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1. Background

COVID19 pandemic tested entire world health care system, shaken world economy & every Nation's approach to protect from this massive pandemic.

Bharat – World's largest democratic country with 2nd largest population, holds 28 states & 8 union territories. A proud Nation with unity in diversity, stood tall & showcased the entire world about its strength & ability to raise on such emergency.

For first time, developed Nations experienced the new definition of "Emergency crisis management" from Bharat. This could only happen because the Nation had following strength:

Rich culture with social values

Patriotic People

Passionate "healthcare warriors"

A people welfare focused government

A humble Prime Minister who works with mission "Nation First"

We will see various measures, efforts, initiatives & support taken by central government under the leadership of Hon'ble People Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi to protect our Nation & people from such pandemic.



2. Initial Steps

March 11: The World Health Organization (WHO) formally designated Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) a 'pandemic'.

But Bharat, was one of few Nation in World to take immediate measures much before March 11, 2020.

Jan 31, 2020	Feb 02, 2020	Feb 27, 2020	March 12, 2020
Indian Army set up a quarantine facility to monitor 300 Bharat students returning from Wuhan, China, the Centre of Initial Coronavirus outbreak	Bharat suspended e-visa facility for all Chinese travelers	Over a month after China's lockdown of Wuhan province in Jan 23, special flights of Indian Air Force, and Air India arrived in New Delhi with more Bharat citizens and foreigners from Wuhan and the rescued Bharat citizens quarantined in cruise ship in Japan	Seven more quarantine facilities setup up by Indian Defence Forces (Jaisalmer, Suratgarh, Jhansi, Jodhpur, Deolali, Kolkata & Chennai)



Proud Bharat

March 13, 2020	March 14, 2020	March 14, 2020	March 13-15, 2020
Masks & hand sanitizers as essential commodity until June 30 to control price rise. Bharat became 5 th Country in World after US, China, Japan & Thailand to isolate strains of COVID19	Govt. of India invoked Epidemic Disease Act of 1897 that temporarily gives special power to take special measures and prescribe regulations for curtailing the effect of pandemic	The ministry of Home Affairs invoked National Disaster Management Act (2005) and allocated State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) to states to mitigate the spread of COVID19	Govt of India suspends all existing Visas except for limited categories. 218 Bharat students evacuated from Italy & quarantined at Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP).

March 17, 2020	March 22, 2020	March 24, 2020
Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) announced 72 Coronavirus medical testing labs to be ready by 21st March World Health Organization praised Bharat's response.	Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi calls for "Janta Curfew"	National Lockdown #1 starts (21 Days)



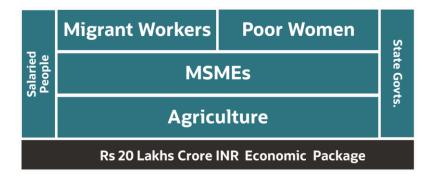
3. Measures Taken

Govt of India imposed strictest lockdown measure in World

A tracker, based on data from 73 countries, that calculates governments' response to Covid-19 has identified Bharat's response as one of the most stringent in the world. Created by researchers from Blavatnik School of Government at the University of Oxford, the "Oxford COVID-19 Government Response Tracker" is designed to systematically record government responses worldwide.

Govt of India announced Rs 20 Lakhs Crore INR (10% of GDP)as economic package with a mission to build "Self-Reliant Bharat". – Highest by any developing Nation.

Major focus to support MSMEs, Agriculture, migrant workers, Defence, Businesses and other segments



- 1 free LPG cylinder for 3 months to 8 Cr poor women
- 500 INR every month for 3 months directly to 20. 3 Cr Jan Dhan bank accounts of poor women
- Free food for migrants 5 Kg wheat or Rice per person, 1 Kg dal per family/month till Nov 2020
- Loan Moratorium Extension for 6 months
- Income Tax Returns submission date extended to November 30, 2020
- The government has reduced the Tax Deducted at Source rate by 25% for non-salaried taxpayers for March 31, 2021
- Reduction in the Employees' Provident Fund contribution rate from 12% to 10%.
 to allow greater liquidity to the employees and employers.
- Liquidity relief of Rs 2,500 crore EPF support to all EPF establishments. The EPF contribution
 will be paid by the govt for another 3 months (till August). It will benefit more than 72 lakh
 employees
- Collateral free loan of Rs 3 lakh crores for MSMEs a move that'll enable 45 lakh units to restart work and save jobs





- New definition of MSMEs
 (Micro upto 1 Cr investment, turnover upto 5 Cr. Small upto 10 Cr investment, turnover upto 50 Cr. Medium upto 20 Cr investment)
- Global tenders to be disallowed up to Rs 200 Crore for government contracts promoting local businesses/brands

MUDRA Shishu loan

Those who have availed loans up to Rs **50,000**, an interest subvention of **2% for next 12 months** after the moratorium period extended by RBI ends. Three crore people will get benefit of Rs 1500 crore.

- Street Vendor Special scheme for street vendors to avail Rs 5,000 crore loan facility. Will be given Rs 10,000 of working capital.
- Power distribution companies will get Rs 90,000 crore liquidity against receivables from stateowned Power Finance Corp. and Rural Electrification Corp. This will allow these discoms to pay dues to power producers.

• For Small/Marginal Farmers

The government is extending **Rs 30,000 crore** additional capital emergency funds through NABARD for post-harvest Rabi and Kharif related activities for small and marginal farmers.

Under the **PM Kisan Credit Card**, **Rs 2 lakh crore** of concessional credit to boost farming activities and it will benefit 2.5 crore farmers. Those in animal husbandry and fisheries will also be included

Govt transferred Rs 17,986 Cr to poor farmers under PM KISAN scheme

Fertilizers to farmers community – During April-June 2020, 111.61 MT (82.8% higher) fertilizers given to farmers compared to last year.

- For Tribals Rs 6,000 crore worth of proposals have come from states under CAMPA funds. Tribal people will get employment in forest management, wildlife protection/management and other forest related activities.
- Education: PM eVidya programme to be launched immediately. Each Classroom from 1 to 12 will have one TV channel. Special e-content for visually & hearing impaired. Top 100 universities will be permitted to start online courses by May 30, 2020.
- Additional resources to States: Centre has decided to increase borrowing limit of states from 3% to 5% for FY21. This will give extra resources of Rs 4.28 lakh crore to states. This despite, states having borrowed only 14% of the limit authorized to them. 86% remains unutilized. The additional borrowing limit has been linked with initiating reforms.

4. First of its Kind Initiatives

Use of Technology



April 2: Govt. launched new app to help people track Covid-19 infections more accurately and effectively. As on 8-Jul 2020, more than **13.98 Cr Bharat citizens** are using this Arogya setu app.



Medical Support



Bharat supplied anti-malarial drug hydroxychloroquine to **55 coronavirus-hit countries** including the US.

In the neighborhood, Bharat sent the drug to Afghanistan, Bhutan, Bangladesh Nepal, Maldives, Mauritius, Sri Lanka and Myanmar.

Bharat supplied drugs to Philippines, Russia, Slovenia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, the United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Uruguay, Columbia, Algeria Bahamas, Mauritius and the United Kingdom.

Bringing Bharat citizens back Home



Vande Bharat Mission – World's largest evacuation mission brought back **70,000 Bharat citizens** from more than **30 countries**. **17,000 people** have flown out of the country under this mission.



Helping Migrants to reach Home



Shramik special trains helping migrant workers to return home – World's largest relocation mission for its own citizen within country

Phase I – 35 Lakhs migrants returned home

Phase II – 2600 special trains to return 36 lakhs migrants

Railway coaches as COVID19 Care Centre



First of its kind in world, Indian railways converted coaches as COVID19 care Centre.

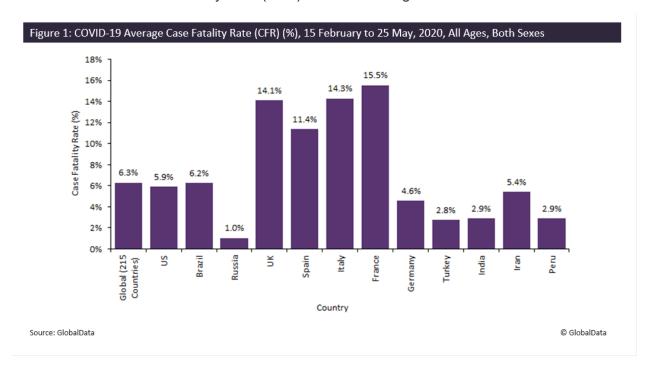
5231 railway coaches supporting 23 states.

Bharat manufactures Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)



From zero to 2 lakhs PPE kits in a day, Bharat sets a record in production of PPE in world.

Bharat's COVID19 Case Fatality Rate (CFR) is lowest among world.





Supporting State Govts:

Free distribution to all states









2.02 Cr N95 masks

1.18 Cr PPE

11,300 Ventilators

6.12 Cr HCQ Tablets

Supporting Tax Payers:

Income tax department refunded **Rs 62,321 Cr INR** benefiting **20 lakhs tax payers** since April 2020

5. Conclusion

In Ramayana, Bhagavan Ram said to Lakshman "Mother & Motherland is better than heaven".

Devotion can be cultivated only If one knows the glory & contribution of motherland. Awareness & knowledge about Bharat's significant efforts and contribution during COVID19 crisis, will enable every individual to develop patriotism and makes every individual to participate for Nation building with energy & passion.

The intention of this document creation is to bring every individual especially youth, to understand & feel the responsibility to make our Nation " **Atmanirbhar Bharat**".

People's Prime Minister... People Welfare Focused Governance