



**Embassy of India  
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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Government of India extends felicitations on the  
Presidential election in Tunisia**

The Government of India extends its hearty felicitations to the Government and the people of the Republic of Tunisia and to the Election Commission of Tunisia (ISIE) on the successful conduct of the two rounds of the Presidential election following the equally successful holding of the legislative elections earlier. These elections attest to the skill, organizational ability and maturity of the Tunisian people and their leadership.

The Government of India congratulates Mr. Beji Caid Essebsi on his victory in the Presidential elections and wishes him all success in fulfilling his mandate of guiding the destiny of his people at this important juncture in their history.

The Government of India has noted the progress of the Tunisian people towards a durable democracy. The democratic process was enabled by the elections of October 2011, undertaken by the National Constituent Assembly and by the coalition governments formed thereafter, and finally found fruition through the National Dialogue: these labours culminating in the adoption of a Constitution by consensus. That quest for democracy has now been fulfilled by the convening of the Assembly of the Representatives of the People and the direct election of the President of the Republic of Tunisia.

India reiterates its support to democracy in Tunisia and looks forward to working with the President-elect and the new Government, when it is formed, to further strengthen and deepen Tunisia-India relations in diverse fields.

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