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Relationship with Pakistan

Government continues efforts to build peaceful cooperative ties with Pakistan as envisaged under the Simla Agreement and Lahore Declaration, while taking all necessary steps to protect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the nation and the safety and security of our citizens.

Government has been repeatedly conveying to Pakistan that it must abide by its commitment not to allow its territory or territories under its control to be used against India, and to respect the sanctity of the International Boundary and Line of Control.

A list of meetings held between India and Pakistan in the last three years is enclosed at Annexure.

Annexure

The details of interactions between India and Pakistan in the last three years are given below.

Second Round of Resumed Dialogue			
Interaction	Venue	Date	Details
Indian Secretary [Water]& Pakistani Secretary [Water & Power]	New Delhi	27-28 March 2012	Second Round of Secretary-level talks on Tulbul Navigation Project/Wullar Barrage
Home Secretary level talks	Islamabad	24-25 May 2012	Counter Terrorism including progress on Mumbai trial and humanitarian issues
Defense Secretary level talks	Rawalpindi	11-12 June 2012	Siachen
Surveyor General level talks	New Delhi	18-19 June 2012	Sir Creek
Foreign Secretary level talks	Islamabad	07-09 September 2012	Peace & security including confidence building measures, Jammu and Kashmir,

			Promotion of friendly exchanges
External Affairs Minister level talks	Islamabad	07-09 September 2012	Bilateral talks
Third Round of Resumed Dialogue			
Commerce Secretary level talks	Islamabad	20-21 September 2012	7 th Round of talks trade and economic cooperation
Expert level talks	New Delhi	27-28 December 2012	Conventional and Nuclear Confidence Building Measures
Other interactions in 2012			
Visit of Commerce, Industry and Textiles Minister of India	Lahore, Karachi and Islamabad	12-15 February 2012	Led a delegation of Indian businessmen to a trade fair in Lahore; held trade talks with Pakistan's Minister of Commerce.
Visit of Hon'ble Speaker of Lok Sabha	Islamabad	21-25 February 2012	Hon'ble Speaker held discussions with her counterpart Ms. Fehmida Mirza & met Farooq Naek, Chairman of Pakistan's Senate. She called on then PM Gilani.
Then Prime Ministers	Seoul	27 March 2012	Met briefly on the sidelines of the Nuclear Security Summit
Then PM Dr. Manmohan Singh met President of Pakistan H.E. Mr. Asif Ali Zardari	New Delhi	8 April 2012	During the Pak President's private visit to the Dargah of Khwaja Moinuddin Chisti in Ajmer
Then EAM met Pak FM Heena Rabbani Khar	Tokyo	8 July 2012	on the sidelines of Tokyo Conference on Afghanistan
Then PM Dr. Manmohan Singh met President Zardari	Tehran	30 August 2012	On the sidelines of the NAM Summit
Joint Commission Meeting			
08 Technical Level Working Groups [TLWG]	New Delhi	06 September, 2012	The 08 technical groups on Agriculture, Education, Environment, Health, Information, Information Technology, Telecom & Science and Technology met

			and discussed issues in their respective fields
Official level meetings in 2013-14			
Meeting between then Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh And Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif	New York	27 September 2013	On the sidelines of UN General Assembly Session & discussed bilateral relations
Meeting between Director General BSF and Director General , Pak Rangers	Lahore	24-28 December 2013	Confidence building measures between BSF and Pak Rangers
Joint Working Group on Cross LoC Confidence building measures	Islamabad	04 March 2014	Issues relating to cross LoC trade and travel
Meetings of Permanent Indus Commission	New Delhi	22-25 September 2013	-
Meetings of Permanent Indus Commission	Lahore	24-26 August 2014	-
Meetings of Permanent Indus Commission	New Delhi	1 st week of February 2015	-
Director General level meeting between Indian Coast Guard and Pakistan Maritime Security Agency	New Delhi	December 17-20, 2014	To consider confidence building measures and humanitarian issues such as inadvertent crossing of maritime borders by fishermen
SAARC related meetings:			
Meeting between Commerce Secretaries of India and Pakistan on the margins of the 5 th SAARC Business Leaders Conclave	New Delhi	15 January 2014	Preparatory meeting to the meeting of Commerce Ministers
Meeting between Commerce Ministers	New Delhi	18 January 2014	Discussed measures for trade normalisation
5 th SAARC Health Minister's meeting	New Delhi	06-08 April 2015	Cooperation in Health related issues under SAARC umbrella
FS and PM level Bilateral Meetings in 2014 & 2015			
Meeting between PM Modi & Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif	New Delhi	27 May 2014	During the visit of SAARC Heads of State/ Government

			during the swearing-in of the new government
Foreign Secretaries of India and Pakistan	Islamabad	03 March 2015	Discussion on SAARC related and bilateral issues during "SAARC Yatra" of Foreign Secretary of India
Meeting between PM Modi & Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif	Ufa, Russia	10 July 2015	On the margins of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation

This Information was given by the Minister of state in the Ministry of External Affairs Gen. (Retd.) Dr. V. K. Singh in Lok Sabha today.

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