

## PM thanks Bhutan for support in wake of COVID-19 pandemic

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rime Minister, Mr Narendra Modi on Tuesday discussed the COVID-19 pandemic situation with his Bhutanese counterpart Mr Lotay Tshering id conveyed his appreciation or their support during India's struggle with the second wave.

Tshering expressed his sandarity with the government and the people of India in their efforts against the recent wave of COVID-19 pandemic. Mr Modi also conveyed his sincere thanks to the people and the government of Bhutan for their good wishes and support.

"Discussed the pandemic situation with my friend @PMBhutan, and conveyed appreciation for the solidarity and prayers expressed by the leaders and people of Bhutan. The India-Bhutan friendship is truly special, and we will continue to fight this crisis together," Mr Modi said on Twitter about the talk.

The leaders noted that the present crisis has served to highlight the "special friendship" between India and Bhutan, anchored in mutual understanding and respect, shared cultural heritage, and strong people to people links.

Mr Modi also appreciated the Bhutanese leadership's management of the pandemic.

With the support of international organisations, Bhutan has established one of the world's most effective vaccination campaigns with more than 90 per cent of all eligible adults receiving the first of the two necessary doses.