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Press Release

Special Tree Plantation Ceremony in Ashgabat, 30 October 2026

The Embassy of India in Ashgabat, in association with the Office of the Mayor of Ashgabat city, organized a special tree plantation ceremony in Ashgabat on 30 October 2026, as part of the Government of India's "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam" (Plant4Mother) campaign. Ambassador of India H.E. Mr. Bandaru Wilsonbabu, Deputy Mayor of Ashgabat Mr. Yazgeldi Bekmyradov and Members of Indian Diaspora and Friends of India in Turkmenistan took part in the event.

2. In his remarks, Ambassador spoke about "Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment)", which was first announced by Prime Minister of India H.E. Mr. Narendra Modi in 2021, as a global mass movement for adopting environmental conscious life styles as well as the "Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam (Plant4Mother)" campaign launched by Prime Minister Modi in 2024 to encourage each person to plant at least one sapling as a mark of respect towards one's own mother and Mother Earth. Ambassador conveyed India's readiness to work closely with the Government of Turkmenistan to further strengthen bilateral cooperation, including in the fields of environmental protection and sustainable development.

3. Deputy Mayor of Ashgabat Mr. Yazgeldi Bekmyradov said that the tree plantation ceremony reflects the long-standing bonds of friendship and cooperation between India and Turkmenistan. He also expressed support of the Office of Mayor of Ashgabat for stronger cooperation with India in the area of reforestation. The event concluded with the distribution of saplings and tasting of Indian snacks.

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