

Press Release

10th round of India-Hungary Foreign Office Consultations January 19, 2021

The 10th round of India-Hungary Foreign Office Consultations were held on January 19, 2021 in Budapest. The Indian delegation was led by Secretary (West), Shri Vikas Swarup and the Hungarian side was led by Dy. State Secretary for development of Eastern Relations in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Dr. András Baranyi. The Indian delegation also called on Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade H.E, Mr. Peter Szijjarto.

Both sides underscored the historically warm and cordial relations, which have received a strong filip following the recent high-level interactions, including the visits of External Affairs Minister (Aug 2019) and Minister of Jal Shakti (Oct 2019) of India to Hungary and the visit of Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary to India (Jan 2020).

During the consultations, the two sides reviewed various aspects of bilateral cooperation. Discussions focussed on political, trade and economic, science and technology, educational and cultural relations. The two sides also exchanged views on regional and international situation of mutual interest and agreed to enhance their cooperation in the multilateral fora.

There was a discussion on respective national approaches to mitigate the impact of covid 19 pandemic and on vaccines. The Hungarian side conveyed that they have initiated the process to join the International Solar Alliance and hoped it would be completed at an early date.

It was agreed to convene the next meeting of India-Hungary Joint Committee on Economic Cooperation at an early date in 2021. The two sides noted the importance of shooting films in each other's country for boosting tourism, cultural cooperation and people-to-people contacts.

It was also agreed to maintain the momentum in bilateral interaction through exchange of visits and regular consultations.
