



**Embassy of India
Harare**

Press Release

Embassy of India, Harare organised ITEC (Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation) Alumni Meet on Thursday, 27 November 2025 at 1200 hrs, at Cresta Churchill Hotel in Bulawayo. H.E. Mr Bramha Kumar, Ambassador of India to Republic of Zimbabwe officiated the Meet.

2. Senior officers from the Government of Republic of Zimbabwe, ITEC Alumni from Bulawayo, Lupane, Gwanda & surrounding areas, and Media representatives were present at the maiden Meet in Matabeleland. Over the past years, Embassy of India celebrated ITEC Days and interactions in Harare.

3. Welcoming the Alumni, H.E. Mr Bramha Kumar, Ambassador of India to Republic of Zimbabwe stated that the interaction with ITEC alumni from time to time gives a chance to bring all ITEC Scholars together and to learn their experiences in India. Ambassador recalled the excellent and historical people-to-people contacts between India and Zimbabwe from the time of Munhumutapa kingdom.

4. Ambassador Bramha Kumar highlighted that capacity building is an important pillar of Development Partnership with India. As part of the Government-to-Government collaboration, India offers more than 250 scholarships to Zimbabwe under Indian Technical & Economic Cooperation (ITEC) program. Separately, ICCR has also offered around 56 fully funded courses (for PhD and Post Graduate courses in various fields) in the past five years. This year, ICCR has announced 10 such scholarships for Zimbabwe and are fully utilized. Government of Zimbabwe sent 71 officers to attend Train-the-Trainer program organized by Centurion University, Bhubaneswar.

5. Ambassador reiterated India's contribution to the development of Zimbabwe. Indian investors have invested more than USD 600 million in various Industries that has provided more than 15,000 direct and indirect employments to our youth. Our bilateral trade is also increasing gradually, touching US\$ 260 million during the last financial year. Zimbabwe also appreciates India for her consistent humanitarian assistance in time of needs including donation of 1,000 MT of rice last year. Under India's initiative, a US\$ 1 million grant project announced in 2021 from the India-UN Development Partnership Fund for climate resilient agriculture in the districts of Chiredzi and Mangwe of Zimbabwe is completed and delivered. I take the pleasure to inform you that the work on Deka Pumping and River Water Intake System, with the help of Government of India's Line of Credit of US\$ 48.1 million has been completed and commissioned in August last year.

6. During the Meet, the ITEC Alumni fondly remembered their pleasant stay in India and shared their experiences. Applicants who are leaving for their ITEC courses in India, also learned from the experiences of those who have already been there.

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