

設立100年で感謝祭

在日インド商工協会

ホテルマネージメント
インターナショナル(H
MI)社長の比良竜虎氏
が会長を務める在日イン
ド商工協会が設立100
周年を迎え、15日、東京
都内で「感謝祭」を開い

た。日印協会会長の菅義
偉前首相、日印友好議員
連盟会長の西村康稔経産
相ら国会議員、インドと
関係が深い地方自治体の
首長、駐日インド全権特
命大使のシビ・ジョージ

氏ら多くの関係者が出席
した。

同協会は横浜印度商協
会として1921年2月
24日に設立。日本とイン
ドの友好親善、経済と文
化の交流、相互理解の推
進役として活動してい
る。会員は在日インド系
企業で構成。

会では今年3月にイン
ドを訪問した岸田文雄首
相がビデオメッセージ、
斉藤鉄夫国交相らが祝辞
を寄せたほか、歌舞伎座
で上演されるインドの代
表的な叙事詩「極付印度
伝マハーバーラタ戦記」
に出演の尾上菊之助さん
があいさつ。日本でも人
気のインド音楽のライブ
ステージも行われた。

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Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Indian Commerce and Industry Association Japan

On November 15th, the Indian Commerce and Industry Association Japan, chaired by Mr. Ryuko Hira, President of Hotel Management International (HMI Hotel Group), marked its 100th anniversary with a "Gratitude Festival" held in Tokyo. The event witnessed the presence of various dignitaries, including His Excellency Mr Yoshihide Suga, former Prime Minister and current President of the Japan-India Association, His Excellency Mr Yasunori Nishimura, Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry and former chairman of the Japan-India Friendship Parliamentary League, parliamentarians, mayors from local municipalities with strong ties to India, and His Excellency Mr Shibi George, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of India to Japan.

Established on February 24, 1921, as the Yokohama Indian Merchants Association, actively promotes friendship and goodwill between Japan and India, fostering economic and cultural exchanges as well as mutual understanding. Its members consist of Indian businesses based in Japan.

During the ceremony, a video message from His Excellency Mr Fumio Kishida, the Prime Minister who visited India in March of this year, was shared. Congratulations were also extended by His Excellency Mr Tetsuo Saito, Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and other notable figures. Additionally, His Excellency Mr. Kikunosuke Onoe, who will be performing in the Indian epic "Mahabharata" at the Kabuki-za theatre, delivered a speech. The event featured a live stage of popular Indian music, adding to the festive atmosphere in Japan.