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The 7th Japan-India Road Meeting (Report)

--- Technological Exchange between Japan and India in the Roads Sector ----

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT), Japan, and the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH), India, held the 7th Japan-India Road Meeting on February 25, online.

In this meeting, we shared knowledge in the road sector about slope protection and construction technique, and confirmed continuing technological exchange between Japan and India.

This meeting is based on the cooperation of roads and road transportation sector. It has been held almost annually since October 2014 when the first meeting took place in New Delhi, India. The summary of the 7th meeting follows.

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(1) Date: February 25, 2022 (Friday)

(2) Major participants:

Japan: Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT)

SASAKI Shojiro, Vice-Director-General, Road Bureau

YAO Mitsuhiro, Director, International Affairs Office, Planning Division,
Road Bureau

India: Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH)

Amit Kumar Gosh, Additional Secretary, Land and National Highways

Paresh Kumar Goel, Director, Transportation and International Affairs



Images of Opening Session

(left side: Vice-Director-General SASAKI, MLIT / right side: Additional Secretary Gosh, MoRTH)

Appendix: Summary

The meeting featured presentations and lively discussions on two common themes: “Experience and Challenge related to Slope Protection” and “Construction Technique of Slope Protection”.

Presentation from Japan

- Regarding the slope disaster prevention measures in Japan, the presentation introduced the latest trends such as the flow of road disaster prevention inspection, road traffic restrictions in the event of extreme weather, inspection method of road earthwork structures.
- Regarding Japan's technical cooperation in the sector of roads in India, the presentation introduced JICA's slope guidelines and road projects such as slope countermeasure works.
- Regarding landslide and mudslide disaster on roads, the presentation introduced some affected cases, restoration works and extraction of road slope risk points through aerial laser surveying.

Presentation from India

- Regarding the experience of slope protection in India, the presentation introduced the causes of landslides, the analysis for stabilizing slopes and the efforts of NHAI to move forward with the road projects.
- Regarding slope stabilization, the presentation introduced drainage, anchoring, retaining walls, vegetation spraying, and other construction methods, as well as actual construction practices in India.

At the meeting, we shared the latest information on the road sectors in the two countries and confirmed continuous cooperation between Japan and India on such issues. We will continue technological exchanges on road issues between Japan and India.



Images of the meeting