



Editorial

While the nation is reeling under covid-19 pandemic, the leadership of the country gave a positive thrust to the country with the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan. The idea was first proposed by hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi and some of its features are similar to the Swadeshi movement launched on August 7, 1905, to take on the British regime of the time. Atmanirbhar Bharat is an umbrella concept popularised with a view to making India a bigger and more important part of the global economy pursuing policies that are efficient, competitive, resilient, self-sustaining and self-generating. Thus the focus of this edition is on Atmanirbhar Bharat.

A self-reliant India needs an infrastructure to bank upon and the progress on smartcity initiative of the government is a step towards it. The feature on the global trend and a success in Indian context - case of Bhubaneswar takes the spotlight of this issue. Write-ups on placing India's cyber security in the global scenario and cyber security strategy are the policy advocacy that are in focus of the edition.

The article on PIDPI Resolution gives an overview of the evolution and impact on whistle blowing. Similarly, how the information regime is a prerequisite to decentralised governance is emphasised in the last feature.

A case study in this edition on eastern India highlights how corporate sectors can help in the fight against child malnutrition. Besides, articles on cooperative federalism in India and covid-19 and the role of climate change and its effect on worsening forest fires are worth reading in this edition. An upfront take on clean and green India and how far we are from it and an impeccable note on Gora Sahib syndrome in New India will definitely interest the readers.

Lastly, we extend our solidarity to all those affected by Covid-19 and urge everyone to stay safe during this pandemic. ■

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