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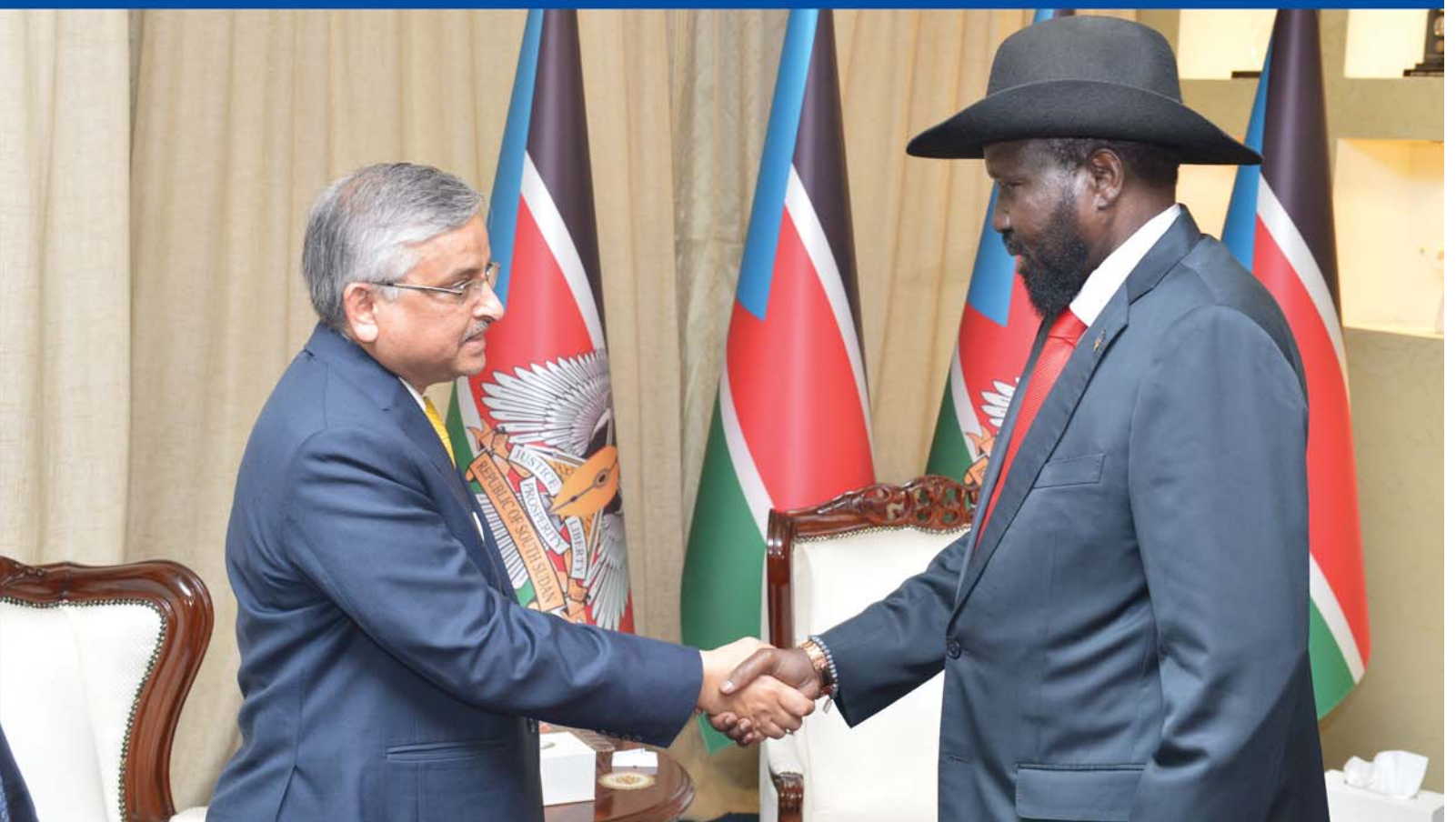
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**PRIME MINISTER NARENDRA MODI WITH OTHER LEADERS
OF THE G20 NATIONS IN BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA**

ARGENTINA 2018
BUENOS AIRES



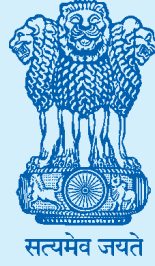
**SHRI RANDEEP GULERIA, DIRECTOR, AIIMS-NEW DELHI WITH
H.E. SALVA KIIR MAYARDIT, PRESIDENT, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN**



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South Sudan

FOREWORD

The Indian Embassy is very glad to present to you this edition of Newsletter covering the mission's activities and other events of the last quarter of 2018.

This has been published when the Revitalized peace agreement and its implementation process is in progress in the country. The Mission welcomed the Pact and the return of normalcy in many regions is a welcome sign of dawning of peace and stability in South Sudan.

On 2nd October 2018, the mission inaugurated a year long celebrations of Mahatma Gandhiji's 150th Birth Anniversary. As a part of the programme, we visited some of the local schools and donated books for their libraries, writing and sports materials for students and a Gandhiji's portrait and pamphlets containing his sayings and biography. The message of peace and non-violence of Mahatma got reached up to the Wau state !!

It was a proud moment for every Indian when the Hon'ble PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the **Statue of Unity**, a colossal statue of Indian statesman and independence activist Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (1875-1950) who was the first Home minister of India and the chief adherent of Mahatma Gandhi during the non-violent Indian Independence movement; highly respected for his leadership in uniting the 562 princely states of India to form the single large Union of India. It is located in the state of Gujarat, India. It is the world's tallest statue with a height of 182 metres (597 ft). It is located on a river island facing the Sardar Sarovar Dam on river Narmada in Kevadiya colony, 100 kilometres (62 miles) southeast of the city of Vadodara. It has become a favourite tourist destination and thousands of people visit the statue daily.

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has reached to another milestone by launching many weather forecasting satellites of not only of India and from other international customers. The cost effective launch by ISRO attracted many foreign countries to avail the facilities of ISRO.

The Indian community in its usual fervour engaged its members in regular sports activities and celebrated the festival of lights "Diwali" with great enthusiasm. It was heartening to see many local South Sudan friends attended the celebration this year. The Gujarathi brothers and sisters celebrated Navrathra festival with great piety and their traditional colourful Garbha dance was a great attraction on this festive season.

The Indian Peace Keeping Battalion under UNMISS has earned many kudos from the local authorities and communities for their ardent community services at their place of deployment at Bor, Malakkal and in other regions. Our brave-hearts made us all proud by their dedicated service for the betterment of South Sudan brothers and sisters.

The Embassy celebrated its annual ITEC day on 8 December by inviting more than 150 alumni who had attended different general and special technical courses in India in the past. The get together enabled the alumni to share their experience of fruitful time spent to enhance their capacity building skill and knowledge in India.

I hope you would find this edition interesting and informative. The Indian Embassy would like to wish a Very Happy and Prosperous 2019 to all.

(S D Moorthy)

G20 SUMMIT IN BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA 2018

Hon. Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the G20 Summit in Buenos Aires, Argentina from November 30 to December 01, 2018. Prime Minister Modi while addressing the second session of the G20 Summit in Buenos Aires presented a nine-point programme aimed to take action against fugitive economic offenders. "There is need to work together against financial fraudsters and fugitives. This problem may manifest as a serious threat to the global financial stability," Prime Minister Narendra Modi said.



With an aim to further connectivity, maritime cooperation and a stable Indo-Pacific, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, President Donald Trump and Prime Minister Shinzo Abe met in Buenos Aires for the historic JAI (Japan, America, India) trilateral on the sidelines of the G20 Summit.

The Heads of State and Government of Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa, met on 30 November 2018 for the annual Informal BRICS Leaders' Meeting on the margins of the G20 Summit in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The four leaders exchanged views on international political, security and global economic-financial issues, as well as challenges facing sustainable development.



'STATUE OF UNITY' - WORLD'S TALLEST STATUE

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi dedicated the 'Statue of Unity' to the Nation, on the occasion of the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas, at Kevadiya, in Narmada District of Gujarat on October 31, 2018. The Statue of Unity is the world's tallest statue with a height of 182 metres (597 ft).

The Statue of Unity is a colossal statue of Statesman and independence activist Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who was the first Home Minister of India and the chief adherent of Mahatma Gandhi.

Unveiling the Statue of Unity, Prime Minister Modi stated that Statue of Unity will remind all those who question India's existence and its integrity. The country was, is and will always be eternal. He further stated that the enormous height of the statue was a reminder to youth of how high their aspirations could go. Keeping the Nation's unity diversity and sovereignty intact is one such responsibility which Patel has given to the countrymen.

A programme was held in the Embassy compound to commemorate the occasion on October 31, 2018 which was attended by members of Indian community. On this occasion, Ambassador S. D. Moorthy in his speech highlighted the contributions made by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in the Unity of India as the First Home Minister of India.



150 YEARS OF CELEBRATING THE MAHATMA

Mahatma Gandhi's 150th Birth Anniversary was celebrated on October 02, 2018 at Embassy of India premises. Around 125 people participated in this event, including dignitaries from Foreign Office, Office bearers of Organization of Non-violence and Development (ONAD), South Sudan and members of Indian Community living in South Sudan.

The set of seven commemorative postage stamps released by Department of Posts, Government of India to mark Mahatma Gandhi's 150th Birth Anniversary Celebrations was also released for exhibition in the Embassy. A logo in this regard is also released by Government of India.

Ambassador S D Moorthy in his remarks highlighted the Gandhiji's teachings of Truth, Non-violence and Perseverance and his role in the Independence movement of India. Ambassador Moorthy emphasized that everyone should continue to pass the message of Gandhiji to every part of the world so that it reaches the common man.

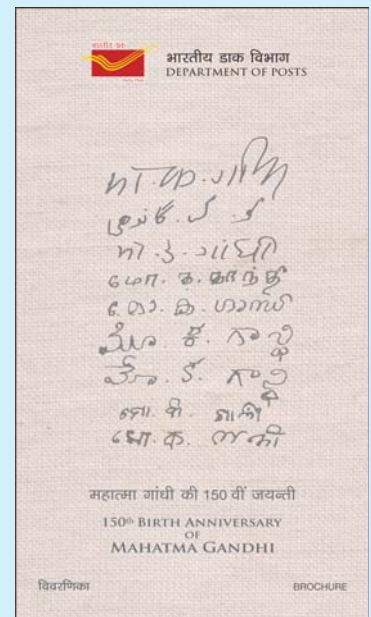
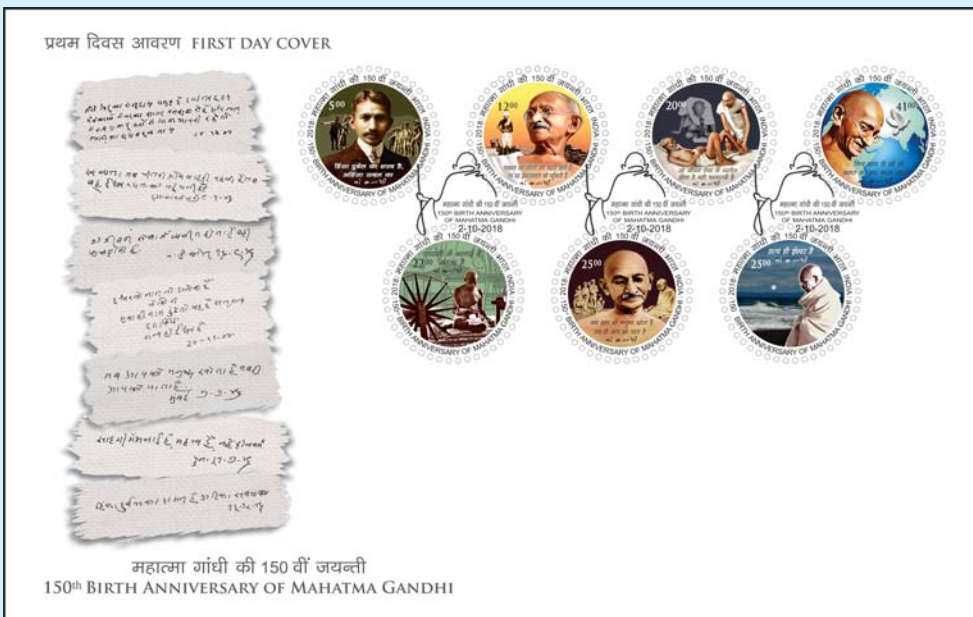
Executive Director for Organization for Non-violence and Development (ONAD) Mr. Moses Monday John said that the organizations for non-violence including faith based organizations in South Sudan turned up to celebrate the day in order to embrace the culture and practice of nonviolent action as the best alternative to restore sustainable peace in the country.



150 YEARS OF CELEBRATING THE MAHATMA

In line with Mission's plan for celebrating 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Ambassador and Embassy officers visited various schools in South Sudan and propagate the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi about peace and non-violence. The schools visited are Don Bosco Secondary School in Gumbo, Gabat Primary school, Mary Help Nursing College, Wau State.

The Ambassador and Embassy officers had donated books for the school library, writing materials to the needy children and a portrait of Mahatma Gandhi to display at the schools. Officers also handed over sports materials like footballs, volley balls and skipping ropes for the children studying in Gabat Primary School.



AMBASSADOR S.D. MOORTHY VISITED WAU STATE IN OCTOBER 2018

On the invitation of Mary Help Nursing College, Indian Ambassador S.D. Moorthy accompanied by Hon. Health Minister Dr. Riek Gai Kok and Dr. Matshidiso Moeti, Regional Director, WHO visited Wau state on October 21, 2018.

The delegation was received by the Hon. Governor of Wau State Hon. Angelo Turban and his Cabinet members. The delegation visited the office of the Governor and the Governor briefed the delegation about the security situation in Wau State. Thereafter the team visited Wau General Hospital's maternity and Children Ward.

Ambassador and other delegates visited Mary Help Nursing College to take part in the 9th Convocation Ceremony of the College. A cultural show was also presented by the South Sudan's youngsters during the event including a performance on an Indian song was commended as "Indian Bollywood cinema reached Wau," by the Hon. Governor.

During the event, Indian Ambassador presented books and writing materials, a handed over a portrait of Gandhiji to Sister Grace who is running primary schools and the Nursing College in Wau. Sister Grace came to Wau 35 years ago from the Indian state of Kerala and rendering a self-less humanitarian service to the needy people of that region since then.

In his address, the Ambassador highlighted Mahatma Gandhi's teaching of peace and non-violence and urged to follow the path of non-violence taught by Mahatma Gandhi.

Ambassador had consented to donate text books on nursing from India as requested by Mary Help College. On the request of the Hon. Governor of Wau State, Indian Embassy has agreed to donate computers and solar power panels for the maternity and children ward of Wau General Hospital. Ambassador has also agreed to consider sending two of the eye doctors from the Wau General Hospital for higher studies in India.

Ambassador congratulated all the graduates who completed their nursing courses from the college and urged them to avail the scholarships offered by India for higher studies through the Embassy of India. Ambassador also welcomed the peace agreement signed by the Government of South Sudan with the opposition groups and hoped peace would settle down in the Country immediately.

Ambassador also commended the humanitarian service rendered by Sister Grace and her Rev. Sisters and teachers team in Wau State.



CELEBRATION OF ITEC DAY 2018

The Mission celebrated the ITEC Day in the Chancery on 08th December. The annual get-together attracted more than 125 South Sudan nationals who had undergone various training courses in India under ITEC programme. For the last three years, more than 300 benefited from South Sudan under the scheme. The event was attended by officials from the MoFA and other Ministries and Indian community members.

While sharing their experience in India, the beneficiaries praised Government of India for rendering the capacity building assistance to the deserving South Sudan's government officials and individuals from private sector.

The event was graced by Prof. John Akec, Vice Chancellor, Juba University who was the Chief Guest. He urged the citizens to avail the opportunity of capacity building trainings offered by India which are timely need of the young South Sudan.

Indian Ambassador, S D Moorthy stated that the ITEC scholarships could be increased to 300 from the current level of 200 if all the slots allotted for South Sudanese citizens were utilized fully by March 2019. Ambassador Moorthy urged the beneficiaries, who undergone the training courses in India to spread the details of capacity building training courses offered by Indian Embassy and ask the prospective aspirants to approach the Embassy for further details.

Mr. Sendil Raj, Joint Secretary of Indian Association of South Sudan (IASS) had narrated how Indian community is participating in South Sudan's economic progress. He had stated that the Indian community stayed back even during the period of crises in the country for the love of South Sudan.

Some of the students who studied in India had also shared their Indian experiences and urged Indian Embassy to take steps to open an Indian University in South Sudan which would benefit a large number of students who are longing for knowledge in the country.

Some of the beneficiaries had turned up with colorful Indian attire of Sari, Salwar-Kameez, Kurta-Pyjamas. The guests were entertained with Indian food consisting of Samosa, Biryani, Gulab Jamun, Cake and other Indian delicacies.



CELEBRATION OF ITEC DAY 2018



INDIAN COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES CELEBRATION OF DIWALI IN JUBA

The Indian Association of South Sudan (IASS) had organised a colorful Diwali celebration at Hotel Panorama Plaza, Airport Road on November 10, 2018. The event was attended by Indian nationals numbering around 300 and a sizeable number of South Sudanese friends. The celebrations were marked by a singing competition and the singers sang songs in Hindi, Tamil and Gujarati languages. The judges were Indian Ambassador S.D. Moorthy, Mr. Ravindra Prakash, Chairman (IASS), Hon. Kwong Danhier Gatluak, Former Minister and Mr. G.K. Mishra, Attache in the Indian Embassy. There was a colorful Bhangra dance performance by a group of Indians from the state of Punjab. There was also a Garba dance by Gujarati community residing in Juba.

In his address, the Ambassador greeted the Indian community and thanked the South Sudanese friends for attending the Diwali celebrations. Hon. Kwong Danhier Gatluak, Former Minister praised the Indian community for bringing a colorful Bollywood evening to Juba by singing songs in different languages of India and dance sequences by the Indian Community. He praised Indians' presence in the country for decades and commitment to stay back in South Sudan despite the internal conflict, which showed South Sudan as their close friend. The winners were presented trophies and the guests were treated to delicious Indian food and sweets. It was decided by the Indian Association to invite more South Sudanese friends for Indian festival celebrations in future.



VISIT TO JUBA ORPHANAGE HOME, CENTRAL EQUATORIA STATE

Indian Ambassador along with staff members of Indian Embassy visited Juba Orphanage Home, Central Equatoria State for celebrating Indian festival "Diwali" with the children and social workers residing at the orphanage. Ambassador was briefed of the conditions of inmates and their education and family details by the Director General of the House. The festival of the lights (Diwali) is celebrated in India and across the world by Indians. This year the Embassy decided to celebrate Diwali with destitute children at the orphanage.

The Embassy donated food items, toiletries and sweets to the children at the Juba Orphanage Home. Ambassador conveyed to the DG of the Orphanage that if there is any requirement in future, the Embassy could be approached for assistance. The DG appreciated the goodwill gesture of the Embassy by visiting the orphanage and spending time with the children.



INDIAN BATTALION REHABILITATE ROADS AT KODOK (SOUTH SUDAN)

Indian Battalion deployed with the UN Mission in South Sudan, in Upper Nile State repaired the road from air-strip to outskirts (approximately 5 km) of the Kodok town. This road is a major lifeline for the people in Kodok and other neighbouring villages as it connects two important locations in the region viz, the Kodok air-strip and the river jetty on the banks of River Nile, apart from interlinking all villages in the region.

Indian Company Commander, Lt Col Thongam Motilal said that the Indian contingent is working under the UN flagship to improve the living conditions of the locals of South Sudan. "We always try our best to help the people while executing our tasks and it will be our endeavor and sincere effort to make their lives better," he added.

The assistance provided by Indian Battalion was highly appreciated by the Governor of Fashoda State as well as by all the local people. A letter of appreciation from the Governor Office was also presented to the Indian Battalion to acknowledge their community service.



"REMEMBERING THE MAHATMA ON HIS 150TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR AS INDBATT-II CELEBRATES UN DAY IN SOUTH SUDAN"

On the occasion of the 73rd UN Day, the 7 Garhwal Rifles Battalion distributed solar lamps to the remote areas of the Jonglei region which was appreciated by the locals and the civil administration. The occasion also pays homage to the 150th anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi by adopting his vision of illuminating and empowering the mind.



INDIAN PEACEKEEPERS LAUNCH AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ON TICKS AND FLIES CONTROL IN LIVESTOCK

Veterinary team of Indian battalion based at Malakal (South Sudan) organized a veterinary camp in Asosa area of Malakal town on 27 Nov 2018 in co-ordination with Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Animal Resources, Fisheries & Irrigation of Central Upper Nile State. The emphasis of the camp was to educate the local people (livestock owner and their families) with regards to 'Ticks and Flies Control in Livestock'. Indian veterinary team led by Lt Col YS Sengar, delivered lecture cum demonstration on aspects of ticks and flies prevention and control in livestock.

Lt Col Sengar said, "The animals in these areas are severely affected with ticks and flies infestations. These insects not only cause the nuisance to the animals and the farmers but also transmit many fatal insect-borne diseases to animals and thereby reduce livestock production."

During the camp, more than 550 animals including cattle and goats were treated and dewormed at the camp site. The conduct of the camp achieved the aim of rendering treatment to sick animals at their door steps and professional advice on various aspects of animal health management to farmers at grassroots level.

Hon. Daniel Yhor, Agriculture Minister of state, visited the campsite with his staff. He interacted with owners of the livestock and also witnessed the demo given by Indian Veterinary team. Agriculture Minister said, "I am sure that preventive measures demonstrated in camp will help in minimizing the ill effect of these insects in livestock. I hope such veterinary awareness campaign would also be conducted in other areas of the state also in the future." He lauded the well thought initiative of the Commanding Officer of INDBATT-1, Col Amit Gupta, in reaching out to the locals for betterment of their livestock.

The Veterinary aid camp was highly successful with active participation of large number of animal owners. Owners of the livestock expressed gratitude for conducting camps for welfare of their livestock.

Peta Lay, a local livestock owner said, "We are very thankful to the UNMISS peacekeepers for their continuous efforts in improving the health of the animals and educating us about control of the ticks and flies which are adversely affecting our animal's health. They have also given us medicines and feed supplements for the benefit of the animals."



ISRO LAUNCHES PSLV-C43 ON 29th NOVEMBER 2018

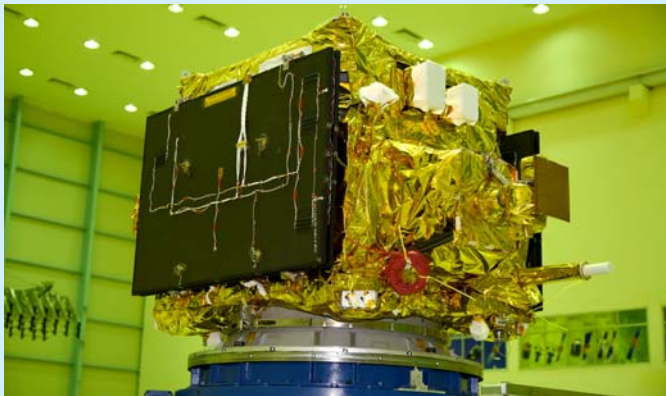
The Indian Space Research Organisation's (ISRO) Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C43) on November 29, 2018 successfully launched 31 satellites from Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) in Sriharikota.

HysIS is an earth observation satellite built around ISRO's Mini Satellite-2 (IMS-2) bus weighing about 380kg. The mission life of the satellite is five years.

HysIS had the company of one micro and 29 nano-satellites from eight countries, including Australia (1), Canada (1), Columbia (1), Finland (1), Malaysia (1), Netherlands (1), Spain (1) and USA (23). The total weight of these satellites was about 261.50 kg. Satellites from Australia, Columbia, Malaysia and Spain were flown aboard PSLV for the first time. These foreign satellites launched are part of commercial arrangements between Antrix Corporation Limited and customers.

Mission Director R Hutton termed the launch as a grand and marvelous one with clockwork precision. "We have used a lighter version of PSLV today. It has once again proven its capabilities to launch multiple satellites into different orbits. All our team members, their family members and industry partners have played a vital role," Hutton said.

It was the 45th flight of PSLV and 13th one in the Core Alone configuration. So far, the PSLV has launched 44 Indian and nine satellites built by students from Indian universities. The vehicle has also launched 269 international customer satellites.



PSLV-C43 successfully launches HysIS and 30 satellites into Sun Synchronous Orbits

- ▶ PSLV-C43 is the 45th Flight of Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) and 13th flight of its Core-Alone variant
- ▶ PSLV-C43 was launched from First Launch Pad (FLP) of Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) SHAR, Sriharikota

PSLV-C43 Stages at a Glance

Parameters	Stage 1 (PS1)	Stage 2 (PS2)	Stage 3 (HPS3)	Stage 4 (PS4)
Length (m)	20	12.8	3.6	3.0
Diameter (m)	2.8	2.8	2.0	1.34
Propellant	Solid (HTPB based)	Liquid (UH25+N2O4)	Solid (HTPB based)	Liquid (MMH+MON3)
Propellant Mass (t)	138.2	42	7.65	2.5

HysIS

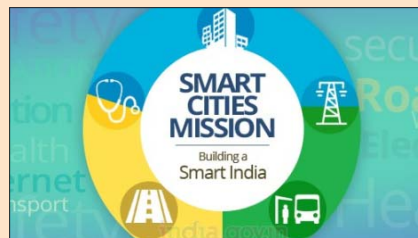
- Hyper Spectral Imaging Satellite
- Satellite Mass : ~380 kg
- Power : 730 W
- Payload : Two spectrometers in VNIR & SWIR bands
- Mission life: 5 years

30 co-passenger satellites

Country	Name	Satellites (Nos)
Australia	Centauri - 1	1
Canada	Kepler (CASE)	1
Columbia	FACSAT	1
Finland	Reaktor Hello World	1
Malaysia	InnoSAT-2	1
Netherlands	HIBER-1	1
Spain	3Cat-1	1
USA	CICERO-8	1
USA	Flock 3R	16
USA	Global-1	1
USA	HSAT-1	1
USA	LEMURs	4

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SNAPSHOT OF INDIAN ECONOMY

GDP Growthrate	Indian economy is estimated to grow at a rate of 6.7 percent in 2017-18. (and projected to grow at a rate of 7.2 percent in 2018-19).
Gross Value added (GVA) Composition by sector (2017-18)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Services : 53.9 Percent ◆ Industry : 29.1 Percent ◆ Agriculture : 17.1 Percent
Forex Reserves	US\$ 393,287.9 million as on December 28, 2018
Value of Exports	US\$ 27.93 billion in December of 2018
Major Export Partners	United States (15 percent), United Arab Emirates (11 percent), Hong Kong (5 percent), China (4 percent), Singapore (4 percent) and United Kingdom (3 percent)
Cumulative FDI Equity Inflows	FDI in India during April-September 2018 stood at US\$ 22.66 billion
Top Investing Countries FDI Inflows	Singapore (US\$ 8.62 billion), Mauritius (US\$ 3.88 billion), Netherlands (US\$ 2.31 billion), Japan (US\$ 1.88 billion), USA (US\$ 970 million), and UK (US\$ 845 million)



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