

## **Ambassador's Remarks on the occasion of Hindi Diwas-2025**

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*Minister of Communication and Culture of Madagascar H.E. Mrs. Mara Volamiranty Donna,*

*Minister of Youth and Sports H.E. Mr. Abdulah Marson Moustapha,*

*Grand Chancellor of Madagascar Mr. Marcel Ranjeva and his spouse,*

*Secretary General of the Ministry of Labour, Employment and the Civil Service,*

*Secretary General of the Ministry of Communication and Culture*

*Vice President of the University of Antananarivo,*

*Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,*

Namaskar, Salama and Good Morning! Warm greetings to you all on the occasion of Hindi Day-2025. I would like to convey my special gratitude to the Minister of Communication of Culture, Minister of Youth and Sports and other dignitaries for their support to today's event!

2. 14 सितंबर 1949 को भारत की संविधान सभा ने हिंदी को भारत सरकार की आधिकारिक भाषा के रूप में अपनाया था और इसी कारण से हर साल 14 सितंबर को हिंदी दिवस के रूप में मनाया जाता है। हिंदी एक सरल और जीवंत भाषा है जो भारत की गहराई से जुड़ी सांस्कृतिक परंपराओं को दर्शाती है । 60 करोड़ से अधिक बोलने वालों के साथ हिंदी दुनिया की तीसरी सबसे अधिक बोली जाने वाली भाषा है। अन्य सभी भारतीय भाषाओं की मित्र के रूप में, हिंदी

सभी भारतीयों को एक साथ बांधने में मदद करती है और उन्हें अपनी जड़ों से जोड़े रखती है।

3. As part of the efforts to achieve “Viksit Bharat (Developed India)” by 2047, the Government of India, under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister H.E. Mr. Narendra Modi, is taking steps to erase all traces of the colonial mindset and to promote greater use of Hindi and other Indian languages in the day-to-day working of the Government. I would like to congratulate the people of Madagascar for actively taking part in various competitions on Hindi language conducted by the Embassy during last week. I take this opportunity to encourage the local students to continue to benefit from the free classes of Hindi at the Embassy, which will help to further strengthen the long-standing cultural and people-to-people linkages between our two countries.

4. In conclusion, I would like to reaffirm that as a close neighbor and fellow developing country in the Indian Ocean Region, India will continue to share its developmental experience and expertise, as per the needs and priorities of Madagascar, in line with our Vision MAHASAGAR (*Mutual and Holistic Advancement for Security and Growth Across Regions*). I am confident that India-Madagascar partnership will scale greater heights in the coming days under the able guidance of Prime Minister of India H.E. Mr. Narendra Modi and the President of Madagascar H.E. Mr. Andry Rajoelina. Once again, thank you all for joining today's celebrations of the Hindi Diwas-2025. Dhanyavaad (Thank You)!

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