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- **Right to education** was made a fundamental right under Article 21.
- Signing of **Civil Nuclear deal with the US**.
 - In 2009, UPA again came to power with Manmohan Singh leading the helm of affairs.
 - During this tenure of the UPA government, **a lot of corruption scams came** to the surface. For eg, the Commonwealth games scam, coal gate scam, 2G scam etc.
 - Anti-corruption crusade was launched under the leadership of Anna Hazare.
 - Corruption became such an issue at the national level that it was one of the reasons behind fall of the UPA government.
 - In 2014, National Democratic Alliance government came to power under the leadership of PM Narendra Modi.
 - Important aspects of NDA1 rule
 - End of coalition politics: Although the National Democratic Alliance was formed with the help of alliance parties like Siromani Akali Dal, Shiv Sena etc supporting the BJP, the 2014 elections in a way marked the end of coalition politics.
 - Economy
 - **Control of inflation-** inflation which was going beyond control was brought under reasonable limits, especially in the food items.
 - **Doubling farmer's income-** the government set the target of doubling farmer's income through various government initiatives like soil health card scheme, e-NAM, per drop more crop etc.
 - o Demonetization- of specified currency notes to deal with black money and terrorist funding
 - **GST-** to rationalize indirect structure
 - Social Sector
 - Sabka sath sabka vikas to focus on inclusive development.
 - o Beti bachao beti padhao initiative to deal with skewed sex ratio and improve literacy of the females
 - **Swacha Bharat Abhiyan** to eliminate open defecation and bring behavioural change in the public towards public cleanliness.
 - **Ayushman Bharat initiative** under which secondary and tertiary health care upto Rs 5 lakhs is provided to a poor and economically weaker family.
 - Environment
 - Ambitious target in the Paris Climate deal- India had set the target of achieving 33% to 35 % reduction in CO2 emissions per unit GDP by 2030 as compared to 2005 levels, also India's renewable energy would comprise of 40% of total energy mix.
 - Namami Gange initiative- to restore river Ganga to its pristine state.
 - National Integration
 - **Historic Naga agreement was signed-** however something tangible is yet to be seen at the ground level.
 - Foreign Policy
 - **Neighbourhood first policy-** where neighbours are given priority in foreign policies. In 2014 oath taking ceremony of PM, all the SAARC countries head of states were invited.
 - Act East- from look east with enhanced collaboration with east Asian and south-east Asian countries.
 - From non-alignment to multi alignment- with greater focus on economic relationship.
 - Important aspects of NDA 2 rule

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