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Youth 20 (Y20) Summit

Under the framework of India's on-going G20 Presidency, the Y20 India engagement Group meeting was successfully held in Varanasi from 17-20 August, 2023. A 3-member youth delegation from the Kingdom of Bahrain participated in the Y-20 Summit in Varanasi as a guest country.

During the four day summit, delegates visited Sarnath, the famous Kashi Vishwanath Temple and the Ganga ghat. India's rich art, culture and heritage left a long-lasting impression on the delegates from across the world. Rich and diverse cultural heritage of the holy city of Varanasi; its spirituality, literature, art, and music was showcased to the delegates from G20 countries, guest countries and international organisations.

The inaugural session of the summit was chaired by Hon'ble Minister of Youth and Sports Affaris, India, Shri Anurag Thakur and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Shri Yogi Adityanath. A plenary session was held on the last day in Rudraksh International Cooperation and Convention Centre (RICCC). Sh. Sharad Vivek Sagar, Sh. Anmol Sovit, Y20 India; Sh. Pathikrit Payne, Coordination Head, Y20 India; Sh. Falit Sijariya, Head of Delegation, Y20 India and Smt. Aditi Narayani Paswan, Track Chair, Y20 India led the session. A number of events were organised including the Y20 Curtain Raiser in New Delhi, Inception meeting in Guwahati, Y20 Pre-Summit at Leh, Ladakh, 14 Y20 Consultations at various universities across the country and 50 brainstorming sessions each by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS).

During the summit, Y20 Communiqué was discussed, negotiated and signed with unanimous consent. It is a testament to the collective common vision across the five identified themes of Y20, which will ensure that the voices of young people are heard by the highest-level decision-makers on global platform. The major recommendations included in the Communiqué are -

- Empower Lifelong Learning
- Prepare The Global Workforce For Global Challenges
- Strengthen International Research Collaboration
- Promote Universal Gig Worker Rights and
- Implement Accessible Sustainable Financing and Mentoring.

The Y20 2023 communiqué was released by the troika countries comprising of (Chair Y20) India, Indonesia (Organising Committee Representative) and Brazil (Organising Committee Representative). The Flag was officially handed over by Y20 India Chair to the Brazilian Head of Delegation.

Ambassador Designate H.E. Vinod K. Jacob met the 3 delegates from Bahrain who had visited India for Y20 Summit in Varanasi in the Embassy on 03 September 2023. The delegates conveyed their thanks for the inclusion of Bahrain as a guest country in the Y20 platform. They congratulated India for hosting the successful event and conveyed that the summit was a great avenue for youth advocacy and the elements reflected the importance given to youth development and participation by G20 and India. Ambassador welcomed and thanked the delegates for the constructive participation in the youth forum and invited the delegates to build bridges of cooperation between the youths of the two countries.



