

INDIA-GREECE BILATERAL RELATIONS

Overview

Interaction between India and Greece goes back to antiquity. In modern times, the two countries have developed a warm relationship based on a common commitment to democracy, peace and development in the world and to a social system imbued with principles of justice and equality. India and Greece share common approaches to many international issues, such as UN reforms and Cyprus. Greece has been consistently supportive of India's core foreign policy objectives. Visits by Greek Foreign Minister in November 2017 to India and our Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare in April 2018 have strengthened the bilateral relations. Hon'ble Rashtrapatiji paid a State visit to Greece in June, 2018. India participated as 'Honoured Country' at Thessaloniki International Fair 2019. On 29.10.2020, EAM had a virtual meeting with his counterpart, the Foreign Minister of Greece.

Historical Linkages

India's contacts with Greece began over 2500 years ago. Trading between the Mauryan Kings and Greece is evidenced by coinage and writings. In 326 BC, Alexander the Great invaded the North-Western part of the Indian subcontinent as far as the Hyphasis (Beas River), and fought with Raja Puru, King of Pauravaa - between the Jhelum and Chenab), and Ambhi who ruled at Taxila. He did not cross the Indus into India; and turned South and apparently went back to Babylon. The Mauryan dynasty which was contemporary to Alexander became the largest Indian Empire to spread west to Punjab and Afghanistan under Chandragupta and later his grandson Ashoka. Chanakya, in Chandragupta's Court records in Arthashastra about Yavan Ambassador in the Kings' court, named Megasthenes. Gandhara art is believed to be a fusion of Indian and Greek influences.

Greece is celebrating 2021 as the Bicentenary of the Greek War of Independence (1821-2021), the Greek revolution against Ottoman rule, which finally led to the establishment of the Modern Greek State.

Political

Bilateral Interaction since Independence

Diplomatic relations were established between the two countries in May 1950. Greece opened its Embassy in Delhi in 1950 and India in Athens in 1978. The relationship has progressed smoothly over the last 70 years. Greece participated in the six-Nation Delhi Declaration of 1985 on Nuclear Disarmament. Following India's nuclear tests in May 1998, when most Western countries were contemplating sanctions against India, the Greek

Defence Minister visited India in December, 1998 (first Defence Minister from a NATO country to visit India after the tests) and signed a MOU on Defence Cooperation. On Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA)/National Register of Citizenship (NRC), Abrogation of Article 370, Reorganization of new Union Territories of J&K and Ladakh and Judgement on Ram Janm Bhoomi-Babri Masjid, the official stand of Greece is that these are internal affairs of India and it respects GOI's decisions on these matters. Greece has extended full support to our quest for a Permanent Seat in an expanded UNSC (co-sponsored the G-4 Resolution and voted in favour of our successful bid for the non-Permanent UNSC Seat, 2011-12). Both the countries have pledged reciprocal support for election to the non-Permanent seat in UNSC - for India's candidature in 2021-2022. Greece, as per understandings, reached voted for India's candidature to UNSC for 2021-22. It supported India at the Nuclear Suppliers' Group in 2008, and 2016, MTCR, WASSENAAR arrangements, Australia Group. Greece also supported India's candidature for ICJ, ITLOS, IMO, and various other international bodies. On J&K, its position reflects our concerns. It strongly condemned the Mumbai terrorist attacks. Soon after the Pulwama terrorist attack in February 2019, it issued a statement condemning the attack in strong terms.

During the India-EU Porto Summit held on 08 May 2021, the Greek Prime Minister Kyriakos Mitsotakis expressed Greece's full solidarity and support for India in the EU.

Greece is also a victim of home-grown terrorism and fears international terrorism entering its borders. It has a large population of illegal immigrants from Pakistan, North Africa, Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan.

Greece recognizes India as a "world power", as stated by the then Greek President Prokopios Pavlopoulos in his meeting with Rashtrapatiji in 2018 and reiterated by their Foreign Minister in his virtual meeting EAM in October 2020. Greece sees India to be a good potential economic and commercial partner.

Important Bilateral Visits

From Greece

i) The late Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou held Indian leaders in great regard. He admired Pandit Nehru and Smt. Gandhi and had a great liking for Rajiv Gandhi. Prime Minister Smt. Indira Gandhi visited Greece in September 1983. Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou visited India thrice, in November 1984 for Smt. Indira Gandhi's funeral, in January 1985 to attend the 6-Nation Summit on Nuclear Disarmament and in January 1986 on a bilateral State visit as the Chief Guest for our Republic Day function.

ii) Greek Prime Minister Kostas Karamanlis, accompanied among others by Foreign Minister Dora Bakoyannis, visited India in January 2008. The

Greek Prime Minister registered his country's strong support for further expansion of the UNSC.

iii) George Papandreou (son of former President Andreas Papandreou) led a delegation to India from 28-30 January, 2007 to attend the Satyagraha Centenary Conference held in New Delhi. During his visit, he met the Chairperson of the UPA, Smt. Sonia Gandhi and EAM. As Prime Minister, he went on a private visit in February 2010 to attend the Delhi Sustainable Development Summit and met PM. He met our Vice-President on the sidelines of the ASEM 8 Summit in Brussels in October 2010. He again travelled to India as President of the Socialist International and met UPA Chairperson Smt. Sonia Gandhi, Vice-President of Congress party Shri Rahul Gandhi and Shri Salman Khurshid, the then Foreign Minister. He had visited last year in 2019 to Goa and deliver a lecture in the INK conference.

iv) Deputy Foreign Minister Kyriakos Gerontopoulos led a three member Greek delegation to New Delhi to attend ASEM Foreign Minister's Meeting, 11-12 November 2013. The Greek delegation focussed on the sectors of cooperation in renewable energy, SMEs, natural disaster management and development and training of human resources.

v) Defence Minister Panos Kammenos visited India on 17-19 December, 2015 and met Raksha Mantri and MOS (VKS). A delegation of public and private Greek companies including Hellenic Aerospace Industry, Hellenic Defence Systems, Akmon, Epicos.com, Altus and Theon Sensors accompanied Mr Kammenos during the visit. The main issues discussed were increased bilateral cooperation in joint defence production in India under 'Make in India' campaign, cyber defence, training of defence personnel, exchange of visits of naval ships and security issues.

vi) Foreign Minister of Greece, Nikos Kotzias, accompanied by senior officials, visited India from 25-28 November, 2017 and met former External Affairs Minister, Late Sushma Swaraj and ex-Minister of State for External Affairs M.J. Akbar on 27 November 2017. Air Services Agreement and a Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the field of New and Renewable Energy were signed during the Greek Foreign Minister's visit.

vii) Tourism Minister Haris Theocharis visited Mumbai, 4-5 February 2020 to participate in OTM (India's Outbound Travel Market). During his visit, Theocharis held meetings with MoS(Tourism) Shri Prahlad Singh Patel and other officials of Indian tourism industry.

From India

i) High powered business delegation led by MoS(C&I), Shri Hardeep Singh Puri participated in the 84th Thessaloniki International Fair (TIF) 2019, where India was "Honored Country" - the largest annual commercial exposition of Greece, and also the largest in Southeast Europe and the Balkans - from September 7-15, 2019. Prime Minister Mitsotakis inaugurated the Fair.

ii) The visit of Hon'ble Rashtrapatiji to Greece from June 16-19, 2018 – a Presidential visit from India to Greece after a hiatus of 11 years – was impactful and revitalized the bilateral ties by lending the required political impulse. He held a restricted meeting with the then Greek President, followed by delegation-level talks, meetings with PM Tsipras(now Opposition leader), and the then Leader of Opposition, Mr. Kyriakos Mitsotakis(now Prime Minister). He was accompanied by MoS(Steel), two MPs and a large business delegation. India-Greece Business Forum was inaugurated by Rashtrapatiji and the Deputy Prime Minister and Economy Minister of Greece. Three MoUs on standardization, cooperation between the two Foreign Service institutes, and programme for cultural cooperation were signed.

iii) In April 2018, then MoS (Agriculture) Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat visited Greece. He held a delegation-level meeting with the Minister of Rural Development and Food, and a wide interaction at the Hellenic Parliament with over 50 Greek MPs.

iv) MOS(PK) Smt. Preet Kaur paid an official visit to Greece from 30 January to 3 February 2013. She met her counterpart, Deputy Foreign Minister Dimitris Kourkoulas and called on President (Speaker) of the Hellenic Parliament, Mr. Evangelos-Vasileios Meimarakis. MOS(PK) and Deputy Foreign Minister Kourkoulas signed a bilateral Agreement on Exemption for Visa Requirements for Holders of Diplomatic Passports at the Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs .

v) Minister of State for Human Resource Development Dr. Shashi Tharoor visited Athens 15-17 September 2013 to participate in the International Herald Tribune's series of Global Conversations entitled "Democracy Under Pressure". Dr. Tharoor was one of the panelists at the event. Greek Prime Minister Antonis Samaras was the keynote speaker. Former French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing also spoke at the event, which was held in the ancient Stoa of Attalos in Athens' ancient Agora, the hallowed grounds of the origins of democracy.

vi) President Dr A.P.J. Abdul Kalam paid a State Visit to Greece in 2007. President Shri Zail Singh paid a State Visit to Athens in November 1986. Earlier, Prime Minister Smt. Indira Gandhi paid a visit to Greece in 1983.

Other recent bilateral interactions

Hon'ble Vice President, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu met with the then Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras, on the sidelines of ASEM Summit 2018 in Brussels on 18 October 2018.

Prime Minister Modi met with his Greek counterpart Kyriakos Mitsotakis, on the sidelines of the High Level Segment of the UNGA 74 on September 27, 2019. Prime Minister congratulated PM Mitsotakis on his assuming the position of Prime Minister. He recalled the successful State visit of Hon'ble President of India to Greece in June 2018. Both Prime Ministers affirmed the excellent relations between the two countries and noted, that they represented the oldest and the most populous democracies

in the world. Both leaders reviewed the state of bilateral relations and discussed steps to intensify political, economic and people to people exchanges. PM congratulated Greece for the success of Thessaloniki International Fair 2019 where India participated as the Honored Country. Both leaders while commending the present status of relationship, committed to forge a stronger economic, trade and investment partnership between the two countries. They also discussed global and regional issues of mutual interest, including the need to fight international terrorism globally. PM Modi thanked PM Mitsotakis for Greece's support to India following the Pulwama terror attacks. PM Modi was invited by Greece PM to visit Greece at a mutually convenient date.

Institutional Linkages

The two main forums for conducting bilateral talks are: the Joint Economic Committee (JEC), and Foreign Office Consultations (FOC). The JEC, which was set up in 1983, is headed by MoS (Commerce) on the Indian side and the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs on the Greek side. It meets alternatively in Delhi and Athens. The 7th JEC was held in Delhi on 23 November 2016 and the Indian and Greek delegations were led by Commerce Secretary Ms. Rita Teotia and Alternate Foreign Minister, George Katrougalos, respectively.

The Foreign Office Consultations at the Secretary-level have been held since 1992. The 11th round was held in New Delhi on 26 October, 2016.

The 12th round of India-Greece Foreign Office Consultations was held on 9 October 2020 in virtual format due to covid-19. Shri Vikas Swarup, Secretary(West) and Themistoklis Demiris, Secretary General of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic, led India and Greece, respectively. A wide range of bilateral, regional, multilateral and EU related subjects were discussed and on how take forward our bilateral relations in these areas. The list of MoUs signed between India and Greece is given at Annexure-I

Defence Cooperation

Bilateral defence cooperation received an impetus after the visit of Raksha Mantri (RM) to Greece in 1994. This was followed by the visit of Chief of Air Staff to Greece in March 1998 and Greek Defence Minister's visit to India in December 1998, during which the MoU on Defence Cooperation was signed. After 1998, our only military interactions have been visits by our NDC teams (2002, 2003 and 2008) and some transits by IAF Mirage 2000 ferries in 2004 involving a landing in Greece and two port calls by 2 Indian Naval Ships in 2003 and visits of 4 Indian Naval ships in July 2006 and 2009, four ships INS Mumbai Navy, INS Tarkash, INS Trishul and INS Aditya, paid a goodwill visit to Souda Bay Crete in April 2017. A Passex exercise was undertaken by the Navy ships of both the countries during the visit. Six SU-30 MKI, two IL-78 Tankers and two IL-76 transport aircrafts of

IAF made transit halts at Tanagra Air Base in Greece during June-July 2007 on way to and from UK. During the visit of late President Abdul Kalam to Greece in April 2007, he visited the Hellenic Aerospace Industries. The issues related to strengthening bilateral defence cooperation were discussed. The Chief of Hellenic Navy participated in the International Fleet review at Vizag in February, 2016. A team of two pilots and one technical officer visited Tanagra Air Base in Athens in October 2016, as part of SME exchange of Mirage 2000 aircraft which was flown by both Air Forces. A similar visit to India from Hellenic Air Force was carried out in August 2017. Four ships of Indian Navy (INS Mumbai, INS Aditya, INS Tarkash and INS Trishul) paid a goodwill visit to Souda Bay, Crete on 17-20 April 2017. A Passex exercise was undertaken between the Navy ships of both countries on 20 April, 2017. A high-level defence delegation led by Lt. Gen.(Rtd.)Theodoros Lagios, (HAF)Director General of General Directorate for Defence Investment and Armaments participated in DefExpo 2020 in February 2020, Lucknow.

The Air Force exercise of Greece 'Iniochos 2021' was held in April 20, 2021 at the Andravida airbase, about 300 kms. from Athens. Air forces of six countries participated; France, UAE, Spain, Israel, United States and Canada. From the non-participating countries, either as direct or observers, an invitation for the event was only extended to the Indian Mission.

Economic, Commerce and trade

The main Export items from India to Greece are Aluminum, organic chemicals; fish and crustaceans; iron and steel; plastic; textile articles; edible fruit and nuts; peel or citrus fruit; onions, sesame seeds, spices, coffee, tea, cashew nuts; electrical machinery and equipment and parts; boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; apparel and clothing accessories; optical, medical or surgical instruments; automobiles and automobile components; carpets and other floor coverings; paper and paperboard; leather goods; handbags; and articles of animal gut; The figures are given at Annexure-II

The main import items from Greece are Aluminium foil; iron and steel; mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; sulphur; lime and cement; nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; cotton; chemical products; edible fruit and nuts, peel or citrus fruit or melons, kiwi; copper scrap; electrical machinery and equipment; building stones – mainly marble and travertine; ships, boats and floating structures; etc. The figures are given at Annexure-II

Thessaloniki International Trade Fair (TIF 2019)

India Participated as “Honored Country” in the 84th Thessaloniki International Fair (TIF) 2019 -- the largest annual commercial exposition of

Greece, and also the largest in Southeast Europe and the Balkans -- from September 7-15, 2019. High powered business delegation led by Minister of State for Commerce and Industry Shri Hardeep Singh Puri participated. The “New India” Pavilion was inaugurated by the Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic, Mr. Kyriakos Mitsotakis, and the MoS(C&I), Shri Hardeep Singh

Puri, on September 7th, 2019. The Greek Prime Minister, made a public statement that invitation to India to participate as “Honored Country” was not by chance, but it represented Greece’s conscious policy decision to forge a robust economic, trade, and investment partnership with an economic power like India. MoS(C&I), held a separate meeting with PM Mitsotakis, which was highly productive. He expressed keen interest in strengthening bilateral economic and commercial relations and invited Indian companies to participate in Greece’s growth in the post-economic crisis period. MoS(C&I) and CEOs of prominent Indian companies held a Breakfast Meeting with Mr. Spyridon-Adonis Georgiadis, the Minister of Economic Development & Investments, Mr. Kostas Fragogiannis, the Deputy Minister for Economic Diplomacy and Extroversion, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Director of Enterprise Greece (the apex State agency for investment). Meetings with some of the CEOs, arranged additionally with the Ministers of Civil Aviation, and Maritime & Insular Policy proved to be extremely useful. The India Pavilion was marked by the participation of various Ministries and organizations, such as Commerce and Industry, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Electronics & Information Technology, Social Justice and Empowerment, Tourism, MSME, ITPO, IBEF, ISRO, NTPC, APEDA, and NSIC.

India-Greece Business Forum: The India-Greece Business Forum, organized by the Mission in collaboration with Enterprise Greece, the apex state agency for investment, during Rashtrapatiji’s State Visit to Greece on 19 June, 2018 featured Rashtrapatiji, and the Deputy Prime Minister & Economy Minister of Greece, Mr. Giannis Dragasakis, as Keynote Speakers. The Deputy Minister of Economy and Development Stergios Pitsiorlas (PM Tsipras’ point person for foreign trade and investment) and the HoM delivered Opening Remarks. The turnout of around 180 Indian business entities and the leading tycoons of Greek industry, representing the major economic sectors and their day-long intensive B2B meetings with Indian business delegates, reflected the strong interest of the business communities of both countries to forge commercial partnerships.

Indian Companies in Greece

The Indian infrastructure company, GMR Airports Ltd. and its joint venture partner, GEK-Terna, a leading Greek infrastructure company, awarded a contract, for a €850 million construction project of a new airport at Kasteli in Crete Island, marks the first-ever entry of an Indian company in Greece in recent years. The Mission had provided assistance to the GMR company in 2018, as it was apprehensive of some extraneous meddling, and also in March 2019, meetings of the visiting GMR delegation with the Special Advisor to then Deputy Prime Minister and Greek Minister of Infrastructure and Transport were organized. Prime Minister Kyriakos

Mitsotakis laid the foundation stone of the new airport on February 8, 2020 and hoped that the project will be completed within five years.

Indian company Himalaya Drug is operating in Greece through its Greek partner.

Science & Technology

With the aim of encouraging and supporting cooperation in the field of science and technology on the basis of equality and mutual benefit, the Agreement on Science & Technology was signed during the visit of Rashtrapatiji to Greece in April 2007. Cooperation between the parties would be effected by means of joint research and technological development projects; exchange of scientists, researchers and technical experts; exchange of scientific and technological information; joint use of research and development facilities and scientific equipment, and; organization/participation in meetings / conferences and other forms of cooperation mutually agreed upon. The Agreement has been ratified by both sides.

A 4-member science & technology delegation from Department of Science & Technology, visited Athens for the First S&T Joint Committee Meeting from 4-5 November 2010. The two sides signed an Executive Programme (2010-2013) to start cooperation in a number of areas of mutual interest. The identified areas for cooperation were Information and Communication Technology, Nanotechnology, Life Science and Biomedical Science, Seismology and Geodynamics, Agricultural Science, Chemical and Physical Science, Ocean & Marine Science, Environment Science, and Renewable Energy.

Not much rich exchanges or cooperation has happened since then. Greece being part of EU, benefits from the developments in science and technology in EU by learning from others and also contributing in its own way.

Supreme Sacrifice of Indian Soldiers in Greece during the two World Wars: According to the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, 518 identified soldiers of undivided India, who sacrificed their lives, defending the Allied cause in Southern Europe during World War-I were buried/commemorated in different cemeteries in the territory of Greece. Cemeteries located close to the town of Thessaloniki are: (i) At Monastir Road: Indian Cemetery : 352, Indian Memorial :159; (ii) Struma Military Cemetery : 2; (iii) East Mudros Military Cemetery: 2; (iv) Doiran Military Cemetery :1; (v) Salonika (Lembet Road) Military Cemetery:1; and (vi) Mikra Memorial Municipality of Kalamaria in the City of Thessaloniki :1

The British Embassy in Athens organises Remembrance Day Ceremony on 2nd Sunday of November every year at the Commonwealth Grave Cemetery at Phaleron, Athens. Ambassadors including India and Representatives of other Commonwealth countries lay wreath at the War Memorial. During his State Visit to Greece in June 2018, Hon'ble President

Shri Ram Nath Kovind visited the Commonwealth War Graves memorial Phaleron and paid his respects to the Second World War Commonwealth servicemen, including Indian soldiers, at the site. Former President late Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, during his visit to Greece in April 2007, also paid his respects to the servicemen at the Commonwealth War Graves memorial Phaleron. From 20-24th May 2021, in commemoration to honour the sacrifices in the war of Crete 80 years ago, special events were held in Chania and Crete. Our Ambassador visited the place, on invitation, and laid wreaths in two places.

Culture

Dimitrios Galanos a Greek, became the first European Indologist gaining world reputation. His translations of Sanskrit texts into Greek made knowledge of the philosophical and religious ideas of India available to many Europeans. Born in Athens, Ottoman Empire (present-day Greece) in 1760, he spent 47 years in India, where he translated many Hindu texts into Greek and compiled a Sankrit-English-Greek dictionary of over 9000 words. He died on 3 May 1833 in Varanasi, India. A "Dimitrios Galanos" Chair for Hellenic Studies has been established at Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi, India in September 2000.

The prestigious Andreas G. Papandreou Foundation honoured the Indian Nobel Prize winner Shri Amartya Sen in October 1998. Smt. Sonia Gandhi is an honorary member of the Foundation. In January 2002, President Shri K.R. Narayanan presented the Padma Shri Award to Ambassador Dimitris Velissaropoulos who has written several books on India. The award was the first ever given to a distinguished Greek citizen. In October 2002, the Sahitya Academy elected Dr. Vassilis Vitsaxis, a distinguished Greek diplomat and well-known scholar, as its Honorary Fellow in recognition of his contribution to the promotion of the understanding of Indian culture. Dr Dimitris Vassiliadis, President of the Indo-Hellenic Society for Culture & Development (ELINEPA), an Indophile who has, under an ICCR Fellowship, studied at the BHU, Varanasi, is active in propagation and promotion of Indian culture in Greece. In India, Prof. (Retd) Bharat Gupt has done comprehensive work in Greek theatre, and is the author of "Dramatic Concepts – Greek and Indian" and 2019, he was appointed as President of the Indo-Hellenic League in New Delhi.

The Embassy organized a cultural event to celebrate the 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 2nd October, 2018 at the Agricultural University of Athens. A Bharatnatyam dance was performed by a well-known Greek dancer, Leda Shantala and her group.

ICCR has been offering an annual scholarship for a Greek student to study in India and students have been taking up this offer. In addition, Greek students have also been studying in Indian colleges under self-financing schemes.

Prof. Nicholas Kazanas, a Greek national and a distinguished Indologist, who has been awarded the prestigious Padma Shri Award by the Hon'ble Rashtrapati on the occasion of 72nd Republic Day of India 2021.

Indian Community

11,333 (as per 2011 census), which includes a few thousand Indians without proper documents. They have been living across various parts of Greece for many years and are predominantly from Punjab and largely Sikhs. Most Indians are farm, factory or construction workers or petty shop-keepers.

Many Indian workers, who had entered Greece illegally, acquired stay permits during different periods of amnesty, offered by the Greek government. The last amnesty was in 2005.

Covid-19 related

Greece imported emergency medicine of five tons of hydroxychloroquine in its fight against Covid-19 in the last week of March, and 300 kgs of Chloroquine sulphate in April, 2020. When the Covid cases spiked in India, the Greek Government was quick in donating 90 Oxygen Cylinders with total capacity of 440 litres and some medical protection devices (Mask, Gloves etc.) to India, through EU.

Bilateral Agreements

Sl. No.	Subject/Field	Year of signing	Occasion
1.	MoU on Defence Cooperation	December 1998	Greek Defence Minister's visit to India
2.	Cultural Relations	1961	
3.	Agreements on Avoidance of Double Taxation	1967	
4.	Economic, Scientific and Technical Cooperation	1983	
5.	Tourism	1998	
6.	Defence cooperation	1998	
7.	MoU on Agricultural Cooperation	2001	
8.	Agreements on Science & Technology and on Bilateral Investment Promotion & Protection (BIPA)	2007	Visit of President Kalam to Greece in April 2007
9.	MoU between CII and the Federation of Greece Industries (SEV)	2007	
10.	Setting up of a Hellenic-India Chamber of Commerce by Greek entrepreneurs	November 2011	
11.	Agreement on visa-free travel for diplomatic passport holders	February 2013	Visit of MOS (PK) to Greece
12.	Air Services Agreement	November 2017	Greek Foreign Minister's visit to India
13.	Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the field of New and Renewable Energy	November 2017	Greek Foreign Minister's visit to India
14.	MoU between Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and National Quality Infrastructure System/Hellenic Organization for Standardization (NQIS/ELOT) on Cooperation in the fields of Standardization;	June 2018	Visit of Hon'ble Rashtrapatiji

15.	Programme for Cultural Cooperation between the Govt. of the Republic of India and the Govt. of Hellenic Republic for 2018-20	June 2018	Visit of Hon'ble Rashtrapatiji
16.	MoU between FSI and Greek Diplomatic Academy	June 2018	Visit of Hon'ble Rashtrapatiji

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Bilateral Trade figures

India-Greece Trade	:	US\$ 615.72 million(2020-21)
		US\$ 569.24 million(2019-20)
		US\$ 647.39 million(2018-19)
	:	US\$ 529.98 million(2017-18)
	:	US\$ 507.72 million(2016-17)

Exports from India to Greece:		US\$ 489.73 million (2020-21)
		US\$ 445.53 million(2019-20)
		US\$ 503.37 million(2018-19)
		US\$ 433.87 million (2017-18)
		US\$ 381.77 million (2016-17)

(Source: Hellenic Statistical Authority)

Exports from Greece to India:		US\$ 125.99 million (2020-21)
		US\$ 123.71 million(2019 -20)
		US \$ 144.02 million(2018-19)
		US\$ 96.11 million(2017- 18)
		US\$ 125.95 million (2016-17)

(Source: Hellenic Statistical Authority)
