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Press Release

ITEC Day celebrations in Lesotho

The High Commission of India in South Africa, concurrently accredited to Kingdom of Lesotho celebrated the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) Day in Maseru on 17 January 2026 at Avani Lesotho Hotel, Hilton Road. The event featured keynote address, sharing of experience by ITEC alumni and cultural performances by local dancers from Lesotho.

2. In his keynote address, the High Commissioner of India to South Africa and Lesotho, H.E Mr. Prabhat Kumar highlighted the concept of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" (meaning "The world is one family") which affirms India's commitment to partnership, solidarity and contributing for progress beyond borders. He said that ITEC programme is one of the flagship capacity building programmes of Government of India wherein, India shares its expertise and knowledge with its more than 160 partner countries, thereby contributing to their development and nation building. Under the ITEC programme, which was founded on 15th September 1964, courses were offered to many Lesotho nationals including civil servants, defence personnel and police forces and participants from private sector in prestigious institutions in India for capacity building and training.

3.   H.E Mr. Tseliso Mokhosi, Minister of Labour and Employment, Kingdom of Lesotho, who was the Chief Guest, appreciated the ITEC programme and highlighted the strong ties between India and Lesotho.

4.   The event was attended by 200 ITEC beneficiaries from Lesotho government and defence forces. They shared their enriching experience and expressed gratitude to the Government of India for its continued support for human resource development and opportunity offered in Indian institutions for training and capacity building for Lesotho nationals.

5.   The celebration was marked with fervour and enthusiastic participation from ITEC alumni, dignitaries from Ministries and other prominent ITEC partner institution

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