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Prime Minister

MESSAGE

It is a pleasure to learn that the National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of India is completing 100 years of its establishment. Heartiest congratulations and greetings to the people of Bahá'í community across the country.

This is a momentous milestone in India's vibrant landscape of religious diversity and inclusivity. As the Bahá'í fraternity and India celebrate this significant occasion, it not only acknowledges the historical contribution of the Bahá'ís, but also the lasting impact of its dedication to nurture social ties within India's diverse social fabric.

The teachings of Bahá'u'lláh made their way to India during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Since then, the Bahá'í family has become an important and valued part of Indian society. Through its advocacy for gender equality, universal education, and grassroots community-building efforts, the Bahá'í community has emerged as a consistent advocate for social progress and unity.

Today, India has a large number of Bahá'ís and their institutions and missions are much respected in our nation.

The establishment of the Bahá'í House of Worship in New Delhi has emerged as a universally acknowledged emblem of spiritual transformation. The Lotus Temple also stands as a symbol of inner peace and harmony.

Best wishes for making the Centenary celebrations of National Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of India a huge success.

(Narendra Modi)

New Delhi

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