

# CABINET APPROVES MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION BETWEEN INDIA AND JAPAN ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES

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