

**Embassy of India**  
**Harare**

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Ambassador of India to the Republic of Zimbabwe, H.E. Bramha Kumar, today called on Hon. Vice President Kembo Dugish Campbell Mohadi.

Hon. Vice President was grateful for India's various Humanitarian and Technical Support initiatives for Global South. Hon. Vice President appreciated Indian Support to Zimbabwe at various international and multi-lateral fora and highlighted importance of India-Zimbabwe relations under the framework of South-South Cooperation. While seeking Indian expertise to develop MSME sector of Zimbabwe, he expressed keen interests to collaborating with India on developing Diamond Industry related infrastructure in Zimbabwe with the help of Indian investments. Hon. Vice President emphasised that the trade between Zimbabwe and India is low, despite having centuries old trade linkages – dating back to the times of Munhumutapa Empire.

Mentioning ongoing cooperation with Zimbabwe at various international fora, Ambassador thanked Zimbabwe for joining International Solar Alliance. He also apprised the Hon. Vice President about the inclusion of African Union into G20 under India's Presidency of G-20 in 2023. Ambassador of India assured to work with Government of Zimbabwe to put bilateral trade & commerce and investment on a path of high trajectory.

Ambassador mentioned that he is focusing on enhancing the trade relations between India and Zimbabwe through more government-to-government and business-to-business interactions. Highlighting Indian investment in Zimbabwe which is estimated at around USD 600 million and employing more than 5,000 locals directly, Ambassador underscored ongoing scholarship under Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) programme in which 270 plus slots are being offered to Zimbabwe. He also mentioned the 17 Indo-Zim Technological Centres established through Government of India's grants in Zimbabwe.

While briefing Hon. Vice President on whole gamut of bilateral relations, Ambassador also mentioned the successful visit of the 11-member high-level Indian business delegation to Zimbabwe on 20-21 October 2024 to explore new opportunity for trade and investments in sectors like food processing, beverages, mining, textiles, agricultural equipment, polymers etc. and it is on a path of upward trajectory.

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