# BASIC countries to play an important role in making Paris agreement accepted in letter and spirit by the World: Union Environment Minister

In the run-up to the United Nations Framework for Climate Change (UNFCC) Conference of Parties (COP-25) meet to be held later in the year from 2nd to 13th December, the BASIC countries held its 28th Ministerial meeting on Climate Change from 14th to 16th August in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

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### Vice President embarks on a threenation tour to advance India's outreach in the Baltic region;

Advancing India's outreach in the Baltic region, the Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu has left here today on a three-nation visit to Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia. His visit is expected to enhance India's bilateral ties with each of the three countries and help in promoting people-to-people contacts and business opportunities.

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### Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh approves a Committee to review Defence Procurement Procedure to strengthen 'Make in India'

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#### <u>Dr Harsh Vardhan inaugurates Atal</u> <u>Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Medical</u> Sciences

"Our responsibility doesn't end by naming the Institute after Atal ji. We have to follow his footsteps and our commitment should reflect his inherent nature and legacy." This was stated by Dr Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare at the inauguration of Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Medical Sciences at Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, here today.

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## MoD clarifies there is no proposal to privatise OFB

In continuation of the meeting held on August 14, a Committee of senior officials of Ministry of Defenceled by Additional Secretary, Department of Defence Production alongwith Chairman, Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) once again met the office bearers of the All India Defence Employees Federation, Indian National Defence Workers Federation, Bhartiya Pratiksha Mazdoor Sangh and Confederation of Defence Recognized Association here today on the issue of Strike notice given by them starting with effect from August 20, 2019.

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