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Ministry of External Affairs
New Delhi

4 March 2020

Subject: Information sought under Right to Information Act, 2005

Sir,

Please refer to your RTI application dated 17 February 2020 addressed to RTI Cell, Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.


2. The information pertaining to the undersigned CPIO with respect to Point No. (1) of your query is as follows:

During the 2nd Informal Summit between Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and President of the People's Republic of China Mr. Xi Jinping in Chennai on October 11-12, 2019, the two leaders have decided to establish a High-Level Economic and Trade Dialogue mechanism with the objective of achieving enhanced trade and commercial relations, as well as to better balance the trade between the two countries and to encourage mutual investments through the development of a Manufacturing Partnership. This new mechanism will be led by Hon'ble Finance Minister from the Indian side and Vice Premier Hu Chunhua from the Chinese side. Copy of press release enclosed.

The list of 70 activities to be organized to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and China is also enclosed.

3. If you are aggrieved with this reply, you may file an appeal to Dr. Amit Telang, Director (East Asia) & Appellate Authority, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi – 110011, within a month from the date of receipt of this letter.

Yours faithfully,


4/3/2020

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Activities to Celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between India and China

November 22, 2019

I. In order to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and China, Prime Minister of India Mr. Narendra Modi and President of the People's Republic of China Mr. Xi Jinping had agreed during their Second Informal Summit on October 11-12, 2019 in Chennai to organise 70 celebratory activities in India and China. These activities will demonstrate the historic connect between the two civilizations as well as their growing bilateral relationship over the years. They will further deepen people-to-people exchanges between the two countries at all levels, including between their respective legislatures, businesses, academics, cultural and youth organisations as well as the defence forces.

II. The two sides will also engage in co-operative projects in studying ancient maritime links between India and China through (a) establishment of sister-state relations between Tamil Nadu and Fujian Province, (b) exploring the possibility of establishing an academy to study links between Tamil Nadu and Fujian Province, (c) conducting research on maritime links between India and China in view of our extensive contacts over the centuries and (d) a conference on a ship voyage that will trace the historic connect between the two civilizations.

III. These activities will be organised during 2020-2021.

IV. The list of 70 activities which have been identified is as follows:

- 1 The two sides will carry out parliamentary exchanges.
- 2 The two sides will hold opening ceremonies and receptions celebrating the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and China.
- 3 The Chinese side will hold a India-China Trade and Investment Cooperation Forum in India.

- 4 The Chinese side will hold the 2nd India-China Drug Regulation Meeting in India and the Indian side will organize a special event on pharmaceuticals in China.
- 5 Both sides will hold business seminars and trade promotion for products, including agricultural products, in each other's country.
- 6 The Chinese side will hold an International Xuanzang Forum in China, advancing Xuanzang-related studies.
- 7 The Chinese side will hold a India-China Media Seminar entitled "A journey of 70 Years: presenting the story of India-China relations in the age of media convergence" in India.
- 8 The Chinese side will hold a seminar on translations of Chinese and Indian classics and contemporary works and photo exhibition on India-China cultural exchanges during the New Delhi World Book Fair.
- 9 The Chinese side will hold a "Beautiful China" photo exhibition in India and the Indian side will hold an "Incredible India" photo exhibition in various cities of China and publish collection of the exhibits.
- 10 The Chinese side will hold a India-China Museum Forum in India.
- 11 The two sides will hold cultural events on special occasions such as New Year and other festivals.
- 12 The two sides will hold India-China Audio-Visual Weeks in both countries.
- 13 The Chinese side will invite an Indian Buddhist delegation to attend Celebrations for Bathing the Buddha Festival in China, and jointly pray for world peace and friendship between our two peoples.
- 14 The two sides will celebrate the 10th anniversary of the completion of an Indian-style Buddha Hall in the White Horse Temple in Luoyang.
- 15 The two sides will jointly flag-off the first batch of the Kailash Mansarovar Yatra in 2020 in India; jointly produce and broadcast a documentary dedicated to the Yatra; and hold a special Yatra for photographers from both countries and organise a photo exhibition in India.
- 16 The Chinese side will invite Indian celebrities to attend a Mount Kailash and Lake Manasarovar Forum in China.
- 17 The Chinese side will hold events commemorating the 110th birth anniversary of Dr. Dwarkanath Kotnis in India and China.
- 18 The two sides will hold activities related to martial arts exchanges.
- 19 The Indian side will hold activities related to Indian traditional sports in China.
- 20 The two sides will organize interactions between Indian and Chinese think-tanks.
- 21 The Chinese side will hold a seminar on urban search and rescue cooperation and the two sides will hold a joint post-earthquake search and rescue exercise in China.

- 22 The Chinese side will invite a women's delegation from India to China.
- 23 The Chinese side will invite young Indian businesspersons and entrepreneurs to attend the India-China Youth Entrepreneurship Forum in China.
- 24 The two sides will organise a Cultural and Tourism Week in various provinces of China, including Hubei.
- 25 The Chinese side will organize a India-China music concert in India.
- 26 The Chinese side will send Chinese dance troupes to participate in Indian cultural and art festivals.
- 27 The two sides will exchange visits of former ambassadors, diplomats and experts to each other's countries.
- 28 The Chinese side will organize an online short video contest for Chinese and Indian Youth.
- 29 The Chinese side will display publicity films on Chinese cities in India.
- 30 The Chinese side will organize activities related to traditional Chinese health exercise methods and Traditional Chinese Medicine service and training programme in India.
- 31 The Chinese side will conduct Chinese language competition in India and the Indian side will conduct Hindi language competition in China.
- 32 A Chinese Buddhist delegation will visit India and hold prayer activities in Xuanzang Memorial Hall in Nalanda.
- 33 The two sides will organize respective tea promotion events in each other's countries.
- 34 The Chinese side will organize a India-China Civilization Dialogue in India.
- 35 The Chinese side will conduct a composition competition for school/college students on the title "Celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations between India and China" in India.
- 36 The two sides will co-produce and telecast a documentary on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and China.
- 37 The Indian side will hold a photo exhibition on India-China relations since 1950 in various cities of China.
- 38 The two sides will jointly release commemorative stamps.
- 39 The Indian side will launch a Mobile App in Chinese on Indian Tourism in China.
- 40 Both sides will hold Film Weeks in each other's country.
- 41 The Chinese side will hold a India-China Film Forum in India.
- 42 The Indian side will hold Indian classical and folk dance performances in various cities of

China.

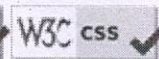
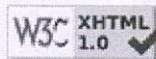
- 43 The Indian side will hold Indian contemporary dance performances in various cities of China.
- 44 Indian business delegation will participate in the 7th China Beijing International Fair for Trade in Services (CIFTIS) 2020.
- 45 Indian business delegations will participate in various well-known handicrafts/carpets/textile trade expos in China.
- 46 The Indian side will celebrate the International Day of Yoga 2020 in several cities of China.
- 47 The Chinese side will organise an International Taichi and Yoga Conference and a Symposium on Taichi and Yoga Exchanges in China.
- 48 The two sides will conduct joint cultural performances at various border posts in India and China.
- 49 The Indian side will organize Tourism Road Shows in China.
- 50 The Indian side will organize Indian Fashion Shows in several cities of China.
- 51 The Indian side will organize a Sinology Conference in China.
- 52 The Indian side will organize Indian Food Festivals in various cities of China.
- 53 The two sides will encourage museums of both countries to hold exhibitions in each other's countries.
- 54 The Indian side will conduct Indian classical music performances in various cities of China.
- 55 The Indian side will conduct Indian contemporary and choir performances in various cities of China.
- 56 The Indian side will organise a Seminar on Education in China with participation of senior leaders from leading universities of both sides.
- 57 The two sides will organise bilateral sports competitions.
- 58 The two sides will carry out school exchanges programme.
- 59 The Indian side will organize exchange programme for artists and craftsmen.
- 60 Indian delegation will participate at 3rd China International Import Expo (CIIE) in Shanghai in 2020.
- 61 The Indian side will organize a Hackathon in China.
- 62 The two sides will hold Round-Tables on Indian and Chinese Traditional Medicine in Kunming and Kolkata.
- 63 The two sides will hold closing ceremonies of the celebrations for the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and China.

- 64 The two sides will jointly design a commemorative logo for the celebrations of the 70th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and China.
- 65 The two sides will jointly release commemorative noble metal coins.
- 66 The two sides will organize joint performance of military bands in Beijing.
- 67 The Indian side will send its naval ships to visit China.
- 68 A mid-level tri-service delegation of the Indian armed forces will visit China.
- 69 A delegation of Indian CEOs will visit China.
- 70 The two sides will conduct joint interviews in both countries.

New Delhi

November 22, 2019

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2nd India-China Informal Summit

October 12, 2019

The Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi and the President of the People's Republic of China Mr Xi Jinping held their Second Informal Summit in Chennai, India, on 11-12 October 2019.

2. The two Leaders had an in-depth exchange of views in a friendly atmosphere on overarching, long-term and strategic issues of global and regional importance.
3. They also shared their respective approaches towards national development.
4. They evaluated the direction of bilateral relations in a positive light and discussed how India-China bilateral interaction can be deepened to reflect the growing role of both countries on the global stage.
5. Both Leaders shared the view that the international situation is witnessing significant readjustment. They were of the view that India and China share the common objective of working for a peaceful, secure and prosperous world in which all countries can pursue their development within a rules-based international order.
6. They reiterated the consensus reached during the first Informal Summit in Wuhan, China in April 2018, that India and China are factors for stability in the current international landscape and that both side will prudently manage their differences and not allow differences on any issue to become disputes.
7. The Leaders recognized that India and China have a common interest in preserving and advancing a rules-based and inclusive international order, including through reforms that reflect the new realities of the 21st Century. Both agreed that it is important to support and strengthen the rules-based multilateral trading system at a time when globally agreed trade practices and norms are being selectively questioned. India and China will continue to work together for open and inclusive trade arrangements that will benefit all countries.

8. Both Leaders also underscored the important efforts being made in their respective countries to address global developmental challenges, including climate change and the Sustainable Development Goals. They emphasized that their individual efforts in this regard would help the international community achieve the targets.

9. Both Leaders are concerned that terrorism continues to pose a common threat. As countries that are large and diverse, they recognized the importance of continuing to make joint efforts to ensure that the international community strengthens the framework against training, financing and supporting terrorist groups throughout the world and on a non-discriminatory basis.

10. As important contemporary civilizations with great traditions, both Leaders deemed it important to enhance dialogue in order to foster cultural understanding between the two peoples. Both Leaders also agreed that, as major civilizations in history, they can work together to enhance greater dialogue and understanding between cultures and civilizations in other parts of the world.

11. They shared the view that an open, inclusive, prosperous and stable environment in the region is important to ensure the prosperity and stability of the region. They also agreed on the importance of concluding negotiations for a mutually-beneficial and balanced Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership.

12. The two Leaders exchanged views on the age-old commercial linkages and people-to-people contacts between India and China in the past two millennia, including significant maritime contacts. In this regard the two leaders agreed on establishment of sister-state relations between Tamil Nadu and Fujian Province, exploring the possibility of establishing an academy to study links between Mahabalipuram and Fujian province on the lines of the experience between Ajanta and Dunhuang and conducting research on maritime links between China and India in view of our extensive contacts over the centuries.

13. The two Leaders shared their mutual vision on goals for development of their respective economies. They agreed that the simultaneous development of India and China presents mutually-beneficial opportunities. The two sides will continue to adopt a positive, pragmatic and open attitude and to enhance appreciation of each other's policies and actions in line with the general direction of their friendship and cooperation. In this regard, they also agreed to continue to enhance strategic communication on all matters of mutual interest, and to continue the momentum of high-level exchanges by making full use of dialogue mechanisms.

14. The leaders were of the view that the positive direction of ties had opened up possibilities for taking bilateral relations to greater heights. They agreed that this endeavor also required strong public support in both countries. In this context the two Leaders have decided to designate 2020 as Year of India-China Cultural and People to People Exchanges and agreed that the 70th anniversary of the establishment of India-China relations in 2020 will be fully utilized to deepen exchanges at all levels including between their respective legislatures, political parties, cultural and youth organizations and militaries. To celebrate the 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations the two countries will organize 70 activities including a conference on a ship voyage that will trace the historical connect between the two civilizations.

15. In pursuit of their efforts to further deepen economic cooperation and to enhance their closer development partnership, the two Leaders have decided to establish a High-Level Economic and Trade Dialogue mechanism with the objective of achieving enhanced trade and commercial relations, as well

as to better balance the trade between the two countries. They have also agreed to encourage mutual investments in identified sectors through the development of a Manufacturing Partnership and tasked their officials to develop this idea at the first meeting of the High-Level Economic and Trade Dialogue.

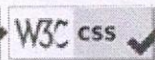
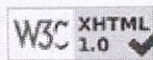
16. The two Leaders have exchanged views on outstanding issues, including on the boundary question. They have welcomed the work of the Special Representatives and urged them to continue their efforts to arrive at a mutually-agreed framework for a fair, reasonable and mutually acceptable settlement based on Political Parameters and Guiding Principles that were agreed by the two sides in 2005. They reiterated their understanding that efforts will continue to be made to ensure peace and tranquility in the border areas, and that both sides will continue to work on additional Confidence Building Measures in pursuit of this objective.

17. Prime Minister Modi and President Xi also appraised the practice of Informal Summits in a positive light as providing an important opportunity to deepen dialogue and to promote mutual understanding at the Leaders' level in line with the 'Wuhan Spirit' and the 'Chennai Connect'. They agreed to continue this practice in the future. President Xi invited Prime Minister Modi to visit China for the 3rd Informal Summit. Prime Minister Modi has accepted the invitation.

Chennai

12 October 2019

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