

1. Hon'ble Finance Minister of India Mr. Arun Jaitley presented annual Budget in the Parliament of India on 1st February, 2018.
Indian economy is now 2.5 trillion dollar economy – seventh largest in the world. India is expected to become the fifth largest economy very soon. On Purchasing Power Parity (PPP) basis, we are already the third largest economy. FM stated, “GDP growth at 6.3% in the second quarter signaled turnaround of the economy. We hope to grow at 7.2% to 7.5% in the second half. IMF, in its latest Update, has forecast that India will grow at 7.4% next year.
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2. Ambassador Saran met the Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Alexander Pankin and discussed matters related to cooperation between India and Russia in the United Nations, developments in the Eurasian Region and early implementation of the International North South Transport Corridor (INSTC) project.



3. Indian Ambassador to the Russian Federation H.E Mr. Pankaj Saran met the head of Chechen Republic H.E Mr. Ramzan Kadyrov in Grozny, the capital of Chechen Republic. He also visited the museum of Akhmad Khadji Kadyrov, the first President of Chechen Republic and the ‘The Heart of Chechnya’ Mosque during his visit. Ambassador also

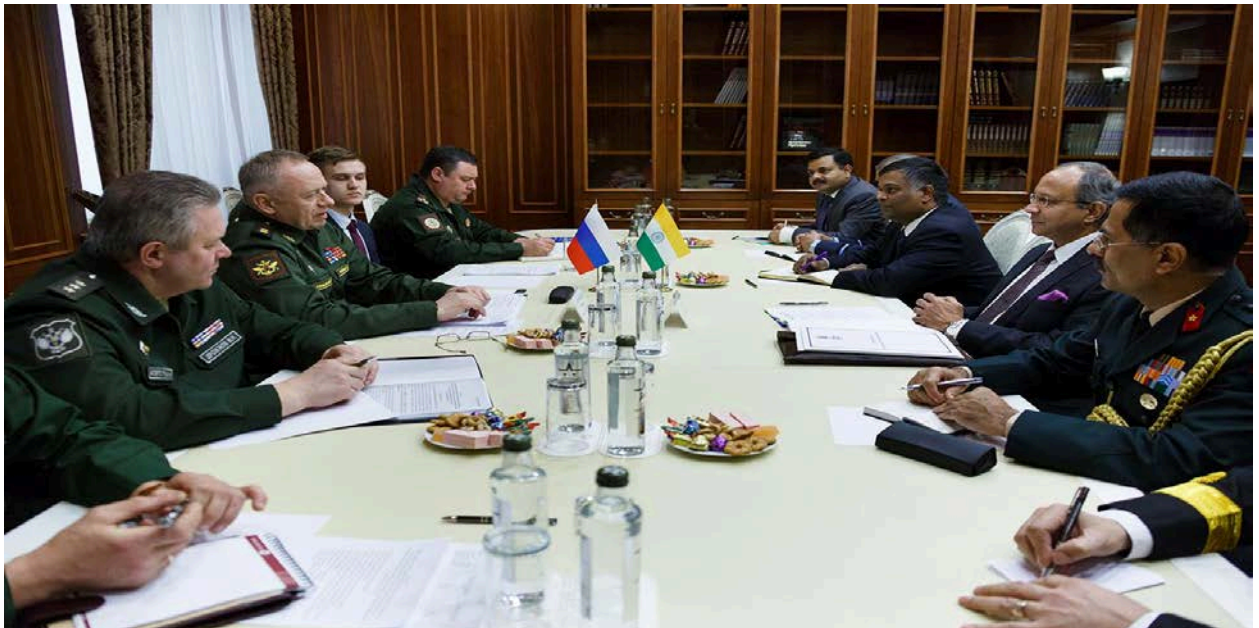
addressed students of the Chechen State University during his visit.



4. Amb. of India to Russia H.E Mr. Pankaj Saran inaugurated India-Russia Education conference in Moscow. Rectors of various Russian Universities, Consultants, Students and community leaders discussed issues related to educational cooperation between two countries.



5. Deputy Minister of Defense of Russia Lieutenant-General Alexander Fomin held a meeting with Indian Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Russia Shri Pankaj Saran. The sides discussed topical issues of bilateral cooperation in the military and military-technical spheres and expressed interest in further strengthening the ties between the defense departments of the two countries.



6. Meeting of the India-Russia Joint Working Group on Science & Technology was held at the Oval Conference Hall in Russian Ministry of Education & Science (RMES). From Indian Side Dr Arabinda Mitra, Head of the International Division of Department of Science & Technology and from Russian Side Mr Matveev Sergey, Director of DST, RMES co-chaired the meeting. Meeting was very productive and fruitful. Both the sides agreed to prepare and adopt a Road Map for S&T Cooperation based on mutually identified priority areas.



7. Russian Ambassador H.E. Mr. Nikolay Kudashev had a fruitful discussion with Chief Minister of Maharashtra H.E. Mr Devendra Fadnavis on the sidelines of Magnetic Maharashtra Summit. Issues of promoting business, trade and cultural relations between Maharashtra and Russia were discussed.



8. Russian Ambassador H.E. Mr Nikolay Kudashev addressed an interaction session on "Doing business with Russia" at World Trade Centre - Mumbai, answered questions on bilateral business issues.



9. Russian Trade Commissioner in India Yaroslav Tarasyuk took part in the CII Partnership Summit 2018 "Charting New India's Global Integration Strategy" in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. On the margins of the Summit Y. Tarasyuk was received by N. Chandrababu Naidu, Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh, met Shri Suresh Prabhu, Minister of Commerce and Industry, GOI, addressed the members of Andhra Pradesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry Federation (Visakhapatnam), met with representatives of Andhra Pradesh Medtech Zone and Kalam Institute of health technologies.



10. Russia may produce certain nuke power plant components in India



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11. Russian Trade Commissioner in India Yaroslav Tarasyuk received the official delegation from Odisha, headed by Principal Secretary, Government of Odisha, Sanjeev Chopra. Issues of promoting business, trade and cultural relations between Odisha and Russia were discussed.

