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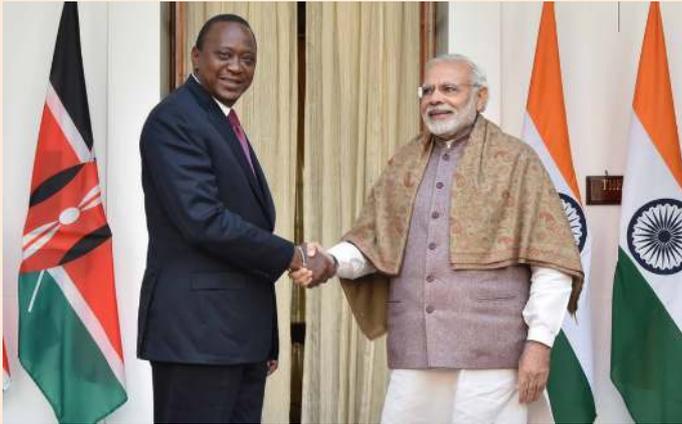


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Visit of President of Kenya to India

President of Kenya H.E Uhuru Kenyatta paid a State Visit to India from 10-12 January 2017 on an invitation extended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The two leaders held official talks on 11 January in New Delhi. This was the First State visit from Kenya to India, since 1981. Earlier, President Kenyatta attended the Vibrant Gujarat Summit 2017 on 10 January. President Kenyatta held meetings with the President and the Vice President of India. He also attended a business forum in Delhi on January 12th forenoon.



Prime Minister Modi and President Kenyatta reflected on the significant progress they have achieved in strengthening the bilateral relationship through resumption of high level exchanges. Discussions were held on key elements of bilateral relationship including increasing cooperation in defence and maritime security, enhancing trade and investment relationship and counter-terrorism. Both leaders underscored the historical ties and praised the strength of the re-invigorated India-Kenya partnership, which serves to increase stability, prosperity, and security in the Indian Ocean region and in the Asia-Pacific.

Prime Minister Modi reiterated India's commitment as Africa's development partner including Kenya. Key sectors discussed were maritime security and surveillance, counter-terrorism, disrupting terrorist

networks, counter-narcotics and human trafficking, agriculture, health, supporting Kenya's development through Lines of Credit, digital and cash-less economy, e-Governance, procurement of pulses, sports, renewable energy especially International Solar Alliance, blue economy, comprehensive convention on terrorism and reforms of international institutions including the United Nations. Both leaders acknowledged the unique nature of India-Kenya relationship and stressed the importance of continuing the momentum of high level exchanges and a strong development partnership delivering benefits, jobs and win-win solutions for people in both countries and in the Indian Ocean region.

Various statements/MOUs exchanged/issued during the visit included:-

- (1) Joint Statement
- (2) Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the agriculture sector and allied sector
- (3) Line of Credit for US\$100 million for agricultural mechanisation.

President of Rwanda visits India



President of Rwanda H.E Paul Kagame paid a working visit to India from 9-11 January 2017 at the invitation of Prime Minister of India Mr Narendra Modi. This was President Kagame's first official visit to India. PM Modi and President Kagame discussed a wide range of issues

covering bilateral relations, and India's increasing engagements as a development partner for Africa. Bilateral trade between India and Rwanda has doubled in the past 5 years. India offers LOCs and grants for Rwanda's development assistance.

During the visit the following documents were issued/exchanged:-

- Declaration of Strategic Partnership between India and Rwanda
- Joint Statement
- Signing of Framework Agreement on International Solar Alliance by Republic of Rwanda
- Memorandum of Understanding between Rwanda Police and Gujarat Forensic Sciences University

The following announcements were made:-

- Grant of US\$ 2 million of medicines and cash grant of US\$ 1 million for purchase of medical equipment
- GoI assistance for Line of Credit of US\$ 81 million for a road project
- Commencement of direct flights between Kigali and Mumbai by Rwand Air.

State visit of Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi to India as the Chief Guest for the Republic Day 2017

His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces of United Arab Emirates visited India as the Chief Guest for the 2017-Republic Day celebrations from 24-26 January 2017.



During the visit, the Crown Prince called on President Shri Pranab Mukherjee and Vice President Shri Mohammad Hamid Ansari and held discussions with Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on bilateral, regional

and global issues of common interest.

This was the second visit of the Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi to India since February 2016. Following the landmark visit of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to UAE in August 2015, the two countries have agreed to elevate the mutually beneficial relationship to a comprehensive strategic partnership.

India and UAE enjoy warm, close and multi-faceted relations underpinned by cultural, religious and economic linkages. The two countries have been amongst each other's top trading partners with a well-balanced bilateral trade of about US\$ 50 billion in 2015-16. UAE is among the top investors in India in terms of foreign direct investments. It contributes significantly to India's energy security and is the fifth largest supplier of crude oil to India in 2015-16. About 2.6 million strong and vibrant Indian community forms the largest expatriate group in UAE. Their positive and well-appreciated contribution in the development of their host country has been an important anchor of our excellent bilateral engagement.

High Commission of India Celebrates 68th Republic Day

The High Commission of India in Windhoek organised a reception at Safari Court Conference Centre on 26th January 2017 to celebrate the 68th Republic Day of India. Hon'ble Dr. Peya Mushelenga, Deputy Minister, Ministry of International Relations and Cooperation, Government of the Republic of Namibia was the Chief Guest.

A large number of Namibian dignitaries including Ministers, senior Government functionaries, members of the Diplomatic Corps, Press and Indian community attended the event.



The event started with the singing of Indian and Namibian National Anthems, lighting of traditional Indian Lamp and speeches by H.E. Mr. Kumar Tuhin, the High Commissioner of India and the Chief Guest. In his address, the High Commissioner highlighted the friendly and strong relations between India and Namibia, marked by trust and mutual understanding. He recalled the landmark visit of Mr. Pranab Mukherjee, Hon'ble President of the Republic of India, to Namibia in June 2016, which has laid a strong foundation for the further strengthening of bilateral cooperation in several areas. The High Commissioner mentioned that exchanges and interactions between India and Namibia are expected to further intensify this year. Deputy Minister Hon. Dr. Peya Mushelenga inter-alia lauded India's significant contribution to Namibia's capacity building in various fields.



Earlier in the day, a flag hoisting ceremony was organised at the premises of the High Commission of India at 97, Nelson Mandela Avenue, Windhoek. A large number of Indian Community members attended the event. After the flag hoisting, the High Commissioner read out the address by the President of India to the Nation which was followed by the screening of a documentary 'A Day in the life of India'.



Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas Celebrations in Windhoek

The High Commission of India celebrated Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas on 9 January 2017, which was attended by prominent members of the Indian community and officials of the High Commission.



In his remarks, High Commissioner H.E. Kumar Tuhin briefed the gathering about some recent important initiatives undertaken by the Government of India for the welfare of the overseas Indian community. A documentary was also screened on this occasion at the Conference Centre.



In India, the main celebrations were held in Bengaluru. Dr. António Costa, Prime Minister of the Republic of Portugal was the Chief Guest at the 14th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention held from 7 to 9 January, 2017. He participated in the inaugural session of the PBD Convention on 8 January and addressed the delegates. More details at <http://pbndia.gov.in/>

International Engineering Sourcing Show 2017 (IESS-VI 2017)

The 6th edition of the International Engineering Sourcing Show 2017 (IESS-VI 2017) will be held in Chennai from 16-18 March 2017. The show will be organized by Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India with EEPIC India (formerly Engineering Export Promotion Council) as the lead agency. IESS is part of the "India Show", an initiative of the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India to promote "Brand India" and to provide a platform to Indian companies to explore global business alliances and network with leading Industry doyens of the world.

IESS VI FACT SHEET

EVENT INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING SOURCING SHOW 2017	PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES USA, Canada, Europe, Middle East, USA, SAARC, Africa, China, UAE
SHOW DESCRIPTION India's largest international engineering sourcing show organized by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India with EEPIC India as the lead agency.	VISITORS Approx. 20,000 visitors from 100+ countries
DATE 16 - 18 March 2017	CONFERENCE DATES 10 & 11 November 2017
TIMINGS 10 AM to 5 PM	FOCUS AREAS • Pesticides & Fertilizers • Agrochemicals • Pesticide & Fertilizer Manufacturing • Agribusiness & Agri-Inputs • Pesticide & Fertilizer Registration • Pesticide & Fertilizer Technology
VENUE Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai, India	WEBSITE www.iesshow.in
PARTICIPATING COUNTRY India	UNDER THE REGIS OF Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India
FOCUS REGION India, Europe, Africa & Trade	ORGANIZED BY E.E.P.I.C. India
HOST STATE Tamil Nadu	
SPONSORS Approx. 400 companies from 100+ countries	

More details at <https://www.iesshow.in/>

International Crop Science Conference



The Pesticide Manufacturer & Formulators Association of India (PMFAI) is organizing the International Crop-Science Conference & Exhibition in Goa, India on 10-11 November 2017. For more details visit www.pmfaiicsce.org. The event will provide opportunity to meet leading Indian Agrochemical Companies; there will be 55 booths exclusively for agri inputs (agrochemicals, fertilizers, biological pesticides and ancillary units). A conference organized on sideline of the exhibition will brief about Indian agrochemical industry and other subjects being in formulation technology and its registration and Post Patent Scenario.

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