

डॉ० जितेन्द्र सिंह

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MESSAGE

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav is an initiative of the Government of India, under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, to celebrate and commemorate the 75 years of progressive India and the glorious history of its people, culture and achievements. I am happy to note that the Ministry of Earth Sciences is celebrating the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav from 18th October to 24th October.

Ministry of Earth Sciences is a dedicated wing of the Government of India to oversee, support and gear research toward improving the understanding of the structure, composition, and evolution of the Earth, the life it supports, and the processes that govern the formation and behaviour of the Earth's materials. It provides a better understanding of the Earth's changing environments, including the cryosphere and the natural distribution of its mineral, water, biota, and energy resources and provides methods for predicting and mitigating the effects of geologic hazards such as earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, floods, landslides. Earth scientists in a way provide vital knowledge and services to help society cope with its environment in many ways.

Our country is bestowed with about a 75Hundred (~7500)-kilometre-long coastline with rich marine biodiversity. In our scientific pursuits towards the development and well-being of our countrymen, we have taken steps toward the conservation and protection of the ocean and marine environment. Undoubtedly proactive steps are being taken for harnessing energy, food from the ocean by providing professional advisories from time to time such as agro-met advisories, Potential Fishing advisories, Tsunami Early warning and associated advisories besides many, with the guiding principle of sustainable development through conserving environment.

The launching of the Deep Sea Mission has heralded yet another horizon to harness marine resources through technological development under the Blue Economy initiatives of our government.

The Ministry has planned several activities in different areas throughout the country especially in important areas, viz., (i) Polar regions, (ii) deep-sea research, (iii) Solid earth structures and earthquake (iv) Meteorological science and services, (v) potential fishing and Tsunami early warning system (vi) Coastal research (vii) Marine living resources etc. I appeal to all the people to undertake activities in all these areas in their region collectively and individually to make this country-wide movement a grand success. I also encourage everyone to wholeheartedly participate in such programs, discuss and deliberate on the possible approach, share experiences and success stories through discussions, debates using virtual media or otherwise.

I am sure together we all can envision India of tomorrow by putting our best and make India as 'Vishva Guru' a reality. We shall strive hard to enable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of activating India 2.0, triggered by the spirit of Atmanirbhar Bharat.

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