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Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya

Grand inspiration in the time of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav

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"When the country is celebrating the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, then this museum has come as a grand inspiration. In these 75 years, the country has seen many proud moments. The importance of these moments in the window of history is incomparable."

Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Introduction:

The Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya is a tribute to every Prime Minister of India since Independence and narrative record of how each one has contributed to the development of the nation over the last 75 years. It is a history of collective effort powerful evidence of the creative success of India's India's Prime democracy.



Ministers came from every class and tier of society, for the gates of democracy were equally open to all. Each one left an indelible footprint on the journey of development, social harmony and economic empowerment that has enabled India to give true meaning to freedom.¹

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya on April 14, 2022 in New Delhi.² While inaugurating the Sangrahalaya he said, "Every government formed after India's independence had contributed in taking the country to its present glorious place. I have repeated this several times even from the ramparts of Red Fort. Today this museum has also become a living symbol of the shared heritage of each government.

¹ https://www.pmsangrahalaya.gov.in/about

² https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1816741

Every Prime Minister of the country has tried to take the country forward by overcoming the different challenges of his/her time."3

Vision:⁴

- To honour the contribution of all the Prime Ministers of India towards nation building.
- To sensitize and inspire the younger generation about the leadership, vision and achievements of all our Prime Ministers.

Inspiration:

The Teen Murti Estate, home to India's first Prime Minister Shri Jawaharlal Nehru for 16 years, was the natural environment for Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya, because this is a story of continuity.⁵



The Sangrahalaya is a seamless blend which begins at the renovated and refurbished Nehru Museum building, now completely updated with technologically advanced displays on the life and contribution of Shri Jawaharlal Nehru. The new panorama includes a section which exhibits a large number of rare gifts

received by him from all over the world but never put on display.⁶

The saga of modern India starts with the freedom struggle and the making of India's great Constitution. The Sangrahalaya goes on to tell the story of how our Prime Ministers navigated the nation through various challenges and ensured the all-round progress of the country. Within this story is a message for the younger generation: there are greater horizons to conquer as we transform India into New India.⁷



³https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleseDetail.aspx?PMO=3&PRID=1816811

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Highlights of Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya:



ये संग्रहालय, आने वाली पीढ़ियों के लिए ज्ञान का, विचार का, अनुभवों का एक द्वार खोलने का काम करेगा।

यहां आकर उन्हें जो जानकारी मिलेगी, जिन तथ्यों से वो परिचित होंगे, वो उन्हें भविष्य के निर्णय लेने में मदद करेगी: PM @narendramodi

on India's freedom struggle and the framing of the Constitution.⁹

- The design of the museum building is inspired by the story of rising India, shaped and moulded by the hands of its leaders. The design incorporates sustainable and energy conservation practices.¹⁰
- The logo of the Sangrahalaya represents the hands of the people of India holding the Dharma Chakra symbolizing the nation and democracy.¹¹

- Representing a seamless blend of the old and the new, the Sangrahalaya integrates the erstwhile Teen Murti Bhawan designated as Block I, with the newly constructed building designated as Block II. The total area of the two blocks is over 15,600 square metres.⁸
- There are a total of 43 galleries in the Sangrahalaya. These include displays



⁸ ibid

⁹ ibid

¹⁰ ibid

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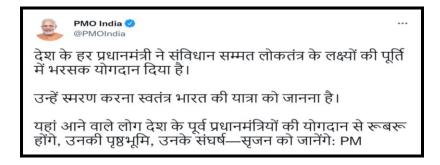
- Visitors can spend time with favourite Prime Minister and click a picture with him seating right next to them in Augmented Reality. 12
- People can witness the memorable speeches given by the Prime Ministers, at the Red Fort. 13
- The Sangrahalaya has a state-of-the-art 360-degree immersive room without shadows, which ushers into the world of Indian Prime Ministers, showcasing their key contributions that shaped the nation.¹⁴
- The entrance of the Sangrahalaya is adorned with a 3D printed levitating National Emblem, rotating in the air. It also features Multiple Kinetic LED lights suspended from the ceiling. Denoting freedom, progress and growth of the nation, the latter forms breathtaking patterns of the national flag.

Technology at PM Sangrahalaya:

The Sangrahalaya has employed cutting-edge technology-based interfaces to encompass heterogeneity in content and frequent rotation of display. Holograms, Virtual Reality, Augmented Reality, Multi-touch, Multimedia, interactive kiosks, computerized kinetic sculptures, smartphone applications, interactive screens, experiential installations, etc. enable the exhibition content to become highly interactive and engaging.¹⁵

Sources of information for the Sangrahalaya:

- Information for the museum has been collected through resources / repositories with institutions such as Prasar Bharati, Doordarshan, Films Division, Sansad TV, Ministry of Defence, Media Houses (Indian and foreign), Foreign News Agencies etc. 16
- Appropriate use of Archives (Collected Works and other literary works, important correspondences), some Personal items, Gifts & Memorabilia (Felicitations, Honours, Medals conferred, commemorative stamps, coins, etc.), speeches of Prime Ministers and anecdotal representation of ideologies and different aspects of the lives of Prime Ministers have been reflected in a thematic format.¹⁷



Pradhan Mantri Sangrahalaya is a living reflection of the shared heritage of each government. This museum has come as a grand inspiration in the time of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav. It

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gives confidence to the youth of the country that even a person born in an ordinary family can reach the highest position in the democratic system of India. ¹⁸



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