



CONSULATE GENERAL OF
ISRAEL IN BENGALURU



Dear all,

The Consulate General of Israel in Bengaluru wishes you a happy New Year. Marking the beginning of a new year and a new road ahead, we would like to take you to a quick trip down our memory lane and give a summary of our activities throughout the year of 2016.

The year started with our Consul General, Yael Hashavit and Deputy Chief of the Mission, Ziv Shalvi paying a visit to Governor of Karnataka, Vajubhai Vala at his residence. The end of January brought Israeli experts to Bengaluru and the consulate visited the University of Agricultural Science with a rather enlightening seminar by Israeli water experts. The experts demonstrated the practices of important and sought after agricultural technologies like drip irrigation and more, fascinating both the students and the faculty.



The month of February commenced with the Consulate welcoming Elena Donets CEO at StarTau, Tel Aviv University Entrepreneurship Center and a leading figure in the Israeli Entrepreneurship to Bengaluru.



“Scene Synergy between Innovation and Practice for Sustainable Business” was held by the Consulate General of Israel in Bengaluru in coordination with the Acharya Institute of Management and Sciences, Bengaluru and India Institute of Management, Bengaluru to promote and share the Israeli creation of Entrepreneurial Ecosystem.

February again marked a festive month for the Consulate as famous Israeli Jazz quartet “Katamon Cherry” performed at the Global Isai festival in Chennai, Bangalore School of music, Bflat and Take 5 pubs in Bengaluru. April brought Israeli Jazz Trio of Ehud Ettun to the city and some of their exhilarating instrumental jazz performances were enjoyed by the bengalureons at Bflat, Bangalore School of Music and Indigo 91.9.



The memories of harrowing holocaust stirred hearts in the month of May.

The Consulate paid tribute to the victims of the Holocaust with the support of Alliance of Francaise. The screening of the movie “Last flight” depicting the plight of the Jews during the holocaust moved the crowd down to tears.

We celebrated on May 14th 2016, the 68th Independence of the State of Israel to cherish the strong friendship between Israel and India. An interactive exhibition of the spirit of Israeli Innovation was inaugurated during this occasion - First time in Bengaluru.



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In the past, Israel was referred to as the “Land of Milk and Honey”, but if that epithet were to be upgraded to reflect Israel’s place in the 21st century, it would undoubtedly read: “Innovation Nation”. And this was proved by our program “Start up and Innovation evening “wherein our audience witnessed Israel as the global leaders of start capital and innovation. What’s Israel without its food? Thus the Consulate decided to GIVE Bengaluru a taste of Israeli delicacies.



The sizzling flavors of the Middle Eastern lands rejoiced many taste buds at Aloft Bengaluru Cessna Business Park with renowned Chef Shachar Aschengrau along with the team at Nook to create a culinary repertoire that will play a symphony upon your palate with their most exquisite dishes at the ‘Taste of Israel’.

Israel believes in the power of women empowerment and to reflect the same Illana Shoshan, Film producer and social activist from Israel joined us here in Bengaluru to hold a series of lectures with the business in Indian society.

The most breakthrough and landmark event for the year 2016 was “Open a Door to Israel”, which was a huge success in Bengaluru. A first of its kind event, Open a Door to Israel was a unique experience that promised the way to Israel in the fastest, easiest and most magical way by giving one a virtual tour of Israel. A never seen before art exhibition with the most cutting technology won thousands of hearts in Bengaluru.



The month of November was quite busy and important for the Israeli missions across India as it was almost after two decades that the President of Israel was holding a state visit to India. Israeli President Reuven Rivlin met Indian President Pranab Mukherjee, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and other government officials in Delhi. President Rivlin’s visit to India signified the growing and sustainable relations between India and Israel.



The year ended with a rather important and constructive visit by Mr Avi Blasberger, Director of the Israeli Space Agency and Mr Ofir Akunis, Israel’s Minister of Science and Technology and Space to Bengaluru in December. The ministers along with their delegation visited ISRO, Raman Research Institute and Global Technology Summit 2016 during their visit.

We will keep you posted with our future activities.

Shabbat shalom



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9th-25th September 2016
Mon.-Thu. 11am - 8pm | Fri.-Sun. 11am - 10pm
MG Road Metro Station, Bengaluru

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