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# PM meets scientists from laser interferometer gravitational wave observatory

**Young Generation Of Indian Scientists**

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**USPA NEWS -** The Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi meeting the Scientists from LIGO, who proved gravitational waves theory, in Washington D.C. on March 31, 2016.

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The Prime Minister, Mr. Narendra Modi met a team of scientists from the Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory in Washington DC on March 31. The team, which was led by the Director of the National Science Foundation Dr. France Cordova, included three young Indian scientists who have worked on the LIGO project.

Dr. Cordova explained how India was extremely important for the future of the LIGO project.

The Prime Minister described the LIGO project as a great example of India-US scientific collaboration, and said the success of this project could well inspire an entire young generation of Indian scientists. He urged the Indian scientists who are part of the LIGO project to interact with Indian students and visit Indian universities, as much as possible.

The Prime Minister´s meeting with the LIGO scientists in Washington DC, comes just two days after he met scientists from the Institute of Plasma Research in New Delhi, who are also working on the LIGO project.

The Prime Minister also witnessed the exchange of an MoU on the establishment of Laser Interferometer Gravitational Wave Observatory (LIGO) in India. The agreement was signed earlier in the day by Dr. France Cordova, Director, US National Science Foundation, and Dr. Sekhar Basu, Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy, India.

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