

Greetings

Warm greetings to everyone participating in the International Mother Language Day 2015.

I thank the organizers of this event for encouraging people to play an active role in promoting awareness of mother language and cultural diversity. Language is one of the most powerful ways to preserve and promote one's culture for future generations to learn and appreciate. We are blessed to live in a society where multiculturalism is encouraged and celebrated.

Through International Mother Language Day, we have an opportunity to gain knowledge, share and raise awareness about respecting and celebrating our differences. Let us rejoice in the rich diversity Mother Language brings.

I wish you continued success.

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