

Keeping the future challenges in mind.

■ PM Addresses First Batch of *Agniveers*

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has congratulated *Agniveers* on being the pioneers of path-breaking Agnipath Scheme. Virtually addressing the first batch of *Agniveers*, the PM discussed challenges of new fronts of contactless warfare and observed that technologically-advanced soldiers will play a key role in our armed forces. The PM also discussed how *Agnipath* scheme will also empower women; says that he looks forward to seeing women *Agniveers* in all three forces. He said that in the 21st century, the way wars are fought is changing. Discussing the new fronts of contactless warfare and challenges of cyber warfare, he said technologically-advanced soldiers will play a key role in our armed forces. He added the current generation of youth especially has this potential, and so the *Agniveers* will play a leading role in our armed forces in the times to come.