

**Embassy of India  
Bangkok**

**International Day of Yoga in Thailand 2016**

The Second International Day of Yoga was celebrated with great enthusiasm in Bangkok (Thailand) at the prestigious Chulalongkorn University, in the heart of Bangkok. Around 6000 people participated at the event, which included students & yoga enthusiasts from across Thailand. A group of specially abled participants, coordinated by Deaf Association of Thailand also participated in the Event.

Her Excellency Ms. Kobkarn Wattanavrangkul, Minister of Tourism and Sports of Thailand and Ambassador Mr. Bhagwant Singh Bishnoi inaugurated the event with lighting of lamp. Mr. Pomthong Malakul, Vice President for Academic Affairs of Chulalongkorn University and Ms. Yada Theppanom, Miss Grand Thailand 2013 also graced the occasion.

Video messages on the occasion of 2<sup>nd</sup> International Day of Yoga from Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi and Minister of External Affairs, Smt. Sushma Swaraj, were screened at the event. A Yoga session as per the common Yoga protocol was conducted for all participants. Yoga experts deputed from India demonstrated advanced yogic postures to the participants. Several dignitaries including Ambassadors and members of the diplomatic corps, representatives from government of Thailand, UN Regional Offices based in Bangkok practiced Yoga, dressed in t-shirts in the colour of the Indian tricolor during the Event. Well-known celebrity Ms. Yada Theppanom, Miss Grand Thailand 2013 was the star attraction and famous TV Thai Anchor Ms. Micky Thanachok was master of ceremonies for the Event.









Consulate of India, Chiang Mai, Thailand organized a Yoga session to commemorate 2<sup>nd</sup> IDY on 18th June, 2016 at Buddhas Than, Chiang Mai. Around 350 Yoga enthusiasts, Yoga teachers and local dignitaries participated in the event. Eminent singer Anindiata Paul and musician Dibyajyoti Nath from Mumbai performed at the event.





The 2<sup>nd</sup> IDY was celebrated on the 21st June in the sunken area of Central Festival Pattaya Beach in Pattaya under the patronage of City Hall and the Father Ray Foundation. More than 250 yoga enthusiasts taking part in the event. Students from the Vocational School for People with Disabilities, Special Needs Center and the School for the Blind also joined Yoga Session.





On 26 June, 150 people participated in a Yoga Session at Central Festival in Hat Yai, Songkla province.







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