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Sir — This refers to the news report, “Modi envisions vibrant India” (February 7). Gujarat Chief Minister Narendra Modi spoke like a management guru and a statesman to an enthralled audience of some 2,000 students in New Delhi.

That he cast a spell on his young audience with his maxim of ‘skill, scale and speed’ and exhorted them to grab opportunities and participate actively in the politics of development, is a measure of his understanding of what the youth today seek. It also speaks volumes about his own standing as an able administrator and leader. Mr Modi correctly diagnosed the country’s problems and emphasised that the youth is not a vote bank but a ‘power bank’ which must be harnessed.

However, it was disappointing to see the shoddy manner in which this event was telecast by Doordarshan. The national broadcaster accorded it little importance. Instead, it gave much more prominence to the contrary views of Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting Manish Tewari.

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