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GUYANA'S IRFAAN ALI IS SWORN IN FOR THE SECOND TIME AS PRESIDENT AND DR. BHARRAT JAGDEO AS VICE PRESIDENT



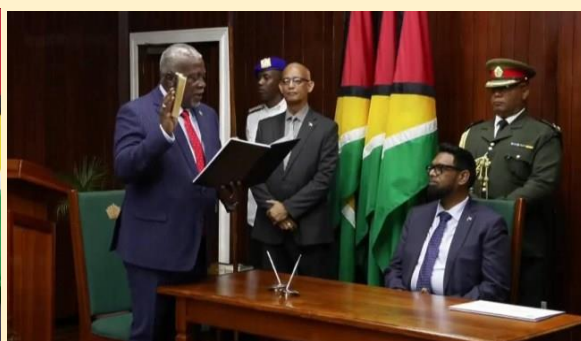
Guyana's Mr. Irfaan Ali of the ruling People's Progressive Party was sworn on 07 September, 2025 for a second term as President of the oil-rich South American nation after his victory was ratified by the Electoral Commission. Having channeled revenues from the country's relatively recent oil wealth into popular social programs, Ali vowed that he would build a diversified economy that would create jobs, raise incomes and secure prosperity. In the September 1 election, the People's Progressive Party/Civic won

36 seats, three more than in the previous one. Ali's government, which took office in 2020, has invested in the construction of roads, schools, and hospitals, and has made tuition at the state university free. Ali said that our oil and gas sector will continue to grow, expanding production and revenue for the people.

In keeping with his constitutional authorities, President Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali appointed Brigadier (Ret'd) Mark Phillips and Dr Bharrat Jagdeo as Prime Minister and Vice President respectively on 2 Sep 2025. The two men served in the last dispensation of the Ali-led administration between 2020 and 2025.



Vice President Dr Bharrat Jagdeo taking the oath of office



Prime Minister Brigadier (Ret'd) Mark Phillips taking the oath of office

Dr. Bharrat Jagdeo (born 23 January, 1964) is a known Guyanese politician who has been serving as Vice President of Guyana since 2020. He had previously also held the office from 1997 until 1999, during the Presidency of Janet Jagan. He was President of Guyana from August 11, 1999 to December 3, 2011. He received the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman from the President of India in the field of public affairs in 2004.



President Dr Ali is flanked by Vice President Dr Jagdeo (left) and Prime Minister Brigadier Phillips (right) on 08 September, 2025

President Ali said PM Phillips and VP Jagdeo demonstrate the *“unity of purpose and diversity of skills”* in his administration.

CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIA MR. BHUSHAN RAMKRISHNA GAVAI ADDRESSES NEPAL - INDIA JUDICIAL DIALOGUE 2025 IN KATHMANDU



Chief Justice of India Mr. Bhushan Ramkrishna Gavai spoke as a keynote speaker in Nepal-India Dialogue on recent jurisprudence and Justice sector reform in Kathmandu. The Dialogue saw participants of Indian delegation, working judges of Supreme Court and High Courts, former Chief Justices of Nepal, advocates of human rights and climate change and other stakeholders. CJI Gavai said the judiciary serves as a guardian and it not only ensures justice but upholds constitution by ensuring equality and human dignity. Mr. Prakashman Singh Raut, Chief Justice of Nepal, emphasised that India and Nepal not only share close borders but also strong bond in professional exchange in the legal sector. There has been continuous judicial cooperation between the two neighbours. Previously, in 2024, CJI D.Y. Chandrachud paid a three-day official visit to Nepal at the invitation of Chief Justice of Nepal Mr. Bishwambhar Prasad Shrestha.

BHUTAN PRIME MINISTER MR. TSHERING TOBGAY OFFERS PRAYERS AT SHRI RAM JANMBHOOMI TEMPLE IN AYODHYA



Bhutan Prime Minister Tshering Tobgay, along with his spouse Aum Tashi Doma, offered prayers at the Shri Ram Janmbhoomi Temple, Hanumangarhi Temple, and Kuber Teela in Ayodhya on 05 September 2025. During the visit, Prime Minister Tobgay reviewed the final phase of construction work in progress at the Shri Ram Temple and was briefed on the temple's architectural features and spiritual significance. Earlier, the Bhutan Prime Minister was warmly welcomed at the Ayodhya Airport by Uttar Pradesh Agriculture Minister Surya Pratap Shahi.

INDIA-FIJI JOINT STATEMENT: PARTNERSHIP IN THE SPIRIT OF VEILOMANI DOSTI



At the invitation of the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, the Hon'ble Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji, Mr. Sitiveni Rabuka, paid an official visit to the Republic of India from 24 to 26 August 2025. Prime Minister Rabuka, who is on his first visit to India in his current capacity, visited New Delhi, with his spouse; Hon'ble Mr. Antonio Lalabalavu, the Minister for Health and Medical Services; and a delegation of senior officials of the Government of the Republic of Fiji. Prime Minister Modi warmly welcomed Prime Minister Rabuka and his delegation. The Leaders held comprehensive and forward-

looking discussions on the full spectrum of bilateral matters, and regional and global issues of mutual interest. Both leaders expressed satisfaction at the growth of the relationship and reaffirmed their resolve to build a broad-based, inclusive, and forward-looking partnership in areas such as defence, health, agriculture, agro-processing, trade and investment, development of small and medium enterprises, cooperatives, culture, sports, education and skill development.

Both leaders noted with satisfaction the momentum gained in bilateral exchanges in recent years, including the historic first-ever visit of the President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu, to Fiji in August 2024. They recalled the successful hosting of the 12th World Hindi Conference in Nadi, Fiji, in February 2023, which celebrated the shared linguistic and cultural heritage between India and Fiji. The Leaders reaffirmed the deep-rooted and long-standing relationship and strong people-to-people ties between India and Fiji. They acknowledged the contribution of the Girmitiyas, over 60,000 Indian indentured labourers who arrived in Fiji between 1879 and 1916, in shaping Fiji's multicultural identity, diverse society and economy. Prime Minister Rabuka appreciated the visit of the Minister of State for External Affairs and Textiles, Shri Pabitra Margherita, to the Republic of Fiji to attend the 146th Girmit Day commemoration in May 2025.



Both Prime Ministers reaffirmed their commitment to supporting an open, inclusive, stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific where sovereignty and territorial integrity are respected. Prime Minister Rabuka expressed Fiji's interest in joining the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI). Prime Minister Modi welcomed Fiji into this partnership with like-minded countries which seek to manage, conserve and sustain the maritime domain. Prime Rabuka highlighted the concept of the 'Ocean of Peace' which emphasizes building a peaceful, stable, secure, and sustainable future and well-being for our region.

Prime Minister Modi commended Prime Minister Rabuka for his leadership in championing 'Ocean of Peace' in the Pacific Region. Prime Minister Rabuka expressed heartfelt appreciation to the Government and people of India for the warm hospitality extended to him and his delegation. He extended an invitation to Prime Minister Modi to undertake a visit to Fiji.

PRIME MINISTER NARENDRA MODI VISIT TO JAPAN IN AUGUST 2025 FUSION OF TECHNOLOGY OF JAPNA AND TALENT OF INDIA



Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that both countries have set a target of 10 trillion-Yen investment in India from Japan in the next 10 years.

Japanese companies have invested more than \$40 billion in India. In the last two years alone, there has been private investment of \$13 billion in India. Both leaders, Prime Ministers of India Mr. Narender Modi and Japan's Prime Minister Shigeru met for the 15th India-Japan Annual Summit of 2025. During the India-Japan Annual Summit of 2025, the Prime Ministers of India and Japan

concurred on the need to foster deeper understanding between their citizens through visits and exchanges, and to find collaborative avenues for their human resources to co-create values and address respective national priorities. Accordingly, the public and private sectors in India and Japan will endeavour to expand exchange of personnel to serve as a bridge between the two countries in the next generation. The two countries have set an aspirational target of the exchange of more than 500,000 personnel in both directions in the next five years, including 50,000 skilled personnel and potential talents from India to Japan, to create a new wave of people to people exchanges between India and Japan. The volume of India-Japan bilateral trade was recorded at \$22billion in 2023-2024. Technology of Japan and talent of India can together load the tech revolution of this century.

PRIME MINISTER RECEIVES A DARUMA DOLL FROM REV SEISHI HIROSE, CHIEF PRIEST OF THE SHORINZAN DARUMA-JI TEMPLE



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi was presented a Daruma doll on 29 August, 2025 by Rev Seishi Hirose, Chief Priest of the Shorinzan Daruma-Ji temple, Takasaki-Gunma. This special gesture reaffirms the close civilizational and spiritual ties between India and Japan. The Daruma doll is considered auspicious and a good luck charm in Japanese culture. Takasaki City in Gunma is the birthplace of the famous Daruma dolls. The Daruma tradition in Japan is based on the legacy of Bodhidharma, an Indian monk from Kanchipuram, known in Japan as Daruma Daishi, who is said to have travelled here over a thousand years ago.

PRIME MINISTER INTERACTS WITH GOVERNORS OF PREFECTURES OF JAPAN



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi met with the Governors of various Prefectures of Japan. Sixteen Governors participated in the interaction. In his address, Prime Minister noted that India-Japan contemporary ties, drawing vitality from the age-old civilizational connections between the two countries, have continued to flourish. Highlighting the momentum in the India-Japan Special Strategic and Global

Partnership across domains, he emphasised that time had come to give a renewed push to State-Prefecture engagement, going beyond the ties centred around Tokyo and Delhi. In this context, he underlined the State-Prefecture Partnership Initiative launched at the 15th Annual Summit which would give a boost to trade, technology, tourism, skills, security and cultural linkages between the two countries. He urged the Governors and Indian State Governments to leverage the new initiative and forge partnerships in the fields of manufacturing, technology, innovation, mobility, next-generation infrastructure, start-ups and SMEs.

PRIME MINISTER VISITS A SEMICONDUCTOR FACILITY IN SENDAI, MIYAGI PREFECTURE



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, accompanied by the Prime Minister of Japan, H.E. Mr. Shigeru Ishiba, today travelled to Sendai in Miyagi Prefecture. In Sendai, the two leaders visited Tokyo Electron Miyagi Ltd (TEL Miyagi), a leading Japanese company in the semiconductor sector. Prime Minister was briefed about TEL's role in the global semiconductor value chain, its advanced manufacturing capabilities and its ongoing and planned collaborations with India. The factory visit gave the leaders a practical understanding of the opportunities that exist between the

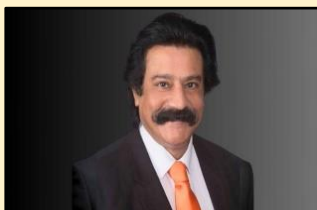
two countries to forge collaboration in the field of semiconductor supply chain, fabrication and testing. This joint visit by Prime Minister Modi and Prime Minister Ishiba also underscored the shared vision of India and Japan to develop robust, resilient and trusted semiconductor supply chains. Prime Minister Modi conveyed his appreciation to Prime Minister Ishiba for joining him in this visit and reaffirmed India's readiness to work closely with Japan in this strategic domain.

Indian diaspora in Japan was overwhelmed by Prime Minister Modi's visit. They greeted PM Modi with warm gestures and enthusiasm.



Meeting of PM Modi with Indian diaspora in Japan.

SHAUN KHANNA, FORMER COP TURNED TOP KIWI-INDIAN BUSINESS BROKER



Business ownership can be daunting. The calculations, the risks, and the constant weighing up of decisions often leave aspiring entrepreneurs looking for guidance. For many, that's where trusted expertise becomes essential, and in New Zealand's service station sector, few names carry more weight than Shaun Khanna of ABC Business Sales. A familiar name to many, Shaun Khanna, before becoming one of New Zealand's most recognised names in

business sales, served in the Force as a Police Officer in the security of the Prime Minister of India. He credits that background with instilling the discipline and confidence that now distinguish him as a standout professional in one of the nation's most resilient industries — service station sales. Service stations remain one of the country's most resilient and profitable business opportunities. With steady daily demand and multiple income streams, from fuel and convenience retail to food and car washes, they continue to attract buyers seeking both security and growth.

OPENING OF MAITHILI PAINTING EXHIBITION AT SWAMI VIVEKANANDA CULTURAL CENTRE IN SURINAME



A captivating exhibition on Maithili paintings was inaugurated on 8 August 2025 at the Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre (SVCC) in Paramaribo with the gracious presence of H. E. Dr. Michel Aswin Adhin, the Speaker of the Suriname National Assembly; the Minister of Justice and Police; diplomats; journalists; art enthusiasts; and members of the Indian diaspora. The ambassador highlighted the salient feature of Maithili painting and underscored the significance of Maithili art as a living tradition and a bridge of cultural linkages between India and Suriname. Maithili painting (also known as Madhubani Painting) is a traditional folk art led by women from the Mithila region of India, renowned for its intricate motifs, geometrical patterns, use of vibrant and bold colours, and deep cultural symbolism. The exhibition showcases a selection of works by Maithili folk artists, celebrating themes from mythology, nature, and daily life. The Chief Guest Dr. Adhin commended the initiative, noting the importance of preserving and promoting ancestral art forms that continue to inspire across generations and geographies. The Dance teacher and students of SVCC added new colour to the event by their cultural performance, especially with the captivating Jhijhiya Dance.

AMBASSADOR COURTESY CALLS ON DR. MICHEL ASWIN ADHIN, THE SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF SURINAME



Amb. Subhash Gupta paid a courtesy call on H.E. Dr. Michel Aswin Adhin, the Speaker of the National Assembly of Suriname, on 19 August and held a productive discussion covering a plethora of matters of common interest, notably cooperation in the fields of health & non-traditional medicine, IT and digital infrastructure, and fintech, besides



parliamentary exchange and training, in order to further cementing and expanding the ongoing bilateral partnership between India and Suriname. He presented to Dr. Adhin, a sapling of a curry leaf, an aromatic and medicinal plant used in #Ayurveda and a #maithilipainting depicting the Rama-Sita garlanding ceremony from the Ramayana. The Ramayana and Ayurveda traditions, among many, were brought to the region by Indian immigrants, a testament to the deep-rooted linkage between India and Suriname.

NEWLY CONSTITUTED CHAPTER OF THE GLOBAL INDIAN ORGANIZATION (GIO, ERSTWHILE GOPIO) IN SURINAME



A ceremony to constitute a chapter of the Global Indian Organization (GIO, erstwhile GOPIO) in Suriname was attended by Ambassador Subhash Gupta on 25 August held in Paramaribo, in which, Mr Radjindre Tewarie, GIO Chapter International constituted the Suriname Chapter comprising the President, Mr. Varun Sharma Mahtabsing, a Vice-President, Mr. Shivash Mahespalsingh and a Treasurer, Mrs. Rashnie Chhatta.

DIASPORA IN THE CARIBBEAN: SURINAME GHAT AS PART OF MARITIME HISTORY TO UNDERGO MAKEOVER IN KOLKATA, INDIA



In a significant step towards rejuvenating Kolkata's iconic riverfront, Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata (SMP, Kolkata) and M/s Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd. (GRSE) on 06 August 2025 signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for beautification of Surinam Ghat and development of Mayer Ghat. The agreement, inked at SMPK's Head Office, marks a shared commitment to enhancing public infrastructure and reviving the historic charm of the ghats as part of the port's broader

Swachhata Initiatives. GRSE will beautify Surinam Ghat and will take development work at Mayer Ghat under CSR. Speaking of the programme, Shri Raman, remarked, our ghats are not just transit points — they are living remnants of Kolkata's maritime history woven deeply into the cultural ethos of the City of Joy. Through this partnership with GRSE, we are not only investing in infrastructure but also in preserving heritage and promoting civic pride. SMP Kolkata, recognising the social and cultural significance of the projects, has extended full support to GRSE for the execution and subsequent upkeep of the redeveloped sites. This strategic partnership underscores the growing collaboration between public sector entities in reimagining and reviving urban spaces. The beautification of Surinam Ghat and development of Mayer Ghat is expected not only to uplift the local environment but also to reconnect citizens with their rich riverine heritage. The initiative stands as a model of how synergy between heritage-conscious planning and corporate responsibility can create lasting impact on the civic and cultural fabric of the city. Surinam Ghat marks a poignant chapter in history. Between 1873 and 1916, over 34,000 indentured labourers—mainly from Bihar and Uttar Pradesh—embarked from here to Suriname, shaping its society and culture despite harsh beginnings. The first ship, Lalla Rookh, departed in 1873, carrying 410 passengers. Mayer Ghat, close to Bagbazar, holds spiritual significance. It was used by Ma Sarada during her visits to Udbodhan Patrika. Both the ghats echo Kolkata's rich maritime and cultural legacy, with roots tracing back to the 1500s when European traders frequented the Hooghly.



PRIME MINISTER PARTICIPATED IN THE 25TH SCO SUMMIT IN TIANJIN, CHINA



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi participated in the 25th Meeting of the Council of Heads of State of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), held in Tianjin, China, from 31 August to 1 September 2025. The Summit witnessed productive discussions on SCO Development Strategy, Reform of Global Governance, Counter-Terrorism, Peace and Security, Economic and Financial Cooperation, and Sustainable Development.

Addressing the Summit, Prime Minister highlighted India's approach to strengthening cooperation under the SCO framework. In this regard, he noted that India seeks greater action under three pillars – Security, Connectivity and Opportunity. Emphasising that peace, security and stability remain key to progress and prosperity, he called upon member countries to take firm and decisive action to fight terrorism in all its manifestations. Prime Minister underlined the need for coordinated action against terror financing and radicalization. Thanking member countries for their strong solidarity in the wake of the Pahalgam terror

attack, he emphasized that there should be no double standards in dealing with terrorism and urged the group to hold countries who perpetrate and support cross-border terrorism accountable. Highlighting the role of connectivity in fostering development and building trust, Prime Minister stated that India strongly supported projects such as Chabahar port and International North-South Transport Corridor. He also spoke about opportunities in the fields of start-ups, innovation, youth empowerment and shared heritage, which must be pursued under the SCO umbrella. Prime Minister proposed commencing a Civilizational Dialogue Forum within the group to foster greater people-to-people ties and cultural understanding. Prime Minister expressed support for the reform-oriented agenda of the group. In this regard, he welcomed the setting up of centres to deal with organized crime, drug trafficking and cyber security. He called for a similar approach by the group to reforming multilateral institutions, including the United Nations.

Prime Minister thanked President Xi Jinping for his warm hospitality and congratulated him for the successful organization of the Summit. He also congratulated Kyrgyzstan on taking over the next Presidency of SCO. At the conclusion of the Summit, the SCO Member countries adopted the Tianjin Declaration.



PM Modi meets Indian Diaspora in China

INDEPENDENCE DAY OF INDIA CELEBRATED IN SURINAME

On 15th August 2025, the Embassy of India, Paramaribo celebrated the 79th Independence Day with great fervour and joy. The national flag was hoisted by Ambassador Subhash Gupta at the Chancery Premises in the presence of the members of the Indian community, diaspora members and the friends of India. Former Dy Speaker of the National Assembly and Pravasi Bhartiya Sammaan awardee, Mr. Dewanchandrabhose Sharman, along with two parliamentarians, Ms. Ameerani Jarbandhan and Mr. Rawien Raghoenanden, and Government officials also graced the occasion by their presence.



Flag hoisting was followed by the National Anthem and reading out of the address of the Hon'ble Rashtrapatiiji Smt. Droupadi Murmu by the Ambassador. To showcase India's rich diversity and culture, dance teacher-cum-performer of Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre (SVCC) and SVCC students performed dances on a patriotic theme, following which the diaspora presented patriotic songs led by Shri Kries Ramkhelawan and his students.

**GLIMPSES OF THE CELEBRATION OF SHRI KRISHNA JANMASHTAMI
FESTIVAL AND INDEPENDENCE DAY OF INDIA BY INDIAN DIASPORA IN
DIFFERENT COUNTRIES**



Shri Krishna Janmashtami Celebrations at Kampala Uganda



Flag hoisting of Independence Day of India by High Commission of India in Abuja (Nigeria)



The High Commission of India in Trinidad & Tobago hosted a flag-hoisting ceremony on 15th August 2025 at Port of Spain to mark the 79th anniversary of India's Independence.

82ND EDITION OF THE KNOW INDIA PROGRAM (KIP) ORGANISED IN PRAVASI BHAWAN, NEW DELHI TO HONOUR 37 DELEGATES FROM TWELVE COUNTRIES



Diplomats and ARSP functionaries attending 82nd Edition of Know India Programme

On 02 August 2025, Antar Rashtriya Sahayog Parishad (ARSP) hosted the delegates of the 82nd batch of the Know India Program (KIP) organized by the Ministry of External Affairs. This batch brought together 37 delegates from twelve countries: Australia, Fiji, Guyana, Jamaica, Malaysia, Madagascar, Mauritius, Myanmar, South Africa, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago and USA. The delegates were welcomed with a traditional Angvastram, a gesture signifying the warmth, hospitality, and rich cultural heritage of India. The event commenced with an opening remarks by Prof. Gopal Arora, Secretary of ARSP, who introduced the organization's journey and its key milestones. Shri Shyam Parande, Secretary General of ARSP, expressed gratitude to the attendees in his welcome address, encouraging them to engage with one another and share their experiences. He reiterated the pride in the Indian diaspora achievements and their integral role in fostering community ties within and outside India. His address resonated with themes of unity, cultural pride, and social responsibility, embodying the spirit of the Indian diaspora. He concluded by reaffirming India's soft power and the "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" principle, which views humanity as one family.

The first session of the event was workshop on 'Megatrends in Indian Economy' by Mr. Raghupathi N. Cavale, Director: Manipal Academy for Higher Education- Bengaluru. He said that urbanisation is expected to be the cornerstone of India's growth story through 2035. The urban population, currently at 36%, is projected to cross 50% in the next decade. Megacities, megaregions, and megacorridors are expected to become the new economic engines, contributing nearly 70% of the country's GDP by 2036. Ms. Aastha Agarwal, a researcher, joined Ms.



Priyanka Sharma, Senior Manager, International Development & Partnership, Sewa International, in leading a lively and interactive activity titled "Discover Bharat." This activity, a visual quiz, helped delegates identify culturally significant personalities, monuments, and listening to songs on the film soundtrack and recognition of songs. The quiz fostered teamwork, knowledge-sharing, and left a lasting impression on the participants. The second session of the event was chaired by Welcome Address by Amb. Vinod Kumar, President, ARSP and was attended by several esteemed diplomats, including the High Commissioners of various countries. H.E. Shri Jagannath Sami, High Commissioner of the Republic of Fiji, spoke about the historical struggles of Indian indentured labourers in Fiji. He shared the story of a group from Fiji, including herself, who travelled to India to reconnect with their roots. He emphasized the importance of embracing one's heritage, highlighting cultural ties that unite people, such as language, clothing, music, food, history, and values. He encouraged the audience to take pride in their identity, make a difference, and work together

to contribute to the world. H. E. Mr. Arunkoemar Hardien, Ambassador of the Republic of Suriname, highlighted the strong historical connection between India and Suriname, emphasizing the role of Indian indentured immigrants in the country's development. He honored figures like Chedi Jagan and Mahatma Gandhi, whose efforts shaped the independence movements of both nations. He encouraged the diaspora youth to take pride in India's culture and contribute to their countries' growth. H. E. Mr. Jason K. M. Hall, High Commissioner of the Jamaican High Commission, highlighted that Jamaica is one of the girmitya countries with a 70,000-strong Indian diaspora, who act as a living bridge with India. He informed us that he was appointed as the first Resident High Commissioner of Jamaica in India. He encouraged the delegates to act as ambassadors to further strengthen the ties between India and their respective countries. The delegates shared their personal experiences of India, highlighting their diverse connections. They were impressed by their visit, not only for the opportunity to reconnect with their cultural roots but also to witness India's advancements in Ayurveda, Yoga, architecture, music, film, and information technology.

Certificates were distributed to all participants, and awards were presented to the winning team and the best performers in the "Discover Bharat" quiz. Overall, the event was a memorable celebration of India's rich cultural heritage, the significant role of the Indian diaspora, and the shared commitment to fostering global connections. Concluding remarks were delivered by Shri Narayan Kumar, Hony. Director ARSP. The event was moderated by Shri Amit Gupta, Joint Secretary of ARSP, who delivered the vote of thanks.



जापान में हिन्दू समुदाय द्वारा कृष्ण जन्माष्टमी और स्वतंत्रता दिवस का ऐतिहासिक आयोजन



जापान में हिन्दू समुदाय ने कृष्ण जन्माष्टमी और भारत के स्वतंत्रता दिवस का भव्य सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया, जिसमें भारतीय समुदाय और जापानी लोगों ने एक साथ मिलकर सद्भाव और एकता का अनूठा अनुभव साझा किया। इस वर्ष का आयोजन ऐतिहासिक रहा, क्योंकि जापान में पहली बार जिसमें 20 से अधिक भारतीय राज्यों ने जापान में "एक भारत, एक समुदाय" की भावना के साथ मिलकर इस कार्यक्रम को सम्पन्न कराया।

कार्यक्रम की मुख्य झलकियाँ थी : बच्चों द्वारा भक्ति और देशभक्ति से भरे सांस्कृतिक प्रदर्शन, जापानी प्रतिभागियों ने भारतीय तिरंगे के साथ देशभक्ति गीतों पर प्रस्तुति देकर इंडो-जापानी मित्रता की अभिव्यक्ति, अनेक भाषाओं में भारत की सांस्कृतिक विविधता को दर्शाते हैं, जापान में पहली बार दही हांडी का आयोजन। कार्यक्रम की विशेष अतिथि, सुश्री निकिता शाह, संस्थापक साधक थी, जो विश्वभर में सनातन संस्कृति को पुनर्जीवित करने के लिए समर्पित हैं। समुदाय को माननीय असम के मुख्यमंत्री श्री हिमंता बिस्वा सरमा द्वारा एक विशेष प्रशंसा पत्र प्राप्त हुआ, जिसमें अंतरराष्ट्रीय स्तर पर भारतीय संस्कृति को बढ़ावा देने के प्रयासों की सराहना की गई। भगवान कृष्ण के आशीर्वाद और कई भारतीय राज्यों के सहयोग से, हम जापान में एक ऐतिहासिक एकता का क्षण देख पाए। इस कार्यक्रम को सफल बनाने में सभी समुदाय सदस्यों, प्रतिभागियों और अतिथियों का हार्दिक धन्यवाद।

अमेरिका में साहित्यिक एवं सांस्कृतिक का कार्यक्रम का आयोजन



डॉ मीनाक्षी मोहन जी द्वारा आयोजित कार्यक्रम "Poetry on the Patio- Literary and Art festival in Potomac, MD" कई महीनों की तैयारी का नतीजा था जिसमें हिन्दी-अंग्रेज़ी दोनों भाषाओं के कवियों का कविता पाठ और बहुत से लोकल पेंटर्स की पेंटिंग्स भी प्रदर्शनी हेतु शामिल की गई थीं। इंडिया स्कूल द्वारा स्वतंत्रता दिवस कवि सम्मेलन का कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया

गया। कवि सम्मेलन में अनुराग शर्मा, हरीश नवल, डॉ अब्दुल्ला, विशाखा ठाकुर, शशि पाधा, धनंजय कुमार, मधु माहेश्वरी, आस्था नवल, उदय कामथ, स्नेहसुधा नवल, नीलिमा रवि, भुवनपति शर्मा, मनीष दुबे, एव युसुफ साहब ने अपनी प्रस्तुतियाँ दी। गणेश वंदना एवं राष्ट्रप्रेम का गीत पुष्पा अग्निहोत्री जी की सुमधुर आवाज़ में प्रस्तुत किया गया। इंडियन एम्बेसी से श्री आनन्द अपने परिवार और दोस्तों के साथ शामिल कार्यक्रम में शामिल हुए।

स्वतंत्रता दिवस समारोह अमेरिका में



अमेरिका स्थित, सिएटल में भारत के वाणिज्य दूतावास (Consulate General of India) द्वारा आयोजित 79वें स्वतंत्रता दिवस समारोह में Consulate भवन की 12वीं मंज़िल पर Consul General श्री प्रकाश गुप्ता जी द्वारा ध्वजारोहण करते ही सिएटल का वातावरण "भारत माता की जय" और "वंदे मातरम" के जय गान से गुंजायमान हो उठा। राष्ट्रगान के पश्चात सभागार में विभिन्न सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रमों का सुन्दर आयोजन किया गया। इस अवसर पर उपस्थित तिरंगे को तन-मन में लपेटे प्रवासी भारतीयों का जोश और देश प्रेम देखते ही बनता था। सायं काल कार्यक्रम के दूसरे चरण में, एक विशेष ऐतिहासिक आयोजन के अंतर्गत, सिएटल स्थित प्रतिष्ठित, विश्व प्रसिद्ध "स्पेस नीडल" पर पहली बार भारतीय तिरंगा फहराया गया—यह सब भारतीयों के लिए एक

ऐतिहासिक और गौरवपूर्ण क्षण था। इस समारोह में भारत से पधारे सुप्रसिद्ध बॉलीवुड कलाकार पीयूष मिश्रा की भी उपस्थिति रही।

15 अगस्त 2025 को बॉलीवुड एंड बियॉन्ड कॉन्सर्ट - कोलंबो, श्रीलंका



भारत के 79वें स्वतंत्रता दिवस का जश्न मनाने के लिए "बॉलीवुड एंड बियॉन्ड" नामक एक भव्य सांस्कृतिक संध्या का आयोजन किया गया जिसमें ग्लोबल वायलिन आइकन डॉ. एल. सुब्रमण्यम और मल्टी-प्लेटिनम प्लेबैक गायिका कविता कृष्णमूर्ति सुब्रमण्यम - नेलम पोकुना थिएटर, कोलंबो में भाग लिया

❧ OBITUARY ❧

MR. HANSLEY HANOOMANSINGH -TRINIDAD & TOBAGO



Antar Rashtriya Sahayog Parishad (ARSP) deeply mourns the sad and untimely demise of Hansley Hanoomansingh on 05 July 2025, at the age of 84. He was a pioneering broadcaster, parliamentarian, businessman, and cultural icon. Mr. Hansley Hanoomansingh was the youngest Member of Parliament in Trinidad and Tobago in the year 1966. Mr. Hanoomansingh represented Caroni East as a Member of the Democratic Labour Party (DLP) in the Second Independent Parliament.

His formative years began in the village of Las Lomas and Cunupia. It was at Presentation College he fostered a spirit of debating and communicating with others. In 1990, Mr. Hanoomansingh received the Humming Bird Gold medal for his contribution in culture and broadcasting. In 2010, he was conferred with an Honorary Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) by the University of the West Indies.

ARSP pays heartfelt condolence to the departed soul. Pray Almighty to give strength to his family members to bear this irreparable loss.

❧ OBITUARY ❧

MR. DEOROOP TEEMAL -TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO



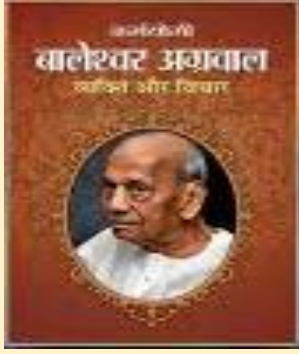
Deeroop Teemal, an independent Senator since 2018 and President of the National Council on Indian Culture (NCIC), passed away on 03 August 2025 at the age of 69. He led the Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh from 1988 in Trinidad and Tobago. He was also Patron of Sewa International T&T. He was a man of deep integrity, quite conviction and an unwavering sense of duty. In addition to his parliamentary contributions, he played a significant role in the cultural and religious

spheres as champion of culture. He helped maintain the dignity of the Parliament while uplifting its standards. He was a civil and structural engineer with 37 year's experience, with sought after expertise in project management, construction and water infrastructure. Teemal's daughters, Kaajal and Priya, described their father as a compassionate man who loved animals and encouraged reading from an early age. Mrs Geeta Teemal, his life partner with two daughters will carry forward the time-honoured traditions of the family.

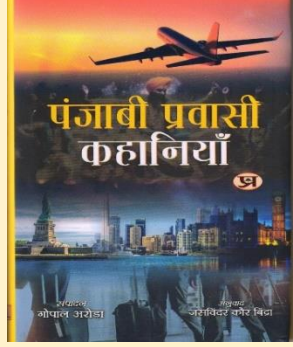
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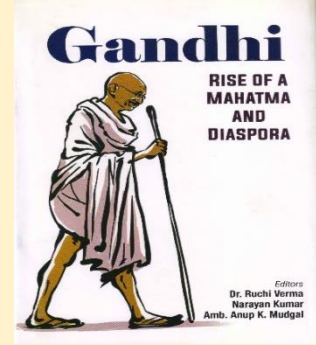
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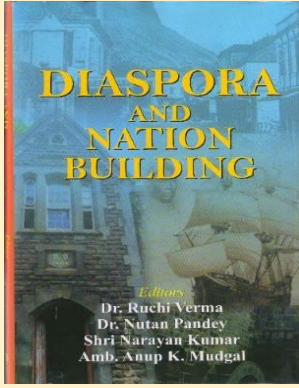
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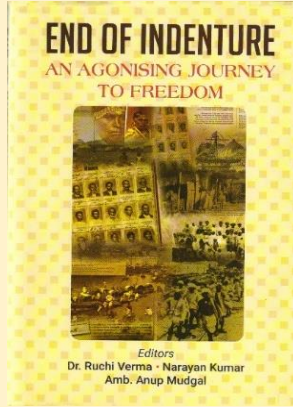
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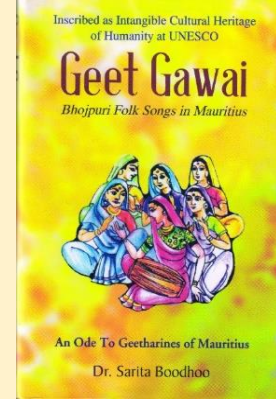
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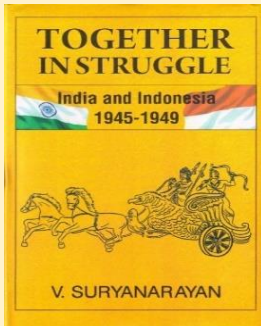
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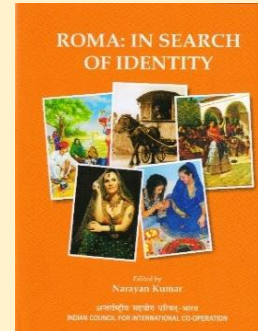
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