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PRESS STATEMENT

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IDC SADDENED BY DEATHS and INJURIES at MAHA SHIVRATREE CELEBRATIONS IN MAURITIUS

The Indian Diaspora Council International (IDC) family is saddened by the tragic loss of life and injury suffered at the Maha Shivaratree celebrations in Mare Longue, Mauritius on 15th February, 2023 when a large *kanwar* hit an electric cable, caught fire at the top and collapsed. At least 2 deaths were reported and several more were injured.

IDC global family joins with IDC representatives in Mauritius in “expressing our condolences to the families of those who lost their lives at the event and we pray for quick and complete recovery of those who were injured”. IDC encourages organizers of celebrations to take due diligence and precautions to prevent future accidents leading to injury and loss of life.

<https://mauritiushindinews.com/mbc/video-maha-shivaratri-the-prime-minister-meets-the-injured-and-their-families/>

“Following the drama which occurred in Mare-Longue, the Prime Minister went to Grand Bassin. He met the injured at the Medical Post and the families of the young pilgrims. Accompanied by the Minister of Health and the Commissioner of Police, the Prime Minister made an assessment of the situation. Pravind Kumar Jugnauth called for the injured to receive all the necessary care.

“Prime Minister Pravind Jugnauth, accompanied by Ministers Kailesh Jagutpal and Joe Lesjongard, made a point of making the trip to Albion, this Friday, February 17 morning, in order to present their sympathies and support the families and loved ones of the two victims of the tragedy in Mare-Longue. They are Rohan Dorjan, 22, and Parmeshwar Dhookeeya, 35.



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