

Embassy of India

Bangkok

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**Press Release**

The Embassy of India, Bangkok celebrated the 72nd Constitution Day on 26 November 2021. Constitution Day also known as 'Samvidhan Divas' is celebrated on the 26 November every year since 2015 to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. On 26 November 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, which came into effect from 26 January 1950.

This year Government of India is celebrating Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to commemorate 75 years of independence of India. An event was organised to celebrate Constitution Day on 26 November 2021 following Covid-19 protocol at the Embassy premises. The celebration of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav was launched in Bangkok on 12 March 2021 with release of Thai translation of Constitution of India by H.E. Khun Chuan Leekpai, President of the National Assembly and Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The event was graced by H.E. Gurdist Chansirichawla, Senator and President of Thailand-India Parliamentarians Friendship Group. Shri Deepak Mittal, Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Awardee, some prominent Indian diaspora members and the members of academia were also present.

Ambassador of India to Thailand H.E. Ms. Suchitra Durai inaugurated the event and delivered her remarks. Mr. Surat Horachaikul, Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations, Faculty of Political Science & Founding Director, Indian Studies Center of Chulalongkorn University and Ms. Pooja Tripathi, Civil Judge in the Thailand Court delivered their talks on the Constitution of India.

A Cultural programme including patriotic songs by artists from Thai Kannada Balaga Association and a skit play by Thai-Bharat Cultural Lodge were presented. A documentary video on Tribal leader Bhagwan Birsa Munda, who led the tribal community during India's freedom struggle was also screened. Government of India has declared 15 November birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda as "Janjatiya Gaurav Divas". A presentation & a video clip on Padma Award 2020-21 were screened. A photo exhibition on making of the Constitution of India was organised.

The Constitution Day also coincides with the 26/11 Mumbai terror Attack, a black day in the history of mankind. At the beginning of the event floral tribute were offered to the victims of Mumbai terror attack including the young Thai national Late Ms. Jirachat Kanmanee, who died during the attack. A short Video on Mumbai terror attack was played and a photo exhibition was also organised.

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