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Stand Up India on target: PM

New Delhi, April 5: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday hailed the Stand Up India campaign on the completion of its seven years and pointed out that the initiative had played a role in empowering the SC/ST communities and women.

Stand up India Scheme was launched on April 5, 2016, with a focus on economic empowerment and job creation.

The scheme aims to encourage all bank branches in extending loans to borrowers from SC, ST and women in setting up their own greenfield enterprises.

“Today we mark #7YearsofStandUpIndia and acknowledge the role this initiative has played in empowering the SC/ST communities and ensuring women empowerment. It has also boosted the

spirit of enterprise our people are blessed with,” Mr Modi said in a tweet.

In another tweet, Mr Modi hailed the achievement of around 40,000 water bodies having been developed under the Mission Amrit Sarovar in the last 11 months, saying the speed at which work is being done in this direction infuses new energy in our resolves of ‘Amrit Kaal’.

Around 40,000 water bodies have been developed under the Mission in the last 11 months, achieving around 80 per cent of the target under the scheme, according to the rural development ministry.

In a tweet, Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat said Mission Amrit Sarovar is moving towards achieving its goal.