Embassy of India Algiers

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Reception hosted to Celebrate the 79th Independence Day

Embassy of India in Algeria hosted a Reception at the Chancery premises on 17 August 2025 to commemorate the 79th Independence Day of India. This event followed the flag unfurling ceremony held on 15 August, the day India gained Independence from colonial rule in 1947.

- 2. The event was graced by H.E. Dr. Rabah Baghali, Vice President of the Council of the Nation of Algeria as the representative of H.E. Mr. Azouz Nasri, President of the Council of the Nation; Mr. Osamene Fouad, President of the India-Algeria Parliamentary Friendship Group and Mr. Abdelhamid Ahmed Khojda, Inspector General as the representative of H.E. Mr. Lounes Magarmane, Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, National Community Abroad and African Affairs of People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.
- 3. The event was also attended by dignitaries including senior Government officials, distinguished members of the diplomatic corps, business community, academia, media fraternity, civil society and members of Indian diaspora, among others.
- 4. Welcoming the dignitaries, Ambassador Dr. Swati Vijay Kulkarni noted that Algeria remains a key and critical partner for India and highlighted deepening and vibrant bilateral ties including trade, culture and defence sectors. She also expressed confidence that the deep people-to-people ties will impart further momentum to the bilateral relationship.
- 5. The event included screening of two videos one on the fast growing Indian Economy and the other on expanding India-Algeria bilateral ties.
- 6. A talented Algerian singer, Ms. Imilia Abdeli sang Indian and Algerian patriotic songs.
- 7. Indian handicraft items, showcased at the stall set up under 'One District One Product' (ODOP) initiative, captivated visitors who appreciated intricate craftsmanship.
- 8. Dinner with Indian delicacies was served at the conclusion of the formal ceremony.

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