## HIGH COMMISSION OF INDIA, BRUNEI DARUSSALAM



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## Reception hosted by High Commission of India, Brunei Darussalam on the occasion of 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day of India

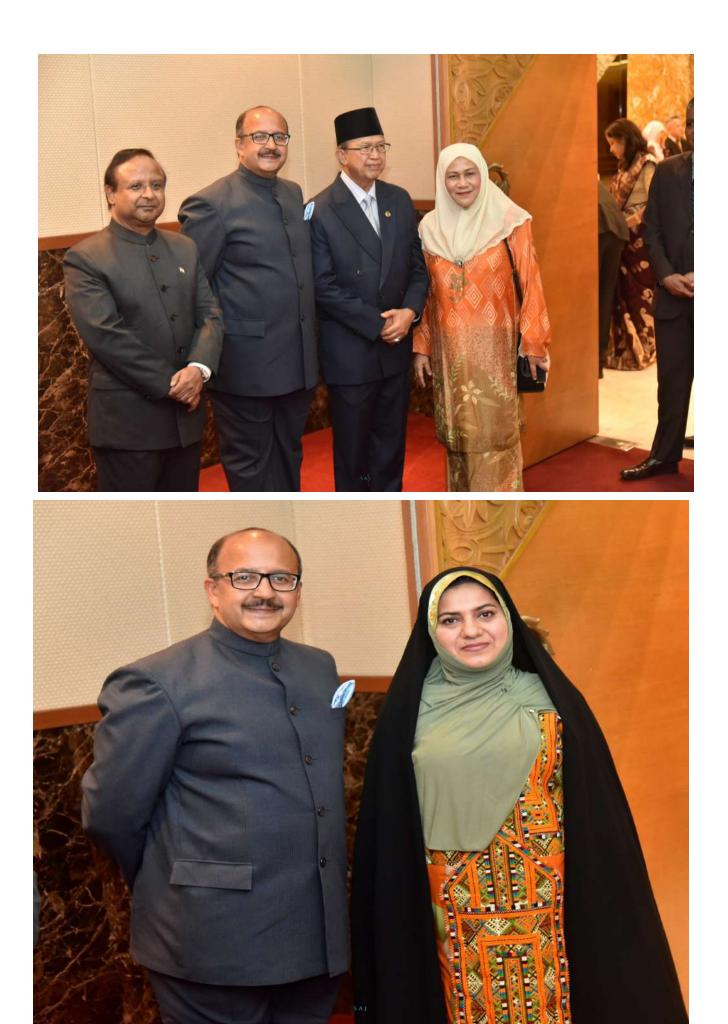


The High Commission of India, Brunei Darussalam celebrated the 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day by hosting a reception for local dignitaries, members of the Diplomatic Corps and distinguished members of the Indian and local communities totaling around 350 guests.

















The guest of honour on the occasion was Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Ali bin Haji Apong, Hon'ble Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism, Government of Brunei Darussalam and Datin Hajah Norhaida binti Sulaiman, Spouse of Hon'ble Minister.





High Commissioner of India, His Excellency Ajaneesh Kumar highlighted recent milestones in India-Brunei bilateral relations, including the visit to India by His Majesty, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darusslaam in January 2018, recent Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) held in June 2019 in New Delhi and the visit to India by Commander, Royal Brunei Armed Forces, Major General Pengiran Dato Paduka Seri Aminan bin Pengiran Haji Mahmud in August 2019.





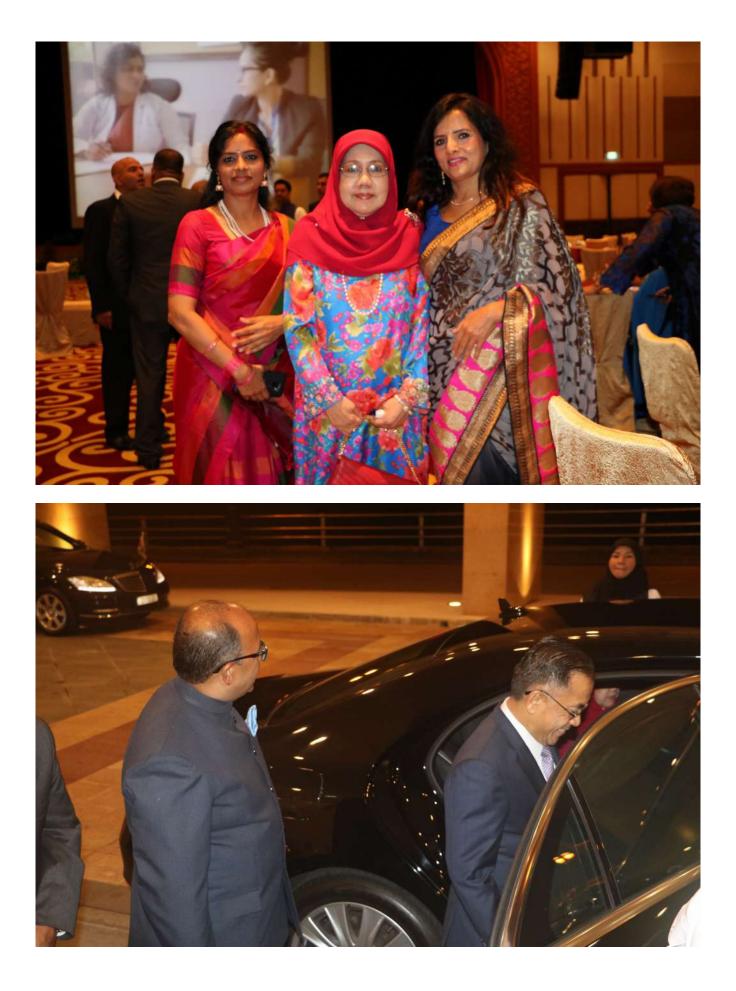
He also touched upon India's achievements in successfully conducting General Elections to the 17<sup>th</sup> Lok Sabha, overview of the Indian economy and successfull launch of the Chandrayaan-2 Mission.



He lauded the contribution of the Indian community in Brunei Darussalam and also thanked His Majesty, The Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and his Government for ensuring continued welfare of the Indian community here.









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