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Interactive Session with Mr. Thomas Vajda, Acting Deputy, Assistant Secretary for South Asian Affairs, Department of State, Washington DC, on the topic “Regional Connectivity and Trade” on 1st December 2017 at The Bengal Chamber



Thomas Vajda in Calcutta on Friday. A Telegraph picture

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Calcutta: Infrastructure development in eastern India and improved connectivity with the Saarc region are key to attracting US investment.

Thomas Vajda, acting deputy, assistant secretary for South Asian affairs, department of state at Washington DC, on Friday said the US and India are closely working towards the promotion of free trade and rule of law in the broader India-Pacific region.

On the prospect of American investment in the eastern part of India, Vajda said, “Investment decisions are determined by whether companies need to be near certain markets. It also depends on the investment climate in each individual state.”

He said the development of port road and other connectivity will make India a more attractive market for American companies. “How this part of India develops will in many ways determine the degree to which American companies will be interested (in investment),” he said.

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