

14th India-Mongolia Joint Working Group meeting reaffirms commitment to strengthening bilateral defence partnership

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The 14th Joint Working Group meeting between the Defence Ministries of India and Mongolia took place in Ulaanbaatar on October 16, 2026. Both sides undertook a comprehensive review of ongoing bilateral defence cooperation activities, assessed the progress of existing initiatives and deliberated on measures to expand cooperation in mutually identified areas, reaffirming the commitment to further strengthen the longstanding partnership through sustained dialogue. They also exchanged perspectives on regional and international developments.



The two sides appreciated the successful conclusion of the Nomadic Elephant exercise showcasing India and Mongolia's commitment to strengthening bilateral defence cooperation. The Mongolian side acknowledged India's continued support in capacity building and training of personnel of Mongolian Armed Forces. The meeting was co-chaired by Joint Secretary, Ministry of Defence, India Dr Ishita Ganguli Tripathy and Deputy State Secretary of Defence, Mongolia Brigadier General Gansukh E.



Joint Secretary Dr Ishita Ganguli Tripathy also held a meeting with Deputy Chief of the General Staff of the Mongolian Armed Forces Major General Usukhbayar J, with both sides appreciating the progress of cooperation between the two Defence Forces. They identified avenues to deepen engagement, strengthen defence ties and chart a forward-looking agenda for the India-Mongolia Strategic Partnership.

The Indian delegation also visited National Defence University, where they reviewed the functioning of the Cyber Security Training Centre established with the Indian assistance. The Mongolian side appreciated India's continued support in language training and cyber security, underscoring the value of capacity building, knowledge-sharing and deeper defence cooperation in strengthening the Strategic Partnership.

India and Mongolia share enduring historical, cultural and civilisational bonds, which provide a strong foundation for their contemporary partnership. The visit highlighted the important role of shared faith and cultural heritage in bringing the two nations closer.

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