## Embassy of India Ashgabat

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## **Press Release**

Celebrations marking the 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day of India 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' were held in India House, Ashgabat on Sunday, August 15, 2021 with the participation of Indian community in Turkmenistan and Turkmen Friends of India.

The event began with hoisting of National Flag by Ambassador Dr. Vidhu P. Nair followed by playing of National Anthem. Thereafter, children of the Embassy staff sang patriotic songs while 'Bihu' music from Assam was performed by Ayurveda expert deputed from India Dr. Dinesh Baruah. This was followed by recitation of Hindi poem, rendition of 'Raghupati Raghav Rajaram' and Bollywood dance spectacle by 'Friends of India' in Turkmenistan.

During the event, Ambassador felicitated winners of the 'India@75 – Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav – Indian Cooking Competition' held on August 6. Video presentations on Amrit Mahotsav celebrations in India as well as painting and poster competitions being organized by Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) were also showcased. In the end, the guests were served Indian refreshments.

Some photos of the event are attached:























