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## **Press Release**

## Round-table on "Business Opportunities in India"

Embassy of India, Damascus organised a round-table meeting on "Business Opportunities in India" on 20 February 2024 at Golden Mezzeh Hotel, Damascus. Mr. Mohammad Abo Al-Huda Allahham, President of the Federation of Syrian Chambers of Commerce, Damascus was the co-host. A host of Federation members and prominent Syrian businessmen belonging to other Chambers of Commerce & Industry including Damascus countryside, Aleppo, Latakia, Tartous, Daraa, Al-Qunaitra and Ar-Raqqa attended the Roundtable.

- 2. The meeting began with the speech of Ambassador of India to the Syrian Arab Republic, Dr. Irshad Ahmad. He spoke about the general business environment in India and the facilities and incentives available to foreign investors. This was followed by the display of a short video from the Economic Diplomacy Division of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, showcasing the advancement of India in various areas including digital economy, space science, agriculture, aviation, transportation and healthcare.
- 3. Mr. Mazen Hammad, Deputy President of the Federation of Syrian Chambers of Commerce and President of Tartous Chamber of Commerce & Industry, also spoke on the occasion on behalf of the Federation. He highlighted the deep interests of the Syrian businessmen for the Indian market. He stressed the fact that there is an enormous scope for business expansion between India and Syria.
- 4. This was followed by a Question & Answer session whereby the queries of the Syrian businessmen were answered by Ambassador.
- 5. The round-table meeting concluded on a high tea.

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