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भारतीय राजदूतावास, विंडहोक, नामीबिया



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INDIA ELECTED AS A NON-PERMANENT MEMBER OF UN SECURITY COUNCIL (UNSC) FOR 2021-22

United Nations Member States elected India to the non-permanent seat of the Security Council for the term 2021-22 with overwhelming support on June 17, 2020. India got 184 out of the 192 valid votes polled.



Narendra Modi
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Deeply grateful for the overwhelming support shown by the global community for India's membership of the @UN Security Council. India will work with all member countries to promote global peace, security, resilience and equity.

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As a member of UNSC 2021-22, India's commitment to multilateralism, rule of law & a fair and equitable international system will be guided by "Five S's", as set out by the Prime Minister: (i) Samman (Respect), (ii) Samvad (Dialogue), (iii) Sahyog (Cooperation), (iv) Shanti (Peace), to create conditions for universal and (v) Samridhhi (Prosperity).



India's overall objective during this tenure in the UN Security Council will be the achievement of N.O.R.M.S: a New Orientation for a Reformed Multilateral System. India remains committed to multilateralism, rule of law and a fair & equitable international system. As a single endorsed candidate of the Asia-Pacific Group, this is India's eighth term on the UN Security Council; this two-year tenure will start in January 2021.

HAVE A SAFE JOURNEY BACK HOME!

All 26 Indian nationals, who were stranded in Namibia and wished to return to India, made their way home on June 8, 2020 from Hosea Kutako International Airport, Windhoek.



The group, which included 2 pregnant ladies, has taken a special repatriation charter flight from Windhoek to Lusaka, organized by the High Commission. From Lusaka, they were to take another special repatriation flight to India.

In the past months of distress, High Commission has been in regular contact with them, and with support of members of Indian community, has been extending every possible assistance to them.

Some of them had run out of resources and their repatriation has been made possible with support from Mr. Dipankar Chatterjee of Mahogany Air/White Orchid Ltd., Zambia. High Commission, Windhoek sincerely appreciated the humanitarian gesture in these difficult times.

Many thanks to the Government of Republic of Namibia, High Commission of Zambia in Windhoek and India in Zambia (High Commission of India, Lusaka) for their support and coordination in this repatriation plan.



High Commission officials, led by Head of Chancery Mr. Vipul Bawa, were at the airport to provide them support for the journey and to see them off.

INDIA AND NAMIBIA LEAD SACU PREFERENTIAL TRADE AGREEMENT (PTA) TALKS

Discussions between Southern African Customs Union (SACU) [South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Lesotho, and Eswatini] and India to achieve a Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA) have been revived when the two sides held a virtual meeting on July 15, 2020 to discuss various aspects of the PTA.



The Indian side was led by Mr. Srikar Reddy, Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce, Government of India, while SACU was led by Amb. Steve Katjjuanjo, Executive Director, Ministry of Industrialization, Trade and SME Development.

Mr. Reddy underlined India's historically close ties with Southern Africa and its steadfast commitment to deepen economic engagement with this region. He informed that in 2019-20, trade between India and Africa as a whole stood at US\$ 66.7 billion, of which the India-SACU trade was US\$10.9 billion with an immense potential to expand further. Amb Katjjuanjo called India as a strategic partner for SACU. Trade is currently in SACU's favour, thus showing that the region is benefiting from access to the vast Indian market.

H.E. Mr. Prashant Agrawal, High Commissioner of India to Namibia, added that in the unprecedented times of Covid-19 pandemic and its economic challenges, economies of the region, including of Namibia, could vastly benefit by enhanced trade and commercial links with India's US\$ 2.9 trillion economy. India stood fully committed and ready to support manufacturing and industry in Namibia in areas such as agriculture, irrigation, renewables, ITC, pharma and medical supplies. Both sides reviewed the progress made and discussed steps to quickly move forward on the PTA.

HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA, WINDHOEK CELEBRATED 6TH UN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA (IDY) IN NAMIBIA

High Commission of India, Windhoek in Namibia celebrated the 6th UN International Day of Yoga on June 21, 2020 with great enthusiasm. In view of the prevailing COVID-19 situation, IDY 2020 was organized under the theme 'Yoga at Home, Yoga with Family', and Yoga enthusiasts joined the Yoga demonstration virtually through a Facebook Live event organized by High Commission of India.



Video Message of Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi on the occasion was presented, which was followed by High Commissioner of India to Namibia H. E. Mr. Prashant Agrawal's remarks. High Commissioner underlined the benefits of Yoga for better physical and mental well-being, especially in the difficult times of COVID-19.

He said Yoga not only helped in boosting our body's immunity, but also imparted a sense of calm to help us cope better with the psychological stresses of these difficult times induced by Covid-19. He encouraged everyone to make Yoga a part of their daily routine and join free daily Yoga classes conducted online by the High Commission on its Facebook page 'India in Namibia'.



Participants followed the Common Yoga Protocol, which is a set of simple yogic postures and breathing exercises. As part of IDY2020, High Commission has been organizing and participating in several expert talks online on Yoga and Ayurveda (ancient Indian medical science) with the support of several partner Yoga institutions and experts in Namibia.

PASSPORT SEVA DIVAS 2020

The Passport Seva Divas this year was marked through a Video Conference, in view of COVID-19 pandemic situation. The event was chaired by External Affairs Minister of India, Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar on June 24, 2020 through live stream on Youtube Channel of Ministry of External Affairs.

On the occasion of Passport Seva Divas 2020, External Affairs Minister of India Dr S. Jaishankar felicitated all Indian passport issuing authorities and renewed the commitment to provide passport and passport-related services to Indian citizens in a timely, reliable, accessible, transparent and efficient manner.



The Passports Act of India was enacted on June 24, 1967. Every year, June 24 is celebrated as the Passport Seva Divas.



High Commissioner Mr. Prashant Agrawal and other Mission officials joined the event virtually & watched the live stream.

DID YOU KNOW?

In the wake of COVID-19 Pandemic, India has been the main and single supplier of medicine globally. These include packages of medicines to more than 25 countries in Africa. Packages include hydroxychloroquine, paracetamol and other drugs which are immediately required to fight the pandemic.

UPCOMING BUSINESS EVENTS

High Commission of India in Namibia and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) are organizing an "Online business interaction" on business opportunities between India and Namibia on Thursday, August 27, 2020 from 1100-1300 Hrs. (Namibia time). This is a great opportunity for Namibian businesses and companies to explore what India can offer and seek tie-ups with Indian companies. The online interaction will be via Webex. Weblink for free registration & participation: <https://ciionline.webex.com/ciionline/onstage/g.php?MTID=e5d9d4917a71fd9ced32f43b458030527>

Please see details in the flyer.



The flyer features the logos of the High Commission of India in Namibia and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). The text is centered and uses a mix of bold and regular fonts. A large, faint watermark of the Ashoka Lion Capital is visible in the background. The event details are clearly stated, including the date, time, and location. The focus areas and keynote speaker are also highlighted. A call-to-action button for registration is present, along with contact information for further inquiries.

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Focus areas include:
Agriculture, irrigation and related services
Pharmaceuticals and health-care, medical supplies
Power and energy, including solar energy and other renewables
and more...

Keynote Address by:
Hon. Lucia Lipumbu
Minister of Industrialization, Trade & SME Development

Weblink for **free** registration & participation: [Click Here](#)

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