The Embassy of India in Djibouti organized an event on “Constitution Day & Campaign on Citizen Duties” (Fundamental Duties sub-article 5 & 6) on 26 February 2020 at Acacias Hotel Djibouti. Around 50 participants from Indian Diaspora, Djiboutian Nationals participated in the event. Mr. Mokhtar Ahmed, Substitute General, Government of Djibouti was the Chief Guest.
Mr. Ashok Kumar, Ambassador of India in Djibouti in his address highlighted the significance of the fundamental duties of citizens towards a nation. He also explained the need to strike a balance the rights with the duties in multi diverse societies like India & Djibouti for a harmonious coexistence of population. He further spoke on values associated with the Constitution of India, which makes India a shining example of unity in diversity.
Chief Guest Mr. Mokhtar Ahmed spoke primarily on the role of the constitution of a country in upholding the dignity and liberty of each individual. He also mentioned how Fundamental Duties inculcate a sense of responsibility in citizens and take the country in the direction of prosperity. He thanked the Indian Embassy for such inspiring platforms and wished for more interactions & exchanges between Indian and Djiboutian nationals. The two communities he stressed should make more efforts to reach out to each other to further strengthen the bond.

The interactive session was enlightening and educative as the discussions, questions and comments revolved around the fundamental duties and rights of citizens in both the countries. One of the participants Mr. Pankaj Singh spoke about giving true meaning to fundamental duties by following them in our daily lives and influencing others through our conduct. Another participant Mr. Mayank Shah thanked Indian Government for establishing Indian Embassy in Djibouti and further Embassy of India for such educative programs on Indian Constitution. Ms. Jenisha Shah in her observation talked about the harmony in Indian community here and stressed on the need to engage more with Djiboutian communities as both nation with liberal and diverse nature has so much to learn from each other.
Mr. Shamim also echoed his thought on being a more responsible citizen by following laws & rules in its true sense and appreciate the privileges and freedom the country bestows upon all its citizens.

The event ended with further positive comments and elaboration of fundamental duties by the Ambassador and the Chief Guest.