

India, Pakistan decide revive stalled dialogue; NSAs to meet

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Ufa (Russia): In a breakthrough, India and Pakistan today decided to revive the stalled dialogue process as Prime Ministers Narendra Modi and Nawaz Sharif agreed to cooperate to eliminate terrorism from South Asia.

Modi and Sharif, in their first bilateral talks in over an year, met for nearly one hour here on the sidelines of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit and discussed entire gamut of issues between the two countries.

Significantly, Foreign Secretaries S Jaishankar and Aizaz Ahmad Chaudhry held a joint press meet where they read out a joint statement on the outcome of the much-anticipated meeting between the two leaders.

National Security Adviser Ajit Doval and his Pakistani counterpart Sartaj Aziz will meet in New Delhi to discuss all issues connected to terrorism, the statement said.

"Both sides agreed to discuss ways and means to expedite the Mumbai case trial including additional information like providing voice samples," the statement said.

Modi accepted Sharif's invitation to visit Pakistan for the SAARC summit next year.

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