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MESSAGE FOR CHRIST CHURCH COLLEGE, KANPUR

Commemorating Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

I am delighted to learn that, Christ Church College, Kanpur is celebrating 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. This provides us an opportunity to reflect and deliberate upon the ideas and efforts that shaped India in post independence years. Drawing upon this experience we are well poised to ideate about the future and resolutely work to build a modern India that is strong, stable, prosperous and occupying a front ranking position in the comity of nations. We have much to be proud of since our Independence in 1947

and before. Christ Church College, Kanpur in its long journey played a seminal role in grooming young men and women who contributed to the nation building process. I am confident that living up to its great tradition it will produce future generations of young Indians with quest for knowledge, proud of their civilisational values and undaunting national spirit.

2. India has achieved a lot over the last 75 years. The economy has grown almost 10 times in the last three decades. Poverty levels have come down despite manifold increase in our population. India is expected to be the third largest economy in the world by 2030. India also has a young population with a rapidly growing middle class. Going forward, a strong economy, empowered human capital, technological excellence and a strong sense of civilizational awareness will be guarantors of India's security.

3. There is a lot to be done as India navigates the next 25 years from India@75 to India@100. It is with this thought in mind that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi conceptualized the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, which in his words is — “Elixir of energy of independence; elixir of aspirations of the warriors of freedom struggle; elixir of new ideas and pledges; and elixir of Aatmanirbharta”.

4. I once again thank the Principal and the Alumni Association for organizing this function and wish you good luck in all your endeavours.

Thank you and Jai Hind



(Ajit Doval)
