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Inauguration of Special India@75 Tram in Wroclaw, Poland



To launch the celebrations of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav in Poland, Mr. Jacek Sutryk, Mayor of Wroclaw and Ambassador Nagma M. Mallick flagged off a special tram in Wroclaw on 30th May, 2022. The vibrantly-coloured tram was decorated with the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav logo on the outside and had photographs of Indian leaders, monuments and symbols on the inside. The tram bears the name 'Dobry Maharaja' or the good Maharajas as it is named after the Maharajas of Jamnagar and Kolhapur who, during the 2nd World War, gave refuge to around 6000 Polish people.

In his remarks, Mayor Sutryk recalled fondly the support given by the two Maharajas to Poland. Ambassador Mallick thanked the Mayor of Wroclaw and the President of the MPK (Public Transport Authority), Wroclaw, for their support to India and the Indian community in Poland and for implementing the unique idea of a tram to commemorate this important milestone for India. The tram was inaugurated in the presence of Mr. Karthikey Johri, Honorary Consul of India in Wroclaw, members of the Indian community and Polish school children.

Polish artists played the Indian *Dhol* and struck a festive note on the streets of Wroclaw while the school children added colour to the event with their cheering and waving balloons and Indian flags.



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