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In terms of Regulation 30 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, we are enclosing herewith a news item published in various newspapers on 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2022 titled "Argentina expresses interest in buying Tejas fighter Aircraft during EAM Jaishankar's visit" related to HAL.

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## India, Argentina reaffirm bilateral ties

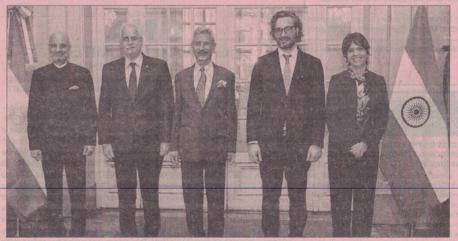
PRESS TRUST OF INDIA Buenos Aires, August 27

INDIA AND ARGENTINA have reaffirmed their commitment to further deepening and diversifying their bilateral cooperation, expanding it in new domains by broadening their strategic partnership to address global challenges like terrorism and climate change.

In a joint statement followingthe Joint Commission Meeting between external affairs minister S Jaishankar and minister of foreign affairs international trade and worship Santiago Cafiero, the two countries reviewed their ongoing cooperation in the strategic sectors of defence, nuclear energy and space and reiterated their commitment to work together for mutual benefit.

The two leaders expressed satisfaction at the close cooperation between the two countries at the multilateral fora.

"Both ministers agreed to



External affairs minister S Jaishankar (centre) with Argentinian defence minister Jorge Enrique Taiana and others in Argentina

closely cooperate in the United Nations and other multilateral organisations to address global challenges of terrorism, security, international and regional peace, climate change, biodiversity loss, equitable trade and sustainable development," the

statement said at the conclusion of Jaishankar's maiden visit to Argentina. In a post-pandemic world, facing global geopolitical challenges, India and Argentina reaffirmed their commitment to further deepening and diversifying their cooperation,

expanding it in new domains to meet emerging challenges through broadening and deepening their partnership, it said.

Concurring that terrorism and extremism continue to pose a threat to regional and global peace, stability as well as the economic prosperity of societies and peaceful way of life, both countries renewed their resolve to fight against this grave challenge to humanity, it said.

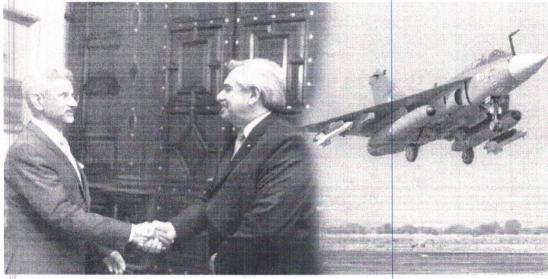
The ministers called upon all countries to work towards rooting out terrorist safe havens and infrastructure, disrupting terrorist networks and financing channels and halting cross-border terrorism. "Terrorism in all its forms and manifestations. including cross-border terrorism, is completely unacceptable to the international community and must be combatted resolutely," they said. It was also agreed to enhance cooperation in the defence sector within the framework of the MOU on Defence Cooperation signed in 2019. Jaishankar, acknowledging Argentine interest in the Made in India TEJAS fighter aircraft for Argentine Air Force, highlighted the importance of the proposal in enhancing the strategic quotient of the bilateral relationship.

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# Argentina expresses interest in buying Tejas fighter aircraft during EAM Jaishankar's visit, bilateral trade in own currencies proposed

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EAMS Jaishankar with Argentine president Alberto Fernández, LCA Tejas

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The demand for the Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) Tejas in the world military market is increasing due to their unique features. As equivalent aircraft from other countries are expensive and require high-maintenance, Tejas is gradually getting ready to thunder in the sky around the world. After Malaysia, Colombia and several other countries, now South American nation Argentina has shown interest in buying Tejas. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar confirmed this during his visit to the country.

External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar acknowledged Argentine interest in the Tejas fighter aircraft and highlighted the importance of the proposal in enhancing the strategic quotient of bilateral relationships. A joint press statement issued by both countries after the Joint Commission Meeting said, "EAM, acknowledging Argentine interest in the Made in India TEJAS fighter aircraft for Argentine Air Force, highlighted importance of the proposal in enhancing strategic quotient of the

inderscored the importance of bilateral ties in defence, nuclear energy, space, pharma, science and technology, yoga, climate change and economic cooperation.

It is notable that Argentina is the first Latin American nation to show interest in acquiring Tejas for its air force. Before this, several other countries including Australia, Egypt, the USA, Indonesia, and the Philippines have shown interest in buying the fighter made by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL).

India and Argentina discussed several other issues, and one of the most significant among them was a proposal to conduct bilateral trade in local currencies. The joint statement said that both countries will ask their Central Banks to carry out studies for the development of a payment mechanism in local currencies so that they don't have to depend on third-party currencies like the Dollar and Euro.

The govt of Argentina also informed that India has expressed its support for the inclusion of Argentina in an expanded BRICS group.

During his South America visit, the External Affairs minister visited Brazil and Paraguay apart from Argentina. During this visit, S Jaishankar inaugurated the premises of the newly opened Indian Embassy in Paraguay and participated in Joint Commission Meetings (JCM) with his counterparts in Brazil and Argentina.

#### Atal Bihari Vajpayee named the LCA Tejas

Tejas is a single-engine light combat aircraft manufactured in India. It is a lightweight multi-role fighter jet. Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA) has designed Tejas in collaboration with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL). The ADA works under the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) under the Ministry of Defence. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited is an Indian state-owned aerospace and defence company.

Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee. Tejas means brightness. It is the smallest and lightest of its class of supersonic fighters.

#### Different variants of Tejas

Tejas got approval for initial operations in 2011 and then final operations in 2019. The first squadron of this aircraft was ready for operation in 2016. Currently, India manufactures three variants of the fighter plane, including Tejas Mark 1, Tejas Mark 1A, and Tejas Trainer. Work is underway to develop another variant Tejas Mark 2 which is expected to be ready by 2026.

The Ministry of Defence had signed a Rs 48,000-crore deal with Hindustan Aeronautics in February last year to procure 83 Tejas for the Indian Air Force (IAF). Apart from this, the IAF's top air fleet currently includes Sukhoi Su-30MKI, Rafale, Mirage, and MiG-29. In 2023, the delivery of Tejas to the Indian Air Force will start.

#### Salient features of the LCA

50 percent of the spare parts of LCA are made in India. It uses Israel's anti-radar technology. It can hit 10 targets simultaneously. It needs a runway of only 460 meters to fly, due to which it can easily take off from any warship and land back on it. Its total weight is 6500 kg. Its maximum speed is 2205 kilometers per hour.

This fighter jet can be installed with anti-ship missiles. Equipped with laser-guided missiles, it can hit air-to-air, air-to-ground, and air-to-water. It can fly with arms and missiles equivalent to Sukhoi. It can reach an altitude of 52 thousand feet by flying at the speed of sound. Tejas can refuel in the air and be ready to fight again. This is much more robust than its counterpart China's JF-17 and Korea's fighter jets.