Ministry of Land, Infrastructure. Transport and Tourism

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The 5th Japan-India Road Meeting (Report)

Consultations on further cooperation between Japan and India in the road sector

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure Transport and Tourism (MLIT), Japan, and the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH), India, jointly hosted the 5th Japan-India Road Meeting on November 12th in New Delhi.

We shared tasks and experiences related to expressway administration and maintenance, mountainous roads, measures against deteriorating bridges, etc. and confirmed continuing cooperation between Japan and India on such issues.

This meeting is based on the Cooperative Framework on Roads and Road Maintenance and has been held annually since October 2014 when the first meeting took place in New Delhi, India. The summary of the 5th meeting follows.

The 5th Japan-India Road Meeting

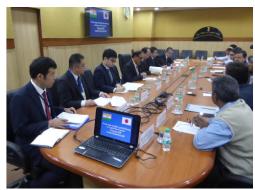
- 1. Schedule: Monday, November 12th
- 2. Venue: Conference room, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways of India
- 3. Hosts: MLIT, Japan and MoRTH, India
- 4. Attendance: Around 40 people
 - (From Japan) Naoto Tajiri, Assistant Vice-Minister for Road Affairs, Minister's Secretariat, MLIT; Yuichi Odawara, Director of International Affairs Office, Planning Division, Road Bureau, MLIT, et al.

(From India) Abhay Damle, Director, International Cooperation, MoRTH, India, et al.

5. Summary: as in Attachment



Opening remarks by Mr. Tajiri



Meeting scene

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Attachment Summary

[Presentations from India]

- Road maintenance in India: project outline, current maintenance status, direction and key projects in expressway maintenance, etc.
- Maintenance of long-span bridges in northern east India: project outline, methods and effectiveness of maintenance, etc.
- Anti-deterioration measures for bridges in India: diagnosis and research methods, bridge management systems, etc.

[Presentations from Japan]

- Expressway administration and maintenance in Japan: expressway operation system, example cases of bridge inspection, repair and renewal, etc. Latest trends in advanced technologies such as traffic management and information sharing systems, as well as example cases of introducing such technologies in India.
- Mountainous roads: disaster prevention measures on slopes, example cases of restorative measures taken following the severe rainfall disaster in 2018, technologies related to asphalt pavement and slope protection, etc.
- Countermeasures for bridge deterioration: bridge design, technologies to prolong bridge life, technologies for inspection and diagnosis of concrete buildings, etc.

At the meeting, we shared the latest information on the road sector in the two countries and confirmed continuing cooperation between Japan and India on such issues.

At MLIT, we will share the knowledge obtained at the meetings with interested parties, support road maintenance including mountainous roads in India, in accordance with the Overseas Infrastructure Development Act, and, along with the expressway companies, we will continue to promote global expansion of Japanese operators.



Presentation by MoRTH, India



Participants