Appendix I

CHRONOLOGY OF IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS BETWEEN INDIA AND ASEAN

1992  India invited by ASEAN to be a Sectoral Dialogue Partner.

1995  Announcement by ASEAN at Bangkok summit of Full Dialogue Partnership with India.

1996  India became a member of the ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) and attended 1st meeting of Post-Ministerial Conference of ASEAN and ARF in Jakarta.


2000  India, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Myanmar and Vietnam signed agreement in Vientiane to form Mekong Ganga Co-operation.

2002  At the Phnom Penh summit, India invited by ASEAN to be a Summit Partner.

2003  At the Bali summit in October, these documents were signed:
1. Instrument of Accession to the Treaty of Amity and Co-operation in Southeast Asia;
2. Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Co-operation between ASEAN and the Republic of India; and
3. ASEAN–India Joint Declaration for Co-operation to Combat International Terrorism.

2004  At the Vientiane summit in November, these documents were signed:
1. ASEAN–India Partnership for Peace, Progress and Shared Prosperity;  
2. Plan of Action to Implement the ASEAN–India Partnership for Peace, Progress and Shared Prosperity.

1st BIMSTEC summit held in Thailand. Nepal and Bhutan joined BIMSTEC, which was renamed as Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multisectoral Technical and Economic Co-operation.

2005  India invited to participate in the 1st East Asia summit in Kuala Lumpur.