

The Embassy of India

Djibouti

Community Interaction Programme

The Mission organized a programme on February 15, 2021 to welcome the two new Officials namely Mr. Barun Kumar Yadav, First Secretary and Mr. Mukesh Kumar Ambasta, Second Secretary and introduce them to the community members. The Ambassador H.E. Mr. Ashok Kumar welcomed the diaspora and invited the new officials to introduce themselves. The Ambassador in his address talked about the recent developments and activities in the Mission. He briefly discussed the recent developments in India like COVID-19, GOI Budget 2021-2022 and Farm laws.

He highlighted the facts that how the Government of India diligently worked to curb the spread of COVID-19 and bring down the infection rate from 90,000 to 12000 with a recovery rate of 97%. The Government of India's massive vaccination drive with two indigenously developed vaccine Covishield and Covaxin across India. The Maitri Programme of Government of India to provide Vaccine to friendly countries on both G2G basis and grant basis was also discussed.

The Ambassador also in his address highlighted some of the important aspects of the Budget 2021-2022 like Atmanirbhar Bharat, Healthcare, Rural & Farm Sectors etc.

The address of the Ambassador also touched upon the unfortunate farmer protest in India due to the misconception and misunderstanding of few clauses of the newly enacted three Farm laws duly passed by the Parliament of India. He outlined the vision of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India to reform the farming sectors with more benefit to the farmers and the effort of the government in engaging with the agitating farmers for regular talks and discussions. The salient features of the Farm Laws and its benefits were also elaborated. He also urged the diaspora not to get swayed by any negative narrative by people with vested interest and agenda. The discussions around farm laws were well received by the diaspora without any critical view point.

Towards the end of the discussion he also apprised the community members of the celebration of India@75. He invited the diaspora to give their views and opinions and support for the 3 year long celebrations with diverse events. Some members from the diaspora requested the embassy to facilitate some events to showcase India's science and technological advancements and boost the business opportunities by showcasing India's potential on regular basis to Djiboutian. One of the member also suggested opening of institutes to impart skill trainings, IT & English language courses which are in huge demand in Djibouti.

The winners of the Online Quiz Contest on Constitution Day and Hindi Diwas were also felicitated with prizes and certificates.

The event was organized at the Embassy office and prominent members from the Indian community participated. A list of Invitees along with the programme agenda is provided herewith.
