

The Embassy of India

Djibouti

Interaction Programme – India@75

The Mission organized an Interaction Programme on August 12, 2021. The programme was organized under the aegis of **India@75, "Bharat Ka Amrit Mahotsav"**. This was the third interaction programme organised by the Mission. An eminent Historian Mr. Mohammed Ali was invited to share the commonality between the freedom struggle of both the countries.

At the commencement of the event, Sh Barun Kumar Yadav FS (Cons) welcomed the participants of the programme who mainly comprised of beneficiaries of ICCR Scholarship Program, ITEC Alumnus, prospective students from diverse fields and teachers.

Mr. Mohammed Ali in his talk gave a glimpse of the freedom struggle of Djibouti against the Colonial rule. He also highlighted the Indian freedom struggle under the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi whose philosophy of truth and non-violence served as inspiration to many freedom struggles in Africa. The strength of the Movements based on Gandhian philosophy also inspired the freedom struggle of Djibouti. The freedom fighters of Djibouti also believed in acquiring freedom in a peaceful manner without bloodshed and their paths were inspired by the ideals of non-violence, peace and truth propagated by Mahatma Gandhi.

H.E. Mr. Ashok Kumar, Ambassador outlined the importance of India's Educational and capacity building programmes in developing skills which facilitate human resource development, capacity building, skill upgradation and empowerment. He also spoke about the vast outreach of these programme and the positive differences it makes in the lives of its beneficiary. He encouraged more working professionals and students to avail various scholarship schemes in diverse fields like ICCR, ITEC, Study in India programme. He also assured of assistance to the students reaching out to the Embassy.

A short Film titled "Emerging India" showcasing various facets of India was also screened.

Ambassador also invited the batch of ICCR Scholarship 2021-22 were invited for the Photo-op. The students thanked the Mission for all the necessary support and conveyed a special gratitude to the government of India for giving the scholarship to them.


