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Subject: India–Suriname Golden Jubilee Friendship Run/Viksit Bharat Run 2026

The Embassy of India in Paramaribo organised a Community Marathon under the “India–Suriname Golden Jubilee Friendship Run and Viksit Bharat Run” on Friday, 2 October 2026 at 0830 hrs, with the enthusiastic participation of members of the Indian community, Surinamese friends of India, Government officials, Diplomatic corps members, youth groups.

2. The Run was also joined by Hon’ble Minister of Youth Development and Sports of Suriname H.E. Ms. Lalinie Gopal and Hon’ble Member of the National Assembly, H.E. Dr. Ameerani Jarbandhan. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Business and International Cooperation was represented by H.E. Ms. Miriam Mac Intosh, Permanent Secretary. H.E. Mr. Agus Priono, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Indonesia to the Republic of Suriname, also participated along with his Embassy team and other members of the Diplomatic Corps. Officials of various Ministries and members of the local community also took part in the Run.

3. The Run was flagged off by India’s Ambassador Shri Subhash P. Gupta. In his address, the Ambassador welcomed the participants and appreciated their enthusiastic participation. He underscored the community spirit, which reflects the enduring friendship between India and Suriname as well as the collective resolve to contribute to India’s journey towards Viksit Bharat by 2047.

4. The Community Marathon was part of the global chain of “Viksit Bharat Run–2026” marathons held across 157 cities worldwide, during Seva Pakhwada from 17 September to 2 October 2026. The marathon commenced and concluded at Independence Square, covering part of the iconic buildings in the inner city of Paramaribo. After the run, participants were served the refreshments

A few photographs of the event are enclosed below.

