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Press Release

- According to the Doing Business (DB) Report 2018, released by World Bank, India ranks 100 among 190 countries, registering a leap of 30 ranks over its rank of 130 in the Doing Business Report 2017.
- The DB Report covers 10 indicators which span the lifecycle of a business. India has improved its rank in 6 out of 10 indicators and has moved closer to international best practices (Distance to Frontier score).
- This is the outcome of the “Reform, Perform, transform” mantra given by the Prime Minister, reflecting a strong political will to carry out comprehensive and complex reforms.
- This is also the result of an extensive exercise of stakeholder consultations, identification of user needs, Government process re-engineering to match Government rules and procedures with user expectations and streamlining them to create a more conducive business environment.
- Major aspects of the DB Report are encapsulated in tabular form presented below:

S. No.	Area	Rank Improvement		Distance to Frontier (DTF) Score Improvement		Major steps taken by Government of India
		From	To	From	To	
1.	Resolving Insolvency	136	103	32.75	40.75	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code created for efficient handling of restructuring & insolvency proceedings▪ Professional institutes set up for handling restructuring & insolvency proceedings
2.	Paying Taxes	172	119	46.58	66.06	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Enabled electronic registration, return & payment of ESI & EPF contributions

3.	Getting Credit	44	29	65	75	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increased coverage of security interest registration under SARFAESI Act ▪ Secured creditors prioritized over Government dues for purposes of recovery
4.	Enforcing Contracts	172	164	35.19	40.76	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dedicated commercial courts established ▪ National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG) to monitor and manage court cases
5.	Protecting Minority Investors	13	4	73.33	80	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Greater transparency requirements for interested parties transactions ▪ Greater shareholder protection through action against directors & claims for damages
6.	Construction Permits	185	181	32.83	38.80	