

Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh and Vietnam's Deputy PM & Defence Minister General Phan Van Giang hold bilateral talks in Hanoi

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India & Vietnam ink MoU in the field of AI & Quantum Technology

RM announces setting-up of AI Lab at Tele Communications University at Nha Trang

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Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh held a bilateral meeting with the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Defence of Vietnam General Phan Van Giang in Hanoi on May 19, 2026. Both Ministers reviewed the growing defence partnership between the two countries and discussed ways to further deepen cooperation in maritime security, defence industry, training & regional stability.



The two sides exchanged views on regional and global security developments of mutual interest and emphasised the importance of maintaining peace, stability, security, safety and freedom of navigation in the Indo-Pacific region. They discussed avenues to expand cooperation in areas including military training, defence industry collaboration, maritime security, capacity building, United Nations peacekeeping, cyber security and high-level exchanges. They also agreed to enhance cooperation between the defence forces of the two countries through regular dialogues, joint exercises and exchange programmes.



Raksha Mantri reaffirmed the commitment to strengthening India's Enhanced Comprehensive Strategic Partnership with Vietnam. He reiterated India's resolve in supporting Vietnam's defence modernisation and capacity enhancement initiatives under the framework of bilateral defence cooperation.

Có cuộc gặp song phương hiệu quả với Đại tướng Phan Văn Giang, Bộ trưởng Quốc phòng Việt Nam. Hai bên đã xem xét mối quan hệ đối tác quốc phòng ngày càng phát triển giữa Ấn Độ và Việt Nam và thảo luận các cách thức để tăng cường hơn nữa hợp tác trong... pic.twitter.com/byFhvHMJ2D

— Rajnath Singh (@rajnathsingh) May 19, 2026

General Phan Van Giang appreciated India's continued support and underscored the long-standing friendship and growing strategic partnership between the two nations.



The two Defence Ministers virtually inaugurated Language Lab at Air Force Officers' College, Vietnam. This lab has been established with Indian Assistance. Raksha Mantri also announced setting-up of Artificial Intelligence Lab at Tele Communications University at Nha Trang.



Military College of Telecommunications Engineering, India and Tele Communications University, Vietnam also exchanged an MoU in the field of Artificial Intelligence and Quantum Technology, marking another important chapter in the Enhanced Comprehensive Strategic Partnership between the two nations.

After the bilateral meeting, Raksha Mantri called the General Secretary and President of Vietnam Mr To Lam. He conveyed warm greetings from the President & Prime Minister of India and reiterated India's commitment to further deepening bilateral cooperation across diverse sectors, including defence and security, trade and investment, maritime cooperation, connectivity, digital transformation and people-to-people exchanges.

The two leaders reaffirmed the strong and enduring friendship between India and Vietnam, rooted in shared civilisational links, mutual trust and common strategic interests. They expressed satisfaction at the continued growth of the India–Vietnam Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.



Warmly recalling his visit to India, the President of Vietnam appreciated the growing bilateral engagement and acknowledged India's role as a key partner in Vietnam's development and strategic priorities. He welcomed the expanding defence cooperation as key pillar of Enhanced Comprehensive Partnership between the two countries and expressed confidence that bilateral ties would continue to strengthen in the years ahead.



Shri Rajnath Singh began the day's engagements by paying homage to the founding father of Vietnam, former President Ho Chi Minh, at the Mausoleum on his 136th birth anniversary. "His vision, leadership and enduring commitment to national liberation and global solidarity continue to inspire generations. He also laid foundation of strong India-Vietnam friendship which remains rooted in shared values and mutual respect," he said in a post on X.

Đến viếng Lăng Chủ tịch Hồ Chí Minh, vị lãnh tụ khai sinh ra nước Việt Nam,
nhân kỷ niệm 136 năm ngày sinh của Người.

Tầm nhìn, sự lãnh đạo và cam kết bền bỉ của Người với sự nghiệp giải phóng
dân tộc và sự đoàn kết trên toàn thế giới tiếp tục... <https://t.co/nhlYo2IVCN>

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India and Vietnam share a strong bond rooted in mutual trust, shared values and close cooperation in defence, security and regional stability.

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