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**SINGAPORE AND ANDHRA PRADESH SUCCESSFULLY CONVENE
SECOND JOINT IMPLEMENTATION STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**

1. Minister for Trade and Industry (Industry) S Iswaran and Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh (AP) Chandrababu Naidu co-chaired the second Joint Implementation Steering Committee (JISC) Meeting today in Andhra Pradesh, India. The JISC was formed to implement the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), signed by Mr Iswaran and Mr Naidu in May 2017 to bring about greater collaboration between Singapore and Andhra Pradesh.
2. The Meeting discussed the very good progress since May 2017. Specifically, the Singapore Consortium (SC) comprising Ascendas-Singbridge Pte Ltd and Sembcorp Development Ltd finalised the details of the Concession and Development Agreement (CADA) between SC and the Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP). The design of buildings in the Start-Up Area have also commenced.
3. Three deep-dive technical workshops on urban planning, development and governance involving Singapore's Centre of Liveable Cities (CLC), AP's Capital Region Development Authorities (CRDA) and Amaravati Development Corporation (ADC) were held. Through these workshops, CLC shared its expertise with CRDA and ADC, which can be applied to the capital city design.
4. Projects promoting economic development within Amaravati and the AP state were explored. These included smart cities solutions for Amaravati and logistics and connectivity in the AP state.
5. Institutional collaborations such as building the skills and capabilities of the people of AP to prepare them for work opportunities in the capital city, and enhancing public libraries across AP were reviewed.
6. Mr Iswaran also visited the Amaravati Capital City site to view the locations where the first few buildings by the master-developer of the Start-Up Area will be constructed.
7. While in India, Mr Iswaran also called on Vice President of India Venkaiah Naidu, Minister for Road, Transport & Highways, Shipping and Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, Nitin Gadkari, Minister for Coal and Railway, Piyush Goyal and Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri in New Delhi on 16 November, to keep relations warm, be acquainted with their new portfolios since the Indian cabinet's reshuffle in September this year, and to build on bilateral relations and cooperation.

8. Mr Iswaran was accompanied by Singapore's High Commissioner to India, Mr Lim Thuan Kuan, staff from Singapore's High Commission in New Delhi, and officials from the Ministry of Trade and Industry and International Enterprise Singapore.

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Annex A: Photos & Captions

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ANNEX A: Photos and Captions



Caption: Minister Iswaran and Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu at the 2nd Joint Implementation Steering Committee (JISC) Meeting in Andhra Pradesh, India.



Caption: Minister Iswaran calls on Vice President of India Venkaiah Naidu.