

# **PIB New India Samachar Accessibility Conformance Report**

## **WCAG Edition**

(Based on VPAT® Version 2.5)

### **Name of Product:**

PIB New India Samachar (<https://newindiasamachar.pib.gov.in/>)

### **Report Date:**

April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026

### **Product Description:**

The digitized version of the New India Samachar magazine serves as an informative platform providing insights into government policies, schemes, targets, and achievements. It offers curated content aimed at highlighting key initiatives and progress made by the Government, enabling users to access structured and authentic information in a digital format.

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### **Evaluation Methods Used:**

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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

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## 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 <a href="https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG22/">https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG22/</a>	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](#).

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## Notes:

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

<https://newindiasamachar.pib.gov.in/>

<https://newindiasamachar.pib.gov.in/archive.aspx>

<https://newindiasamachar.pib.gov.in/default.aspx>

<https://newindiasamachar.pib.gov.in/archive/>

<https://newindiasamachar.pib.gov.in/WriteReadData/flipbook/2025/Sep/2nd/Hindi/index.html>

**Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A**

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<a href="#">1.1.1 Non-text Content</a> (Level A)	Partially Supports	Most images on the website contain relevant alternative text.  <b>Exceptions include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Images do not have alternative text news image on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> </ul>
<a href="#">1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded)</a> (Level A)	Not Applicable	No audio-only or video-only content is present on the website.
<a href="#">1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded)</a> (Level A)	Not Applicable	No pre-recorded multimedia is present on the website.
<a href="#">1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded)</a> (Level A)	Not Applicable	No pre-recorded multimedia is present on the website.
<a href="#">1.3.1 Info and Relationships</a> (Level A)	Partially Supports	Most parts of the website have consistent headers and global table structures to establish clear information and relationships within the web app. Screen readers properly identify most of the information available on the web app. Visually impaired users are easily able to perceive the relationship between a particular element and its role.  <b>Exceptions include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The screen reader announces the visually appearing heading 'Share' as plain text. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> </ul>
<a href="#">1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence</a> (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.

<a href="#"><u>1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics</u></a> (Level A)	Supports	No information is present on the website, which is based on sensory characteristics such as shape, size, location, sound, etc.
<a href="#"><u>1.4.1 Use of Color</u></a> (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.
<a href="#"><u>1.4.2 Audio Control</u></a> (Level A)	Not Applicable	No audio content is present on the website that plays automatically for more than 3 seconds.
<a href="#"><u>2.1.1 Keyboard</u></a> (Level A)	Partially Supports	<p>Most elements of the website support standard keyboard navigation and input functions (including swiping to move between input fields and pressing [Double tap] to make selections).</p> <p><b>Exceptions include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 'Close' and 'Copy' buttons are not focusable using the keyboard on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> <li>• Multiple controls are not focusable using the keyboard 'Next/ Previous button' on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> </ul>
<a href="#"><u>2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap</u></a> (Level A)	Supports	Keyboard focus is moving sequentially throughout the website without the focus getting trapped in any section, and it is convenient to access the functionality.
<a href="#"><u>2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts</u></a> (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	No functionalities are dependent on or controlled by character key shortcuts.

<a href="#"><u>2.2.1 Timing Adjustable</u></a> (Level A)	Not Applicable	There is no such activity present on the website where time needs to be adjusted or extended.
<a href="#"><u>2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide</u></a> (Level A)	Supports	A mechanism is present to stop, pause, or hide the auto-moving content.
<a href="#"><u>2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold</u></a> (Level A)	Not Applicable	There is no flashing content present on the website.
<a href="#"><u>2.4.1 Bypass Blocks</u></a> (Level A)	Supports	A bypass mechanism for skipping to the main content is implemented.
<a href="#"><u>2.4.2 Page Titled</u></a> (Level A)	Supports	Descriptive and correct page titles are present for pages throughout the website.
<a href="#"><u>2.4.3 Focus Order</u></a> (Level A)	Supports	The focus moves in a correct sequence order on the website from left to right and top to bottom.
<a href="#"><u>2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context)</u></a> (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.  <b>Exceptions include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Links do not have discernible text or do not have text that is visible to screen readers on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> </ul>
<a href="#"><u>2.5.1 Pointer Gestures</u></a> (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.
<a href="#"><u>2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation</u></a> (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	No down-event of the pointer is used on the website to execute any part of the action.
<a href="#"><u>2.5.3 Label in Name</u></a> (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.
<a href="#">2.5.4 Motion Actuation</a> (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	No functionality is present on the website that is operable only by device motion.
<a href="#">3.1.1 Language of Page</a> (Level A)	Does Not Supports	The language attribute is not defined for the web pages.
<a href="#">3.2.1 On Focus</a> (Level A)	Supports	No interactive element is triggered automatically on receiving the focus.
<a href="#">3.2.2 On Input</a> (Level A)	Supports	Change of context does not happen when the user changes the setting of any input controls.
<a href="#">3.2.6 Consistent Help</a> (Level A 2.2 only)	Supports	A sufficient help mechanism is provided in a consistent place on multiple web pages.
<a href="#">3.3.1 Error Identification</a> (Level A)	Not Applicable	This success criterion is not applicable.
<a href="#">3.3.2 Labels or Instructions</a> (Level A)	Partially Supports	<p>The website provides support for motor-impaired and cognitive users as the labels and instructions are mostly provided for the form fields, which are visible and readable to such users.</p> <p><b>Exceptions include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The visual label is missing for the 'Page' edit field on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> </ul>
<a href="#">3.3.7 Redundant Entry</a> (Level A 2.2 only)	Not Applicable	This success criterion is not applicable.
<a href="#">4.1.2 Name, Role, Value</a> (Level A)	Partially Supports	<p>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.</p> <p><b>Exceptions include:</b></p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Element does not have an implicit (wrapped) &lt;label&gt; on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li></ul>
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## Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
<a href="#">1.2.4 Captions (Live)</a> (Level AA)	Not Applicable	No live multimedia content is present on the website.
<a href="#">1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded)</a> (Level AA)	Not Applicable	No pre-recorded multimedia is present on the website.
<a href="#">1.3.4 Orientation</a> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	The website does not restrict its view and operation to a single display orientation.
<a href="#">1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose</a> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	Interactive fields on the website are clearly labeled to direct the user to enter the data expected in the fields.
<a href="#">1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum)</a> (Level AA)	Supports	The website adheres to minimum contrast standards.
<a href="#">1.4.4 Resize text</a> (Level AA)	Supports	The website is fully responsive. At a zoom of 200%, no loss of content or functionality is observed.
<a href="#">1.4.5 Images of Text</a> (Level AA)	Supports	No information is conveyed to the user via an image of the text.
<a href="#">1.4.10 Reflow</a> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Partially Supports	<p>Most parts of the website do not require scrolling in two dimensions to present content without loss of information in 400% zoom.</p> <p><b>Exceptions include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The close button disappears on the 400% enlarged view of 1280 X 1024 on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> <li>The page controls truncate on the 400% enlarged view of 1280 X 1024 on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> </ul>

<p><a href="#"><u>1.4.11 Non-text Contrast</u></a> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)</p>	<p>Partially Supports</p>	<p>Most of the website user interface components mostly have a contrast ratio of at least 3:1 against adjacent color(s).</p> <p><b>Exceptions include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The scroll bar fails the color contrast ratio on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>1.4.12 Text Spacing</u></a> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)</p>	<p>Partially Supports</p>	<p>The website is mostly compliant with WCAG text spacing requirements.</p> <p><b>Exceptions include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The input text, like '48-49/52', truncates when applying text spacing on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> <li>• Text like '2-3' misaligns and overlaps when applying text spacing on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li> </ul>
<p><a href="#"><u>1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus</u></a> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)</p>	<p>Supports</p>	<p>The content that is triggered by hover or focus is dismissible, hoverable, and persistent.</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>2.4.5 Multiple Ways</u></a> (Level AA)</p>	<p>Supports</p>	<p>A proper navigation header is provided to access the different types of website pages.</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>2.4.6 Headings and Labels</u></a> (Level AA)</p>	<p>Supports</p>	<p>Headings and Labels on the website provide sufficient detail of the content they are describing.</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>2.4.7 Focus Visible</u></a> (Level AA)</p>	<p>Partially Supports</p>	<p>Most of the elements present on the website have focus visibility.</p> <p><b>Exceptions include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus is partially visible on the 'Share by Email' button on</li> </ul>

		the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]
<a href="#">2.4.11 Focus Not Obscured (Minimum)</a> (Level AA 2.2 only)	Supports	All elements that receive keyboard focus are at least partially visible upon receiving the focus.
<a href="#">2.5.7 Dragging Movements</a> (Level AA 2.2 only)	Not Applicable	This success criterion is not applicable.
<a href="#">2.5.8 Target Size (Minimum)</a> (Level AA 2.2 only)	Supports	All the interactive pointer targets are at least 24 by 24 CSS pixels or have sufficient spacing around them.
<a href="#">3.1.2 Language of Parts</a> (Level AA)	Not Applicable	English is the primary and only language of the website. There are no phrases or sentences written in any other language that need to be defined separately.
<a href="#">3.2.3 Consistent Navigation</a> (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.
<a href="#">3.2.4 Consistent Identification</a> (Level AA)	Supports	Components that provide the same functionality throughout the website can be easily identified by the user.
<a href="#">3.3.3 Error Suggestion</a> (Level AA)	Not Applicable	This success criterion is not applicable.
<a href="#">3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data)</a> (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.
<a href="#">3.3.8 Accessible Authentication (Minimum)</a> (Level AA 2.2 only)	Not Applicable	This success criterion is not applicable.
<a href="#">4.1.3 Status Messages</a> (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Partially Supports	The updated content automatically notifies the visually impaired users via a screen reader.  <b><u>Exceptions include:</u></b>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The screen reader is not announcing the loading notification automatically on the 'NIS Hindi 16-30 September, 2025' screen. [This is specific to the third-party plugin 'Flipbook'.]</li></ul>
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