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Level 4 – 18th August, 2021

India to launch \$1.35 trillion infrastructure plan

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/2108/210818-india-infrastructure-4.html>

India has announced a huge financial package. It plans to spend \$1.35 trillion on infrastructure. The huge investment will focus on the economy, employment and tackling climate change. Prime Minister Narendra Modi hopes the huge injection of cash will boost the economy and "create job opportunities for hundreds of thousands of young people". He added that it would also help local manufacturers to become "globally competitive."

Mr Modi wants India to be carbon-neutral. He promised India would be "energy independent" before it turned 100 in 2047. Modi promised to invest more in sustainable energies such as solar and hydrogen. He wants India to rely less on oil. He outlined ambitious plans for transforming India's vast railway network. He wants it to be a net-zero carbon emitter by 2030. Mr Modi said his country is "fast achieving its climate goals".

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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. a huge financial | a. opportunities |
| 2. focus | b. manufacturers |
| 3. the huge injection of | c. package |
| 4. boost the | d. competitive |
| 5. create job | e. on the economy |
| 6. hundreds of thousands of | f. cash |
| 7. help local | g. young people |
| 8. become globally | h. economy |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Mr Modi wants India to be | a. railway network |
| 2. India would be energy | b. energies |
| 3. invest more in sustainable | c. its climate goals |
| 4. He wants India to rely | d. carbon-neutral |
| 5. He outlined ambitious | e. independent |
| 6. transforming India's vast | f. emitter by 2030 |
| 7. a net-zero carbon | g. less on oil |
| 8. fast achieving | h. plans |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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India has announced a (1) _____. It plans to spend \$1.35 trillion on infrastructure. The huge (2) _____ on the economy, employment and (3) _____. Prime Minister Narendra Modi hopes the huge (4) _____ will boost the economy and "(5) _____ for hundreds of thousands of young people". He added that it would also help local manufacturers to (6) _____.

Mr Modi wants India to (7) _____. He promised India would (8) _____ before it turned 100 in 2047. Modi promised to invest more (9) _____ such as solar and hydrogen. He wants India to (10) _____ oil. He outlined ambitious plans for transforming India's (11) _____. He wants it to be a net-zero carbon emitter by 2030. Mr Modi said his country is "fast (12) _____ goals".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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INDIA SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about India in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

