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Prime Minister Narendra Modi Chairs Plenary Session of 'SAMAVESHI NITI SANKALP 2026'

CHENNAI – 21 Nov, 2026 Prime Minister Narendra Modi applauded the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for organizing the Departmental Summit and facilitating meaningful deliberations. The Prime Minister emphasized the importance of collective action and a 'Whole of Government' approach in achieving the objectives of social justice, social empowerment and a Nasha Mukt Bharat.

Addressing the plenary session of the two-day Departmental Summit titled 'Samaveshi Niti Sankalp', at the Sushma Swaraj Bhawan, in the National Capital here on Thursday, Modi h ighlighted the transformative impact of the Government's welfare initiatives, he observed that nearly 50 crore people lifted out of poverty have experienced genuine social empowerment.

Calling for the Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan to be transformed into a nationwide Jan Andolan, the Prime Minister stressed that every citizen, family, educational institution and community must contribute to building a drug-free India.

Modi encouraged schools to organize essay competitions and undertake awareness initiatives, while sensitizing parents to recognize early signs of substance abuse and addiction.

Emphasizing the importance of rehabilitation and social reintegration, the Prime Minister observed that the journeys of individuals who have successfully overcome substance dependence carry a powerful message of hope.

"These journeys carry the strongest message of hope. They show that recovery is possible and that a life free from drugs is a life of dignity," he said.



The Prime Minister also urged farmers to shun illicit crop cultivation and called for coordinated efforts involving all Ministries, State Governments, district administrations and spiritual organizations to strengthen the national campaign against drug abuse.

Recognising the influence of spiritual leaders, the Prime Minister said that spiritual gurus and organisations have a vital role to play in the mission. Their guidance, he noted, can inspire millions to choose a life free from drugs.

On the empowerment of persons with disabilities, the Prime Minister highlighted the significance of the term ' Divyang', noting its contribution towards enhancing the dignity, respect and self-esteem of persons with disabilities.

Modi encouraged its wider use and popularization to foster a positive outlook towards Divyangjan across society. He also emphasized the need to identify, nurture and recognize their inherent talents and abilities by providing appropriate opportunities and platforms for their participation and contribution.