## Consulate General of India Manchester

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## Press Release CGI Hosts a Reception and Fireside Chat with Indian (Women's) Cricket Team

On 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025, Consulate General of India, Manchester hosted a reception dinner and fireside chat with the Indian (Women's) Cricket Team. This was organised at Emirates Old Trafford cricket stadium in Old Trafford, Manchester. This event was ahead of their 4<sup>th</sup> T20 International versus England (Women) on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

Players and staff of Team India were given a warm reception by Mrs Vishakha Yaduvanshi, Consul General of India; Mr Daniel Gidney, CEO of Lancashire County Cricket Club; and distinguished dignitaries. Budding female cricketers presented flowers to the players.

CG lauded the team for their spirit and courage. She highlighted that they represent the best of India, and that the event will celebrate their trailblazing success. CEO Daniel Gidney welcomed the team to Old Trafford, emphasising the opportunities for new landmarks in women's cricket at the historic venue. Head coach Amol Muzumdar and captain Harmanpreet Kaur presented signed jerseys to CG and Mr. Gidney as a token of appreciation.

A fireside chat was hosted on the topic 'Breaking Boundaries: Stories from the Field and Boardroom'. An illustrious panel of speakers was moderated by journalist Maithreyi Seetharaman. Panel included Jane Powell, Former England player and Yorkshire County Cricket Club President; Jo Ahmed, Partner Delloitte; Harmanpreet Kaur, Smriti Mandhana & Harleen Deol from Indian cricket team. Inspiring stories of empowerment and leadership motivated the audience.

The event was supported by LCCC, MAG and Indigo.

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