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The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu graced the valediction ceremony of the 78th batch of Indian Revenue Service (Income Tax) Officer Trainees at the National Academy of Direct Taxes, Nagpur, Maharashtra today (April 15, 2026).



Speaking on the occasion, the President said that in recent years, India's economic journey has been remarkably dynamic and inspiring. The sustained growth in direct tax collection signals improved tax compliance and an expansion of the tax base. It also reflects the growing trust between the citizens and the administration. The Income Tax Act, 2025, which came into effect on April 1, 2026, marks a significant

milestone in this transformative journey. This reform represents a historic step towards a modern, simplified and transparent tax regime. She underlined that its true success will be ensured solely through its accurate, transparent and effective implementation and this critical responsibility rests upon the shoulders of IRS officers.



The President said that the role of Indian Revenue Service officers is not limited merely to tax collection. They are the custodians of public trust; they are the guardians of justice and fairness. They serve as pillars of the country's economic progress, social justice and good governance. She reminded young officers to always bear in mind that humility, restraint and sensitivity should be integral components of their professional conduct. She said that their responsibility extends beyond enforcing rules; it also includes strengthening public trust in the administrative system. She underlined that decisions rooted in justice, transparency and integrity not only reinforce governance but also contribute significantly to the holistic development of the nation and its citizens.



The President said that behind every Income Tax Return filed by a citizen of the country lies a story of hard work, aspiration and enterprise. The responsibility of IRS officers is not merely to ensure compliance with the law, but also to ensure that all citizens, particularly those belonging to the underprivileged sections of society, are treated with dignity and fairness.



The President said that today, our country is advancing at a rapid pace towards realizing the resolve of Viksit Bharat. At such a juncture, the responsibility of the administrative system and every institution associated with it is significantly heightened to adopt the highest standards of efficiency and transparency and to function with an inclusive approach.

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