

Acceptance Speech by SAI India-16th ASOSAI Assembly

General Chanathap Indamra, President of the State Audit Commission of the Kingdom of Thailand, and President of ASOSAI;

Mr. Hou Kai, Auditor General of the National Audit Office of the People's Republic of China, and Secretary General of ASOSAI:

Heads of Supreme Audit Institutions

Distinguished delegates,

Ladies and Gentlemen.

- ❖ It is indeed a privilege for SAI India / to assume the Chair of the Asian Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions / for the term 2024 to 2027/.
At the outset, on my behalf/ and on behalf of the Assembly,/ I would like to extend heartfelt gratitude /to SAI Thailand, and my predecessor, /General Chanathap Indamra, /for their exemplary leadership/ as Chair of the ASOSAI over the past three years./ The State Audit Commission of Thailand/ had led the development of various initiatives/ to effectively implement /the Bangkok Declaration 2021, /by charting a path for the ASOSAI /and its 48 members towards greater resilience, /innovation and governance in the area of today's New Normal/.
- ❖ I also take this opportunity to /express sincere gratitude to/ Mr. Hou Kai, the Auditor General of the National Audit Office of the People's Republic of China /and the Secretary General and his colleagues/ for their formidable service/ to successive Assemblies of the ASOSAI. /SAI India

earnestly looks forward to /working closely with the Secretary General/
and his colleagues during the next three years./

- ❖ ASOSAI's vision to promote understanding and cooperation /among member Supreme Audit Institutions through /the exchange of ideas and experiences /in the field of Public Audit, /traces its roots to the first Assembly and/ Governing Board Meeting held in May 1979 in New Delhi, India./ The Rules and Regulations adopted since and /the subsequent work of each Assembly, /have together paved the way for closer collaboration /and fraternity amongst the member SAIs./ Over the past four decades ASOSAI has grown /from strength to strength to be regarded /as a model Regional Organization of INTOSAI./
- ❖ The SAIs have a very important role to play/ in helping the national governments /in strengthening good governance, promoting transparency and accountability/ and enabling efficient use of resources./ To meet the challenges emerging from global changes in politico-social environment /and rapid technological evolution, greater cooperation among the SAIs /and sustained efforts in capacity development/ of SAI Auditors is an absolute necessity./
- ❖ SAI Japan, as the Capacity Development Administrator of ASOSAI/ has been rendering yeomen service by regularly organizing/ various capacity development programmes for ASOSAI auditors. /SAI India would closely

work and support SAI Japan/ in addressing the capacity development needs of SAI Auditors/ in updating their skills and staying relevant /in this age of rapid technological advancements./

- ❖ As the baton of ASOSAI Chair passes from SAI Thailand to SAI India,/ I assure you that SAI India will make /earnest and dedicated efforts to continue the excellent work of my predecessors/ towards shaping the ASOSAI into a professional regional organization. /I look forward to working with each one of you /to address the challenges faced /by public sector auditors today. /For this, I seek your continued support/ and guidance, and in particular/ for effectively implementing the ASOSAI Strategic Plan 2022-2027. /
- ❖ SAI India extends its heartfelt gratitude /to the 16th Assembly for reposing trust in India's leadership/ of ASOSAI and we look forward to combining our experience/ towards enhancing the effectiveness of public auditing./ We will strive to foster deeper links /with other regional organizations of INTOSAI/ to develop strategies for capacity building of our auditors, /especially in emerging fields like leveraging Artificial Intelligence /in Audit and implementing Social Audit./ In line with the philosophy of /Vasudaiva Kutumbakam or 'One Earth, One Family, One Future', /we shall endeavor together towards developing /sustainable methodologies and processes for more effective and participatory public audit. /

