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■ National Logistics Policy Launched; Target Include Mainstreaming of Logistics in Higher Education, Employment Generation

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi launched the National Logistics Policy in New Delhi on 17th September 2022. The Policy lays down an overarching interdisciplinary, cross-sectoral, multi-jurisdictional and



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comprehensive policy framework for the logistics sector. The policy complements the PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan. While PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan is aimed at integrated infrastructure development, the National Logistics Policy envisages efficiency in logistics services, and human resources through streamlining processes, regulatory framework, skill development, mainstreaming logistics in higher education and adoption of suitable technologies. The targets are: (i) to reduce cost of logistics in India to be comparable to global benchmarks by 2030 (ii) improve the Logistics Performance Index ranking, to be among top 25 countries by 2030 (iii) to create data driven decision support mechanism for an efficient logistics ecosystem. Measures to facilitate human resource development to create an employable pool of skilled manpower are also laid out in the policy.