

Joint Study Group on India-Japan Cooperation based on Indo-Pacific Initiative

Subject

1. Purpose:

“India-Japan Cooperation in Free and Open Indo-Pacific Initiative”

-Considerations and Recommendations on Areas of Comprehensive Cooperation from the Economic and Security Perspectives

2. Issues to be addressed:

1) Background:

With the rapid rise of China and the relative decline of the U.S. influence, there is a concern about the destabilization in the Indo-Pacific, and the cooperation between India and Japan is of increasing importance.

2) Interests shared by India and Japan with respect to China:

(1) Economic Importance:

Biggest Trading Partner and Rival

(2) Political/Military Caution:

Territorial land, territorial waters, and territorial airspace are all flashpoints, and there is a concern about China’s increasing international influence. Given this situation, it is essential that we strengthen the India-Japan cooperation, deepen coordination with ASEAN countries, and coexist/collaborate with China’s Belt & Road Initiative.

Subject	<p>(3) “Japan and India Special Strategic and Global Partnership”: Although the importance of the India-Japan partnership is often emphasized, there is an urgent need to materialize/accelerate the partnership. This study group considers specific areas/activities for India and Japan to strengthen cooperation and presents a recommendation.</p>
Period	April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2023
Dates of Meetings	<p>(1) July 12, 2020 (2) September 27, 2020 (3) November 22, 2020 (4) January 31, 2021 (5) February 28, 2021 (6) March 28, 2021 (7) April 25, 2021 (8) May 30, 2021 (9) June 13, 2021 (10) July 18, 2021 (11) August 29, 2021 (12) September 19, 2021 (13) October 24, 2021 (14) November 21, 2021 (15) December 5, 2021 (16) January 16, 2022 (17) February 20, 2022 (18) March 11, 2022</p>

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