The 2nd Meeting of BRICS Telecommunications Ministers was held on 10-11 November 2016 in Bengaluru.

The Ministers stressed the catalytic role of digital economy in addressing the challenges of inequality, unemployment and ensuring equal distribution of digital fruits. They also recognised the critical role of ICTs in improving the quality of life and quality of governance.

The Ministers called on all the stakeholders to strengthen research and innovation linkages among institutions and work towards a common platform in joint research, design, development, manufacture and promotion in the field of high technology products in ICTs.

The meeting culminated with the endorsement of Communiqué and ICT Development Agenda and Action Plan.

The 2-day meeting included B2B forum and exhibition to demonstrate BRICS ICT strengths in products, services and projects.