

**Consulate General of India**  
**Seattle**

**PRESS RELEASE/MEDIA NOTE**

The newly opened Consulate General of India in Seattle would be hosting **three** events across **three different venue** to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> Republic Day of India on 26<sup>th</sup> January ( Friday) 2024. These would observe the First National Day celebrations being hosted by the Indian Consulate in Seattle. Details of these events along with respective venues are as follows:

**Event One: Flag Hoisting Ceremony (participation limited to invitees only)**  
**Time: 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM** - Flag hoisting ceremony at **the Federal Reserve Building** in Seattle. Mayor of Seattle Bruce Harrell will be the Guest of Honour.

**Event Two: Public Ceremony at Crossroads Park, Bellevue**  
**Time: 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM** - Public Ceremony – to celebrate India’s 75<sup>th</sup> Republic Day with cultural dance and music performances. Being organised by the Indian Consulate in partnership with Beats of Redmond at the Crossroads Park in Bellevue. Mayor Lynne Robinson will be the Guest of Honour. RSVP for attendance is requested.

**Event Three: Evening National Day Reception** (*participation limited to invitees only*)  
**Time: 5.30 PM - 8:30 PM** - Evening National Day Reception with invited guests dignitaries at the Ballroom in the Westin, Seattle. Event would include remarks by city leadership, Consul General along with a cultural dance performance. There would also be an Exhibition on **Invest in India : The Next Tech Hub**, showcasing the economic growth opportunities for US-based businesses to have a competitive advantage globally by collaborating with their Indian counterparts in high end technology sector. The exhibit will feature a distinct space dedicated to illuminating the India Opportunity and unfolding its Growth Story to international investors, which will include India’s digital public infrastructure, vibrant start-up ecosystem, and the yet to be fully tapped energy sector, epitomising the New India and its commitments to sustainability and inclusivity along with its rich culture.

It may be noted that during the official visit of Prime Minister of India, H.E Shri Narendra Modi to the USA in June 2023, it was agreed that India would take steps to operationalise its Consulate in Seattle before end of 2023. As a follow up, India opened its first Consulate in Seattle in mid- November 2023 with its consular jurisdiction over the **NINE** Pacific North West States of Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota and Nebraska.

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**Note for Press : For any media coverage queries related to the above events, may kindly reach out to Head of Chancery at the Indian Consulate in Seattle, Mr. Suresh Kumar at +1-206-939-9975 /[hoc.seattle@mea.gov.in](mailto:hoc.seattle@mea.gov.in)**