Speech by Ambassador H.E. Mr. Vinod K. Jacob in Multiple Indian Languages on the inauguration of Bihar & Jharkhand State Tourism and ODOP walls at the Embassy of India, Bahrain (26 June 2025)

Your Excellency Ambassador Tirtha Raj Wagle, Ambassador Shanika Dissanayake, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am happy to inaugurate the ODOP and Tourism Walls of the Bihar and Jharkhand states of India. I hope that the focus on Bihar and Jharkhand for the next two months will present all Indians in Bahrain and all friends of India from Bahrain to appreciate the beauty of their culture and seek opportunities for commercial links.

As you all know by now, since the past more than one and half years, my Embassy has been carrying out the "Focus state/ Union Territory initiative".

Ambassador speaks in Bojpuri : Hum khush baani ki Bihar aur Jharkhand rajya ke ODOP aur paryatan deewalan ke udghaatan karat baani. Hum aasha karat baani ki agila do mahina tak Bihar aur Jharkhand par kendrit ee karyakram, Bahrain mein rahe waala sabhe Bharatiya logan aur Bharat ke dost logan ke, eh rajyan ke sanskritik khoobsurti samjhe ke aur vyaparik sambandh banave ke mauka di. Jaisan ki raua sabhe ab tak jaan gayil baani, pichhla derh saal se hamar dootawas "Focus State/Union Territory Initiative" chala rahe ba.

We have now covered Rajasthan, Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, Odisha, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.

I am also happy the Indian community members from Bihar and Jharkhand are also part of this inauguration.

They will be partnering with the Embassy for the next two months to promote the two states. Ambassador speaks in Maithili : Hum sab ekhan dhair Rajasthan, Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, Odisha, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh aur Tamil Nadu ke samavesh ka chukal chhi. Ham bahut khush chhi je Bihar aur Jharkhand san Bhartiya samudaay ke sadasya sab ehi udghaatan samaroh mein sahbhagi banal chhaith. O sab Dootawas sang agila dui maas dhari ehi dunu rajya ke prachar-prasaar lel saajhedaari karata.

Ambassador speaks in Hindi : भारत सरकार 15 नवंबर 2024 से एक साल के लिए भगवान बिरसा मुंडा जी की 150वीं जयंती मना रही है. जैसा कि आप जानते हैं कि 25 वर्षों के अपने छोटे से जीवन काल में, भगवान बिरसा मुंडा जी ब्रिटिश औपनिवेशिक शोषण के खिलाफ जनता के प्रतिरोध के नायक बन गए थे।

We will also utilize this period to reflect on the shared Buddhist heritage of India, Sri Lanka and Nepal.

We all know the importance of the Bodhi tree in Bodh Gaya in Bihar where the Buddha attained enlightenment.

Ambassador speaks in Santhali : Hum is avadhi ka upyog Bharat, Sri Lanka aur Nepal ki saajha Bauddh virasat par vichar karne ke liye bhi karenge. Hum sabhi ko Bihar ke Bodh Gaya mein sthit Bodhi vriksh ka mahatva pata hai, jahan Bhagwan Buddha ne gyaan prapt kiya tha.

I look forward to the cultural presentation.