

**Consulate General of India, Manchester**

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**Press Release**

**Celebration of Gandhi Jayanti in Manchester on the 156<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi**

Today CGI organised a commemorative event at the statue of Mahatma Gandhi in Manchester in front of the Manchester Cathedral. A floral tribute was offered to the father of our nation on 2nd October 2025 on the occasion of his 156th birth anniversary. This day has been declared the International day of Non-Violence by the United Nations General Assembly in his honour.

CG was joined by Hon'ble Lord Mayor of Greater Manchester Cllr Carmine Grimshaw, Member of Parliament Mr Navendu Mishra, The Very Rev Dean Rogers and Cllr Ayyub Patel along with the Indian diaspora and friends of India.

Gandhiji's ideals of peace and non-violence continue to guide us today. Today Manchester witnessed a gruesome act of violence. This deeply disturbing incident as well as the recent vandalism of the Gandhi statue in London. The remarks of CG and our esteemed dignitaries highlighted the importance Gandhiji's teachings in the face of such acts of hatred and violence.

We thank all those who gathered this morning in honour of the Mahatma on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti.

**Manchester**

**2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025**