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Prime Minister

MESSAGE

On the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian people, I reaffirm India's support for the cause of Palestine and solidarity with the Palestinian people for their struggle for a sovereign, independent, viable and a united State of Palestine within secure and recognized borders side-by-side at peace with Israel and with East Jerusalem as its capital.

Apart from political support to the Palestinian cause, India continues to support the development and nation-building efforts of Palestine by consistently extending technical and financial assistance to Palestine. It also contributes US\$1 million annually to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). India has recently pledged US\$4 million in response to the National Early Recovery and Reconstruction Plan for Gaza. We are also implementing development projects in Palestine, jointly with Brazil and South Africa within the framework of IBSA, and have pledged US\$1 million for a new project to reconstruct the Atta Habib medical centre in Gaza.

We remain hopeful that talks and negotiations between the Palestinians and the Israelis will resume soon, leading to a comprehensive peace process and a final resolution of the conflict.

On this important occasion, on behalf of the people of India, I convey our best wishes and greetings to the friendly people of Palestine.



(Narendra Modi)

New Delhi

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