

■ **PM Successfully Concludes Visit to Three European Countries**

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi returned to Delhi on 5th May after concluding his successful visit to Germany, Denmark and France. It was the Prime Minister's first visit abroad in 2022. In Berlin, Shri Modi held bilateral talks with Federal Chancellor of Germany Olaf Scholz and the two leaders co-chaired the sixth edition of



the India-Germany Inter-Governmental Consultations. It was the Prime Minister's first IGC with Chancellor Scholz, and also the first such Government-to-Government consultations of the new German government, which assumed office in December last year. On the second leg of the visit, Shri Modi travelled to Copenhagen and participated in the 2nd India-Nordic Summit hosted by Denmark, along with Prime Ministers of Denmark, Iceland, Norway, Sweden and Finland. The bilateral component of the visit included talks with Danish PM Mette Frederiksen as well as an audience with Queen Margrethe-II. The visit provided both sides an opportunity to review the progress, as well as examine ways to further expand the multifaceted cooperation. The Summit focused on subjects like post-pandemic economic recovery, climate change, innovation and technology, renewable energy, the evolving global security scenario and India-Nordic cooperation in the Arctic region. On his return journey Shri Modi briefly stopped over in Paris. He met French President Emmanuel Macron and conveyed congratulations in person just ten days after his re-election. Prime Minister Modi invited President Macron to visit India at his earliest convenience to hold detailed discussions on the areas of cooperation outlined during the visit and to finalise the modalities of realising the goals thus identified.