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India Considers People Of Africa Brothers In Journey To Common Destination

President of India

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USPA NEWS - The President of the United Republic of Tanzania, Mr. Jakaya Kikwete calling on the President, Mr. Pranab Mukherjee, at Rashtrapati Bhavan, in New Delhi on June 19, 2015. India Considers The People Of Africa Brothers In A Journey To A Common Destination: President Of India

The President of India, Mr. Pranab Mukherjee said India considers the people of Africa as brothers in a journey to a common destination. Since its inception, India-Africa Forum Summit has symbolized the shared interests of roughly one-fourth of the world´s geographical area and one-third of humanity. India will have the privilege of hosting the 3rd India-Africa Forum Summit in New Delhi in October this year. He was confident that the Summit will result in new initiatives and innovative ideas for the development, growth and advancement of all our peoples. The President reiterated India´s commitment to its partnership with Africa.

The President received Dr. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete, the President of the United Republic of Tanzania and Mrs. Salma Kikwete at Rashtrapati Bhavan on June 19. He also hosted a banquet in their honour.

In his banquet speech, the President said the people of India know Tanzania as a land of magnificent lakes, rich wildlife reserves and the mighty, snow-capped Kilimanjaro. India appreciates Tanzania as a nation of gracious and hardworking people, living in peace and harmony. Tanzania evokes in India fond memories of its iconic founder-leader, Mwalimu Julius Nyerere and his close friendship with India´s founding fathers. In particular, India remembers him for his contribution to South-South Co-operation.

The President said India and Tanzania have a shared commitment to international peace and stability. Both countries desire to see that the fruits of globalization are enjoyed more equitably. India values the close co-operation it has with Tanzania in multilateral fora. It is India´s firm belief that nations such as India and Tanzania should make common cause to ensure that institutions of global governance address our concerns and meet the aspirations of developing countries.

India has taken the initiative, along with other developing countries, to pursue reforms in the United Nations and its key organizations, particularly the Security Council. India is grateful for Tanzania´s support to India´s claim for permanent membership of the UN Security Council.

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