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KAZAKHSTAN, UZBEKISTAN TO JOIN BRICS AS PARTNER STATES IN 2025

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Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan are set to officially join BRICS as partner states starting January 1, 2025, Trend reports.

The announcement follows the recent BRICS summit held in Kazan, where significant developments regarding the group's expansion were discussed.

"One of the key outcomes of the Kazan summit was the establishment of a new category of BRICS partner states and the approval of a list of 13 countries. Invitations have been extended to these nations, and confirmations of readiness to become partner states have been received from Belarus, Bolivia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Cuba, Malaysia, Thailand, Uganda, and Uzbekistan. These countries will formally attain the status of BRICS partner states from January 1, 2025," Yuri Ushakov, an aide to the Russian president, told journalists.

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