

20th ASEAN-India Summit & 18th East Asia Summit Highlights

Why In The News?

- Prime Minister Attended The 20th Asean-India Summit And The 18th East Asia Summit (EAS) In Jakarta On 7 September 2023.
- At Summit, PM Held Extensive Discussions With Asean Partners On Further Strengthening Of **Asean-India Comprehensive Strategic Partnership** And Charting Its Future Course.
- PM Reaffirmed ASEAN Centrality In The Indo-pacific And Highlighted The Synergies Between India's Indo-pacific Ocean's Initiative (IPOI) And ASEAN's Outlook On The Indo-Pacific (AOIP).
- He Also Emphasized The Need To Complete The Review Of Asean-India FTA (AITIGA) In A Time Bound Manner.



12 Point Proposal For India - ASEAN Cooperation

- Prime Minister Presented A 12 Point Proposal For Strengthening India ASEAN Cooperation Covering Connectivity, Digital Transformation, Trade And Economic Engagement, Addressing Contemporary Challenges, People-to-people Contacts And Deepening Strategic Engagement.
- Establishing **Multi-Modal Connectivity** And **Economic Corridor** That Links South-East Asia-India-West Asia-Europe.



- Offered To Share India's Digital Public Infrastructure Stack With ASEAN Partners.
- Announced **Asean-India Fund For Digital Future** Focusing On Cooperation In Digital Transformation And Financial Connectivity.
- Announced Renewal Of Support To Economic And Research Institute Of ASEAN And East Asia (ERIA) To Act As Knowledge Partner For Enhancing Our Engagement.
- Called For Collectively Raising Issues Being Faced By **Global South** In Multilateral Fora.



- Invited Asean Countries To Join Global Centre For Traditional Medicine Being Established By Who In India.
- Called For Working Together On Mission LiFE.
- Offered To Share India's Experience In Providing Affordable And Quality Medicines To People Through Jan-Aushadhi Kendras
- Called For Collective **Fight Against Terrorism**, Terror Financing And Cyber-Disinformation.
- Invited ASEAN Countries To Join Coalition For Disaster Resilient Infrastructure.
- Called For Cooperation In Disaster Management.
- Called For Enhanced Cooperation On Maritime Safety, Security And Domain Awareness.
- Two Joint Statements, One On Maritime Cooperation, And The Other On Food Security Were Adopted.

18th East Asia Summit

- PM Reiterated The Importance Of EAS Mechanism And Reaffirmed Our Support To Further Strengthening It. Prime Minister Underlined India's Support For ASEAN Centrality And Called For Ensuring A Free, Open And Rules Based Indo-Pacific.
- PM Highlighted Synergies Of Visions For Indo-Pacific Between India And ASEAN, And Underscored That ASEAN Is The Focal Point Of Quad's Vision. Also Called For A Cooperative Approach To Address Global Challenges Including Terrorism, Climate Change And Resilient Supply Chains For Essential Items Including Food And Medicines, And For Energy Security.

