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A Letter of Association (LoA) was signed between DAKSHIN and the Institute of Developing Economies – Japan External Trade Organization (IDE-JETRO) in Chiba, Japan on 6 July 2026. The LoA was signed by Professor Sachin Kumar Sharma, Director General, RIS and Dr Fukunari Kimura, President, IDE-JETRO. From DAKSHIN/RIS, the signing ceremony was also attended by Dr. Rajan Sudesh Ratna, Coordinator, DAKSHIN – Global South Centre of Excellence; Dr. Prabir De, Professor, RIS; Dr. Priyadarshi Dash, Associate Professor, RIS; and Dr. Pankaj Vashisht, Associate Professor, RIS.

This partnership aims to encourage joint research with an aim to explore replicable, scalable and locally relevant development solutions and facilitate their implementation. Through capacity building initiatives such as training, sharing of expertise, and organising of conferences and workshops, both institutions aim to promote skill development and knowledge dissemination for the Global South, especially for countries with special needs.

Key Developments in the Global South

India's Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's Seychelles Visit Yields Major Agreements on UPI, Healthcare, Space, Agriculture and Development Cooperation



India's Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi highlighted the "substantive outcomes" of his State Visit to Seychelles, announcing a series of agreements and development initiatives aimed at deepening the strategic partnership between the two countries across sectors including digital payments, healthcare, defence, agriculture, maritime cooperation and space. In a post on X, he said, "There are substantive outcomes in this Seychelles visit. Key MoUs have been signed. These include an MoU for the implementation of UPI in Seychelles, MoU on Jan Aushadhi and more. We will keep working in futuristic sectors like climate action, green hydrogen, energy, the Blue Economy and more." The visit, undertaken at the invitation of Seychelles's Hon'ble President H.E. Dr. Patrick Herminie, coincided with the Golden Jubilee celebrations of Seychelles' Independence, which Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi attended as the Guest of Honour. Reflecting on the visit he said it was an honour to participate in the National Day celebrations, describing the occasion as a tribute to the remarkable journey of the Seychellois people over the past 50 years.

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India and Mauritius Agree on the Significance of the India-Mauritius Enhanced Strategic Partnership



Hon'ble Indian Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi met with the Hon'ble Prime Minister of Mauritius, H.E. Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam in Victoria, Mahe. The leaders met on the sidelines of Seychelles' Golden Jubilee National Day celebrations. This was Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's fourth meeting with Hon'ble Prime Minister H.E. Dr. Navinchandra Ramgoolam since the latter took office in November 2024. The two leaders discussed the ongoing cooperation between India and Mauritius. They further

reviewed the progress made in the implementation of the Special Economic Package extended by India. Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi underscored the importance attached by India to the development and progress of Mauritius, noting that the ongoing bilateral projects will contribute to Mauritius's healthcare, connectivity, sustainable development and blue economy.

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Indonesia and India Strengthen Strategic Partnership through 16 Cooperation Agreements



The bilateral meeting between Hon'ble Indonesian President H.E. Prabowo Subianto and Hon'ble Indian Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi at the Merdeka Palace, Jakarta, resulted in 16 mutually beneficial agreements. During the meeting, Indonesia and India concluded a number of strategic Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs). "We are confident that these agreements will be implemented promptly, delivering tangible benefits to the peoples of both countries," Hon'ble President H.E. Prabowo Subianto stated. In the presence of Hon'ble President H.E. Prabowo Subianto and Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the two sides exchanged the Extension of the Framework Agreement between the National Research and Innovation Agency Indonesia and the Indian Space Research Organization on Cooperation in the Exploration and Uses of Outer Space for Peaceful Purposes. Indonesia and India also announced 15 other documents encompassing cooperation across a range of strategic sectors, including defense, energy, health, culture, and technology.

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Hon'ble India Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Marks 11 Years of Digital India; Says Initiative has Transformed Governance, Empowered Citizens and Strengthened the Foundation of Viksit Bharat



Hon'ble Indian Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, marked 11 years of the Digital India initiative, highlighting its transformative impact on governance, public service delivery and citizens' lives. He said that Digital India has redefined governance by making it more transparent, efficient and citizen-centric while accelerating all-round development across the country. He noted that the initiative has touched every aspect of life, from seamless digital payments and transparent Direct Benefit Transfers to the expansion of Digital Public Infrastructure, making technology a powerful instrument for enhancing the “Ease of Living.” He observed that the widespread adoption of technology by over a billion Indians has brought about a transformative change, making Digital India a strong foundation for a developed and self-reliant India.

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"India Will Work for Secure



India will work for a secure, peaceful and equitable world where the voice of the Global South is heard in equal measure, Hon'ble Indian External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar said. He made these remarks as he launched India's official campaign for a non-permanent seat at the UNSC for the 2028–29 term. He outlined in detail India's approach to the United Nations, emphasising that it is rooted in 'Shanti: Securing Holistic Advancement through Norms, Trust, Integrity' as he launched India's campaign for the two-year tenure at an event in the UN headquarters attended by UN Ambassadors, diplomats and officials. "India's focus will be on working for a secure, peaceful, and equitable world—a world where the voice of the Global South is heard in equal measure. A world where peacekeeping is ready for contemporary and future challenges. A world where multilateralism reflects contemporary realities and provides effective solutions, not remaining a bystander," he said.

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Energy Security Key Focus of Hon'ble Indian External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar's Gulf Visit: Ministry of External Affairs, India



Energy security was an important part of the conversations during Hon'ble External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar's visit to four countries in the Gulf region and there were also discussions on developments in West Asia. Answering queries during the weekly media briefing, Ministry of External Affairs Spokesperson Shri Randhir Jaiswal said the Hon'ble External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar's visited Qatar, Kuwait, Bahrain, and

Oman and had extensive discussions with the leadership, including at the highest level. "He also met with his counterparts in all four countries and discussed several issues that are of interest, including trade, energy, and investment. Energy was an important part of the conversation, and they also discussed the developments that are happening in West Asia and shared their perspectives on this particular issue. Energy security was an important part of the conversation that he had in the Gulf region," he said.

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BRICS Meet: India-China ‘Global South Anchors’, ‘Partners, not Rivals’, says India’s Hon’ble National Security Advisor Shri Ajit Doval



India’s Hon’ble National Security Advisor (NSA) Shri Ajit Doval met Hon’ble Chinese Foreign Minister H.E. Wang Yi on the sidelines of the 16th BRICS NSA meeting in New Delhi. Hon’ble National Security Advisor Shri Ajit Doval said, “India and China are partners, not rivals,” and added, “a stable India-China relationship serves the common interests of both sides.” Hon’ble Chinese Foreign Minister H.E. Wang Yi suggested that both sides should “respect each other’s core interests, properly handle sensitive issues, place the China-India boundary issue in its appropriate position, and prevent it from affecting the overall situation of bilateral relations.” The bloc reiterated its longstanding demand for greater representation of Global South countries within international institutions, reflecting its broader push for a multipolar world order.

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India Launches Aarogya Setu 2.0, Digital Initiatives for Affordable Healthcare



Hon'ble Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare & Chemicals and Fertilizers, Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda launched a series of digital health initiatives aimed at strengthening India's Digital Public Infrastructure for Health and accelerating the adoption of interoperable digital health solutions across the country. The digital initiatives launched include Aarogya Setu 2.0, Ayushman App, Ayushman Sarathi WhatsApp Chatbot, National Health Claims Exchange (NHCE), Insurance Plan FHIR Object Creator, e-Sushrut Clinic, Unified Health Interface (UHI), Drug Registry, Common LOINC Codes for India (CLCI) and Bharat Health Terminology Service (BHTS). Developed under the aegis of the National Health Authority (NHA) and National Resource Centre for EHR Standards (NRCeS), these initiatives aim to improve accessibility, efficiency and continuity of care while enabling seamless exchange of health information across the healthcare ecosystem.

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India and Afghanistan Explore New Avenues for Collaboration in Agriculture



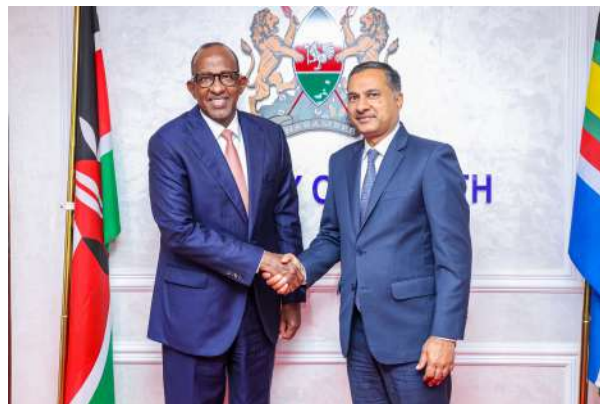
Hon'ble Union Minister for Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare and Rural Development, Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, held a bilateral meeting with the Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock of Afghanistan H.E. Mawlawi Ataullah Omari and the accompanying delegation to review the existing agricultural partnership between the two countries and discuss new avenues for cooperation in agriculture, irrigation, livestock, agricultural research, education, capacity building and agri-trade. Senior officials of the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) participated in the discussions. Food security, seed systems and crop productivity emerged as key areas of discussion. Both sides agreed to work towards constituting a Joint Working Group to prepare a structured roadmap for long-term cooperation in agriculture and livestock.



The ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA) joint committee, which is seeking a speedy conclusion to the review of the bilateral free trade pact, has set strict timelines for various sub-committees to finalise pending chapters, the Commerce Department said. The sub-committees are reviewing key areas under the agreement, including market access and national treatment, rules of origin, customs procedures and trade facilitation. The review comes against India's growing concern over its widening merchandise trade deficit with the ASEAN bloc. India has repeatedly maintained that the review should help correct structural imbalances by improving market access for Indian products and ensuring that the agreement delivers reciprocal commercial benefits.

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India and Kenya Deepen Health Partnership to Advance Universal Health Coverage



Kenya's Hon'ble Health Cabinet Secretary H.E. Aden Duale held talks with H.E. Dr. Adarsh Swaika, Hon'ble High Commissioner of India to Kenya, reaffirming the strong

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Burundi Looks to India Stack for Digital ID and Payments Infrastructure



Burundi wants to leverage one of the world's most successful Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) models to fast-track its national identity and payment systems. Discussions to negotiate this partnership took place recently between Isidora Ntakiyiruta, aide to Burundi's Minister of Finance, Budget and Digital Economy, and the Indian Ambassador to Burundi, H.E. Upender Singh Rawat, the ministry said. Both parties explored ways through which the India experience can help Burundi modernise its payments infrastructure, using the Universal Payments Interface (UPI) system to drive financial inclusion for millions of Burundians. Further technical contacts are expected to be made between the relevant institutions of both countries to chart a clearer path towards formalising the digital cooperation.

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India Donates 500 Tons of Rice to Support Flood Victims in Mozambique



India delivered 500 tons of rice and medicines to Mozambique for humanitarian assistance to families affected by the January floods. The products were delivered to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and the Mozambican Community Abroad by the Hon'ble High Commissioner of India to Mozambique, H.E. Robert Shetkintong, who highlighted his country's commitment to supporting populations affected by natural disasters. The Indian support comes after the floods that hit several regions of Mozambique at the beginning of the year, causing deaths, destroying infrastructure, and affecting thousands of families. Mozambique is one of the most vulnerable to the effects of climate change, being frequently affected by floods and tropical cyclones during the rainy season, which runs between October and April.

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Government, Corporates and Global Foundations Join Hands on PRAGATI to Empower 20,000 Agri-Entrepreneurs



Hon'ble Indian Union Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan recently launched PRAGATI, a nationwide initiative to build 20,000 agri-entrepreneurs and directly benefit 20 lakh smallholder farmers through climate-resilient, regenerative agriculture. The programme is backed by a coalition of institutions including the PepsiCo Foundation, State Bank of India Foundation, Gates Foundation, IDH, Heifer International, Environmental Defence Fund (EDF), Global Agri Entrepreneurship Academy, Sustainable Agriculture Foundation's International Association (SAFIA), Agri Entrepreneur Growth Foundation (AEGF), and Transform Rural India Foundation (TRIF). Building on an existing network of 26,000-plus agri-entrepreneurs that already supports 2.6 million farmers, PRAGATI aims to add 20,000 more entrepreneurs and reach over 2 million additional smallholders across Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Assam, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Maharashtra and Rajasthan.

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India is preparing to enter the next phase of its digital transformation with artificial intelligence (AI), semiconductors, quantum technologies and indigenous electronics manufacturing expected to become key engines of economic growth over the coming decade. With Digital India programme completing 11 years, the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology Secretary S Krishnan (MeitY) said the digital ecosystem built over the past decade has laid a strong foundation for India's ambition of becoming a developed economy by 2047, with future investments increasingly directed towards advanced technologies, domestic manufacturing and globally scalable digital public infrastructure. MeitY said the next chapter of Digital India will focus on expanding indigenous capabilities in AI, semiconductors, quantum computing and cybersecurity while strengthening digital trust and data protection.

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IGAD Advances Regional Centres of Excellence to Drive Climate-Smart Agriculture



The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) has convened Member States, research institutions, Centres of Excellence, and technical partners in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, to validate the Assessment Report on the Regional Centres of Excellence (RCoEs) for Climate-Smart Agriculture. Held under the Food Systems Resilience Program (FSRP), the two-day meeting validated the study report for the assessment of the regional centres of excellence in the IGAD region and specifically reviewed the identified lessons learned, challenges, and proposed options for a sustainable regional architecture and business model that can effectively support Climate-Smart Agriculture in the IGAD

region. The meeting reflects IGAD's continued commitment to advancing climate-smart agriculture and strengthening regional cooperation to build resilient, productive, and sustainable food systems for the people of Eastern Africa.

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Kazakhstan and Georgia Explore Growth Opportunities in Agriculture



Kazakhstan and Georgia have discussed expanding cooperation in the agricultural sector, including increasing bilateral trade in agricultural products and advancing joint investment projects, the Ministry of Agriculture of Kazakhstan reports. The corresponding discussions took place during a meeting between Kazakhstan's Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture H.E. Aidarbek Saparov and Georgia's Hon'ble Minister of Environmental Protection and Agriculture H.E. David Songulashvili. Particular attention during the meeting was given to increasing supplies of agricultural products to the Georgian market. Kazakhstan expressed interest in boosting exports of grain, flour, vegetable oils, pasta products, meat, dairy products, chocolate, and confectionery.

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Syria and Saudi Arabia to Boost Cooperation in Agriculture Domain



sustainability. They exchanged views on developing joint cooperation in a manner that serves the shared interests of the two brotherly countries.

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Yemen Discusses Enhanced Cooperation with FAO on Plant Protection



Yemen's Ho'nble Minister of Agriculture, Irrigation and Fisheries H.E. Salem al-Soqtari discussed with a technical team from the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) ways of strengthening technical cooperation in the fields of plant protection, transboundary pest control and the regulation of pesticides fertilizers, and seeds. The meeting, was attended by Mr. Jordi Yasmi, the Director of the Plant Production and Protection Division, Dr. Shawki al-Dubai, Head of the Desert Locust and Transboundary Plant Pests Team, and Dr. Bogen Guo, Head of the Pest and Pesticide Management Team, focused on supporting Yemen in developing its plant quarantine system, digitising border inspection procedures, establishing central laboratories for pest detection and pesticide residue analysis, and enhancing the capacities of the National Seed Corporation and local seed banks.

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Indonesia and Gambia Reopen ARFTC Agricultural Training Hub in Jenoi



Indonesia and The Gambia have officially reopened the Agricultural Rural Farmers Training Center (ARFTC) in Jeno, The Gambia, in a strategic bid to bolster food security across the country and the wider West African region. “This marks a renewal of Indonesia's commitment to collaborate with The Gambia in strengthening food resilience, building capacity, and sharing knowledge for future generations,” Hon’ble Indonesian Deputy Foreign Minister H.E. Arrmanatha Nasir said in a ministry statement. The facility was jointly inaugurated by Nasir and Hon’ble Gambian Foreign Minister H.E. Sering Modou Njie on the sidelines of the 2nd Indonesia-The Gambia Joint Commission Meeting in Banjul, the Gambian capital. Indonesia envisions the ARFTC evolving into a regional center of excellence that drives agricultural innovation, human resources development, and food security in West Africa, Hon’ble Indonesian Deputy Foreign Minister H.E. Arrmanatha Nasir added.

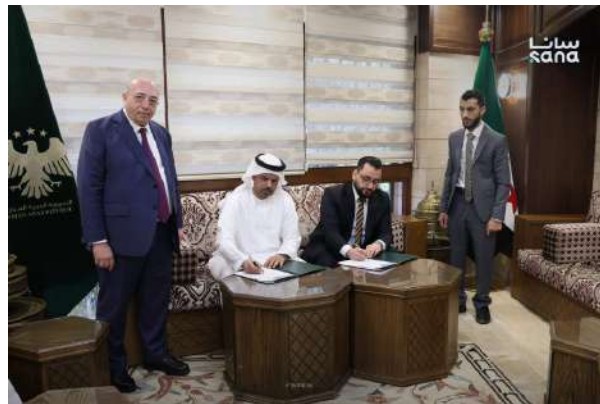
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Malaysia and Thailand Agree to Continue Talks on Agricultural, Fisheries Trade Issues



Malaysia and Thailand have agreed to continue discussions on several trade issues involving agricultural and fisheries products, including export restrictions and market access, to strengthen bilateral cooperation in food security and the agri-food sector. The Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security said the matter was discussed during a bilateral meeting between Malaysia’s Hon’ble Agriculture and Food Security Minister H.E. Datuk Seri Mohamad Sabu and Thailand's Hon’ble Minister of Agriculture and Cooperatives H.E. Suriya Jungrungreangkit at Wisma Tani here. It said that the meeting began with a one-on-one discussion between the two ministers before proceeding to a bilateral meeting involving delegations from both ministries. “Malaysia

Syria and United Arab Emirates Sign Agreement to Strengthen Food Security, Agricultural Exports



Syria signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with two UAE companies to launch a joint agricultural initiative aimed at strengthening food security, expanding agricultural exports and promoting sustainable farming. The agreement, signed by Syria's Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture H.E. Basel al-Suwaidan with Mair Group and NVSSoft for Agricultural Technologies and Services, seeks to develop integrated agricultural value chains, increase farmers' incomes and accelerate the adoption of contract farming, digital transformation and modern agricultural technologies. The initiative will establish an integrated agricultural system covering production planning

of leasing agricultural land for crop production destined for the Seychellois market. He noted that such cooperation could support national food security while creating new opportunities for trade, investment and economic partnership between the two countries. Beyond agriculture, he highlighted opportunities to expand cooperation through manpower training and capacity building in education, healthcare and agriculture.

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Africa CDC and Algeria Deepen Health Partnership



The Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) and the Government of Algeria have strengthened their strategic partnership to advance Health Technology Assessment (HTA) and expand collaboration across key areas of Africa's public health ecosystem. The discussions took place in Algiers, where Africa CDC Director General Dr. Jean Kaseya met with Algeria's Hon'ble Minister of Health, H.E. Mohamed Seddik Ait Messaoudene, alongside members of the Algerian government and development partners. A key outcome of the engagement was the commitment to advance the development of an African curriculum on Health Technology Assessment, an initiative aimed at strengthening evidence-based decision-making in healthcare across the continent.

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against emerging health threats. In a landmark anniversary statement issued by the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) agency, WAHO Director-General, Dr. Melchior Aïssi, reflected on nearly four decades of regional health collaboration, while outlining an ambitious roadmap aimed at tackling some of the most pressing health challenges confronting West Africa. He highlighted several major initiatives pursued over the past year, including efforts to strengthen national health systems, promote exclusive breastfeeding during the first six months of life, mobilise protected domestic resources for healthcare financing and expand implementation of the regional community health policy.

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ASEAN Advances Regional Cooperation on Occupational Safety and Health



The Ministry of Home Affairs of Viet Nam successfully convened the 13th ASEAN Occupational Safety and Health Network (ASEAN-OSHNET) Conference (13th AOC) on 7 July, followed by the 27th ASEAN-OSHNET Coordinating Board Meeting (CB



Mexico's Ministry of Health and the Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) signed the Country Cooperation Strategy with Mexico 2026–2030, an instrument that will guide joint priorities to strengthen the national health system over the next four years. The agreement aims to advance universal health coverage and reduce health inequalities, with emphasis on vulnerable populations. Mexico's Hon'ble Minister of Health H.E. David Kershenobich says the strategy "will guide our shared priorities in the years ahead." He adds that the framework aligns with the Sectoral Health Program, the Sustainable Health Agenda for the Americas, and PAHO's Strategic Plan. The goal, he says, is to expand access to quality services, with particular focus on prevention, primary care, and responses to the country's main health challenges.

Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Centre, the regional director of UNICEF, and the ambassadors of the United Arab Emirates and Qatar. The participants underscored the importance of continued international cooperation to improve healthcare services and address Afghanistan's humanitarian and public health challenges.

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South Africa Eyes AI-Driven Healthcare Transformation



The South African government is positioning artificial intelligence (AI) as a key tool to expedite the country's healthcare system. This accelerates broader digital transformation initiatives spanning cloud computing, digital infrastructure, connectivity and skills development. Speaking at the inaugural Google Cloud Summit, in Johannesburg, Hon'ble South African President H.E. Cyril Ramaphosa said South Africa intends to harness AI to improve healthcare delivery, strengthen public services and drive economic growth, while ensuring the technology is deployed responsibly. According to him, the government is looking at ways the technology can improve patient outcomes, support healthcare professionals and expand access to quality healthcare services.

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Cambodia Moves Forward in Advancing Occupational Safety and Health Legal Framework

partners to review the draft law and help ensure it reflects Cambodia's national priorities while aligning with relevant International Labour Standards in particular, the Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 1981 (No. 155) and the Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health Convention, 2006 (No. 187).

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Indonesian Health Ministry Strengthens Critical Care in Highland Papua



The Indonesian Ministry of Health, through the National Teaching Hospitals Coordinator, has ensured the smooth implementation of treatment for 11 priority critical diseases at regional public hospitals (RSUD) across Highland Papua. The National Teaching Hospitals Coordinator, Dr. Eniarti, said in a statement that the cooperation forum involving the Highland Papua Provincial Government and the administrations of its eight districts formed part of the national priority healthcare support program. The initiative is part of the second pillar of Indonesia's health system transformation, which focuses on strengthening referral healthcare services nationwide. According to Dr. Eniarti, the forum served as a platform for collaboration among the central government, local governments, national and regional teaching hospitals, network hospitals, and other stakeholders to strengthen high-quality, equitable, and sustainable priority healthcare services.

The African Telecommunications Union (ATU) and the United Nations Office for Digital and Emerging Technologies (UN-ODET) have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) aimed at strengthening cooperation on artificial intelligence capacity building and digital public infrastructure across Africa. The agreement was signed on the sidelines of the AI for Good Global Summit in Geneva by ATU's Hon'ble Secretary-General H.E. John Omo and Shri Amandeep Singh Gill, the United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Special Envoy for Digital and Emerging Technologies, who heads UN-ODET. According to the two organisations, the partnership will support the development of safe, inclusive and locally relevant digital technologies across Africa while promoting open, secure and interoperable digital systems that align with the continent's development priorities.

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Equity, Partners Launch Drive to Expand Africa's Digital Infrastructure



Equity Group Holdings, AfricaNenda Foundation and the Gates Foundation have entered into a strategic partnership to accelerate the development and implementation of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) across



Hon'ble Nigerian President H.E. Bola Ahmed Tinubu has signed the National Identity Management Commission (NIMC) Act, 2026 into law, handing the Commission sweeping

to promote a “third digital path” reconciling technological sovereignty, open innovation and international cooperation.

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Gambia Launches Sovereign Digital ID System



More than 30 government officials from 14 Caribbean countries met in Kingston from 29 June to 2 July for the third edition of the School on Digital Transformation and Innovation in the Caribbean (SODTIC 2026), a flagship capacity-building initiative led by the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) to help governments accelerate digital transformation through stronger institutions, better governance and regional cooperation. Hosted by the Mona School of Business and Management at The University of the West Indies, the four-day programme brought together policymakers, technical experts, academia, international organisations and private-sector representatives to address one of the region's most pressing challenges: turning digital policy ambitions into concrete public action. By bringing together governments, international organisations, academia and the technical community, SODTIC 2026



At the Ethiopia–Nigeria Experience Exchange Visit on the Implementation of the Integrated National Financing Framework (INFF) in Abuja, stakeholders argued that Africa must rethink how it finances development

transformation, teacher development, research partnerships, and academic mobility. The major milestone advances the future of higher education across Southeast Asia under the Work Plan on Education 2026-2030. The outcome documents were adopted during the Ministers' Roundtable on Access and Sustainable Development in Higher Education, convened by the Philippines through the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) as part of its 2026 ASEAN Chairship. CHED said the Ministerial Roundtable was guided by the vision of Philippines's Hon'ble President H.E. Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., who has consistently emphasized the transformative role of innovation and digital technologies in strengthening ASEAN.

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to leverage their respective infrastructure and competitive advantages to benefit both countries and the wider Caribbean.

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