1. The 17th India-Vietnam Joint Commission Meeting was held on August 25, 2020. Both sides exchanged views on the joint cooperation in the economic, cultural, scientific and technological fields. The meeting was attended by India’s Minister for Commerce and Industry, Dr. S. Jaishankar, and Vietnam’s Vice Chairman of the National Assembly Pham Quang Vinh.

2. The meeting was attended by India’s Secretary of Commerce, Secretary of External Affairs, and India’s Secretary of Business Development for the ASEAN. Both sides agreed on the importance of promoting trade and investment between the two countries. The meeting also discussed the need to strengthen cooperation in the field of science and technology.

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7. On the whole, India and Vietnam have been making steady progress on their respective agendas, and both countries have been working towards enhancing bilateral cooperation in various fields. This is particularly evident in the context of the Indo-Pacific region (IPOI) and the broader ASEAN region. India and Vietnam have been working closely on issues related to the IPOI and the ASEAN region, with both countries committed to strengthening their ties in this regard. India has also supported Vietnam's efforts to become a member of the IPOI, and both countries have been working towards this goal.

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