Raksha Mantri and his South Korean counterpart hold bilateral talks on the margins of 13th ADMM-Plus

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Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh held a productive bilateral meeting with the Minister of National Defense of the Republic of Korea (ROK) Mr Kang Shin-chul on the margins of the 13th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus (ADMM-Plus) in Cebu, Philippines on October 28, 2026. During the comprehensive talks, both leaders reviewed the expanding defence cooperation between the two countries.

Emphasising the shared vision for an open, free, and inclusive region, Shri Rajnath Singh and Mr Kang Shin-chul deliberated on concrete pathways to strengthen security in the Indo-Pacific. They expressed mutual satisfaction over the strengthening of strategic partnerships and engaged in detailed discussions on exploring new opportunities to co-develop military technologies, enhance joint industry collaborations, and promote robust maritime security.

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> — Rajnath Singh (@rajnathsingh) October 28, 2026

Raksha Mantri is leading the Indian delegation to the 13th ADMM-Plus meeting being held under the chairmanship of the Philippines from October 28 to 29, 2026. The forum remains a premier platform for ASEAN member states and its eight dialogue partners, including India and South Korea, to reinforce security and strategic cooperation.

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