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Prime Minister Modi's high decibel visit to the US, encompassing the west and east coast, once again holds out hope that India is ready to do business. His second visit to the US during his 16-month tenure as PM is noteworthy for the fact that the PM understands that India-US economic cooperation is critical to address India's capital, energy, power and infrastructure deficit inadequacies. With well-meaning Modi sadly over promise has become a bit of a mill stone around his neck. His enormous people connect once again on display during this American trip has to translate into investments in India's ailing manufacturing sector and creaking infrastructure swathes. There cannot be two Modis, one who rightly over sells India abroad and the other who fails to keep his word by not taking the right decisions back home to supplement these changes. There has to be unison of voice and ideas, what we say, we mean and finally we do. There is no other alternative now.

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Fifteen years ago, leaders of nearly 200 countries agreed on a visionary millennium declaration that laid out in succinct terms the kind of world we want to live in. They created an action agenda — the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) — with a set of priorities in areas like reducing child mortality and infectious diseases and increasing access to primary education. The goals included hard targets for improvement and a deadline for measurement. Those targets have helped spur significant progress.

In India, 3.3 million children died before their fifth birthday in 1990. Last year, that number was less than 1.3 million — marking a 61% decline. The percentage of women dying from pregnancy-related causes declined by more than 70% over the same period — faster than the global rate of decline. In the era of the MDGs, India cemented its position as a global economic and political leader. As we make the transition from the MDGs to SDGs, we have another great opportunity to create a world in which all people have the opportunity to survive and thrive.