**Tribute to Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore**

The Cultural Center of India (Centro Cultural de la India) run by Mrs. Maria Eugenia Morales (Sahadi Mahfouz) and her husband Mr. Cesar organized a cultural event at the prestigious CELARG in Caracas at 10 am on 30 June 2013 to pay a glowing tribute to Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941), poet, novelist, playwright, song composer, painter, humanist, philosopher. Tagore was the first Non-European to win Nobel Prize for Literature in 1913.

The event lasting almost three hours began with the National Anthems of Venezuela and India.

Addressing the packed auditorium, H.E. Ms. Smita Purushottam, Ambassador of India to Venezuela, who was the Chief Guest, highlighted the multifaceted personality of Tagore, his key role in the renaissance of Bengali literature, the universal and humanistic appeal in his writings and inspiration to the freedom movement. She also mentioned that his appeal cut across political and religious boundaries and was equally respected in India and in Bangladesh. He is perhaps the only person to have written the National Anthems of two countries - India and Bangladesh. She thanked Mrs. María Eugenia and her husband for organizing such a wonderful event.

The programme included Sitar recital by Mr. Marek Jan Wesolowski even as a wide variety of photographs representing different aspects of India was projected on the screen. It was followed by recital of rich variety of Tagore’s poetry by Mr. Cesar Pastran and Mrs. María Eugenia to the accompaniment of Sitar.

The programme concluded with some lovely Bollywood and Indian folk dances by Venezuelan girls who have been learning Indian dances from Mrs. María Eugenia.

The event was applauded and greatly appreciated by the packed audience.
El Centro Cultural de la India te invita a disfrutar de la muestra:

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Tagore
Tributo

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