

**EMBASSY OF INDIA, JAKARTA**



**PRESS RELEASE**

**AMBASSADOR OF INDIA LEADS AN IT DELEGATION TO YOGYAKARTA**

Ambassador of India H.E. Mr. Gurjit Singh, accompanied by an IT delegation comprising of representatives of Tech Mahindra, Tata Consultancy Services and State Bank of India, visited Yogyakarta on 27 October 2014. The purpose of the visit was to explore the possibilities of cooperation in IT sector between Indian IT companies and the Yogyakarta Provincial Government.

The delegation met with H. E. Mr. Sri Sultan Hamengkubono X, the Governor of Yogyakarta. During the meeting, the Governor appreciated the efforts of Ambassador H.E. Mr. Gurjit Singh in establishing IT cooperation between both sides.

Highlighting India's expertise in IT and related services, Ambassador H.E. Mr. Gurjit Singh offered a three-pronged strategy of IT cooperation with Yogyakarta viz. (i) Skill development of younger generation, which will be an useful tool for development of IT skills of large number of students in Yogyakarta. Towards this, the Ambassador offered five Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) scholarships to students/people from Yogyakarta to undergo training/ study visit/ training of trainers in India; (ii) The expertise of Indian IT companies could be used for setting up of startup incubators for various companies in Yogyakarta; and (iii) Participation of Indonesian companies in Indian IT Fair. The Governor welcomed the suggestions of Ambassador and agreed to extend support in implementing these main areas of cooperation in IT sector.

The Indian IT companies gave a presentation on possibilities of IT cooperation to an audience of KADIN Yogyakarta; BPD Yogyakarta; IT academics from Gadjah Mada University; STMIK AMIKOM; Digital Valley and Yogyakarta Animations. From the Yogyakarta side, Digital Valley gave a presentation on IT sector. The delegation also visited Digital Valley IT Park in Yogyakarta to get an overview of possible areas of cooperation with Yogyakarta IT companies.

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