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EMBASSY OF INDIA  
BERNE



**Message from Ambassador of India  
on the occasion of Diwali**

Dear Friends,

I have great a pleasure in conveying my best wishes to all our fellow Indians and Friends of India in Switzerland on the occasion of Diwali. Diwali is the festival of lights that serves as a symbol of hope and harmony around the world. Diwali is a time to celebrate life, to express the joy of living, to forgive, forget and come together. A festival of giving, bonding, shared joy, marking prosperity, praying for it to Goddess Lakshmi. Diwali, which symbolizes the spiritual victory of light over darkness, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance.

This is a special year for us as we celebrate 75 years of India's Independence. The initiation from Hon'ble Prime Minister of India is being celebrated under the theme 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. The Embassy of India in Berne planned several events and activities under various themes to highlight the history of India's growth and development in various spheres, our rich cultural heritage, to celebrate our unsung heroes as well as to promote our ideas, achievements, and resolve. I wish everyone should be part of this great celebration.

I am happy that the Indian diaspora in Switzerland has been actively contributing immensely to build a relationship between India and Switzerland in different levels and fields. I urge all Indian associations in Switzerland may also plan their events and activities to celebrate the spirit of the Mahotsav. The role of the Indian diaspora is always an instrument in Nation building.

I Extend my Diwali greetings to the Indian Diaspora and Friends of India in Switzerland.

A Very Happy Diwali to all !! Stay safe, stay healthy !!

(Monika Kapil Mohta)  
Ambassador  
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