

Remarks of H.E. Ambassador Sibi George
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Representatives of Japanese and Indian Companies present today

A very good afternoon and a warm welcome!

I am glad to be standing here and delivering this speech on the second edition of the India Japan Emerging Tech seminar. I have made to understand that the first edition was generated a lot of interest and as a result we see a lot of positive participation in the present edition.

The recent conflicts have demonstrated to us the impact low cost and fast evolving technologies have on their outcomes and in turn on the geo politics. It is therefore important for like minded countries collaborate and share technologies else you will almost always be in a tail chase and trying to catch up.

Also the cost of research and development is going to be much higher. It is in this context that India and Japan would benefit from collaboration in such technological fields which would compliment each other.

As you witnessed last month we had six Indian MSMEs from the emerging Defence tech fields presenting their product portfolio. I am sure, you may have found at least a few of them unique. Similarly once the six Japanese companies finish their presentations today, I am sure a lot of curiosities would be generated on the Indian side.

We at this embassy are looking at facilitating interactions and there on collaborations between interested companies.

Every Japanese company this entering India or vice versa would play a very important role in enhancing the strategic partnership between our two nations.

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