Ministry of External Affairs

Overview of Major achievements during the month of January 2020

(I) Achievements pertaining to governance and Citizen-Centric services:

Cabinet approved ratification of Migration and Mobility Partnership Agreement between India and France on January 8, 2020. The Agreement was signed in March, 2018 during the State Visit of the French President to India. The Agreement represents a major milestone in enhancing people-to people contacts, fostering mobility of students, academics, researchers and skilled professionals and strengthening cooperation on issues related to irregular migration and human trafficking between the two sides.

59th edition of Know India program was organized form 04-28 January 2020. Andhra Pradesh was the partner State for this edition of KIP. 40 participants from nine countries took part in this Programme.

2. Consular, Passport and Visa (CPV):

Visa waiver Agreement between India and the Commonwealth of the Bahamas for holders of Diplomatic, Official and Service Passports which was signed on 29th November, 2018 came into effect from 23rd January, 2020.

(II) The 5th Raisina Dialogue: MEA, in collaboration with Observer Research Foundation, (ORF) organized the 5th edition of Raisina Dialogue from 14-16 January, 2020. The Fifth Edition of the Raisina Dialogue was organized on the theme of "21@20 Navigating the Alpha Century" on 14-16 January 2020. It was extremely successful, with the 2020 iteration attracting more than 700 delegates from 103 countries. Foreign Minsters from 11 countries, including Russia, Iran, Australia, Maldives, South Africa, Latvia, Uzbekistan, Estonia, Denmark, Hungary participated in the conference, besides Former President of Afghanistan Hamid Karzai and former Prime Ministers of Sweden, Republic of Korea, Canada, Denmark, New Zealand and Bhutan. The Secretary General of SCO Mr. Vladimir Norov and the Secretary General of the Commonwealth Patricia Scotland also attended Raisina Dialogue.

(III) Achievements pertaining to diplomatic relations:

The following table lists the States/official visits of Indian dignitories to various countries in January 2020:

S.No	Dignitory	Name of the country	Date of visit
1.	External Affairs Minister	Tunisia	January22-23,2020
2.	External Affairs Minister	Republic of Niger	January20-21,2020
3.	Speaker of Lok Sabha and Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha	Canada	January 02-12, 2020
4.	Minister of State for Tourism	Nepal	January01-02,2020

The following table lists the incoming visits of foreign dignitories to India in the month of January 2020:

S.No	Dignitory	Name of the country	Date of visit
1.	President of the Federative Republic of Brazil	Brazil	January 24-27, 2020
2	Minister of Foreign Relations of Sri Lanka	Sri Lanka	January 08-10, 2020
3	Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic	Czech Republic	January 13-16, 2020
4	Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia	Latvia	January 13-16, 2020
5	Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Maldives	Maldives	January 13-16, 2020
6	Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary	Hungary	January 14-17, 2020
7	Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran	Iran	January 14-17, 2020
8	Minister of International Relations and Cooperation of the Republic of South Africa	South Africa	January 14-18, 2020
9.	Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation	Russia	January 14-15, 2020
10.	Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan	Uzbekistan	January 14-16, 2020
11.	Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia	Estonia	January 15-17, 2020
12.	Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Denmark	Denmark	January 15-17, 2020
13.	Foreign Minister of Australia	Australia	January 15-16, 2020
14.	High Representative of Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice President of the European Commission	European Commission	January 16-18, 2020
15.	Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg	Luxembourg	January 27-29, 2020
16.	Secretary General of Shanghai Cooperation Organization	Shanghai	January 12-16, 2020
17.	Secretary General of Commonwealth		January 13-19, 2020