

Anusandhan National Research Foundation

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Recently, the first meeting of the governing board of the **Anusandhan National Research Foundation** (ANRF) was chaired by the **Prime Minister**.

- It focused on initiatives to enhance India's research capabilities and establish a strong research culture across institutions.
- Partnerships for Accelerated Innovation and Research (PAIR), the Mission for Advancement in High-impact Areas (MAHA), and ANRF Centres of Excellence (ACE) are planned to be launched during the meeting.
 - PAIR aims to foster new partnerships established between top-tier institutions and academic institutions where research capabilities are limited.
 - It will operate under a <u>Hub and Spoke framework</u>.
 - MAHA is designed to accelerate research in key strategic and emerging areas through priority-driven, solution-focused research.
 - The immediate priority areas for support under MAHA are <u>EV Mobility</u> and <u>Advanced Materials</u>.
 - ANRF Centres of Excellence will create a world-class research environment with state-of-the-art infrastructure to support cutting-edge research in various fields.
- ANRF has been established under the Anusandhan National Research Foundation Act,
 2023 to seed, grow, and foster a culture of research and innovation throughout the country.

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