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G20 should focus on developing nations' priorities: Modi

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said it was time developing nations' priorities found a place of preference on the G20 agenda.

Speaking at the BRICS leaders' informal meeting ahead of the G20 summit here, Modi said: "The basis of our mutual cooperation in G20 is getting stronger. The grouping is being led by a developing country. It is a good opportunity; the priorities of the developing member nations find preference in the G20 agenda."

He reaffirmed India's commitment to globalisation and reformed multilateral cooperation.

Modi advocated strengthening of the UN's counter-terrorism network and urged the BRICS and G20 nations to work together towards that goal.

"To stop terror funding and terrorists' movements, the UN counter-terror network should be strengthened and for this purpose, BRICS and G20 nations need to work together. There is need to work together against financial fraudsters and fugitives. This problem may manifest as a serious threat to the global financial stability," he added.

Meets Chinese President

Meanwhile, Modi today met Chinese President Xi Jinping on



Prime Minister Narendra Modi with Chinese President China Xi Jinping in Buenos Aires on Friday AP

the sidelines of the G20 summit and discussed joint efforts to further enhance mutual trust and friendship between the two giant neighbours.

The two leaders have met twice after their informal summit in the Chinese city of Wuhan in late April – once at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit held in June in China's Qingdao and the second time at the BRICS summit in South Africa's Johannesburg in July.

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