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External Affairs Minister of India Dr. S. Jaishankar inaugurates IT Lab at the India- Uzbekistan Entrepreneurship Development Centre , Tashkent

External Affairs Minister of India H.E. Dr. S Jaishankar in the presence of Mr. Adham Ikramov, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Uzbekistan inaugurated the Information Technology Lab at the India-Uzbekistan Entrepreneurship Development Centre established with the grant assistance of Government of India at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Uzbekistan on 15 July 2021.

The latest IT equipment brought from India and installed at the Center will enable the Centre hold classes; promote projects in laboratories, incubation and virtual links with the regional centers of entrepreneurship in Uzbekistan.

The India-Uzbekistan Entrepreneurship Development Centre was established in Tashkent in 2018 with the grant assistance of Government of India and technical support of the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Ahmedabad. The Resident Director of the Centre has also been sent from India and is functional since December 2020.

H.E. Dr. S Jaishankar noted with satisfaction that the India-Uzbekistan Entrepreneurship Development Center is running a variety of courses for the young entrepreneurs of Uzbekistan. President of Uzbekistan His Excellency Mr. Shavkat Mirziyoyev has also declared 2021 to be the Year of Youth in Uzbekistan and the Entrepreneurship Development Centre is successfully contributing in this direction too. Youth skilling, employment and business generation is an important outcome of the work of

this Centre. H.E. Dr. Jaishankar handed the successful work of the Centre and expressed hope that the newly inaugurated IT Lab would further help in this process.

Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Uzbekistan Mr. Adkham Ikramov thanked the Government of India for the ongoing development cooperation between India and Uzbekistan.

It may be noted that following the visits of H.E. Mr. Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India to Uzbekistan in 2015 and 2016 and the visits of H.E. Mr. Shavkat Mirziyoyev to India in 2018 and 2019, the strategic partnership between India and Uzbekistan has become further strengthened. During the Virtual Summit between the two leaders in December 2020, Prime Minister of India had noted that India has become a strong and dependable partner of Uzbekistan in the field of development. The inauguration of the new IT Room in the India-Uzbekistan Entrepreneurship Development Centre is a further step in that direction.

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