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PRESS RELEASE ON ASEAN-India COMMEMORATIVE SUMMIT



The ASEAN-India Commemorative Summit was held in New Delhi on 25 January 2018 to celebrate 25 years of ASEAN-India Partnership Dialogue. It was the culmination of a year-long celebration of the landmark year during which over 50 events were organized in India and ASEAN Member countries to highlight ASEAN-India cooperation in Commerce, Connectivity and Culture.

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah, the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and Heads of State/Government of all the other ASEAN Member States attended the Summit. President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind hosted a luncheon in honour of all the visiting dignitaries at Rashtrapathi Bhavan. This was followed by a Retreat Meeting on the subject of Maritime Cooperation and Security by PM with the ASEAN leaders; and a walk in the Mughal Gardens by all the leaders. PM released 11 Commemorative Stamps in the presence of all the ASEAN leaders consisting a stamp of India and each of the 10 ASEAN Member States representing India's linkages with the ASEAN countries at Hotel Taj. The Plenary Session of the Summit followed, with remarks by the PM and all the ASEAN leaders. The Session concluded with the formal and unanimous adoption of the Delhi Declaration.

The Summit concluded with PM hosting a Gala dinner in honour of the visiting dignitaries and their spouses and Cultural performances by groups from all the ASEAN

Member States depicting their versions of episodes from Ramayana and their respective cultures.

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