

Government of India Ministry of External Affairs MER Division

BRICS Friendship Cities Conclave [14- 16 April 2016 : Mumbai]

Mumbai First, an NGO, in partnership with Minister of External Affairs and Government of Maharashtra organised the BRICS Friendship Cities Conclave on 14- 16 April 2016 in Mumbai. The Conclave was driven by a robust development agenda to meet the challenges of Urbanization.

Hon'ble Union Minister for Urban Development, Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation, Parliamentary Affairs Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated the Conclave. Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra Shri C.Vidyasagar Rao, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Maharashtra Shri Devendra Fadnavis and dignitaries from other BRICS countries were present on the occasion. More than 75 delegates participated in nine sessions focussed on urban issues.

The deliberations during the Conclave focussed on strengthening urban governance, making cities inclusive, safe and secure, improving urban transport, financing infrastructure and building sustainable cities among other urban issues.

During the event, Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Venkaiah Naidu released a Collection of Essays titled "The Making of Vibrant BRICS Cities," while Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra Shri C.Vidyasagar Rao released a Special BRICS Stamp Cover with symbols of historic importance from each of BRICS countries to commemorate the occasion.
