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India-China ties from “Inch towards Miles”

PM's conversation with Chinese journalists based in New Delhi

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in a conversation today with Chinese journalists based in New Delhi said, “India and China are bound by history, connected by culture, and inspired by rich traditions. Together they can create a bright future for the entire mankind.”

Prime Minister summarized the possibilities of our bilateral ties moving ahead as “Inch (India and China) towards Miles (Millennium of Exceptional Synergy).” He said that every inch we cover can rewrite history of humanity and every mile we cross will go a long way in making this planet a better place. He hoped that together India and China cover several miles. Several miles that take not only the two nations forward but also all of Asia and humankind towards the path of progress and harmony.

Referring to the large population base of India and China, Prime Minister said that when India and China gain, almost 35% of the world’s population benefits; when India and China strengthen relations, almost 35% of the world’s people come closer; when economic cooperation between India and China increases, the lives of almost 35% of the world’s population undergoes qualitative changes. In response to a question on how he foresees India and China relations developing, Prime Minister explained that our relations go beyond plain arithmetic. They have a unique chemistry that can make for a defining moment.

Elaborating on the nature of the relationship he said, “the arithmetic and chemistry of our relations convince me that together we can script history and create a better tomorrow for all of mankind.”

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