

PRESS RELEASE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMY

THE 2^{ND} BRUNEI DARUSSALAM – INDIA JOINT TRADE COMMITTEE MEETING FRIDAY, 11 MARCH 2022

- 1. The 2nd Brunei Darussalam India Joint Trade Committee Meeting was convened virtually on 11 March 2022. The Meeting was co-chaired by Yang Mulia Dr. Hajah May Fa'ezah binti Haji Ahmad Ariffin, Permanent Secretary (Economy), Ministry of Finance and Economy of Brunei Darussalam and Mr. Shri Diwakar Nath Misra, Joint Secretary, Foreign Trade (ASEAN), Department of Commerce of the Republic of India.
- 2. During the Meeting, both sides emphasised commitment to continue enhancing bilateral trade and investment cooperation, acknowledging progress made thus far. The Meeting subsequently explored potential collaboration in several areas of interests including agriculture, health and pharmaceutical products, services, automobile sector, and business-to-business engagements, as well as ASEAN India economic relations.
- 3. The Meeting was also attended by His Excellency Dato Paduka Haji Alaihuddin bin Pehin Orang Kaya Digadong Seri Laila Utama Dato Seri Utama Haji Awang Mohd Taha, Brunei Darussalam's High Commissioner to the Republic of India, Mr. Alok Verma, Chargé d'Affaires, Indian High Commission in Brunei Darussalam, and representatives from relevant Ministries in Brunei Darussalam.
- 4. The Brunei Darussalam India Joint Trade Committee was established by the Memorandum of Understanding on the Establishment of a Joint Trade Committee signed in

2008. The objective of the Joint Trade Committee is to facilitate the expansion of bilateral trade and economic cooperation between Brunei Darussalam and India in areas of mutual interest.
