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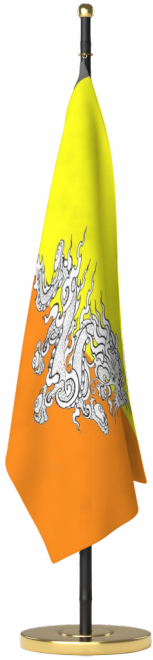
INDIA'S

75th Independence Day

US President Joe Biden

On the occasion of India's 75th Independence Day, US President Joe Biden wished the Indians in India, the US and throughout the world. President Biden added that in this moment of great challenges and opportunities, the partnership between India and the United States is more important than ever. Together, they must show the world that the two great and diverse democracies can deliver for people everywhere. The president also said that in the past year, both nations have come together in new ways as we tackle the COVID-19 pandemic, including working in partnership with Japan and Australia—through the Quad—to expand global manufacturing of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines and to strengthen our 'last-mile' coordination to reach people throughout the Indo-Pacific. US President Biden further mentioned about the guidance of Mahatma Gandhi's message of truth and non-violence, how India achieved its long journey towards independence, asserting that the commitment to respecting the will of the people through democracy continues to inspire the world.





Bhutan's Prime Minister Lotay Tshering

India's neighbour Bhutan has congratulated and offered their warmest wishes on this special occasion. Bhutan's Prime Minister Lotay Tshering conveyed the appreciation to the government and people of India, particularly the Embassy of India team, for their support during these difficult times. The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has also thanked him. In response to a tweet by the Prime Minister of Bhutan, the Prime Minister said that all Indians value the unique and trusted ties of friendship India shares with Bhutan.

Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison

Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison wished his Indian counterpart Narendra Modi on the day of 75th independence, reaffirming the strong bilateral ties, especially the partnership in advancing an "open and free" Indo-Pacific. In a video message posted on his twitter account, Morrison said that the two countries are proud democracies and the ties that bind the two nations are strong, vibrant and enduring. "Our relationship, our comprehensive strategic partnership, is an Indo-Pacific partnership, working for openness, freedom, prosperity and advancing the common good of the Indo-Pacific region," he said. The Indian High Commission in Australia organised a virtual screening of the Flag hoisting ceremony on the day. Various landmarks across the country were lit up in the tricolour to mark the day. PM reciprocated by saying that India too cherishes its increasingly vibrant partnership with Australia, based on shared values and robust people-to-people links.

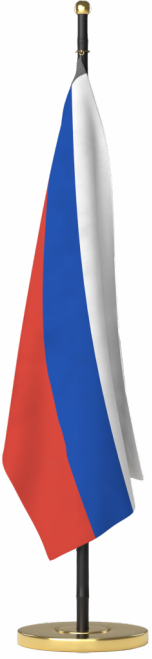


Israeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennett

Israeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennett congratulated Israel's friend India on this occasion. He stated Israelis cherish India's friendship and wish many more incredible accomplishments. In response to a tweet by the Prime Minister of Israel, Naftali Bennett, the Prime Minister said thank you to him. He stated that he looks forward to working together to strengthen the bonds between the governments and peoples, and to consolidate the foundation of India-Israel strategic partnership.



Russian President Vladimir Putin



In his message to Prime Minister Modi, Russian President Vladimir Putin said that Moscow values the relations of privileged and strategic partnership between India and Russia. He stated that he is sure that further development of the entire complex of Russia-India relations fully meets the interests of the people, goes towards strengthening stability and security at the regional and global level. Putin said that India's achievements in the economic, social and other fields are widely acknowledged. "Your country rightfully enjoys high prestige on the world stage, plays an important role in resolving topical issues on the international agenda," he said.

Pravind Kumar Jugnauth, Prime Minister of Mauritius

Pravind Kumar Jugnauth, Prime Minister of Mauritius wished India on Independence Day. He said his government reiterates their gratitude and support to Mother India. In response to a tweet by the Prime Minister of Mauritius, Pravind Jugnauth the Prime Minister said that due to the Centuries old people-to-people links between India and Mauritius, both countries share the same core values and traditions. This provides the foundation for our very special friendship.



President of Sri Lanka, Gotabaya Rajapaksa

On behalf of the people of Sri Lanka, President of Sri Lanka, Gotabaya Rajapaksa extended his best wishes to the people of India as they celebrate the 75th anniversary of independence. He said that both nations have long enjoyed a strong alliance that he looks forward to strengthening even further in future. In response to a tweet by the President of Sri Lanka, Gotabaya Rajapaksa, the Prime Minister said that he also look forward to working together with him to further strengthen India - Sri Lanka cooperation in all areas.



Mahinda Rajapaksa, Prime Minister of Sri Lanka

On behalf of the Government of Sri Lanka and the people of Sri Lanka Mahinda Rajapaksa, Prime Minister of Sri Lanka extended his best wishes to the Government and people of the Republic of India, as they celebrate 75 years of independence. In response to a tweet by the Prime Minister, Mahinda Rajapaksa, the Prime Minister Modi thanked him and said India and Sri Lanka share millennia old cultural, spiritual and civilisational links, which provide the foundation of our special friendship.



Ibrahim Mohamed Solih, President of the Republic of Maldives

Ibrahim Mohamed Solih, President of the Republic of Maldives greeted President Ram Nath Kovind and PM Modi and all Indian people on the 75th Independence Day of India. He said may this occasion renew India's resolve to safeguard its proud republic and continue its great traditions of democracy and unity through diversity. In response to a tweet by the President of Maldives, Ibrahim Mohamed Solih the Prime Minister said that Maldives is india's important maritime neighbour and partner in advancing the shared vision of a safe, secure, inclusive and prosperous Indo-Pacific region.

Sher Bahadur Deuba, Prime Minister of Nepal and President of Nepali Congress

On the occasion of the 75th Independence Day of India, Sher Bahadur Deuba, Prime Minister of Nepal and President of Nepali Congress greeted Prime Minister Modi, the Government and people of India. In response to a tweet by the Prime Minister, Shri Sher Bahadur Deuba, the Prime Minister said that the people of India and Nepal are united by our shared cultural, linguistic, religious and family linkages.



Senators and Congressmen

Mark Robert Warner

Mark Robert Warner, a politician serving as the senior United States senator from Virginia, and a member of the Democratic Party, vice chair of the Senate Democratic Caucus and chair of the Senate Intelligence Committee congratulated India on the eve of 75th independence day. He said that the strength of the relationship between the world's two biggest democracies is more important now than ever. Mr. Warner is also Co-Chair of the powerful Senate India Caucus which is the largest bilateral caucus in the United States Senate. In a special video message he conveyed that the people of the US have seen that strength through the challenges of the last 14 months as India, America and the world have been challenged by COVID.

John Cornyn

John Cornyn is an attorney serving as the senior United States Senator for Texas, a seat he has held since 2002. He was the Republican Senate Majority Whip for the 114th and 115th Congresses. Cornyn also previously served as Chair of the National Republican Senatorial Committee from 2007 to 2011. He said that it was 74 years ago that India emancipated itself from British rule and began a long and storied journey toward becoming the biggest democracy in the world. As co-founder of the Senate India caucus, Cornyn said he knows firsthand the importance of a strong relationship between the United States and India.

Richard Lynn Scott

Richard Lynn Scott is serving as the junior United States senator from Florida since 2019. A member of the Republican Party, he was the 45th governor of Florida from 2011 to 2019. Joining people of India and Indian-Americans in celebrating the 75th anniversary of India's independence, Senator Rick Scott said that the United States is proud to support India, the world's largest democracy and America's important partner and to celebrate the many contributions of our Indian American community.

Robert Menendez

Robert Menendez is serving as the senior United States Senator from New Jersey, a seat he has held since 2006. A member of the Democratic Party, he was first appointed to the U.S. Senate by Governor Jon Corzine, and chaired the United States Senate Committee on Foreign Relations from 2013 to 2015, and again since 2021. Senator Robert Menendez said that he is proud to join friends in India and Indian-American communities in New Jersey and around the world as Independence Day festivities begin. He further added that the US recognises India's rich heritage and many global contributions, and commits to build on both countries' strong bond.

Sheila Jackson Lee

Sheila Jackson Lee, Congresswoman, a democrat who is representing Texas' 18th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives has also wished for India on the eve of 75th independence day.

Mayor Eric Johnson

Mayor Eric Johnson, Dallas(Democratic party) wished Indians in honor of the 75th anniversary of India gaining independence from Great Britain.

Sanford Bishop, Jr.

Sanford Bishop, Jr. a democrat who is representing Georgia's 2nd Congressional District and the Chairman of House Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture has also wished for India on the eve of 75th independence day.

Nikki Haley

Nikki Haley, Former U.S. Ambassador to the UN and the 116th Governor of South Carolina wished the people of India a very happy 75th Independence Day. She said that America is fortunate to have a democratic friend and ally like India.

Haley Stevens

Rep. Haley Stevens, a democrat and Congresswoman for Michigan's 11th District and Chair, Research and Technology Subcommittee, House Science, Education and Labor Committee has also wished for India on the eve of 75th independence day.

Filemon Vela

US Rep. Filemon Vela, a democrat and U.S. Congressman for the 34th District of Texas has also wished for India on the eve of 75th independence day.

Don Bacon

Rep. Don Bacon, a republican and serving people of NE-02 tweeted that both countries have remained committed to preserving each other's freedoms, human rights, and national security.

Marc Veasey

Rep. Marc Veasey, a democrat who represents Dallas-Fort Worth has also wished for India on the eve of 75th independence day.

Grace Napolitano

Rep. Grace Napolitano, a democrat and Congresswoman from California's 32nd Congressional District in the US House of Representatives has also wished for India on the eve of 75th independence day.

Van Taylor

Rep Van Taylor, a republican and serving the Third Congressional District of Texas praised the outstanding Indo-American community. He said the partnership with India remains strong as both nations share firmly held beliefs in democracy and freedom.

Lori Trahan

Congresswoman Lori Trahan, a democrat and representing Massachusetts' Third District in Congress wished for the 75th Indian Independence Day.

Deborah Ross

Congresswoman Deborah Ross, a democrat and serving North Carolina's 2nd District wished for the 75th Indian Independence Day.

Nydia Velazquez

Rep. Nydia Velazquez, a democrat and Represents New York's 7th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives and the Chair of House Small Business Committee congratulated Indians for celebrating the country's 75th Independence Day.

Brad Sherman

Rep. Brad Sherman, a democrat and serving congressmen from California's San Fernando Valley in the U.S. Congress congratulated Indians for celebrating the country's 75th Independence Day. He is also a Co-Chair of the House India Caucus.

Kelly Loeffler

Kelly Loeffler, a republican and former U.S. Senator from Georgia congratulated Indians for celebrating the country's 75th Independence Day.

Phil Murphy

Governor Phil Murphy, a republican and the 56th Governor of the Garden State congratulated Indians for celebrating the country's 75th Independence Day.

Kevin Thomas

Senator Kevin Thomas, a democrat, NYS Senator and Chairman of the Consumer Protection Committee congratulated Indians for celebrating the country's 75th Independence Day.

Gary Peters

Senator Gary Peters, a democrat and the U.S. Senator representing the state of Michigan congratulated Indians for celebrating the country's 75th Independence Day.

Jeff Fortenberry

Jeff Fortenberry, a republican and the U.S. Representative for the First Congressional District of Nebraska congratulated Indians for celebrating the country's 75th Independence Day.

Prominent people

US secretary of state Antony Blinken

US secretary of state Antony Blinken also greeted the people of India on 75th Independence Day. He said that the bonds between the US & India began over seven decades ago & have transformed into a growing partnership. He further added that there are few partnerships more vital than the one between the United States and India. Mindful of the 74 years of friendship, the two democracies will continue to build a better tomorrow.

Astronaut Sunita Williams

Sending her independence day greetings, Indian-origin U.S. astronaut Sunita Williams mentioned the rich history of collaboration between India and the United States in space. She rightly mentioned the cooperation between NASA and ISRO in many different areas, including Earth and space science. Additionally, she stated that NASA has provided deep space communication and navigation support for ISRO's missions to the Moon and Mars.

Benjamin Netanyahu

Former Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu has congratulated PM Modi on twitter on the occasion of India's 75th independence day today.



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