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India, United States Sign Pax Silica Declaration at India AI Impact Summit

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What Is the Pax Silica Declaration?

§The Pax Silica Declaration is a United States-led strategic initiative focused on building secure and resilient supply chains for artificial intelligence, semiconductors, and critical minerals.

§It aims to reduce global reliance on potentially adversarial sources and strengthen trusted technology networks.

India Joins the Pax Silica Alliance

§India formally signed the Pax Silica Declaration at the India AI Impact Summit 2026 held in New Delhi.

§The declaration was signed by Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and US Under Secretary for Economic Affairs Jacob Helberg in the presence of the US Ambassador to India, Sergio Gor.

Purpose and Focus of the Alliance

§The alliance aims to build a trusted technology ecosystem by securing:

§Critical minerals needed for modern technology,

§Advanced semiconductors (chips), and

§AI infrastructure that supports innovation and economic growth.

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§It seeks to encourage joint investments, identify supply-chain risks, and ensure secure access to essential technological resources.

Strategic Importance for India

§India's entry is seen as strategic and essential to strengthening global tech cooperation with the United States and other allied partners.

§Joining the alliance may help India secure long-term access to chips and critical raw materials, boosting its semiconductor and electronics sectors.

§The pact is also viewed as a way to enhance economic security by building resilient technology supply chains.

Global Context of Pax Silica

§Pax Silica was launched in December 2025 with several initial partner countries, including Australia, Japan, Israel, and others.

§India's inclusion brings it into a larger coalition aimed at trusted tech partnerships among democratic nations.

In Simple Terms

§India and the United States signed the Pax Silica Declaration at the India AI Impact Summit to jointly build secure and trustworthy AI, semiconductor, and critical mineral supply chains.

§This alliance is meant to strengthen technology cooperation and protect against dependencies that could affect economic and national security.