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PM'S VISIT TO FRANCE AND USA

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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the details of the outcome(s) of Prime Minister's recent visit to France and USA;
- (b) whether the Union Government has signed any agreement for the procurement of Fighter Jets including F-35 fighter jets from the United States of America during the recent visit of Prime Minister to USA, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total value (in INR) about the procurement deals signed by India and USA; and
- (d) whether the Union Government has received all the 36 Rafael

 Jets from France as per the agreement between India and France, if
 so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

At the invitation of President Emmanuel Macron, Prime (a) Minister Shri Narendra Modi visited France from 10-12 February, 2025. Prime Minister along with the French President co-chaired the Al Action Summit on 10-11 February, 2025. The summit brought together 30 Heads of State/Government, 57 Ministers, 12 Heads of International Organizations, and 41 business leaders from the field, including CEOs and Co-Founders. A statement titled "Inclusive and Sustainable Artificial Intelligence for People and the Planet" was adopted. The Public Interest Al Platform and Incubator was also launched during the Summit. It was agreed that India would host the next AI Summit. The visit had a significant bilateral component both in Paris and Marseille. The bilateral talks between Prime Minister and French President focussed on advancing all areas of the India-France Strategic Partnership under the Horizon 2047 Roadmap: partnership for security and sovereignty, partnership for the planet and partnership for the people; and the key global and regional developments. The 14th meeting of the India-France CEO Forum was

also held during the visit. The key outcomes of the visit are as follows:

- Joint Inauguration of India's Consulate in Marseille.
- Launch of the logo for the India-France Year of Innovation 2026.
- Adoption of the India France Declaration on Artificial Intelligence.
- Agreement for hosting 10 Indian Startups at the French Start-up incubator Station F.
- Declaration of Intent on Advanced Modular Reactors and Small Modular Reactors aiming for co-designing, co-developing and coproducing SMR and AMR Technologies between India and France.
- MoU and Implementing Agreement between Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), India and Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique et aux Energies Alternatives (CAE) of France, concerning cooperation with Global Center for Nuclear Energy Partnership (GCNEP).
- Joint Declaration of Intent on Triangular Development Cooperation for Joint Development Projects in third countries in the Indo-Pacific.
- Letter of Intent/Declaration of Intent in areas of Digital Sciences and Environment.

At the invitation of the 47th President of the United States Mr.

Donald Trump, Prime Minister Modi visited Washington D.C. on

February 12-13, 2025 for an "Official Working" visit. The two leaders jointly launched "U.S.-India COMPACT (Catalyzing Opportunities for Military Partnership, Accelerated Commerce & Technology) for the 21st Century" – to drive transformative change across key pillars of cooperation. Key takeaways of the visit include the following:

- A ten-year Framework for the India-U.S. Major Defence Partnership in the 21st century to be finalized this year.
- Autonomous System Industry Alliance (ASIA) to scale defence industry partnership in the Indo Pacific. This would be building on the India-US Roadmap for Defence Industrial Cooperation.
- New goal of "Mission 500" for bilateral trade, including through negotiations of a multi sector Bilateral Trade Agreement, the first tranche of which would be negotiated this year.
- Pursue cooperation in civil nuclear energy while addressing the nuclear liability issue and private sector collaboration between the two countries, particularly in advanced Small Modular Reactors, involving large scale localization and transfer of technology.
- India-U.S. "TRUST" Transforming the Relationship Utilizing
 Strategic Technology initiative, to deepen collaboration in critical
 and emerging technologies.

- Roadmap on accelerating AI infrastructure and a commitment to work together on development and access to compute and processors for AI.
- INDUS Innovation to advance industry and academic partnership in space, energy and other emerging technologies.
- Strategic Mineral Recovery Initiative to recover and process critical minerals.
- MOU between US National Science Foundation and India's
 Anusandhan National Research Foundation.
- Launch of the Indian Ocean Strategic Venture to advance coordinated investments in economic connectivity and commerce.
- (b) No.
- (c) Not Applicable.
- (d) Yes, all the 36 Rafale Jets have been received by IAF as per the agreement between India and France.
