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PRESS RELEASE

Dubbo Support Center Inaugurated: Fostering Unity, Diversity, and Community Well-being

Dubbo, September 23, 2023 – In a momentous event held at 3/43 Macquarie Street, Dubbo, NSW, the Dubbo Support Center was officially launched, marking a significant milestone in fostering unity, cultural diversity, and community well-being for the people of the Dubbo region. The event, which took place on September 23, 2023, showcased a profound commitment to inclusivity, bridging cultural divides, and providing essential support to the residents of Dubbo and the surrounding regional areas.

The program commenced with a heartfelt acknowledgment of the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians of the land. Ms Vijaya Nadendla, Manager of the Indian Support Center, served as the Master of Ceremonies, guiding the attendees through an inspiring program that was broadcast live worldwide on Facebook and YouTube.

The program began with the ‘Welcome to Nation address by Aunty Sandra Riley. The symbolic opening of the Dubbo Support Center was conducted through a Lamp Lighting ceremony, graced by esteemed personalities including The Hon Mark Coulton – Federal Member for Parkes, The Hon Dugald Saunders – Member for Dubbo, The Hon Stephen Lawrence MLC, Mayor Councillor Mathew Dickerson, Aunty Sandra Riley, Mr Shibli Chowdhury – Councilor and Chairperson for Multicultural Advisory Committee, Councilor Matt Wright and Councillor Josh Black graced the occasion.

Distinguished guests, including The Hon Mark Coulton, Federal Member for Parkes; Mr. Dugald Saunders, Member for Dubbo; The Hon Stephen Lawrence MLC; and Mayor Councillor Mathew Dickerson, shared their insights and visions for a united, prosperous community and role the Dubbo Support Center could play in supporting this vision. The Hon Mark Coulton said that it is just the right time the Dubbo Support Center is established, while Dubbo is on a strong economic growth path.

Mr. Subba Rao Varigonda, President of ISC/Dubbo, welcomed the guests and discussed the planned services and the organizational structure of the Dubbo Support Center, emphasizing the center’s commitment to community welfare for the people of Dubbo and the region.

The cultural program featured melodious performances by Mr. Vinod Rajput, a talented singer and geophysicist from Sydney, highlighting the vibrancy of Indian heritage and talent. The event emphasized the significance of cultural exchange, dialogue, and understanding between the Indian diaspora and the wider community. ISC, a multifaceted institution, stands as a testament to the power of unity and the strength of diversity.

Mr. Subba Rao Varigonda, President of ISC/Dubbo, remarked, “Today marks a new chapter for Dubbo, where unity and cultural exchange will thrive. The Dubbo Support Center is a beacon of hope, support, and inclusivity.”

Mayor Councillor Mathew Dickerson stated, “I am thrilled to witness the inauguration of the Dubbo Support Center, a testament to our community's commitment to fostering opportunities and ensuring every resident has access to the support they need.”

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. Rizwan Raza, Treasurer of ISC, expressing gratitude to all attendees, supporters, and contributors. A delicious lunch, was enjoyed by all, fostering a sense of camaraderie and community.

The Dubbo Support Center is a community-driven initiative dedicated to providing guidance on immigration, legal matters, and support during personal or community needs. Through cultural exchange and celebration, ISC aims to create spaces where diverse cultures intersect, learn, and build enduring friendships.

Indian Support Center Inc was established in March 2015 with support from the NSW Government. Over the years, ISC has grown into a formidable community organization. Located in Wentworthville, NSW, ISC's services include Harm Prevention and Domestic Violence Victim Support, Digital Education for Seniors, Consular related support including Notary and JP support services to migrant communities from the Indian Subcontinent region living in NSW. ISC has now expanded its operations into the Dubbo region. In the Dubbo region, DSC plans to provide the same services but will cover the mainstream Australian and Aboriginal communities.

This press release is authorized for release by Mr Subba Rao Varigonda, JP President of the Indian Support Center Inc!



Lamp Lighting ceremony to mark the opening of the Dubbo Support Center by Aunty Sandra Riley, The Hon Mark Coulton, the Hon Dugald Saunders Member for Dubbo, The Hon Stephen Lawrence MLC, and Mayor Clr Mathew Dickerson



Mayor Mathew Dickerson presenting a plaque marking the Opening Ceremony of the ISC's Dubbo Center to the management team of the Dubbo Support Center in the presence of dignitaries and guests



The Hon Mark Coulton, the Hon Dugald Saunders, The Hon Stephen Lawrence MLC, Mayor Clr Mathew Dickerson with the ISC's management team and all the guests / supporters from Sydney!