

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It would be an injustice to Bharat Mata if we set small goals. It would be an injustice to the nation's capability if we set easy goals.

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Our country has problems, but we also have 140 crore solutions. This is not the time to rest; this is the time to move ahead with vigour, to devote oneself fully to the country.

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I have complete faith in the capability of 140 crore Indians, and my experience of 25 years says: we will see India become developed before our own eyes.

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