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WEBINAR

India-Japan Cooperation amidst Global Uncertainties and Realignment of Supply Chains

10.00 – 11.30 IST (13.30 – 15.00 JST), Friday 10 July 2026, WebEx

Concept Note

India and Japan share Special Strategic and Global Partnership based on shared democratic values, mutual trust and a commitment to a free, open, and inclusive Indo-Pacific. The partnership is driven by shared geopolitical interests, combining India's Act East policy with Japan's vision for a Free and Open Indo-Pacific (FOIP). India and Japan are members of several regional and multilateral initiatives, promoting rules-based global order. Going forward, both have adopted a joint vision for the next decade spanning economic security, advanced mobility, and next-generation technology.

India and Japan have established a strong framework for expanding economic ties. The trade and investment flows between them have been robust. The CEPA between India and Japan has been operational since 2011. Two countries are having increasing collaboration in infrastructure, digital technologies, semiconductors, clean energy, and industrial value chains. Both of them have been working to strengthen supply chain resilience, sustainable industrial development, technological advancement and investment, and improving ease of doing business. The partnership is acquiring special significance in the context of ongoing restructuring of global value chains (GVCs) and efforts to diversify production and sourcing networks.

The challenges faced by the global economy today due to rising geopolitical tension, technological competition along with emerging threat of climate change has manifold disrupted supply chains. India and Japan have been facing shared challenges from supply chain disruptions and energy security issues. Tackling these challenges requires coordinated efforts, deep understanding and mutual trust.

The changing global environment also offers important opportunities for stronger economic cooperation between India and Japan. Japan has been a long-time partner in India's development and investment, significantly contributing to

industrialization, quality infrastructure, and manufacturing expansion. Their economic strengths—Japan's technological skills, capital, and manufacturing know-how alongside India's market size, young population, and industrial goals—create a solid foundation for developing strong and varied supply chains in the Indo-Pacific.

India's journey to *Viksit Bharat 2047* calls for increased collaborations in key sectors like semiconductors, critical minerals, advanced manufacturing, green technologies, digital infrastructure, and resilient logistics, which can help India to boost the economic strength and competitiveness, and to deepen the supply chain linkages with Japan.

Japanese Prime Minister is scheduled to pay her first official visit to India from 1 July to 3 July 2026. The talks are aimed at deepening economic security, bolstering supply chains, and addressing regional Indo-Pacific dynamics. Leaders are expected to discuss investments in semiconductor manufacturing, renewable energy, and connectivity.

In view of the above, **Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS)** in collaboration with **The Research Institute of Economy, Trade and Industry (RIETI)** is organising a webinar entitled “India-Japan cooperation amidst global uncertainties and realignments of supply chains” on **10 July 2026 during 10.00–11.30 hrs. IST (13.30-15.00 hrs. JST) in WebEX**. The webinar will be attended by senior scholars and practitioners from academia and industry. This proposed conversation will help strengthen policy goals to further strengthen the supply chains between India and Japan in this changing global landscape.

Interested participants can register at <https://forms.gle/7fgZpFTHUaByUA646>

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