

MESSAGE



PIOTR ANTONI SWITALSKI

Dear Indian Friends,

It is my great honour to welcome Prime Minister Donald Tusk to India. His official visit, from 21 to 23 October at the invitation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, takes him to New Delhi and to Bengaluru – to the seat of India's political decision-making and to the heart of its innovation economy. That itinerary says a great deal about what Poland wants from this relationship.

Two years ago, Prime Minister Modi's visit to Warsaw – the first by an Indian Prime Minister in 45 years – raised our relations to the level of a Strategic Partnership and gave us an ambitious Action Plan for 2024–2028. Since then, we have been working to fill that framework with concrete substance. Prime Minister Tusk's visit sends a clear signal to companies, investors, universities and institutions on both sides: Polish–Indian cooperation has the green light.

The Poland that India meets today is not the Poland of the history textbooks. Since the fall of communism in 1989, we have achieved what economists call an economic miracle. Poland is now the sixth-largest economy in the European Union and the twentieth-largest in the world, with a GDP of around one trillion dollars. This transformation was driven by the very resource that powers India's rise: human capital – a workforce that is highly educated, hard-working and innovative.

Yet our economic ties remain far below their potential. Bilateral trade stands at around USD 5 billion. I would like to see that figure doubled – and with the India–EU Free Trade Agreement now concluded, the conditions have never been better. Prime Minister Tusk is accompanied by Minister of Finance and Economy Andrzej Domański and a delegation of nearly one hundred Polish companies, ready to do business in information technology, space, green energy and hydrogen, batteries and e-mobility, infrastructure, agri-food and mining. To Indian companies I say: use Poland. Consider it your friendly gateway to the European Union and its market of nearly half a billion consumers. On the Polish side, the sky is the limit.

Bengaluru is a fitting stop. Poland's space sector is young, ambitious and growing fast – and last year, a Polish and an Indian astronaut flew together to the International Space Station on the Axiom-4 mission. That shared journey is a good image of where our technological cooperation can go.

Security is now a cornerstone of our partnership. Geography has given Poland a frontline role in European security. We devote close to five per cent of our GDP to defence and field some of the strongest land forces in NATO. Several Polish systems have proven themselves in real operating conditions, including in India. But we are looking at India not only as a market – we see India as a partner. India is highly advanced in many areas of defence production and has the scale that Europe needs. Our ambition is to move from a buyer–seller relationship to joint ventures and co-production, in India and in Poland. Poland also stands firmly with India in the fight against terrorism.

Our partnership matters beyond the bilateral. The world has become unpredictable and turbulent, with many disruptive forces at play. India and Europe – and Poland in particular – can together build an axis of stability and predictability, and offer a good model for global governance. When I speak of Poland, I also speak of the European Union, which Poland strongly wants to see working ever more closely with India.

I am confident that this visit will turn strategic intent into tangible results – contracts signed, investments launched, and new partnerships between our people. Welcome to India, Prime Minister. And to our Indian friends: let us build this future together.

Piotr Antoni Switalski
Charge d' affaires a.i.

POLAND-INDIA TIES:
From Strategy to Action



At the invitation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland Donald Tusk is on an official visit to India, accompanied by Andrzej Domański, Minister of Finance and Economy, and a large business delegation. This is Tusk's second visit to India as Poland's Prime Minister, following his earlier visit in 2010. He also visited New Delhi in 2017 for the India-EU Summit in his capacity as President of the European Council.

The visit provides an opportunity to further strengthen the Poland-India Strategic Partnership and advance cooperation in key areas, including trade and investment, defence, emerging technologies, renewable energy, education and cultural exchanges. It also offers momentum for deepening the broader India-EU strategic partnership.

Poland is an important economic partner for India in Central Europe and serves as a gateway to Central and Eastern European markets. India, in turn, offers Polish businesses access to a large consumer market and a growing manufacturing base. Pharmaceuticals, information technology, engineering and renewable energy present promising avenues for collaboration. However, greater business engagement, improved market access and sustained investment will be essential to realise the full potential of bilateral economic ties.

Beyond trade, joint ventures and research partnerships in automotive technology, defence manufacturing, clean energy and digital services can add further depth to the relationship. Stronger links among businesses, research institutions and government agencies will be crucial to translating diplomatic commitments into practical outcomes and long-term commercial gains.

The partnership is also rooted in shared history and cultural ties. India's role in providing shelter to Polish refugees during the Second World War, particularly in Jamnagar and Kolhapur, remains an enduring symbol of friendship between the two countries. This legacy provides a strong foundation for strengthening educational, cultural and people-to-people exchanges.

As India and Poland build on their Strategic Partnership, the priority is to translate political goodwill into tangible economic opportunities, deeper industrial collaboration and sustained business engagement. Tusk's visit offers an opportunity to advance this agenda through stronger university partnerships and joint initiatives in satellite applications, green energy, mining equipment, artificial intelligence, cyber resilience and advanced manufacturing, laying the groundwork for long-term cooperation and mutual growth.



Mr. Apoorvshree Chaturvedi,
Director – Global Operations, UFlex Group

"The visit of H.E. Donald Tusk, Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland, offers an opportunity to deepen the economic engagement between India and Poland and explore new avenues of industrial cooperation.

For businesses operating across borders, strong bilateral ties create the conditions for investment, technological exchange, and long-term value creation. At UFlex, our manufacturing operations in Poland across packaging films and recycling reflect our belief in the importance of local capabilities, responsible resource use and resilient industrial partnerships.

As India and Poland look to expand their economic relationship, closer collaboration between businesses can help translate shared ambitions into tangible outcomes. We see considerable scope for both countries to build on their industrial strengths, encourage innovation, and advance a more resource-efficient future."

Strengthening People-to-People Ties

Rooted in shared values and a common opposition to colonialism, imperialism, and racism, India and Poland have maintained a warm and enduring friendship since establishing diplomatic relations in 1954. People-to-people exchanges continue to strengthen mutual understanding and cultural connections between the two countries.

During Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Poland in August 2024, both leaders emphasized greater cooperation in culture, education, science, research, and healthcare. They encouraged academic partnerships, university exchanges, collaborative research, and parliamentary engagement to deepen institutional ties.

Tourism offers further opportunities to enhance bilateral engagement. Polish visitors are drawn to India's spiritual and cultural heritage, particularly yoga, Ayurveda, meditation, and wellness experiences. In contrast, Indian travel to Poland is significantly supported by corporate and professional engagement, especially in the IT and business outsourcing sectors, alongside growing opportunities for cultural and leisure tourism.

Expanded tourism promotion, cultural exchanges, and academic collaborations can generate economic opportunities while fostering closer connections between the peoples of both countries. As India and Poland advance their Strategic Partnership, strengthening these human connections will remain essential to sustaining their longstanding friendship and building a shared future.

UFLEX
'A part of your daily life'
FLEX
Flex Films Europa Sp. Z o.o.

A WARM WELCOME TO INDIA



H.E. Donald Tusk
Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland

We value the relationship between India and Poland and the opportunities for closer economic cooperation and industrial growth.

Proud of our manufacturing presence in Poland since 2012.

India | UAE | Mexico | Egypt | Poland | USA | CIS | Hungary | Nigeria
www.uflexltd.com



MESSAGE



PIOTR ANTONI SWITALSKI

Dear Indian Friends,

It is my great honour to welcome Prime Minister Donald Tusk to India. His official visit, from 21 to 23 October at the invitation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, takes him to New Delhi and to Bengaluru – to the seat of India's political decision-making and to the heart of its innovation economy. That itinerary says a great deal about what Poland wants from this relationship.

Two years ago, Prime Minister Modi's visit to Warsaw – the first by an Indian Prime Minister in 45 years – raised our relations to the level of a Strategic Partnership and gave us an ambitious Action Plan for 2024–2028. Since then, we have been working to fill that framework with concrete substance. Prime Minister Tusk's visit sends a clear signal to companies, investors, universities and institutions on both sides: Polish–Indian cooperation has the green light.

The Poland that India meets today is not the Poland of the history textbooks. Since the fall of communism in 1989, we have achieved what economists call an economic miracle. Poland is now the sixth-largest economy in the European Union and the twentieth-largest in the world, with a GDP of around one trillion dollars. This transformation was driven by the very resource that powers India's rise: human capital – a workforce that is highly educated, hard-working and innovative.

Yet our economic ties remain far below their potential. Bilateral trade stands at around USD 5 billion. I would like to see that figure doubled – and with the India–EU Free Trade Agreement now concluded, the conditions have never been better. Prime Minister Tusk is accompanied by Minister of Finance and Economy Andrzej Domański and a delegation of nearly one hundred Polish companies, ready to do business in information technology, space, green energy and hydrogen, batteries and e-mobility, infrastructure, agri-food and mining. To Indian companies I say: use Poland. Consider it your friendly gateway to the European Union and its market of nearly half a billion consumers. On the Polish side, the sky is the limit.

Bengaluru is a fitting stop. Poland's space sector is young, ambitious and growing fast – and last year, a Polish and an Indian astronaut flew together to the International Space Station on the Axiom-4 mission. That shared journey is a good image of where our technological cooperation can go.

Security is now a cornerstone of our partnership. Geography has given Poland a frontline role in European security. We devote close to five per cent of our GDP to defence and field some of the strongest land forces in NATO. Several Polish systems have proven themselves in real operating conditions, including in India. But we are looking at India not only as a market – we see India as a partner. India is highly advanced in many areas of defence production and has the scale that Europe needs. Our ambition is to move from a buyer–seller relationship to joint ventures and co-production, in India and in Poland. Poland also stands firmly with India in the fight against terrorism.

Our partnership matters beyond the bilateral. The world has become unpredictable and turbulent, with many disruptive forces at play. India and Europe – and Poland in particular – can together build an axis of stability and predictability, and offer a good model for global governance. When I speak of Poland, I also speak of the European Union, which Poland strongly wants to see working ever more closely with India.

I am confident that this visit will turn strategic intent into tangible results – contracts signed, investments launched, and new partnerships between our people. Welcome to India, Prime Minister. And to our Indian friends: let us build this future together.

Piotr Antoni Switalski
Charge d' affaires a.i.

POLAND-INDIA TIES:
From Strategy to Action



At the invitation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland Donald Tusk is on an official visit to India, accompanied by Andrzej Domański, Minister of Finance and Economy, and a large business delegation. This is Tusk's second visit to India as Poland's Prime Minister, following his earlier visit in 2010. He also visited New Delhi in 2017 for the India-EU Summit in his capacity as President of the European Council.

The visit provides an opportunity to further strengthen the Poland-India Strategic Partnership and advance cooperation in key areas, including trade and investment, defence, emerging technologies, renewable energy, education and cultural exchanges. It also offers momentum for deepening the broader India-EU strategic partnership.

Poland is an important economic partner for India in Central Europe and serves as a gateway to Central and Eastern European markets. India, in turn, offers Polish businesses access to a large consumer market and a growing manufacturing base. Pharmaceuticals, information technology, engineering and renewable energy present promising avenues for collaboration. However, greater business engagement, improved market access and sustained investment will be essential to realise the full potential of bilateral economic ties.

Beyond trade, joint ventures and research partnerships in automotive technology, defence manufacturing, clean energy and digital services can add further depth to the relationship. Stronger links among businesses, research institutions and government agencies will be crucial to translating diplomatic commitments into practical outcomes and long-term commercial gains.

The partnership is also rooted in shared history and cultural ties. India's role in providing shelter to Polish refugees during the Second World War, particularly in Jamnagar and Kolhapur, remains an enduring symbol of friendship between the two countries. This legacy provides a strong foundation for strengthening educational, cultural and people-to-people exchanges.

As India and Poland build on their Strategic Partnership, the priority is to translate political goodwill into tangible economic opportunities, deeper industrial collaboration and sustained business engagement. Tusk's visit offers an opportunity to advance this agenda through stronger university partnerships and joint initiatives in satellite applications, green energy, mining equipment, artificial intelligence, cyber resilience and advanced manufacturing, laying the groundwork for long-term cooperation and mutual growth.



Mr. Apoorvshree Chaturvedi,
Director – Global Operations, UFlex Group

"The visit of H.E. Donald Tusk, Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland, offers an opportunity to deepen the economic engagement between India and Poland and explore new avenues of industrial cooperation.

For businesses operating across borders, strong bilateral ties create the conditions for investment, technological exchange, and long-term value creation. At UFlex, our manufacturing operations in Poland across packaging films and recycling reflect our belief in the importance of local capabilities, responsible resource use and resilient industrial partnerships.

As India and Poland look to expand their economic relationship, closer collaboration between businesses can help translate shared ambitions into tangible outcomes. We see considerable scope for both countries to build on their industrial strengths, encourage innovation, and advance a more resource-efficient future."



Rooted in shared values and a common opposition to colonialism, imperialism, and racism, India and Poland have maintained a warm and enduring friendship since establishing diplomatic relations in 1954. People-to-people exchanges continue to strengthen mutual understanding and cultural connections between the two countries.

During Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Poland in August 2024, both leaders emphasized greater cooperation in culture, education, science, research, and healthcare. They encouraged academic partnerships, university exchanges, collaborative research, and parliamentary engagement to deepen institutional ties.

Tourism offers further opportunities to enhance bilateral engagement. Polish visitors are drawn to India's spiritual and cultural heritage, particularly yoga, Ayurveda, meditation, and wellness experiences. In contrast, Indian travel to Poland is significantly supported by corporate and professional engagement, especially in the IT and business outsourcing sectors, alongside growing opportunities for cultural and leisure tourism.

Expanded tourism promotion, cultural exchanges, and academic collaborations can generate economic opportunities while fostering closer connections between the peoples of both countries. As India and Poland advance their Strategic Partnership, strengthening these human connections will remain essential to sustaining their longstanding friendship and building a shared future.

