G20 New Delhi Summit side-event on the Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment Speech by Prime Minister Kishida

We welcome the side-event on PGII.

As the chair of the G7, Japan hosted the PGII side-event at the G7 Hiroshima Summit in May this year, inviting the private sector for the first time, which was attended by the leaders of the G7 and other countries.

Japan has been working on the development of various transport infrastructures, such as the Delhi Metro, to support the economic growth of each country. Japan will take this a step further by extending its support to a wide range of areas, including the supply chain, to strengthen connectivity and bring people together.

We also intend to work on the creation of industrial value chain across the Bay of Bengal. In India, we will organically link the development of the northeast region, including the "Road Network Connectivity Improvement Project," with "the Bay of Bengal Industrial Growth Belt (BIG-B)" initiative developed with Bangladesh.

Furthermore, the "Japan-ASEAN Comprehensive Connectivity Initiative", which Japan announced at the ASEAN-related Summit Meetings, will strengthen in a wide range of areas including transport infrastructure, digital, maritime cooperation, supply chain, and electricity, as well as enhance human and knowledge connectivity.

In this way, Japan will continue to lead efforts to materialize the PGII. To this end, it is essential to collaborate with diverse actors that agree with our principles, and I once again call on all of you here to cooperate in promoting the PGII.