



2nd Meeting of the BRICS Task Force on PPP and Infrastructure 10 April 2021 (Virtual)



India hosted the second meeting of the BRICS Task Force on PPP and Infrastructure under India's 2021 Presidency. India was represented by Shri. Baldeo Purushartha, Joint Secretary (Head of the Indian Delegation and Chair), Ms. Archana Mayaram, Director and Ms. Shreshtha Saraswat from Infrastructure Policy & Finance Division, Ministry of Finance.

Ministry of Finance delegates from Brazil, Russia, China and South Africa attended the meeting. NDB also participated in the meeting as an Observer.

The agenda of the meeting was to seek member's views on the draft Technical Report on **'Social Infrastructure: Financing and Use of Digital Technologies'** which has to be prepared as per the mandate assigned to the Task Force by the BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors.

During his inaugural address, Shri. Purushartha apprised the members of the progress made so far with regards to the preparation of the Report and also reiterated the importance of submitting a consensus-based document for endorsement of the BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors in their August meeting. Ms. Mayaram presented the key findings of the draft Report.

Member countries and NDB appreciated and supported the Presidency's initiative and recognized the importance of collaboration and knowledge sharing in the social infrastructure space.
