

PRESIDENT OF INDIA ADDRESSES THE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH MACEDONIA

**INTERACTIONS BETWEEN OUR MEMBERS OF
PARLIAMENT BUILD INSTITUTIONAL TRUST THAT
ENDURES BEYOND POLITICAL CYCLES: PRESIDENT
DROUPADI MURMU**

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The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu addressed the members of the Assembly of North Macedonia at Skopje today (July 21, 2026) in the presence of the President of North Macedonia, H.E. Dr. Gordana Siljanovska-Davkova.



Speaking on the occasion, the President said that we in India regard the Republic of North Macedonia not as a distant country but as an important pillar in the architecture of a stable, multipolar, and prosperous global future. Our relationship was set in motion more than two millennia ago. The historic expeditions of

warriors and traders from this region opened vital corridors for trade, philosophy, and art, connecting our early civilisations.

The President said that democracy is not merely a system of governance; it is a shared article of faith that unites India and North Macedonia. Our parliaments are the guardians of our peoples' freedoms, the architects of our laws, and the mirrors of our national conscience. This is why parliamentary diplomacy is important. She stated that interactions between our Members of Parliament build institutional trust that endures beyond political cycles. She urged young legislators to travel between New Delhi and Skopje and share best practices in parliamentary practices and public policy formulation.

The President underlined that the geopolitical and economic centres of gravity are shifting. In this new era, India views Southeast Europe not as a region on the margins but as a dynamic theatre of growth and innovation. She said that North Macedonia sits at the crossroads of this transformation. It is a vital gateway connecting the Mediterranean with Central Europe, and East with West. She stated that India is committed to scaling up its engagement bilaterally and across the wider region, including through emerging trade and investment opportunities.



The President underlined that no nation can prosper in isolation. She highlighted that India's ancient civilisational philosophy is rooted in the ancient dictum -Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam - the world is one family. When the global landscape is fractured by conflict and economic division, this philosophy calls for building bridges, not walls. She stated that together, as two democratic nations anchored in history and driven by a vision for tomorrow, we should chart a course that brings peace and prosperity to our peoples.

The Minister of State for Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution Smt. Nimuben Jayantibhai Bambhaniya, and Members of Parliament Dr. Dinesh Sharma and Shri Vijay Baghel were also present on the occasion.

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