



## 2<sup>nd</sup> AFRICA-INDIA FORUM SUMMIT

**THEME: ENHANCING PARTNERSHIP: SHARED VISION**

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**Addis Ababa, Ethiopia 25 May 2011-** Africa and India today laid the foundations for a stronger partnership with the adoption, by proclamation, of two key documents i.e. the Addis Ababa Declaration and the Africa- India Framework for Enhanced Cooperation.

The Declaration announces Africa and India's commitment to enhancing their partnership for the mutual benefit of their peoples. It broadly highlights major areas of cooperation and mutual concern. Some of the issues featured in the Declaration are: the mutual recognition of the importance of multilateralism and south – south cooperation; a comprehensive reform of the UN system including the expansion of the UN Security Council, non discriminatory and verifiable elimination of nuclear weapons and other weapons of mass destruction, illicit trafficking of small arms and light weapons, countering of terrorism, piracy, drug trafficking and trafficking in humans, climate change, enhancement of south- south cooperation, sustainable economic growth, and achievement of the Millennium Development Goals.

The Framework for Enhanced Cooperation is meant to widen the scope of the Africa India Framework of Cooperation and its Plan of Action adopted in 2010 and to give additional substance to the partnership. It sets out specific agreements to cooperate in the following areas: economic; political; science, technology, research and development; social development and capacity building; health, culture and sport; tourism; infrastructure, energy and environment and media and communications.

The summit was held under the theme “Enhancing partnership; shared vision”. The closing ceremony was presided over by Indian Prime Minister Mr Manmohan Singh and

African Union Chairperson Mr Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, who is also the President of Equatorial Guinea, in the presence of AUC Chairperson Mr Jean Ping, AUC deputy Chairperson Mr Erastus Mwencha, Commissioners and staff of the AU, Ambassadors and other high level dignitaries.

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