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INDIA AND JAPAN JOINT VISION

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the key areas of cooperation outlined in the India-Japan Joint Vision for the Next Decade adopted in August 2025;
- (b) the manner in which these initiatives are expected to support India's economic engagement with the Global South;
- (c) the framework developed for capacity building, skill development and industry collaboration; and
- (d) the manner in which the Joint Vision seeks to enhance people-to-people engagement and State Prefecture level cooperation between the two countries during the coming decade?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIRTI VARDHAN SINGH)

- (a) During the 15th India-Japan Annual Summit that took place on 29 August 2025 in Tokyo, the two Prime Ministers released the Joint Vision for the Next Decade across the eight sectors of economy, economic security, mobility/ infrastructure, ecological sustainability, technology and innovation, health, people-to-people exchanges and State-Prefecture partnership.
- (b) The Joint Vision aims to advance bilateral cooperation to strengthen economic relations with the Global South and harness its growth potential in line with our vision of Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions (MAHASAGAR). This includes the promotion of private sector-led businesses and investments in India and the robust concentration of Japanese companies in India as a hub for invigorating business collaboration with other countries in South Asia and Africa.
- (c) The Next Gen People-to-People Partnership in the Joint Vision includes the Action Plan for India-Japan Human Resource Exchange and Cooperation which targets an exchange of more than 500,000 personnel in both directions in the next five years, including 50,000 skilled personnel and potential talents from India to Japan. Capacity building and skill development are an important focus of the Action Plan and are being furthered through collaboration in vocational training, internship programs, exchanges of researchers and students and promoting Japanese language education in India.

The Joint Vision consists of several initiatives to enhance industry collaboration. The India-Japan Economic Security Initiative provides momentum in strengthening supply chains of key goods and materials, which foster market diversification and advance cooperation in cutting-edge technologies. In the 16th Annual Summit held in July 2026, the two sides released the Joint Declaration on Economic Security and the Factsheet 2.0 on India-Japan Economic Security Cooperation.

The Next Generation Mobility Partnership (NGMP) envisions comprehensive cooperation in the fields of infrastructure, logistics and mobility, and serves the vision of Make in India for the World. The Memorandum of Cooperation on NGMP was signed between the two sides on 2 July 2026.

Cooperation between Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) is being fostered through the India-Japan SME Forum that was launched on 21 November 2025. Collaboration between businesses including start-ups in sectors as wide-ranging as space, agriculture, clean energy, pharmaceuticals and biotechnology is also covered under the Joint Vision for the Next Decade.

As part of outcomes of the 16th Annual Summit held in New Delhi in July 2026, the two sides agreed to strengthen cooperation in several areas including economic security, energy resilience, artificial intelligence, batteries, pharmaceuticals and medical devices, bio-gas, and research & development.

(d) The Next-Gen People-to-People Partnership under the Joint Vision for the Next Decade recognises the historical linkages and cultural affinities between India and Japan and seeks to realise the potential of our human resources in bridging our respective economic and demographic challenges. People-to-people contact and cooperation is being promoted through the Action Plan for India-Japan Human Resource Exchange and Cooperation, promoting exchange of skilled personnel, researchers and students, and facilitating greater bilateral tourist flow. The same is being promoted at the State/ provincial level between Indian States and Japanese Prefectures by building on complementary resource endowments and historical connections, promoting commercial and business partnerships, and State-Prefecture level delegations. The India-Japan Governors' Network for Friendship and Exchange has been established in February 2026. There has been a steady exchange of delegations between the Indian states and Japanese prefectures taking forward state-prefecture level cooperation.
