

ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus

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About ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting-Plus:

- It is a platform for **ASEAN** and its **eight Dialogue Partners** Australia, China, **India**, Japan, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Russia and the United States.
- It was established to **strengthen security and defence cooperation** for peace, stability, and development in the region.
- The **Inaugural ADMM-Plus** was convened in Ha Noi, Viet Nam, on 12 **October 2010**.
- Since 2017, the ADMM-Plus **meets annually**, to allow enhanced dialogue and cooperation among ASEAN and the Plus Countries in the midst of an increasingly challenging regional security environment.
- **Objectives**
 - To benefit **ASEAN** Member States in building capacity to **address shared security challenges**, while cognisant of the differing capacities of various ASEAN Member States;
 - To **promote mutual trust and confidence** between defence establishments through greater dialogue and transparency;
 - To **enhance regional peace and stability** through cooperation in defence and security, in view of the transnational security challenges the region faces;

- To contribute to the **realisation of an ASEAN Security Community** which, as stipulated in the Bali Concord II, embodies ASEAN's aspiration to achieve peace, stability, democracy and prosperity in the region where ASEAN Member States live at peace with one another and with the world at large;
 - To facilitate the implementation **of the Vientiane Action Programme**, which calls for ASEAN to build a peaceful, secure and prosperous ASEAN, and to adopt greater outward-looking external relation strategies with our friends and Dialogue Partners.
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Q1: What is ASEAN?

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) is a regional grouping that aims to promote economic and security cooperation among its ten members: Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam. It was established on 8 August 1967 in Bangkok, Thailand, with the signing of the ASEAN Declaration (Bangkok Declaration).

News: [Rajnath Singh Strengthens Defence Partnerships At ADMM-Plus Summit In Laos](#)

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