

# From Smartphones to Laptops: India powers ahead in IT Hardware Manufacturing

## State-of-the-Art Laptop Assembly Line of Indian company Syrma SGS inaugurated by Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw in Chennai

Chennai Jan 12 2025: In a groundbreaking development for India's electronics manufacturing sector, Union Minister of Electronics and Information Technology, Railways, and Information & Broadcasting Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated Syrma SGS Technology's state-of-the-art laptop assembly line in Chennai today.

This facility, located in the Madras Export Processing Zone (MEPZ), marks a pivotal shift in India's 'Make in India' journey, extending its dominance from mobile phones to IT hardware manufacturing especially the Laptops.

A Milestone in 'Make in India'

The new assembly line will initially produce 100,000 laptops annually, with a scalable capacity of up to 1 million units within the next 1-2 years. Syrma SGS currently operates four manufacturing units in Chennai, with its Unit 3 now initiating laptop production.

Speaking at the inauguration, Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw said, "We must work

meticulously to ensure that the electronic component ecosystem is also developed in the coming time. This will not only drive a major growth story for India but also align with our vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat, fostering self-reliance and strengthening our position in the global electronics manufacturing landscape."

The initiative, part of the PLI 2.0 scheme for IT Hardware, highlights India's growing capabilities in high-value electronics production and reinforces the nation's self-reliance in IT hardware.

Key Highlights of the Assembly line

Global Partnership: Syrma SGS has partnered with Micro-Star International (MSI), a leading Taiwanese technology company, to manufacture high-quality laptops in India, catering to both domestic and global markets.

Boosting Local Economy: The facility is projected to generate 150-200 specialized jobs in electronics manufacturing by FY26,



making a substantial impact on both Tamil Nadu's regional and India's national economy. These roles are anticipated to have a ripple effect, shaping and enhancing the future workforce in the sector.

World-Class Standards: The laptops produced will meet international quality benchmarks, showcasing India's evolving technical and manufacturing prowess.

India's Rising Electronics Manufacturing Sector  
 India's electronics

47 manufacturing units supported under various schemes of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY). The state is one of the largest beneficiaries of the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for Large Scale Electronic Manufacturing, with seven out of the 27 approved units under PLI 2.0 located here. The first unit under this initiative was inaugurated yesterday.

Additionally, Tamil Nadu has seen significant support

production exceeding Rs.1.3 lakh crore to date.

The state is also home to the Electronics Manufacturing Cluster (EMC) at Pillaipakkam Village, Sriperumbudur, established by M/s State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu (SIPCOT). With a project cost of Rs.420 crore, including Rs.210 crore in support from the Government of India, this cluster is expected to attract investments worth Rs.8,700 crore and create 36,300 jobs. Tamil Nadu contributes around 30% of India's electronics exports, underscoring its pivotal role in the sector.

Status of PLI 2.0 for IT Hardware

The Production Linked Incentive (PLI) 2.0 for IT Hardware, launched on May 29, 2023, aims to further strengthen India's electronics manufacturing ecosystem by offering a 5% incentive to eligible companies.

The scheme covers products like laptops, tablets, all-in-one PCs, servers, and ultra-small form factor devices. With a projected investment of Rs.3,000 crore, PLI 2.0 is expected to drive production worth Rs.3.5 lakh crore and generate 47,000 jobs across the country.

Scheme-wise beneficiaries in the state of Tamil Nadu can be accessed from here

A Bright Future for laptop manufacturing Manufacturing

The inauguration of Syrma SGS's laptop assembly line marks a new chapter in India's electronics journey, paving the way for reduced dependency on imports, enhanced employment

# Scientific Conclave on Livestock Vaccine Innovation Held in Hyderabad

Chennai Jan 12 2025: The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying under the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying in collaboration with Indian Immunologicals Limited and National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) organised a "Conclave on Pandemic Preparedness & Vaccine Innovation" in Hyderabad on 10th January 2025.

future pandemics. This includes enhancing diagnostic facilities to ensure early detection and rapid response to emerging diseases. He also underscored the importance of establishing advanced platforms for the development and production of next-generation animal vaccines, which are crucial for preventing the spillover of zoonotic diseases and safeguarding both animal and human health. He said that strengthening these critical components aligns with the broader goal of building a resilient healthcare framework under the One Health approach.

Ms. Alka Upadhyaya, Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, stated that the Government needs to spend more on animal health for better productivity and also improve supply chain and cold chain systems to make the last mile



delivery effective.

Dr. Abhijit Mitra, Animal Husbandry Commissioner, in his address emphasized upon the need to ensure vaccine security and pre-qualifications for animal vaccines.

The Conclave aimed to foster a deeper understanding of various aspects of "One Health," focusing on enhancing vaccination programs, improving livestock health, building resilient supply chains for pandemic preparedness, strengthening pandemic responses,

advancing disease surveillance, and streamlining vaccine testing, fostering artificial intelligence in healthcare, cell and gene therapy vaccines and regulatory pathways for approval.

The programme was also attended by Shri Rama Shankar Sinha, Joint Secretary (Livestock Health), Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying; Dr K Anand Kumar, Managing Director, Indian Immunologicals Limited; Dr Sanjay Shukla, Member Secretary, Central Zoo

India is known as a global vaccine hub with more than 60% of the vaccines being manufactured in India and more than 50% of the vaccine manufacturers operating based out of Hyderabad. The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying is implementing the world's largest vaccination programme in livestock with 100% financial support from the Central Government for vaccination against Foot & Mouth Disease (102 crore vaccinations done) (WOAH endorsed) Brucellosis (4.23 crore vaccinations done), Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR) (17.3 crore vaccinations done), Classical Swine Fever (0.59 crore vaccinations done) and on sharing patterns for Lumpy Skin Disease (26.38 crore vaccination done) under which each animal receives a unique identification number (UID) recorded in the Bharat Pashudhan i.e National Digital Livestock Mission which keeps track of the vaccination schedule and ensures traceability. Such vaccination programmes have led to a significant reduction in the incidence of major livestock diseases in the country.

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## Extensions in service are set back to those who are in line; defies the logical principle of expectation-VP

Chennai Jan 12 2025: The Vice-President, Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar today said that, "Extensions in service, extensions in any form for a particular post are set back to those who are in line. It defies the logical principle of expectation. We have a doctrine of expectation. People devote decades to be in a particular groove. Extension indicates that some individual is indispensable. Indispensability is a myth. Talent abounds in this country. No one is indispensable. And therefore, it lies in the domain of public service commissions at the state and the central level that when they have a role in such kinds of situations, they must be firm."

Delivering the inaugural address at the 25th National Conference of Chairpersons of All State Public Service Commission at Bengaluru in Karnataka today, he stressed that, "It is with utmost restraint I am reflecting on an aspect. Public service commissions, the appointment cannot be driven by patronage, by favoritism. There are trends that are visible. I do not wish to reflect on them, but some of them are very painful. We must account ourselves to our conscience. We cannot have a public service commission Chairman or a member, wedded to a particular ideology or an individual. That will be undoing the essence and spirit of the framework of the constitution."

Drawing attention towards post-retirement assignments, Shri Dhankhar said, "Post-retirement recruitment is a problem. In some states it has been structured. Employees never retire, particularly those in the premium services. They get number of ad-hoc nomenclatures. This is not good. Everyone in



the country must have due and that due is defined by law. ....Any largesse of this kind is antithetical to what was visualised by framers of the Constitution."

Expressing his concern over paper leaks, Shri Dhankhar said that, "This is a menace. You have to curb. Your fairness of selection will have no meaning if paper leakages are there. And paper leakage has become an industry, a commerce. People, young boys and girls used to have fear of examinations. How difficult the question will be. How will we address it? Now they are having two fears. One is fear of examination. Second, fear of leakage. So when they are giving their very best for several months and weeks to prepare for an examination, and they receive the setback of leakage.

Highlighting the divisive and polarized nature of polity, the Vice-President said, "our polity at the moment is too divisive, too polarised. Interaction is not taking place at the premium level in political organizations. When it comes to nation, when the world is in a transformative phase, it is India's century. That century can be fully fructified for people's gain only when we have calm political atmosphere....We need political fire extinguishers. A political divisiveness, a vitiated political climate

is far more dangerous than the climate change means we are facing."

"Harmony in polity is not just wishful thinking, a desirable facet. Harmony is imperative. If there is no harmony in polity, if the polity is polarized, deeply divisive, with no communication channels functioning, imagine you are in an earthquake, you are lost and you have no connection with the outside world, things will be terrible for you", he added.

Underlining the importance of strong institutions, Shri Dhankhar said that, "Weakening of institutions. Any institution, if it is weakened, the damage is to the entire nation. Weakening an institution is like prick on the body. The entire body will be in pain. I would therefore urge, we must have strengthening of institutions. States and Union must work in tandem. They must be in synergetic mode. They must be in sync with one another when it comes to national interest".

Emphasising on the need to solve the issues faced by the nation through dialogue and discussion instead of ignoring them, Shri Dhankhar stated, "We are a country where there is bound to be governance of different ideologies and why not? That is inclusivity manifestation in our society. I therefore urge from this platform that all those who are in the seat of governance, at all

levels, must enhance dialogue, must believe in consensus, must always be ready for deliberation. The problems the nation is facing should not be relegated to the background. We cannot afford any longer to have problems on the back burner. No. These will have to be addressed at the earliest ... I urge senior leadership for all political parties to create an ecosystem and climate that can generate dialogue, discussion, formal, informal. Consensual approach, discussion is deeply rooted in our civilizational ethos. This is a message we give to the world. Time for us to follow this message for ourselves."

Speaking about the role of intellectuals in society, he stated, "Intellectuals are supposed to guide us. Intellectuals are supposed to be fire extinguishers when there is social disharmony, when there is a problem. I find intellectuals are formed into groups. They sign representations they may not have read. They think signing representation is a password for getting a position, if a particular dispensation comes to power. Now look at intellectuals, former bureaucrats, former diplomats. You earned a level of public service, which others must emulate. You must be objective in making representations. You cannot create a group to subserve your interest with change of political alignments."

## NATIONAL AWARDEES FROM TN AND PUDUCHERRY AMONG THE TEN THOUSAND SPECIAL INVITEES FOR THE REPUBLIC DAY PARADE

Chennai Jan 12 2025: Around twelve national awardees and best performing beneficiaries of central government schemes from Tamil Nadu and Puducherry have been invited from across the country to witness the Republic Day Parade at Kartavya Path, New Delhi on January 26, 2025. They are among the ten thousand Special Guests who will witness the parade as special invitees. Prominent among these architects of 'Swarnim Bharat' are

Mr DT Kamalakkannan from Chennai and Mr M Devaraj from Mamallapuram, who are national awardees under the textiles sector.

With the objective of increasing people's participation in events of national importance, about ten thousand special guests have been invited to witness the Republic Day Parade in New Delhi this time.

Disaster Relief Workers, water warriors, primary agricultural credit societies, local body

representatives, self help groups, trainees under the national skill development corporation, forests and wildlife conservation workers and volunteers, Accredited Social Health Activists, Mann ki Baat participants, Paralympic Contingent & winners of International Sports events, Renewable Energy workers, Anganwadi workers, road construction workers, best start up's and best patent holders are among those who

have been invited as special guests.

Local body presidents, whose villages have achieved targets in selected government initiatives are among the special invitees. A national-level competition was announced by Department of Administrative Reforms & Public Grievances among panchayats. Panchayats which have achieved targets in at least six flagship schemes were selected as Special Guests.

## "Vanangaan" is a captivating masterpiece that seamlessly weaves together elements of drama, suspense, and emotional depth



Chennai Jan 12 2025: "Vanangaan" is a captivating masterpiece that seamlessly weaves together elements of drama, suspense, and emotional depth. Set against a picturesque backdrop, the film unfolds a gripping narrative that keeps viewers on the edge of their seats from start to finish.

One of the standout aspects of "Vanangaan" is its brilliant storytelling. The plot is intricately crafted, with each scene contributing meaningfully to the overarching storyline. The characters are well-developed, each with their own motivations and complexities, which adds layers of realism to the narrative.

The performances in "Vanangaan" are stellar. The cast delivers powerhouse performances, bringing their characters to life with raw emotion and authenticity. Their chemistry on screen is palpable, drawing viewers deeper into the story and making them emotionally invested in the characters' journeys.

Visually, "Vanangaan" is a treat for the eyes. The cinematography captures the beauty of its locations, enhancing the overall viewing experience. The use of light and shadow adds a layer of atmosphere to the film, underscoring its thematic depth.

Furthermore, "Vanangaan" excels in its soundtrack and editing. The music perfectly complements the mood of each scene, heightening tension or evoking poignant emotions as needed. The editing is seamless, maintaining a brisk pace while allowing moments of quiet introspection to resonate.

Overall, "Vanangaan" is a must-watch for cinephiles and casual viewers alike. It's a testament to the power of storytelling and craftsmanship in filmmaking, leaving a lasting impression long after the credits roll.

The review of Vanangaan offers a balanced critique of Bala's directorial approach, highlighting both his strengths and shortcomings. It serves

as a valuable reflection on how a filmmaker's unique style, while once revolutionary, can stagnate if not accompanied by innovation and depth.

The piece effectively acknowledges Bala's signature storytelling elements — his

commitment to showcasing the lives of the marginalized and his penchant for creating raw, emotionally charged narratives. The praise for Arun Vijay's performance as Kottee is noteworthy, as it emphasizes the actor's dedication and ability to shine despite the film's uneven execution. Similarly, the recognition of the film's potential to evoke the nostalgia of Bala's earlier, impactful works like Nandhaa is a testament to his undeniable talent as a filmmaker.

However, the review does not shy away from pointing out critical flaws, such as the reliance on shock value, underdeveloped characters, and a voyeuristic portrayal of sensitive subjects. The discussion on the problematic aspects of

Bala's writing, especially regarding casual violence and the treatment of women, is particularly significant. It calls for a more nuanced and responsible approach to storytelling, especially in today's socially conscious cinematic landscape.

The critique also thoughtfully addresses the lack of a strong antagonist and the thinning of the plot, which dilute the film's impact. By pointing out how Bala's reliance on archetypes risks turning them into stereotypes, the review underscores the importance of evolving as a storyteller to stay relevant in a rapidly changing industry.

Overall, this review is a fair and constructive evaluation of Vanangaan. It not only highlights Bala's contributions to Tamil cinema but also encourages him to introspect and adapt his filmmaking style for the modern audience. It's a call for reinvention, urging the filmmaker to rediscover the purpose and depth that once defined his work.

## PM to visit J&K and inaugurate Sonamarg Tunnel project on 13th January

Chennai, Jan 12 2025: Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will visit Sonamarg in Jammu & Kashmir on 13th January. At around 11:45 AM, he will visit the Sonamarg Tunnel which will be followed by its inauguration. He will also address the gathering on the occasion.

The Sonamarg Tunnel project, around 12 km long, has been constructed at a cost of over Rs 2,700 crore. It comprises of the Sonamarg main tunnel of 6.4 km length, an egress tunnel and



approach roads. It will also promote tourism by transforming Sonamarg into a year-round destination, boosting winter tourism, adventure sports, and local livelihoods. Along with the Zojila Tunnel, set for completion by 2028, it will reduce the route length from 49 km to

43 km and boost vehicle speed from 30 km/hr to 70 km/hr, ensuring seamless NH-1 connectivity between Srinagar Valley and Ladakh. This enhanced connectivity will boost defense logistics, drive economic growth and socio-cultural integration across Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

Prime Minister will also meet the construction workers who have worked meticulously in the harshest conditions, acknowledging their contribution to this engineering feat.

## Mines Ministry Organizes Roadshow on Offshore Mineral Blocks Auction in Kochi, Kerala

Chennai Jan 12 2025: The Ministry of Mines organized a landmark roadshow today at The Renai, Kochi, on the maiden e-auction of offshore mineral blocks, showcasing India's commitment to unlocking the vast resource potential in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). The event witnessed an enthusiastic response from industry leaders, policymakers, and stakeholders, government representatives marking a significant step toward fostering sustainable offshore mining.

In his welcome address, Shri Vivek K. R. Bajpai, administering authority and Joint Secretary, Ministry of Mines, highlighted the transformative vision of the government in launching India's first offshore mineral blocks auction. He emphasized the immense potential of resources such as construction sand, lime-mud, and polymetallic nodules in driving the nation's self-reliance in critical minerals.

Shri V.L. Kantha Rao, Secretary, Ministry of Mines, expressed optimism about India's ambitious strides in offshore mining,



stating, India is on the path to becoming a global leader in offshore mineral exploration. With abundant resources in our Exclusive Economic Zone, this initiative will not only cater to the growing domestic demand but also position India as a significant player in the international mining landscape. He emphasized that the transparent and competitive auction process will attract investments, foster innovation, and provide sustainable solutions to bolster economic growth while supporting critical industries like construction and infrastructure.

Shri A.P.M. Mohammed Hanish, Principal Secretary, Industries Department, Government of Kerala, delivered a key address underlining Kerala's strategic importance in the

offshore mining sector. He showcased the state's vast deposits of construction sand and reaffirmed Kerala's commitment to promoting investor-friendly and sustainable mining practices.

Key presentations included:

**S B I C A P S :** Detailed insights into the e-auction process, including timelines, registration steps, and participation requirements.

**GSI (Geological Survey of India):** Comprehensive technical findings on the identified blocks, highlighting the immense potential of construction sand deposits off Kerala's coast.

**M S T C :** A demonstration of the advanced e-auction platform, ensuring a seamless and transparent bidding

experience.

The event also served as a platform for fruitful discussions among stakeholders from the mining, construction, and infrastructure sectors. Participants expressed keen interest in the identified blocks, particularly the three offshore blocks in Kerala, which hold immense promise for the state's construction and infrastructure industries.

The roadshow reflects the government's commitment to innovation and transparency in mining, paving the way for sustainable offshore resource utilization and new collaborations. All details of the auction, including terms and mineral blocks, can be accessed on the MSTC auction platform at <https://www.mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/mlcln/>.

## Embrace your potential & align aspirations with India's journey towards becoming 'Viksit Bharat' - Rajnath Singh

Chennai Jan 12 2025: Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh has called upon the youth to embrace their potential and align their aspirations with India's journey towards becoming 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047. Addressing the convocation ceremony of IIMT University, Meerut in Uttar Pradesh on January 11, 2025, Raksha Mantri underscored the decisive role the young ignited minds of the country can play in realising the national resolve of making India a developed nation. The dreams, commitment and thinking of the youth will give India a new identity in the world, he said, adding that the strength of a nation lies in the knowledge, skills, and determination of its young minds.

Citing a saying 'Every age has its own heroes', Shri Rajnath Singh described the youth as the heroes of the country's

future. He told the students present on the occasion that the biggest strength of the youth is their optimism, which provides the power to see opportunity in every difficulty.

Raksha Mantri highlighted the nation's growing stature on the global stage under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, and said "Today, when India speaks, the whole world listens". He added that India has made giant strides towards becoming a strong, secure & self-reliant nation, which is manufacturing state-of-the-art defence equipment on its own soil and even exporting to other countries. He added that India has secured its place as the third-largest start-up hub, and with over 100 unicorns, it is shaping the future of innovation and entrepreneurship.

Emphasising that the youth has the potential to take the country to greater heights, Shri Rajnath Singh asserted that the young minds need to make best use of the environment of opportunities created in the country due to the Government's efforts. He urged the students to always remember three things to deal with any challenges in life - faith in God, confidence in one's own abilities & hope for the best results.

"Today, India is establishing itself as one of the strongest nations. Our youth can represent the country with new confidence and energy. If you possess an idea & skill-set and are ready to work hard, you will have no shortage of opportunities or resources. Today, India is witnessing Transformation, Innovation and Dynamism. It is Innovation & Dynamism

and Ability for Transformation that distinguishes between a Leader & a Follower," Raksha Mantri told the students.

Shri Rajnath Singh urged the youth to stay connected with the country's history, culture & values, as these can provide valuable lessons in times of challenges and doubt. "When you move beyond individual achievements and think about social betterment, you accomplish something that ensures you are remembered for a lifetime," he added.

Raksha Mantri also paid glowing tributes to Swami Vivekananda as January 12 marks his birth anniversary and is celebrated as National Youth Day. Shri Rajnath Singh urged the youth to draw inspiration for Swami Vivekananda's teachings and vision, describing him as India's first 'Global Youth'.

## Actor Karthi honours the Agricultural Community !!

Chennai Jan 12 2025: 'Uzhavar Virudhugal 2025' (Farmers Awards 2025) - An initiative by Uzhavan Foundation to honour and recognise the achievements of individuals excelling in agriculture and their supporters, was held in Chennai. The event witnessed the presence of well-esteemed guests including actor Arvind Swami, actress Saranya Ponvannan, director Mari Selvaraj, and Bava Chellathurai. In addition, the presence of many agricultural experts and students further more embellished the occasion.

During the occasion, the following recipients were honoured with awards and prize money.

Ms. Suganthika won the award for Outstanding Female Agricultural Entrepreneur. Ms. Shyamala was honoured for her significant contributions to restoring water bodies. Kalasapakkam Traditional Seed Center won the Honours of Best Award for Exceptional Agricultural Contribution.

Dr. Vijayakumar was awarded for his colossal contribution to the livestock sector. The award for Best Women's Agricultural Cooperative is bestowed upon the Nammazhvar Natural Minor Millets Farmers Producer Group.

As a token of elevating the gesture of appreciation, the recipients were each gifted Rs. 2 Lakh along with the honours. It is noteworthy that last year, the winners were felicitated with a sum



of Rs.1 Lakh.

Actor Karthi, Founder of the Uzhavan Foundation, said, "We have been curiously waiting for this event for the whole year, and we are getting more recognition. Individuals striving to help others, especially in the field of agriculture, truly deserve acknowledgement. Unfortunately, most of them don't seek such recognition, and others go unnoticed despite their earnest and soulful contributions. Such individuals with beautiful hearts must be acknowledged and honoured.

Such deeds will definitely inspire others, and motivate them to do the same. When it comes to witnessing the deplorable condition of agriculture, I have experienced it in my own native village, where I grew up. During the filming of 'Kadaikutty Singam', I was hit by the reality check and felt that agriculture must be encouraged and the ones involved in it need to be motivated. While I may not be able to engage in farming myself, I can certainly motivate those who do. I believe it is essential to stand in harmony with farmers, and I encourage everyone to

do the same.

I believe that these activities should not be confined to the harvest Pongal festival; rather, they should be embraced as a regular part of our traditions and lifestyles. This commitment will enhance our cultural practices and strengthen our community throughout the year. The tradition of 'Cook Your Food' has been now replaced by 'Book Your Food'. With our shopping experience ending under a single hub of supermarkets, we remain unaware of its origin and manufacturers. Furthermore, the trend of delivering food to our homes has completely barricaded the situation to give thoughts towards the manufacturers. It's essential that we continuously engage in discussions about agriculture and the benefits of organic farming."

Actress Saranya Ponvannan said, "Actor Karthi's gesture is commendable. Everyone among us has the habit of setting up a garden and boasting about it with many. But such a humble gesture of honouring the valuable deeds of agriculture and farming is truly remarkable. Such an

initiative will significantly have a positive impact on many individuals, who will start practising this culture. Such an initiative represents a significant contribution to the community, and the thought of being involved in such a meaningful service fills me with pride."

Actor Arvind Swami said, "I spent my early days till the age of 15 with my parents in a farmhouse at Nazarethpet. While travelling through that area to reach here rekindled those beautiful memories."

Director Mari Selvaraj said, "Until now, all the stages in events have been designed to elevate us as we walk upwards. However, this particular platform helps us understand who we are, where we come from, and what our roots are. It was only after arriving here that I truly grasped the many facets of agriculture. This insight has been incredibly surprising for me."

Now the grand award ceremony is all set to reach more eyes and ears. The function will be telecasted in Star Vijay TV on the auspicious Pongal day, January 14th, from 11.30AM to 12.30PM.

## The Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue seeks to channel the energy, creativity and leadership of young minds to realise the vision of a Viksit Bharat: PM

Chennai, Jan 12 2025: The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has shared an article written by Union Minister, Raksha Khadse on National Youth Festival 2025 and Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue.

Responding to the X post of Union



Minister, Raksha Khadse about Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue, The Prime Minister's Office posted: "Union Minister @khadseraksha Ji

writes that the Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue is a unique initiative to involve the country's youth in the nation's development journey. The programme seeks to channel the energy, creativity and leadership of young minds to realise the vision of a Viksit Bharat."

## MSI selects Syрма SGS to Manufacture 'Make in India' laptops for Indian consumers

Chennai Jan 12 2025: Syрма SGS Technology Limited, a leading electronics systems design and manufacturing company, is proud to collaborate with MSI (a global leader in AI PCs, gaming, content creation, business & productivity and AIoT solutions) as its manufacturing partner in India to produce laptops for the Indian market. Through this strategic collaboration, Syрма SGS will assemble laptops for MSI at its state-of-the-art Chennai facility.

MSI and Syрма SGS are setting the stage for a phased approach to localize manufacturing for MSI in India through this alliance, starting with the assembly of laptops. Backed by MSI's technology transfer and best practices, Syрма SGS will leverage its high-quality, scalable manufacturing process to deliver on its 'Make in India' promise. This long-term collaboration between the two will cater to the Indian market, bringing premium MSI laptops closer to consumers.

Commenting on this announcement, John Hung, India NB General Manager from MSI said



"India has always been a key market for MSI, and as we continue to expand our presence here, it's important for our products to remain globally competitive while being locally produced. With this vision, our partnership with Syрма SGS marks a significant step forward in our 'Make in India' initiative, bringing our fan-favourite laptops closer to Indian consumers. Syрма SGS's proven expertise in high-quality, scalable manufacturing makes them the ideal partner to help us meet the growing demand for MSI products in India. This collaboration reflects our shared commitment to innovation, quality, and strengthening India's manufacturing ecosystem. We are excited to deliver hi-tech products to our customers and contribute to the growth of the Indian economy."

Satendra Singh, CEO, Syрма SGS Technology Limited,

said, "Being MSI's Indian manufacturing partner, this collaboration is a testament to our commitment to the Make in India initiative. It not only bolsters our IT hardware manufacturing portfolio but also underscores our ability to deliver high-quality, innovative solutions that meet the needs of global leaders like MSI. Together, we aim to bring cutting-edge, locally produced laptops to Indian consumers while setting new benchmarks for quality and innovation in the industry."

With over four decades of experience, Syрма SGS is a trusted name in IT hardware manufacturing, offering a diverse portfolio that includes memory, SSDs, motherboards, power adapters, and full systems integration. The company is a IT hardware PLI approved manufacturer and is a key player contributing to the Make in India initiative. This partnership further

cements its position as a reliable partner for global leaders such as MSI. This partnership also reflects MSI's commitment to strengthening its presence in India by leveraging Syрма SGS's robust manufacturing capabilities.

By aligning their strengths, both these companies aim to drive the growth of the Electronics Manufacturing Services (EMS) industry in India. Syрма SGS is poised to play a pivotal role in MSI's growth strategy, driving innovation and reinforcing India's position as a global hub for electronics manufacturing.

The move is aligned to the government's active support to encourage local laptop manufacturing in the country through a series of policy and strategic initiatives that sync well with the interests of global laptop manufacturers looking to address the India opportunity.

## Model Vijesh Shivan honoured Indian Awards 2024 presented by Actress Amritha Iyer

Chennai Jan 12 2025: Model Vijesh Shivan ( Mr Tamizhagam 2023 - 1st RU )received Rising Model of the Year award from Actress Amritha Iyer at the Grand Indian Awards 2024 presented & Organised by Indian Media Works

Indian Awards 2024 honouring Cinema Celebrities, Politicians & Entrepreneurs, Doctors, Fashion entrepreneurs, Fashion Achievers & business leaders etc

Indian Awards 2024 by Indian Media Works was held at Quality in Sabari Hotel in T. Nagar,



Chennai.

The event was attended by Indian

Media Works MD John Amalan and Mr. Jayaseelan, IDAS - Controller of Defence

Accounts (Ministry of Defence) as special guest and a Indian Awards 2024 recipients.

The Indian Awards 2024 awards were presented to those who are an inspiration in various fields including cinema, television, politics, social service, fashion entrepreneurs, business leaders etc.

Indian Media Works MD John Amalan said that The Indian Awards 2024 ceremony was very successful this year. He also said budding entrepreneurs & budding fashion stars were also motivated & honoured at Indian Awards 2024.

## Infosys Science Foundation Honors Early Career Researchers with the Infosys Prize 2024

Chennai Jan 12 2025: The Infosys Science Foundation (ISF) today awarded the winners of the Infosys Prize 2024 at a felicitation ceremony in Bengaluru. In its 16th year, the prize changed the eligibility criteria and is recognizing researchers under the age of 40, underscoring the importance of early recognition for exceptional talent. The winners were conferred the prize for their stellar contributions across six categories—Economic s, Engineering and Computer Science, Humanities and Social Sciences, Life Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, and Physical Sciences. The winners were felicitated by Chief Guest Prof. Peter Sarnak, Gopal Prasad Professor of Mathematics, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton University, and Eugene Higgins Professor of Mathematics, Princeton University, with a pure gold medal, a citation, and a prize purse of USD 100,000.

The event was attended by distinguished scientists and academicians from around the globe, business leaders, young researchers, and students. Trustees of the Infosys Science Foundation—Mr. Kris Gopalakrishnan (President, Board of Trustees), Mr. Narayana Murthy, Dr. Pratima Murthy, Mr. Srinath Batni, Mr. K. Dinesh, Mr. Nandan Nilekani, Mr. Mohandas Pai, Mr. Salil Parekh, and Mr.



S.D. Shibulal were present at the award ceremony.

Commenting on the occasion, Chief Guest Prof. Peter Sarnak, said, "It is a great honor for me to be part of the Infosys Prize 2024 ceremony recognizing the achievements of these young scholars whose brilliant research has advanced and helped shape their fields from mathematics, physics and computer science to the life sciences, economics, social sciences and humanities. Over the years I have witnessed firsthand the immense talent and impact of Indian mathematicians, physicists and computer scientists and as clear from the descriptions of this year's prize winners this tradition extends across all these disciplines and to all of the 2024 prize winners. The annual recognition of such world leading scholars by the Infosys Science Foundation is an inspiration to students both in India and globally."

Highlighting the new direction, Kris

Gopalakrishnan, President, Infosys Science Foundation, said, "As the Infosys Prize marks its 16th year, we are proud to celebrate early career researchers whose work embodies the progress and potential of science today. Recognizing early-career talent is crucial for driving innovation and inspires the next generation to address the challenges of tomorrow. This year's laureates have demonstrated exceptional dedication and ingenuity, contributing solutions to critical global challenges. Their achievements highlight the strength of the scientific ecosystem and reaffirm our belief that science is on the right path to creating a better, more sustainable future. In an attempt to establish meaningful research collaborations, from this year onwards we have asked winners from outside India to spend a month in Indian institutions of their choosing as part of a new Infosys Prize Residency program."

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Infosys Prize Residency program, a laureate of the Infosys Prize in any category, not residing in India, is required to spend 30 days of their choosing in the calendar year following the announcement of the award in an Indian institution of their choice. This is done with an aim to encourage collaboration among the laureates and the science community in India.

On January 10, the fourth edition of the Infosys Prize Winners' Symposium was held at the Taj West End. The laureates presented their award-winning work to an invited audience of their peers and senior members of academia.

The winners were chosen by jury panels headed by eminent academics: Prof. Jayathi Y. Murthy (President, Oregon State University) for Engineering and Computer Science; Prof. Akeel Bilgrami (Columbia University) for Humanities and Social Sciences; Prof. Mriganka Sur (Massachusetts Institute of Technology) for Life Sciences; Prof. Chandrashekar Khare (University of California, Los Angeles) for Mathematical Sciences; Prof. Shrinivas Kulkarni (California Institute of Technology) for Physical Sciences; and Prof. Kaushik Basu (Cornell University) for Economics.

## Celebrate Pongal with Diamonds at Joyalukkas Brilliance Jewellery Showcase

Chennai Jan 12 2025: Joyalukkas, the World's Favourite Jeweller, is proud to announce the Brilliance Diamond Jewellery Show, set to take place at Prasanth Gold Tower, Chennai, from 11th to 26th January 2025. This grand exhibition, the biggest jewellery showcase of the year, coincides with the joyous celebrations of Pongal, offering patrons an unparalleled jewellery experience. Visitors will be mesmerised by the latest and most exquisite designs in diamonds, uncut diamonds, and precious jewellery, exclusively crafted for this exhibition. The showstoppers, meticulously designed to redefine luxury and elegance, will be displayed only at this showcase, making it a must-visit for jewellery enthusiasts. "This Brilliance Diamond Jewellery



Show is a celebration of craftsmanship, innovation, and the timeless allure of diamonds," said Mr. Joy Alukkas, Chairman and Managing Director of Joyalukkas Group. "We are thrilled to bring this exceptional exhibition to Chennai during Pongal, showcasing designs that are destined to become treasured heirlooms. Each piece in this collection is a testament to our unwavering commitment to excellence and artistry." The Brilliance

Diamond Jewellery Show is more than an exhibition; it is a celebration of artistry, featuring never-before-seen styles, eye-catching designs, and the finest of craftsmanship. Adding to the festivities, customers purchasing diamond jewellery worth ₹1 lakh and above will receive a FREE 1 GM Gold Coin, along with assured free gifts on every purchase a perfect complement to the grandeur of the event. Set against an elegant and sophisticated

backdrop, the show offers an international jewellery experience in the heart of Chennai. Whether you are searching for a statement piece for a special occasion or a timeless treasure to cherish forever, the Brilliance Diamond Jewellery Show promises something extraordinary for everyone. Joyalukkas wishes everyone a Happy Pongal and invites you to experience this once-in-a-lifetime jewellery showcase at Prashanth Gold Tower, Chennai, from 11th to 26th January 2025.