## INDIA AND SWEDEN SET TO EXPAND TIES

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Swedish King Carl XVI Gustaf on Monday held extensive talks with President Ram Nath Kovind and Prime Minister Narendra Modi to expand overall bilateral cooperation in diverse areas including in trade and investment, innovation and and culture.

After talks between the King and President Kovind, the sides signed three pacts providing for cooperation in polar science, innovation and research and in maritime spheres.

Mr. Modi and King Gustaf also chaired a meeting of the India-Sweden High-Level Policy Dialogue on Innovation Policy, discussing ways to expand engagement in research and development.

"Delighted to meet Their Majesties King Carl XVI Gustaf and Queen Silvia. We had extensive discussions on boosting cooperation between India and Sweden. Closer economic and cultural ties between our nations will greatly benefit our citizens," Mr. Modi said in a tweet.

The King and the Queen are here on a five-day visit.

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