

**Statement by the Official MEA Spokesperson on the full normalisation of relations between UAE and Israel, during the virtual weekly media briefing on 14 August 2020**

India has consistently supported peace, stability and development in West Asia, which is its extended neighbourhood. In that context, we welcome the full normalization of ties between UAE and Israel. Both nations are key strategic partners of India.

India continues its traditional support for the Palestinian cause. We hope to see early resumption of direct negotiations to find an acceptable two-state solution.

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