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"The G20 has a critical role to play in finding the right balance between growth and efficiency on one hand and resilience on the other. We can reach this balance more easily by working together."

- [Prime Minister Narendra Modi](#)

G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting took place in New Delhi from March 01-02, 2023. 40 delegations from G20 Member & Invitee countries, International Organizations participated in this Meeting. The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi addressed the meeting of the Foreign Ministers of G20 via video message on March 01, 2023.

Prime Minister's Message to G20 Foreign Ministers'

Prime Minister underlined why India chose the theme of 'One Earth, One Family, One Future' for its G20 Presidency. He explained that it signals the need for unity of purpose as well as the unity of action. He expressed the belief that today's meeting will reflect the spirit of coming together for achieving common and concrete objectives.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi acknowledged that multilateralism is in a state of crisis in the world today. Observing the current challenges facing the world, that of the financial crisis, climate change, pandemic, terrorism, and wars in the past few years, the Prime Minister noted the failure of global governance. He further added that the tragic consequences of this failure are being faced mostly by all the developing countries, and the world is at a risk of rescinding Sustainable Development after years of progress.

The Prime Minister also noted that many developing countries are struggling with unsustainable debt while trying to ensure food and energy security for their people. He also noted that it is developing countries that are most affected by global warming caused by rich countries.

"India's G20 Presidency has tried to give a voice to the Global South", the Prime Minister remarked as he pointed out that no group can claim global leadership without listening to those most affected by its decisions.

The Prime Minister underlined that this meeting is taking place at a time of deep global divisions, and as Foreign Ministers, it is only natural that the discussions are affected by the geo-political tensions of the day. He emphasized that as the leading economies of the world, the responsibility towards those who are not in this room lies with us. “The world looks upon the G20 to ease the challenges of growth, development, economic resilience, disaster resilience, financial stability, transnational crime, corruption, terrorism, and food and energy security”, the Prime Minister remarked as he noted that G20 can build consensus and deliver concrete results in all these areas. Underlining that the meeting is taking place in the land of Gandhi and the Buddha, the Prime Minister urged the excellencies to draw inspiration from India's civilizational ethos of focusing not on what divides us, but on what unites us all.

The G20 Foreign Ministers deliberated upon current global challenges. In the two-day meeting, sessions were held on the following topics:

G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting – Agenda of the two-day Meet	
Strengthening Multilateralism	Food and Energy Security
Climate Change and Biodiversity	Global Health
Development Cooperation	New and Emerging Technologies
Counter-terrorism	Counternarcotics
Global Skill Mapping	Humanitarian Assistance and DRR
Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment	



Apart from this, guests were given a warm welcome in the evening with a performance that showcased the diversity and richness of Indian culture.

The performances centred on the festival of Holi.

G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting had commenced with a Gala dinner on March 01, 2023. India's vibrant art, culture & cuisine were on display for the visiting delegates.



To read Chair's Summary and Outcome Document, click [here](#)

References:

- [PM addresses a meeting of the Foreign Minister of G20](#)
- [Text of PM's address during the meeting of Foreign Ministers of G-20](#)

Twitter Links:

- [Priorities of India's G20 presidency are at the core of the G20 FMM Agenda](#)
- [Media briefing by EAM Dr. S. Jaishankar post G20 FMM](#)

Video links:

- [G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting Presidency Media Briefing by External Affairs Minister of India](#)
- [PM Modi's message in the meeting of Foreign Ministers of G-20](#)

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