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SHRI KAPIL SIBAL CALLS FOR GREATER COLLABORATION BETWEEN INDIA AND USA IN EDUCATION

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India and the United States need higher levels of collaboration, especially in education. By structured and multi-level collaboration, we can work towards helping solve many of the world's problems. This was stated by Shri Kapil Sibal, Union Minister for Human Resource Development, while giving a talk on 'Transforming India into an Education Hub' at the Centre for Strategic and International Studies, here last evening. The event was also addressed by Ms. Nirupama Rao, Ambassador of India to the US and Mr. Karl Inderfurth, Wadhwani Chair in US-India Policy Studies, CSIS.

Shri Sibal stated that India will emerge as the centre for human resources for the world in the coming years as it reaps the benefits of the demographic dividend. He also expressed the view the there are many challenges that beset the globe and the solutions for these challenges would have to be found through research based in nations such as India that confront these challenges and also offer quality human resource for such research to be facilitated.

Shri Sibal said that policy prescriptions in themselves do not lead to change. He said that the time has come for the US to step up its collaboration with India.