

India Observes State Mourning for Iran President

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The Government of India has announced a **day of state mourning on 21st May 2024,** following the tragic **death of Iranian President Seyed Ebrahim Raisi** and other senior officials in a helicopter-related incident.

- As part of the state mourning, the national tricolour will be flown at half-mast at all public buildings across the country as a mark of respect for the late Iranian president, and no official entertainment will take place during this period.
 - State mourning in India is observed under specific guidelines provided by the Ministry of Home Affairs. These guidelines are part of the broader set of rules and conventions known as the <u>Flag Code of India</u>, 2002.
- The Prime Minister of India expressed grief on Raisi's death and acknowledged his significant contribution to India-Iran ties.
 - During President Raisi's term, Iran joined the <u>BRICS</u> grouping in Johannesburg in 2023, alongside Saudi Arabia.



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