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**“To truly love God and Islam requires a person to love his Nation”
Worldwide head of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community.**

**Independence Day brings a message of unity and solidarity
among the people of the country**

**Celebrating Independence Day during this pandemic
requires us to help and support one another.**

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of India extends its heartfelt wishes to all the people of the country on the occasion of Independence Day.

August 15 is a historic day that marked an important milestone in India's development because on this same day India achieved independence in 1947.

It is with pride that we acknowledge that our country India is the largest democracy in the world in terms of population, with people from different religions, ethnicity, color, cultures and languages. Although India has diverse culture everyone here lives with mutual love and affection. The Worldwide head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (may Allah be his helper) delivered a speech in Germany in 2012 in which he said,

“The Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) himself taught that the ‘Love for one’s nation is a part of faith.’ Thus, sincere patriotism is a requirement in Islam. To truly love God and Islam requires a person to love his nation. It is quite clear, therefore, that there can be no conflict of interest between a person’s love for God, and love for his country. As love for one’s country has been made a part of Islam.”

By following these guidelines every Ahmadi resident of India loves his beloved country and works tirelessly for the development and prosperity of his nation. Every Ahmadi abides by the law of this nation and are always ready to serve the country in every possible manner. Celebrating Independence Day is in fact a reminder that we are all working hard for the development of India and promoting mutual understanding and unity.

In this time when the whole world is suffering from COVID-19, it is important for us Indians to support one another and try to alleviate each other's suffering especially the suffering of the deprived. So that our country as a whole could develop with its people from all walks of life.

"Love for all hatred for none", this is not only the motto of Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, but also the way of life that Ahmadiyyat teaches. And to follow this principle is the need of the hour. May Allah Almighty make our homeland India the cradle of peace and may our country develop in all respects and May God save humanity from the scourge of this disease. *Ameen*

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