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The SAI20 Summit meeting under the Indian Presidency of G20 concluded **today** in Goa.

The highlight of the meeting was the consensual adoption of the Final draft of the SAI20 Communique by the member SAIs.

CAG of India Shri Girish Chandra Murmu delivered the concluding remarks.

CAG expressed satisfaction at the achievements during the meeting with what has been set for the Supreme Audit Institutions to achieve in the future - a forceful agenda that recognizes and strives for realizing the G20 theme of One Earth, One Family, One Future.

SAIs and the SAI20 forum have a responsibility towards meaningful audit of the frontier areas of Blue Economy and Responsible AI which are crucial for global well-being: CAG

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85 National and International delegates from G20 member SAIs, Guest SAIs, Invited SAIs, International Organizations and other Engagement Groups attended the event.

The second SAI20 Summit of the SAI20 Engagement Group under India's G20 Presidency concluded **today** in Goa. Shri Girish Chandra Murmu, the Comptroller and Auditor

General (CAG) of India and the Chair of the Supreme Audit Institutions-20 (SAI20) Engagement Group, delivered the concluding remarks.

Shri Girish Chandra Murmu in his valedictory address expressed gratitude to the leaders of SAI20 and their delegates for their presence, the lively discussions and experience sharing, the commitment to the SAI20 mandate and a better world; and most importantly, for the all-pervasive spirit of collaboration and oneness.

Shri Murmu highlighted that collectively, SAIs have chartered a path to heighten efficiency, accountability and transparency in the optimized maturing of the new-age areas of the Blue Economy and Artificial Intelligence. Shri Murmu stated that considerable deliberations amongst SAIs as well as the voices of experts, had sensitized all to the multi-layered, cross-cutting nature and impact of the two priority areas, and consequent solution-oriented policy and operational dimensions.

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The SAI20 Summit meeting [today](#) focused on the deliberations and adoption of the final draft of the SAI20 Communique. The final SAI20 Communique, an inclusive, decisive, and action-oriented document, was adopted upon consensus by SAI20 member SAIs in the SAI20 summit.

During the meeting, insights on Blue Economy were provided by eminent personalities in this field, who shared their valuable knowledge and experience on the different aspects of the Blue Economy.

After the concluding session the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, Shri Murmu addressed a press conference and said that after the three day meeting here there is a consensus that SAI20 represented an action-oriented forum for the SAIs of G20 countries to collaborate on sharing of best practices, capacity building and development of appropriate auditing guidelines and actionable tool kits for auditing national priorities, which was also reflected in the SAI20 Communique adopted during the Summit.

The three-day meeting of the SAI20 Summit saw a participation of National and International delegates from G20 member SAIs, viz. Australia, Brazil, Korea, Indonesia, India, Russia, Saudi Arabia and Turkiye; Guest SAIs, viz. Bangladesh, Egypt, Mauritius, Nigeria, Oman, Spain and UAE; Invited SAIs, viz. Morocco and Poland; International Organization, viz. USAID and World Bank; and Engagement Groups viz. Think20 and Youth20.