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**PRESIDENT
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MESSAGE

I am happy to know that the Academy of Grassroots Studies and Research of India (AGRASRI), Tirupati is organising a Conference on 'Role of Panchayati Raj Institutions after 60 years of Independent India: A vision of the Future' during August 19-20, 2007.

To spread the benefits of economic growth to rural India, Panchayati Raj Institutions have a crucial role. Better people's participation and better local delivery system of services depend on the effective working of these grass roots level institutions.

On this occasion, I extend my greetings and felicitations to all those associated with the Academy and wish the Conference all success.

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New Delhi

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