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Modi Surpasses Indira Gandhi in Longest Consecutive PM Days

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi has now become the second-longest-serving Indian Prime Minister in terms of uninterrupted days in office, breaking the previous record held by Indira Gandhi. Modi's tenure has now reached 4,078 consecutive days as Prime Minister, breaking the previous uninterrupted record held by Indira Gandhi

Modi, leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), first assumed office in May 2014 following a decisive general election victory. Since then, he has been re-elected twice in 2019 and again in 2024, making him the second Indian Prime Minister to secure three consecutive terms. Only Jawaharlal Nehru, who served continuously from 1947 to 1964 for 16 years and 286 days, remains ahead of him

Indira Gandhi, daughter of Pandit Nehru and a prominent figure in Congress Party history, held her continuous term from 1966 to 1977. While she later returned to office in 1980, her first tenure remained the benchmark for uninterrupted leadership until Modi's recent milestone.

Before stepping into the national spotlight, Modi held the position of Chief Minister of Gujarat from 2001 to 2014, making him the longest-serving chief minister of that state. Before taking national office, Modi served as Gujarat's Chief Minister from 2001 to 2014, during which he promoted a model focused on economic development.

Unlike many of his predecessors, Modi has maintained a consistent political narrative that has resonated with a broad voter base across different demographics. His electoral wins in 2014, 2019, and 2024 have been marked by campaign themes focused on national security, development, and governance.

Commenting on Modi's political journey, political analyst S. Gurumurthy noted, "His ability to stay rooted while thinking nationally has been key to his long-standing acceptance." This sentiment is echoed by many observers who point to his strategic leadership and ability to navigate both domestic and international challenges.

The milestone places Modi among the longest-serving Indian leaders in terms of uninterrupted tenure. As he continues his third term, eyes remain on how his administration will address future challenges and steer India's path forward.