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# Registration with Indian Embassy

Having spent substantial years in India when we decided to move to the Netherlands with our children it seemed like a ‘Herculean’ effort. It turned out that indeed ....with settling the children in new school /environment, finding a house, finding a locality, finding a job, finding the various/right stuff to eat , understand/adapt to the culture, finding a community to socialize with.....the list is endless and this story is not only ours but relatable for all the families who have relocated.

In this grind of settling down in a new country, we all the time seek a connection with the home country either consciously or through the subconscious mind.

<https://indianembassynetherlands.gov.in/>

The above website is that of the Indian Embassy in the Netherlands. This I found as a gateway not only to stay connected to our roots but also to feel a sense of belonging being an Indian passport holder.

- It is important that we register ourselves with the Indian Embassy so that the Embassy has a count of the Indian passport holders in the Netherlands. You will find the link in the Home page in ‘red ‘ REGISTRATION OF INDIAN NATIONALS. <https://indianembassynetherlands.gov.in/register/>

This becomes important when there are emergencies like the COVID pandemic to keep the

Indian Embassy database updated.

- Gandhi Centre is the cultural wing of the Embassy of India located in Hague. They frequently

organize varied cultural events which are a pleasure to watch and attend.

- I attended an event last year where the Chief Election Commissioner of India was present and

we could interact with him and seek answers to our questions.

- The Gandhi Centre (TGC) offers yoga classes, tabla classes and has a library as well.

- In addition to the above, this website has loads of information about the different initiatives by

the Government of India and is a rich source of information to stay connected.

We had the privilege to associate with a couple of Embassy officials and their warm, cordial and helping approach left us with a good comforting feeling in this new country.

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