



Embassy of India  
Bahrain  
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### **PRESS RELEASE**

The Embassy of India organized an Open House on 01 August, 2025 which was chaired by Ambassador H.E. Mr. Vinod Kurian Jacob. The Embassy's Community Welfare team along with the Consular team and our panel lawyers were present. Over 40 Indian nationals took part in the Open House which was held in English, Hindi, Tamil and Malayalam languages.

2. Ambassador briefed that all consular services that includes Passport, Visa, Attestation and other miscellaneous consular services currently being provided at Embassy will now be provided at the newly opened Indian Consular Application Centre (ICAC) located in Bahrain Mall. In addition to Government of India fee, there will be a service charge of 180 fils only and facilitation services like form filling, photocopy, photograph, SMS and courier will be provided to applicants without any additional charges.

3. Ambassador also invited the Community members to take part in the flag hoisting ceremony of the 79th Independence Day of India on 15th August 2025, at the Embassy premises. He expressed his gratitude to Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam for their engagement and for utilizing the services provided by the Embassy's yoga teacher at their premises on every Wednesdays and Saturdays of the week.

4. The Embassy extended financial support for the repatriation of a stretcher patient to his home town. Additionally, a family of 4 members, who had been stranded in the Kingdom for an extended period were provided with air tickets and also were facilitated with their travel documents. Most of the cases raised during the last open house have been resolved. Boarding & lodging facilities were also provided to the distressed Indian nationals through ICWF.

5. Ambassador conveyed his appreciation to the officials of the Bahrain Government, particularly the Ministry of Labour, LMRA and Immigration authorities, for their prompt assistance and response concerning Consular and Community Welfare issues. He thanked the Embassy's panel lawyers for their consistent involvement in the open house and for their continued support in reviewing the cases discussed during the event. Furthermore, he appreciated the commitment and dedication of Indian Community organizations and volunteers in aiding the distressed members of the Indian Diaspora throughout the year.

6. It was a productive interactive session. The grievances/issues of the Indian community were successfully addressed; some resolved at the open house, while others will be taken up at the earliest possible

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