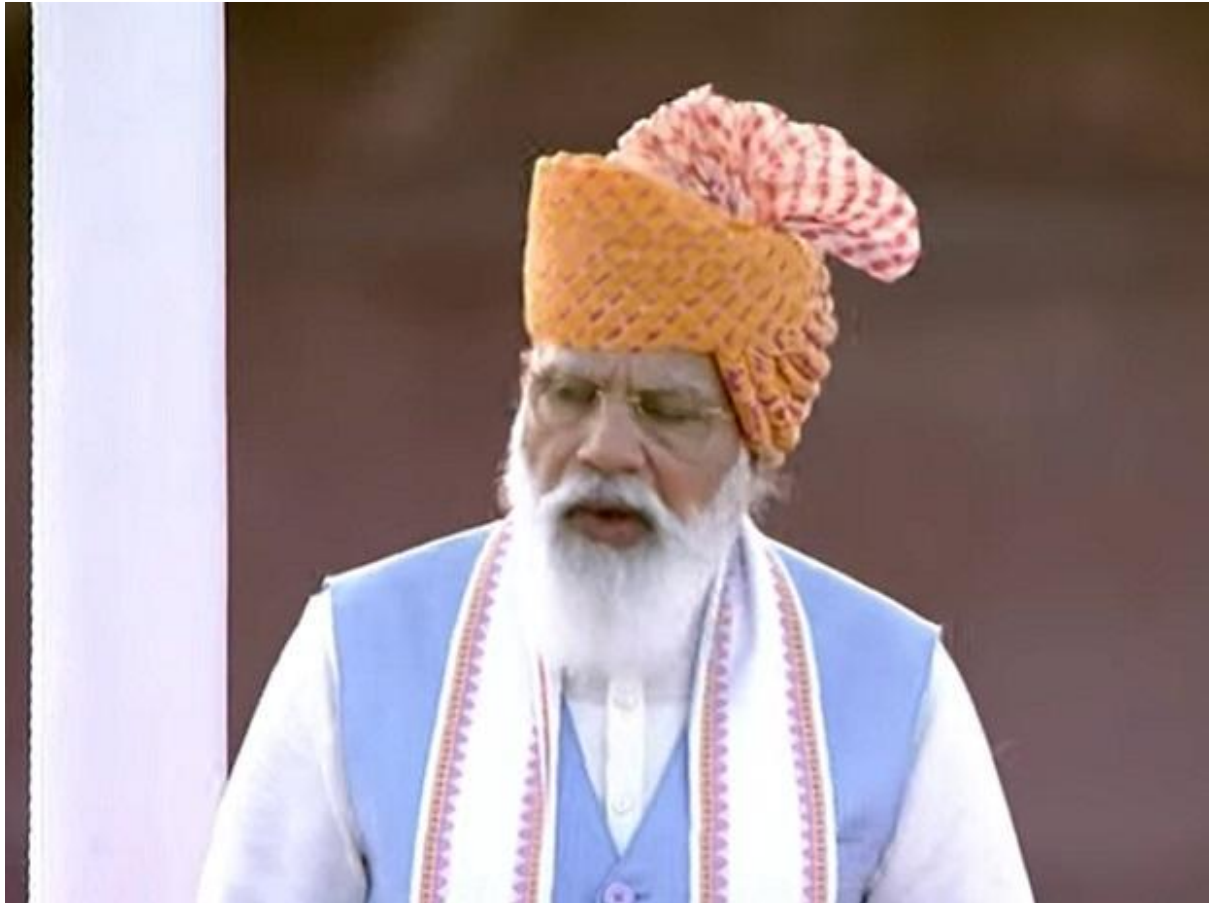


Sainik schools now open for girls also: PM Modi in his I-Day speech



Prime Minister [Narendra Modi](#) on Sunday announced that all [Sainik Schools](#) in the country will now be open for girls also.

At present, 33 [Sainik schools](#) are operating in the country.

During his [Independence Day](#) speech Sunday, the prime minister said that two-and-a-half years ago, the maiden experiment of admitting girls in Sainik schools was carried out in Mizoram.

"Now, the government has decided that all the [Sainik schools](#) in the country will also be open for the daughters of the country," he said.

[Sainik schools](#) are run by the Sainik Schools Society which is under the administrative control of the Ministry of Defence.

The aim of establishing [Sainik schools](#) was to prepare the students from an early age for their entry into the Indian armed forces.

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