

August 9, 2021

Mr. Manish Consul General of India 325 Howe Street, Suite 201 Vancouver, BC V6C 1Z7

Dear Consul General:

As Premier of British Columbia, I am pleased to extend my warmest wishes to you and everyone celebrating your Independence Day on August 15, 2021.

Even in these unprecedented times, National Days are an opportunity for communities in B.C. and around the world to share in patriotism and passion for their country's vibrant history and culture. The people of India bring the richness of their arts, traditions, and values to countries across the globe, and British Columbians are honoured to join with all of you in recognizing your proud heritage on this important occasion.

I want to thank you and your staff for your continued dedication and service representing India here in our beautiful province. Consulates are vital links in strengthening our cultural and economic ties, advancing mutual priorities and helping jurisdictions come together in difficult times such as these. The Government of British Columbia looks forward to building on our international partnership with you for many more prosperous years of friendship.

I wish you a very happy Independence Day celebration with your friends, colleagues and citizens reflecting on India's historic achievements and exciting future.

Sincerely,

John Horgan Premier Horgan