

Embassy of India
Djibouti

Celebration of 80th Independence Day of India

Embassy of India in Djibouti celebrated the 80th Independence Day of India on 15 August 2026 with traditional gaiety and patriotic fervour at India House, Djibouti. The event saw enthusiastic participation of over 200 people comprising Indian Embassy team, Indian Navy Officers of INS Trishul, members of Indian community, representatives from MoFA and other Ministries, Djiboutian artists and social media influencers, journalists, Djiboutian ITEC/ICCR alumni and friends of India in Djibouti.

The celebration began with the singing of the National Song, Vande Mataram, followed by the hoisting of the Tricolour by H. E. Ambassador M. Keivom and the singing of the National Anthem. Thereafter, Ambassador read out Hon'ble President of India's message to the Nation and Indians around the world on this occasion. The President of India, H.E. Mrs. Droupadi Murmu, in her address, lauded India's strong economic growth and the massive scale of India's digital and public infrastructure and self-reliance in manufacturing, defense capabilities and indigenous innovation. She termed '*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*' which means '*World is One Family*' as one of the core foreign policy pillars; emphasized recent Free Trade Agreements and noted India's leading role in environmental protection and the Global South within a rules-based international order. She also reaffirmed India's policy of "zero tolerance for terrorism". While acknowledging contributions from all walks of life, including farmers, scientists, engineers, educators and young innovators towards nation building, she called on all citizens to unite with an inclusive spirit of patriotism to transform India into a developed nation (Viksit Bharat) by 2047.

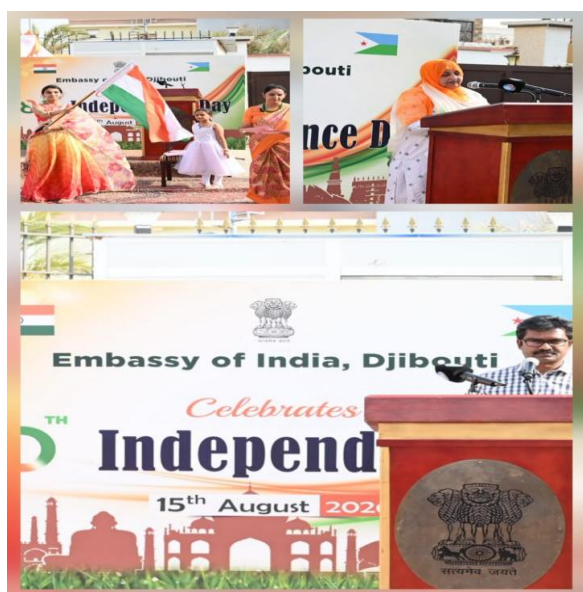


The ceremony also featured the presentation of certificates and prizes to the winners of Viksit Bharat Run, Viksit Bharat 2047 Painting Competition, My India My Story Reel/Video Competition, India through my lens Photography Competition and Bharat Ko

Janiye Online Quiz, organised by the Embassy in the run-up to the 80th Independence Day. Selected artworks from the Madhubani, Viksit Bharat Painting Competitions, My Story Reel/Video Competition and India through my lens Photography Competition were exhibited at the venue.

Ambassador also spoke about the excellent bilateral relations between India and Djibouti, characterized by a mutual aspiration for peace, progress and prosperity. He thanked Indian community for their role as a “living bridge” in strengthening bilateral relations between the two countries.

The event culminated with enthralling cultural performances presented by members of the Indian diaspora, Embassy team and INS Trishul officials.



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