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# Visit Report

Of the Conference arranged by AIBO

Academy for International Business Officials or Training Center of the Ministry of Commerce arranged a conference for the member countries of BRI. The conference was held in Beijing from 9th August to 29th August 2019.



## **What is AIBO and What does it do?**

AIBO or Academy for International Business Officials or Training Center of the Ministry of Commerce is the educational and training institution directly affiliated to the Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM), People's Republic of China. It is a training base for business professionals in the country and business officials in the world as well. The MOFCOM Party School was established here in 1984. AIBO provide China-Aid training programs, domestic training and training for Party School officials, etc.

AIBO is also responsible for holding “Training Program for Economic and Commercial Officials Working in Chinese Embassies Abroad”, “Training Courses on China-Germany Economic Law”, “Training Program for Officials of MOFCOM Party School” and many other programs. With multi-level trainings of various types as its major business, AIBO provides customized trainings for the business field and renders services for all seminars and conferences on academic topics or issues of general interest. It is also being authorized by the State Administration of Foreign Affairs Experts, AIBO has the qualification of holding overseas trainings for the business field all over the country. In addition, it also takes charge of organizing the National Qualification Test for International Business Professionals and its registration and administration as well.

## **Visit Brief**

The Academy of International Business Officials (AIBO) China arranged a conference on the medium- and long-term development plan of the Belt and road initiative. The conference was held in Beijing from 9<sup>th</sup> August 2019 to 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019. Representatives from Twenty Seven countries that included China, Pakistan, Bulgaria, Romania, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Ghana, Laos, Mauritius, Panama etc took part in various sessions of the conference during the time period of 20 days. Pakistan was represented by member advisory board Center for Global and Strategic Studies Mr. Nawaz Ali, who was also appointed as a coordinator for all the participants of the conference.

Vice President of The Academy of International Business Officials Mr Zhang Hailong inaugurated the conference with his speech on regional cooperation. He explained in detail the role of BRI in providing the platform for cooperation for all the member countries. During all the sessions of the conference various aspects of

the BRI including its regional and international aspect were explained by the officials. Similarly various political and social aspects of the BRI were brought under discussion. It was highlighted by the Chinese hosts that CPEC will be the main pillar of BRI as it will connect the land route of the BRI with the Sea route. Also attended a couple of Television interviews and talked on Kashmir Conflict, also visited various historical sites and important cities of strategic importance. In the end

### **Highlighting the Kashmir Issue**

During various discussions of conference, the issue of Kashmir was explained comprehensively to all the participants of AIBO 2019 conference. All the foreign visiting dignitaries of the conference were apprised of the unconstitutional steps taken by India on 5th August 2019 by annexing Ladakh, Jammu and Kashmir. It was conveyed to the participants from twenty seven countries that Jammu and Kashmir is the disputed area between India and Pakistan and India is brutally violating the rights of the people of Kashmir. The participants were told about all the atrocities that are unleashed on all the Kashmiris by occupied forces.



### **Visits of Historical sites and Industrial and Coastal Cities**

AIBO arranged study and observatory tripsto various historical sites and cities for the guest from various countries.

Two very important visits of strategic importance were made to the cities of Dalian and Hefei. Dalian is the capital of the Dalian is a major city and seaport in the south of Liaoning Province, China. It is the southernmost city of the Liaodong Peninsula. The importance of the city of Dalian is evident from the fact through Yellow sea it provide the connectivity point for China to Russia, Japan and Korea. The Shandong Peninsula lies southwest across the Bohai Strait and Korea lies across the Yellow Sea to the east. There in Dalian a Meeting was held with Chief, Dalian Free Trade Zone, Mr Kenny Guan, and Directors at Head Quarter, similarly the delegation was given a Visit to Dalian Trade Ministry, and was briefed by Director Export Tan Xiang Yang.

Likewise, Hefei is the capital and largest city of the Chinese province of Anhui. A prefecture-level city, it is the political, economic, and cultural center of Anhui. Located in the central portion of the province, it borders Huainan to the north, Chuzhou to the northeast, Wuhu to the southeast, Tongling to the south, Anqing to the southwest and Lu'an to the west. A natural hub of communications, Hefei is situated to the north of Chao Lake stands on a low saddle crossing the northeastern extension of the Dabie Mountains, which form the divide between the Huai and Yangtze rivers.

In Hefei the delegation was given a visit of Anhui Shulan Construction Group ASGC. The group in its meeting with Vice President of ASGC Project Mr wang, and Directors, was told that they have specialties in the hydro power projects and it also highlighted its activities in the construction of China Pakistan Economic Corridor.

Other places of visit were the Tiananmen Square, National Museum, a historical Chen dynasty village, the forbidden city and the Great Wall of China.

## **Visit to Pakistan Embassy Beijing**

Also attended the Ceremony at Pakistan embassy Beijing, where the Indian Independence Day was celebrated as Black Day for solidarity with our Kashmiri brothers. Ambassador Naghmana Qureshi was the chief guest of the event.



### **Media Interaction**

Attended two interviews, one of which was conducted by China Economic Daily. The topic of the discussion for the interview was India Pakistan Tension and the issue of Kashmir. It was outlined that Kashmir is the flashpoint between the two nuclear armed neighbors. The ground realities about the Indian human rights violations in Kashmir were highlighted and it was emphasized that Pakistan has always wanted and played a peaceful role in the region, but the India's Hegemonic aspirations under an ideological clout has always been destabilizing for the reason.

A question for point of view on the Hong Kong protests was also put forwarded by the host. It was conveyed that first of all it is the internal matter of China, and Nobody in the international arena has the privilege to interfere in the internal affairs of other states. It was also told that the protest going on in Hong Kong are also being supported by third party elements who want to create hurdles for China and undermine its socio-economic and cultural progress. After the conference there was an Interview with the China Economic TV Channel for its Beijing program "When in China". The Program will be on air next Month.



Group photo with the host of China Economic Daily