## Embassy of India Warsaw

## Press Release: Celebration of the 74<sup>th</sup> Republic Day of India in Poland



The Embassy of India, Warsaw, celebrated the 74<sup>th</sup> Republic Day of India on 26th January, 2023 with joy and enthusiasm, in the presence of members of the Indian community and friends of India in Poland. In the morning, the celebrations commenced with the unfurling of the National Flag by Ambassador Nagma M. Mallick, followed by singing of the National Anthem. Thereafter, Ambassador read out the Address to the Nation by the Hon'ble President HE Ms. Droupadi Murmu. Following tradition, on Republic Day, Ambassador offered a floral tribute at the Dobry Maharaja Memorial, Ochota district, in memory of the Good Maharaja of India who gave refuge to several thousand Polish women and children between 1942 and 1946. Students and teachers of the Janusz Korczak High School and Sławomir Umiński, Vice Mayor of the District of Ochota, joined her at the Memorial.

Ambasador Nagma M Mallick hosted a grand reception at the Embassy of India in Warsaw to celebrate the 74th Republic Day of India on 26th January. Polish dignitaries and senior officials, Ambassadors and members of the diplomatic corps, representatives of Polish civil society including academicians, think tank members & media, and prominent members of the Indian community attended.

The event began with a detailed presentation by Ambassador highlighting India's achievements in different sectors in 75 years of Independence. She then gave an overview of the many events, activities and meetings held in the year 2022 related to the India-Poland bilateral partnership, beginning with the Operation Ganga in February-March 2022. She also outlined the myriad engagements that India will host in our ongoing G-20 Presidency. Ragini Nagar, Kathak dancer, began the cultural show with 'Utsav', a special choreography for the occasion.

As part of the Republic Day celebrations, a Rajasthan Folk Group led by Shamla Kalbelia Sapera visited Poland from 24-30 January, 2023 and presented cultural shows at the Filharmonia Narodowa, Warsaw on 25 January, Republic Day Reception on 26 January, Muzeum Sztuki i Techniki Japońskiej Manggha, Krakow on 28 January and at the WOSP (Wielki Orchestra Spectacle) Open Air concert at Wroclaw on 29 January. The cultural performances of the Kalbelia dance troupe were greatly appreciated by the members of the audience at different venues across Poland.













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