

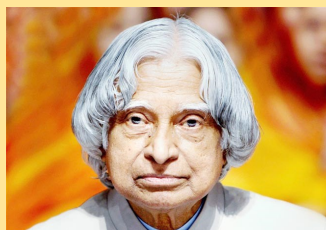


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## Quote of the month



"If you fail, never give up because F.A.I.L. means "First Attempt In Learning". End is not the end, in fact E.N.D. means "Effort Never Dies." If you get No as an answer, remember N.O. means "Next Opportunity", So let's be positive."

-Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam

Consul General met Baden Württemberg Economy Minister Dr. Nicole Hoffmeister-Kraut and discussed strengthening India - Baden Württemberg economic relations and various opportunities for Baden-Württemberg business in India, including the MIIM programme. Consul General also met Würzburg Lord Mayor Christian Schuchardt and discussed cooperation in city management, business, higher education & culture. Consul General in a meeting with Lord Mayor of Schwäbisch Hall, Mr. Hermann-Josef Pelgrim discussed strengthening the relations. Schwäbisch Hall is an important partner of India from Baden-Württemberg and regional economic hub between Frankfurt, Stuttgart and Nuremberg. Consul General also met Mr. Christian Buehler, Founder and Chairman of German-Indian Society and India Forum, Schwäbisch Hall, who briefed about cooperation activities of his organization in India.



Consul General with Baden Württemberg  
Economy Minister



Consul General with Würzburg Lord Mayor



Consul General with Lord Mayor of Schwäbisch Hall

Consul General with President of Chamber of Industry & Commerce Aschaffenburg discussed ties of Bayerischer Untermain businesses with India. Consul General visited Chamber of Industry & Commerce Reutlingen. Consul General had a meeting with Dr. Wolfgang Epp, CEO of the IHK and discussed business ties of Neckar-Alb textile technology cluster with India. Consul General briefed them about various initiatives of Government of India that hold promise for Mittelstand from this region. The Region is home to the 'Textile Technology Cluster' of Germany. IHK members pre-dominantly represents companies from textile, pharma, bio-technology and environmental technologies sectors. Consul General visited Linde AG, world leader in industrial gases & engineering. Consul General met Mr. Aldo Belloni, CEO of Linde and discussed strengthening partnership in Make in India.

## India@70



The name 'India' is derived from the River Indus, the valleys around which were the home of the first inhabitants of India. The Sanskrit name for India is Bharat Ganarajya. That is the reason why it is also called Bharat.

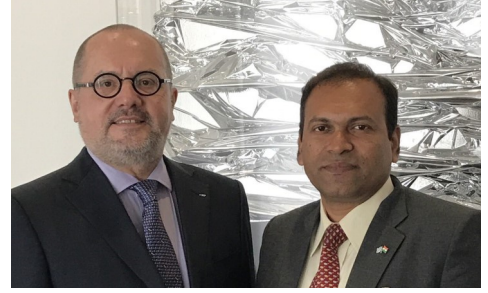
The national flag has three colours in it. The top strip saffron indicating courage and sacrifice; the middle portion white for peace, truth, purity and green for faith, fertility and chivalry. The Ashok Chakra at the centre of the flag represents righteousness.

The first version of the current national flag was made by Pingali Venkayya at Bezwada in 1921. It was made up of two colours-red and green-representing the two major communities. Gandhiji suggested the addition of a white strip to represent the remaining communities of India and the spinning wheel to symbolize progress of the Nation.

Khadi Development and Village Industries Commission is the only licensed flag production and supply unit in India.



Consul General with President of Chamber of Industry & Commerce Aschaffenburg



Consul General with Aldo Belloni, CEO of Linde



Consul General at Chamber of Industry & Commerce Reutlingen

Consul General visited MDV, leader in paper & film coating, & discussed strengthening its role in Make in India. Consul General also visited Akustik & Preuftechnik GmbH, a leader in the fields of noise functional & acoustic material testing and acoustic process control. Consul General discussed with its CEO, investment under Make in India Mittelstand program (MIIM). Consul General visited Aluplast GmbH, a leader in PVC tech for window-door systems, and discussed strengthening its India investments. Aluplast India Private Limited, a subsidiary of Aluplast GmbH has a plant at Vadodra, which was commissioned in April 2016. Consul General also visited Elringklinger AG, a world leader in automotive components. Elringklinger has its presence in India since 2008 when its factory was inaugurated in Ranjangaon (near Pune).



Consul General at Aluplast GmbH



Consul General at MDV, leader in paper & film coating,



Consul General at ElringKlinger



Consul General with CEO of RTE Akustik



### *Do you know?*

The world's largest road network is in India-over 1.9 million miles of roads cover the country.

Cherrapunji (Meghalaya) is the wettest spot on earth. It receives at least 425 inches of rain every year, which is over 5 times more than the tropical rain forests of South America.

With around 155,618 post offices and over 566,000 employees, India has the largest postal network in the world.

India Railways is the single largest civilian employer in the world, with over a million employees.

State Bank of India has the maximum number of branches in the world, with the number being over 15,000 and counting

The Baily Bridge is the bridge at the highest elevation in the world. It is located in the Ladakh valley between the Dras and Suru rivers in the Himalayan mountains. It was built by the Indian Army in August 1982.

The world's highest cricket ground is in Chail, Himachal Pradesh. Built in 1893 after leveling a hilltop, this cricket pitch is 2444 meters above sea level.

**Winner of India Quiz of August**



**Congratulations to Ms. Nadine Tump! She is from Munich and is interested in Indian culture.**

Consul General visited Reutlingen University. Consul General met Prof. Baldur Veit, Member of the Board and In-Charge of International Co-operation and discussed issues of strengthening cooperation in higher education, especially in applied research. University of Reutlingen along with University of Tuebingen is responsible for providing R&D support to textile Technology Cluster of the region. Consul General also visited Würzburg University's Indology Department and discussed various issues of strengthening Indology studies in Germany.



Consul General at Reutlingen University



Consul General at Würzburg University

## *Art & Culture*

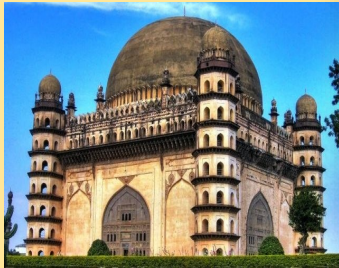


## *INDIA @ 70 CELEBRATIONS*





## Gol Gumbaz



Gol Gumbaz (circular dome) is the mausoleum of Mohammed Adil Shah, Sultan of Bijapur and the seventh ruler of the Adil Shahi dynasty. The tomb, located in Bijapur is about 500 kms from Bengaluru in Karnataka. The mausoleum took about 30 years to construct and was completed in 1656.

The architectural style of the Gol Gumbaz is Deccan Indo-Islamic which is a confluence of Indo-Islamic and Dravidian architecture. A significant feature of the Gol Gumbaz is its central dome which stands without any support of pillars. This central dome is the second largest dome in the world after the dome of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Inside the mausoleum is a circular gallery. This gallery is an acoustic marvel and is called the "Whispering Gallery". A commendable piece of civil engineering, this amazing echo system reflects any sound for over eleven times. Such is its impressive design that one can even hear the faintest tick of a watch.

## India @ 70 Celebrations



## Indian Cuisine

**Basmati Rice (Indian Style)** delicious with flavours of Indian spices



### Ingredients:

2 tablespoons vegetable oil;  
1 onion, thinly sliced;  
1/2 teaspoon ground cumin;  
1 cup Basmati rice  
2 cups water,  
3/4 teaspoon salt,  
1/2 teaspoon garam masala,  
3/4 cup frozen mixed vegetables

### Method:

In a large pan heat oil over medium heat and saute onions and cumin until onions are tender, but not browned. Rinse the rice several times and drain well. Add the rice to the pan with the onions and pour in the 2 cups of water. Stir in salt, garam masala and vegetables. Cover the pan and increase the heat to high.

Bring the mixture to a boil and then reduce the heat to low, keeping the rice covered at all times. After cooking for about 10 minutes, gently stir the rice to distribute the spices evenly. Cook 25 to 30 minutes, or until all of the water has evaporated and the rice is tender.

## India Quiz

**Which State is known as India's Spice Garden?**

1. Kerala    2. Karnataka    3. Bihar    4. Himachal Pradesh

Please send your responses at [cg.munich@mea.gov.in](mailto:cg.munich@mea.gov.in) by **September 15, 2017**. First five successful responses will receive interesting information material about India.