

Press Information Bureau Accessibility Conformance Report

WCAG Edition

(Based on VPAT® Version 2.5)

Name of Product:

Press Information Bureau (PIB) website - <https://www.pib.gov.in>

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Product Description:

The official website of the Press Information Bureau (PIB) serves as a central information platform providing press releases, features, photographs, infographics, and videos related to government planning, policies, programme initiatives, and achievements. It facilitates the dissemination of information across electronic, print, and web media. The PIB website acts as a bridge between the Government and the media, ensuring that journalists have access to accurate, timely, and verified information.

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Evaluation Methods Used:

Accessibility testing as per WCAG 2.2 AA guidelines.

The evaluation was performed using the following tools/tests:

- Screen readers:
 - NVDA on Win11/ Chrome
 - VoiceOver on iPhone/ Safari
- WAVE automated tool
- Color contrast testing using the Color Contrast Analyzer
- Browser zoom
- Keyboard-only
- Text-spacing testing using bookmarklets

Applicable Standards/Guidelines

This report covers the degree of conformance with the following accessibility standards/guidelines:

Standard/Guideline	Included in Report
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.2 at https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG22/	Level A (Yes) Level AA (Yes) Level AAA (No)

Terms

The terms used in the Conformance Level information are defined as follows:

- **Supports:** The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.
- **Partially Supports:** Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.
- **Does Not Support:** The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.
- **Not Applicable:** The criterion is not relevant to the product.
- **Not Evaluated:** The product has not been evaluated against the criterion.

WCAG 2.x Report

Note: When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.x Success Criteria, they are scoped for full pages, complete processes, and accessibility-supported ways of using technology as documented in the [WCAG 2.0 Conformance Requirements](#).

Notes:

The VPAT has been prepared based on the accessibility evaluation of the following pages/ flows:

https://www.pib.gov.in/index.aspx
https://pib.gov.in/content/3714_5_Pib.gov.in.aspx?reg=3&lang=1
https://www.pib.gov.in/Aboutarchive.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/aboutfactcheck.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/aboutpibn.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/akam_factsheet.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/AllFactsheet.aspx?MenuId=12
https://www.pib.gov.in/AllInfographics.aspx?MenuId=716
https://www.pib.gov.in/AllMediafacilitation.aspx?MenuId=16
https://www.pib.gov.in/AllMediaInvitation.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/AllRel.aspx?MenuId=8
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/100_2_Archives.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/101_2_Terms-and-Conditions.aspx?reg=3&lang=1
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/102_2_Copyright-Policy.aspx?reg=3&lang=1
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/103_2_Privacy-Policy.aspx?reg=3&lang=1
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/104_2_Hyperlinking-Policy.aspx?reg=3&lang=1
http://pib.gov.in/content/105_2_Help.aspx?reg=3&lang=1
https://factcheck.pib.gov.in/feedbacklogin.aspx?reg=3&lang=1
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/99_2_Tenders.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/EventDetail.aspx?ID=1189&reg=3&lang=1
https://www.pib.gov.in/Events.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/factcheckupdates.aspx?reg=3&lang=1
https://www.pib.gov.in/FAQ_fact.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/headsofpib.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/mainfunctions.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/organisationalsetup.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/PhotogalleryNew.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/PMContents/PMContents.aspx?menuid=1
https://www.pib.gov.in/sitemap.aspx#

https://www.pib.gov.in/VBSY_Explainer.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/VideoGallery.aspx?MenuId=714
https://www.pib.gov.in/ViewAccreditationList.aspx?AccredationID=2725
https://www.pib.gov.in/ViewAllEbooklet.aspx?MenuId=715
https://www.pib.gov.in/ViewBackgrounder.aspx?MenuId=51
https://www.pib.gov.in/Viewfaq.aspx?MenuId=709
https://www.pib.gov.in/ViewFeatures.aspx?MenuId=5
https://www.pib.gov.in/WebcastMore.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/3663_5_pib.gov.in.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/3664_5_pib.gov.in.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/3705_5_pib.nic.in.aspx
https://www.pib.gov.in/content/3709_5_pib.nic.in.aspx

Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<u>1.1.1 Non-text Content</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	Most images on the website contain relevant alternative text. Exceptions include: The screen reader is not announcing the alternative text for the logo present under the 'PIB on Facebook' heading on the Home page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: Facebook timeline iframe embed].
<u>1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded)</u> (Level A)	Not Applicable	No audio-only or video-only content is present on the website.
<u>1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded)</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	Captions are provided for most multimedia present on the website. Exceptions include: The caption is missing for the prerecorded 'CEOs, experts from AI field meet PM Modi, hail his game-changing vision' video present under the 'PM Videos' heading on the Home page [The video is owned by PMO].
<u>1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded)</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	Media alternatives are provided for most multimedia present on the website. Exceptions include: The prerecorded 'CEOs, experts from AI field meet PM Modi, hail his game-changing vision' video does not include an audio description or any media alternative on the Home page [The video is owned by PMO].

<u>1.3.1 Info and Relationships</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	The website mostly has consistent headers and global table structures to establish clear information and relationships within the website. Screen readers properly identify most of the information available on the website. Visually impaired users are easily able to perceive the relationships between a particular element and its role. Exceptions include: The screen reader announces the visual headings like 'Work Allocation of IIS Officers (As on 27.1.2026)' as plain text on the Who's who at PIB page.
<u>1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence</u> (Level A)	Supports	The sequence of the content present on the website is meaningful and appropriate, and does not affect the meaning of the provided content.
<u>1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics</u> (Level A)	Supports	No information is present on the website, which is based on sensory characteristics such as shape, size, location, sound, etc.
<u>1.4.1 Use of Color</u> (Level A)	Supports	Color is not used as the only visual means of conveying information, indicating an action, prompting a response, or distinguishing a visual element.
<u>1.4.2 Audio Control</u> (Level A)	Not Applicable	No audio content is present on the website that plays automatically for more than 3 seconds.
<u>2.1.1 Keyboard</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	The website mostly supports standard keyboard navigation and input functions (including swiping to move between input fields and pressing [Double tap] to make selections). Exceptions include: The 'Like' button is focusable but not triggerable using the

		keyboard on the Home page [Specific to the 3 rd -party plugin: Facebook timeline iframe embed].
<u>2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap</u> (Level A)	Supports	Keyboard focus moves sequentially throughout the website without the focus getting trapped in any section, and it is convenient to access the functionality.
<u>2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts</u> (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	No functionalities are dependent on or controlled by character key shortcuts.
<u>2.2.1 Timing Adjustable</u> (Level A)	Not Applicable	There is no such activity present on the website where time needs to be adjusted or extended.
<u>2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide</u> (Level A)	Supports	A mechanism is present on the website to stop, pause, or hide the website content.
<u>2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold</u> (Level A)	Not Applicable	There is no flashing content present on the website.
<u>2.4.1 Bypass Blocks</u> (Level A)	Supports	A bypass mechanism for skipping to the main content is implemented.
<u>2.4.2 Page Titled</u> (Level A)	Supports	Descriptive and correct page titles are present for pages throughout the website.
<u>2.4.3 Focus Order</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	The focus moves in a correct sequence order for most of the elements on the website from left to right and top to bottom. Exceptions include: The focus moves to the hidden element in 'Twitter post' frame on the Factcheck Updates [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: X post iframe embed].
<u>2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context)</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	Most links are provided with appropriate link text, and the user would be able to understand the purpose of the link from its link text.

		Exceptions include: The screen reader is announcing the lengthy link text for the links present under the 'PIB on Instagram' heading [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: Instagram profile iframe embed].
2.5.1 Pointer Gestures (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	All functionalities present in the website can be operated with a single pointer without a path-based gesture unless a multipoint or path-based gesture is essential.
2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	No down-event of the pointer is used in the website to execute any part of the action.
2.5.3 Label in Name (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	All labels on the website include text, and the same text is defined in the code as well to assist speech recognition technologies.
2.5.4 Motion Actuation (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	No functionality is present on the website that is operable only by device motion.
3.1.1 Language of Page (Level A)	Supports	The language attribute is correctly defined for the web pages.
3.2.1 On Focus (Level A)	Supports	No interactive element is triggered automatically on receiving the focus.
3.2.2 On Input (Level A)	Supports	Change of context does not happen when the user changes the setting of any input controls.
3.2.6 Consistent Help (Level A 2.2 only)	Supports	Consistent help is provided to the users throughout the website.
3.3.1 Error Identification (Level A)	Supports	Errors present on the website are notified to the users correctly.
3.3.2 Labels or Instructions (Level A)	Supports	The website provides support for motor-impaired and cognitive users as the labels and instructions are provided for the form fields, which are visible and readable to such users.

<u>3.3.7 Redundant Entry</u> (Level A 2.2 only)	Not Applicable	This success criterion is not applicable.
<u>4.1.2 Name, Role, Value</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	Most of the website elements have a proper label associated with their role, and the screen reader is recognizing them correctly with updated values as well. <u>Exceptions include:</u> • The aria-label attribute cannot be used on a span with no valid role attribute on the Home page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: Facebook iframe embed].

Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.2.4 Captions (Live) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	No live multimedia content is present on the website.
1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded) (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Audio descriptions are provided for most multimedia present on the website. Exceptions include: The prerecorded 'CEOs, experts from AI field meet PM Modi, hail his game-changing vision' video does not include an audio description or any media alternative on the Home page [The video is owned by PMO].
1.3.4 Orientation (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	The website does not restrict its view and operation to a single display orientation.
1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	Interactive fields on the website are clearly labelled to direct the user to enter the data expected in the fields.
1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum) (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Generally, the website adheres to minimum contrast standards. Exceptions include: - The color contrast ratio of the text like 'Like' having '#7f7f7f' foreground color against the '#ffffff' background color is 4.0:1, which does not meet the minimum requirement on the Home page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: Facebook iframe embed]. - The color contrast ratio of the text like '2 minutes ago' having '#90949c' foreground color against the '#ffffff'

		background color is 3.04:1, which does not meet the minimum requirement on the Home page [Specific to the 3 rd -party plugin: Facebook iframe embed].
1.4.4 Resize text (Level AA)	Supports	The website is fully responsive. At a zoom of 200%, no loss of content or functionality is observed.
1.4.5 Images of Text (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Most information is conveyed to the user via text. Exceptions include: Currently image of text is used for the information in the main section of the Main Functions page.
1.4.10 Reflow (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	The website does not require scrolling in two dimensions to present content without loss of information in 400% zoom.
1.4.11 Non-text Contrast (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Partially Supports	Most of the website user interface components have a contrast ratio of at least 3:1 against adjacent color(s). Exceptions include: The color contrast ratio of the 'Multiple image' icon having '#ffffff' foreground color against the '#9ba8b8' irregular background color is 2.42:1, which does not meet the minimum requirement on the Home page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: Instagram profile iframe embed].
1.4.12 Text Spacing (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	The website is compliant with WCAG text spacing requirements.

<u>1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus</u> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Partially Supports	Most of the content that is triggered by hover or focus is dismissible, hoverable, and persistent. Exceptions include: The tooltip 'Share this post' is not dismissible using the 'Esc' key when link 'Copy link' is focused using the keyboard on the Factcheck Updates page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: X post iframe embed].
<u>2.4.5 Multiple Ways</u> (Level AA)	Supports	A proper navigation header is provided to access the different types of website pages.
<u>2.4.6 Headings and Labels</u> (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Most headings and labels on the website provide sufficient detail of the content they are describing. Exceptions include: The screen reader is announcing insufficient label as '1','2' for the like buttons on the Home page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: Facebook timeline iframe embed].
<u>2.4.7 Focus Visible</u> (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Most of the elements present on the website have focus visibility. Exceptions include: The focus indicator is partially visible on multiple elements on the Factcheck Updates page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: X post iframe embed].
<u>2.4.11 Focus Not Obscured (Minimum)</u> (Level AA 2.2 only)	Partially Supports	Most elements that receive keyboard focus are at least partially visible upon receiving the focus. Exceptions include:

		The focus gets obscured by the 'Image' overlay while navigating using the keyboard on the Home page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: Library Lightbox].
2.5.7 Dragging Movements (Level AA 2.2 only)	Not Applicable	This success criterion is not applicable.
2.5.8 Target Size (Minimum) (Level AA 2.2 only)	Supports	The interactive pointer targets are at least 24 by 24 CSS pixels or have sufficient spacing around them.
3.1.2 Language of Parts (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Most phrases or sentences in secondary languages are defined with a valid lang attribute. Exceptions include: Language of parts is not defined for the following link text 'उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र में कनेक्टिविटी परियोजनाएं उत्तर पूर्वी क्षेत्र में इन परियोजनाओं के लाभों में, अन्य बातों के अलावा, उत्तर-पूर्व के लोगों का देश की मुख्यधारा के साथ एकीकरण....' on the Home page [Specific to the 3rd-party plugin: Facebook timeline iframe embed].
3.2.3 Consistent Navigation (Level AA)	Supports	Navigational mechanisms are repeated on the website and occur in the same relative order each time they are repeated. Hence, consistent navigation is provided to the user.
3.2.4 Consistent Identification (Level AA)	Supports	Components that provide the same functionality throughout the website can be easily identified by the user.
3.3.3 Error Suggestion (Level AA)	Supports	The provided error messages are descriptive enough to understand the error and identify the location where they occur.

<u>3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data)</u> (Level AA)	Not Applicable	There are no critical forms available where error prevention is required. Error suggestions are enough to fill out the form and correct the errors.
<u>3.3.8 Accessible Authentication (Minimum)</u> (Level AA 2.2 only)	Not Applicable	This success criterion is not applicable.
<u>4.1.3 Status Messages</u> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	The updated content automatically notifies the visually impaired users via a screen reader.