



Leaders at the Summit posing for a group photograph. Pictures by Sudath Silva

President at ACD Summit in Kuwait



President Mahinda Rajapaksa addressing the Summit



President Mahinda Rajapaksa being received by the Emir of Kuwait Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah on arrival in Kuwait



Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad greeting President Mahinda Rajapaksa.

President Mahinda Rajapaksa was in Kuwait to attend the first Asia Cooperation Dialogue (ACD) Summit attended by leaders of over 32 Asian nations, Foreign Ministers, Ministers and officials. The Summit, aimed at consolidating Asia's strength and fortifying its competitiveness in the region, focused on the challenges facing Asia, mainly, in the economic field, and proposed solutions to tackle them. Thailand will host the next ACD Summit in 2015.



Pakistan Prime Minister Raja Pervez Ashraf paying a courtesy call on President Mahinda Rajapaksa at Bayan Palace, Kuwait



Thai Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra called on President Mahinda Rajapaksa at Bayan Palace, Kuwait



The ACD Summit in progress



President Mahinda Rajapaksa at the Summit



President Mahinda Rajapaksa being accorded Red Carpet welcome. Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, ministers, senior officials were also present to receive the President and the delegation.



World leaders and representatives at the Summit



The Sri Lankan delegation, which included External Affairs Minister Prof.G.L.Peiris, Minister Susil Premajayantha, MPs Sajin Vas Gunewardene, A.H.M.Azwer and Secretary to the President Lalith Weeraturge at the Summit



President Mahinda Rajapaksa meeting Sri Lankan expatriates in Kuwait



A section of Leaders at the Summit