

## India-Poland Joint Statement

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### Why in News?

Recently, Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk paid an official visit to India for bilateral talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, agreed on major commitments across defence, nuclear energy, space, critical minerals, and trade.

### Key Outcomes

| Domain                                | Key Highlights                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| 1. Trade & Economy                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Set a target to <b>double bilateral trade by 2030</b>.</li> <li>Highlighted Poland passing the \$1 Trillion GDP milestone and acknowledged India's trajectory toward a \$10 Trillion economy.</li> <li>Leveraged the <b>India-EU Free Trade Agreement (FTA)</b> negotiations to spur machinery, pharma, advanced manufacturing, and railway investments.</li> </ul> |
| 2. Defence & Security                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agreed to establish a formal <b>Defence Industry Dialogue</b> to promote co-development, co-production, and joint ventures.</li> <li>Finalizing an <b>Agreement on Mutual Protection and Exchange of Classified Information</b>.</li> <li>Reinforced alignment with the <b>India-EU Security and Defence Partnership</b>.</li> </ul>                                |
| 3. Space & Nuclear Energy             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognized space as a core element of the strategic partnership; agreed on institutional and industry-level space technology ties.</li> <li>Agreed to deepen technical collaboration and joint research in civil <b>nuclear energy</b>.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                  |
| 4. Critical Minerals & Clean Energy   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MoU under negotiation for collaboration in <b>critical minerals, rare earths refining, battery recycling, and coal gasification</b>.</li> <li>Joint R&amp;D in AI, semiconductors, quantum technology, and green technologies.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                           |
| 5. Strategic & Multilateral Alignment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reaffirmed a rules-based international order, freedom of navigation in the Indo-Pacific, and UNSC reforms.</li> <li>India invited Poland to join the <b>Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI)</b>.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                       |

### Historical Context

- World War II Legacy** - PM Modi recalled the historic humanitarian bond when the royal families of Jamnagar (Dobry Maharaja) and Kolhapur provided shelter to thousands of Polish children and refugees during WWII.
- Operation Ganga (2022)** - PM Modi expressed gratitude for Poland's assistance in facilitating the safe evacuation of thousands of Indian students fleeing Ukraine during the

2022 conflict.

## Strategic Significance

- **Central & Eastern Europe (CEE) Anchor** - Poland serves as India's largest economic and investment partner in Central & Eastern Europe, providing a critical geographic gateway to the wider European Single Market.
- **Diversification of Defence Hardware** - Offers India an additional European avenue for military technology transfer, maintenance, and co-production alongside existing Western partners.



## Reference

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