

**Embassy of India
Kinshasa**

Clarification on the death of Congolese national Mr. Joel Shindani Malu

An incident of death of Congolese citizen Mr. Joel Shindani Malu in Bengaluru has come to Embassy's notice. Embassy of India extends its heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family and relatives of Mr. Joel. According to the primary investigation and reports received from India, Mr. Joel has died due to cardiac arrest in hospital and there was no foul play. However, Government of India and State government of Karnataka have launched a judicial inquiry in the matter. Government of India has also extended all possible help and access to the Embassy of Democratic Republic of Congo in Delhi to visit Bengaluru to ascertain facts of this case. Embassy of India assures that an impartial investigation is underway and requests all Congolese friends not to fall prey to rumours circulating on social media.
