

Border Management and Security Cooperation

- Both sides directed the concerned border guarding forces to enhance people-oriented measures for ensuring border security and bring down border death of civilians to zero.
- Bangladesh side reiterated the **request for 1.3 km Innocent Passage through river route along with River Padma near Rajshahi District**, on humanitarian grounds.
- Indian side requested for completion of border fencing at all pending sectors at the international border at the earliest, beginning from the **Tripura (India) - Bangladesh sector**.

Cooperation During COVID – 19

- India announced the gifting of 109 life support ambulances to support Bangladesh's plans to strengthen its medical emergency response systems.
- India provided 102 million doses or one crore two lakh doses of vaccines of which 32 lakhs had been delivered as gifts under grant in aid and the rest was commercial. **Bangladesh is the largest recipient of made in India vaccines**.
- During early phase of pandemic, India had provided PPE kits, medical equipments, HCQ tablets and training to the healthcare professionals of Bangladesh.

New Areas of Cooperation

- Bangladesh launched its first satellite, Bangabandhu Satellite (BS-1) in 2017 and is planning to launch a second satellite soon. In this regard, both sides agreed for further collaboration and technology transfer in space and satellite research.
- Both sides directed authorities to focus on and augment cooperation in cutting edge areas of science, artificial intelligence, peaceful uses of nuclear technology, big data and technology enabled services in health and education.

Signing of Bilateral Documents and Inauguration of Projects (In Nutshell)

The following bilateral documents were signed and exchanged during the visit:

- i. MoU on Cooperation in the Field of Disaster Management, Resilience and Mitigation;
- ii. MoU between Bangladesh National Cadet Corps (BNCC) and National Cadet Corps of India (INCC);
- iii. MoU on Establishment of a Framework of Cooperation in the Area of Trade Remedial Measures between Bangladesh and India;
- iv. Tripartite MoU on Supply of ICT Equipment, Courseware & Reference Books and Training for Bangladesh-Bharat Digital Service and Employment Training (BDSET) Centre;
- v. Tripartite MoU for Establishment of Sports Facilities at Rajshahi College Field and Surrounding Areas.

Conclusion

The two countries have made remarkable progress in all areas, fully justifying this era, being referred to as a **Shonali Adhyay or a golden era in our relationship**.