



Embassy of India

Bahrain

PRESS RELEASE

The Embassy of India organised the Open House on 28 January 2022 between 10:00 Hrs to 12:00 Hrs, during which Ambassador Piyush Srivastava interacted with the Indian community directly in virtual mode for redressing their urgent/non-routine consular and labour issues.

Ambassador thanked the Government of Bahrain and Indian community for their support and participation in 73rd Republic Day celebrations in a befitting manner which was largely held at the Embassy virtually. Due to prevailing COVID 19 situation only the Heads of Indian Associations and few workers could physically attend the flag hoisting ceremony at the Embassy.

Ambassador particularly thanked ICRF and World NRI Council for reaching out to our workers and celebrating Republic day with them. They with support from Embassy and our Bahraini business community distributed over 350 sweet packets, this was highly commendable particularly in present

circumstances, when our workers couldn't physically come to Embassy for Republic day celebrations.

On occasion of Republic Day, Indian Ladies Association curated and dedicated an Ayurvedic Garden in the Embassy of India, Bahrain. Mission has also established under the theme "Local goes Global", a Tribes India [#Atmanirbhar](#) Corner at Embassy premises. Ambassador invited Indian Community to visit these as and when COVID situation improves.

In continuation with the Embassy's measures to make its services convenient and easily accessible by the public the Embassy's new user friendly website www.eoibahrain.gov.in was also launched which offers a better user interface and design. The recently launched consular appointment app EOIBhCONNECT is functioning normally. Similarly the new location of IVS centre at Dana Mall is also fully functional.

Ambassador briefed the community members about India's efforts, both at domestic as well as on global front, in fight against COVID 19 pandemic. In light of significant increase in infection due to COVID variant Omicron, Ambassador encouraged the community members to take all necessary precautions and follow Kingdom's COVID advisory and protocols.

Ambassador also thanked the local authority and Indian community organizations for all support and help due to which Mr. Siby Mathew could finally return to India after more than 25 years as well as domestic worker Ms. Lovepreet could be successfully repatriated.

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.
