

**Embassy of India  
Santiago**

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**Remarks of Ambassador Abhilasha Joshi on the occasion of the  
Inauguration Ceremony of the EtM 2025 (Emprende tu Mente)  
on 20 November 2025**

**Your Excellency President Gabriel Boric,  
Excellencies, Honourable Ministers,  
Distinguished officials from the Municipality of Vitacura and  
Bicentenario Park,  
Esteemed representatives of ProChile, the EtM organising team,  
India-Chile Chamber of Commerce (Cam-India),  
Members of the Indian delegation,  
My colleagues from the Embassy and distinguished guests,**

Namaste and buenos días,

It is an honour to join you at EtM Day 2025, an event that increasingly serves as a meeting point for innovators, entrepreneurs and policymakers across Latin America.

At the outset, I would like to convey the Government of India's sincere appreciation to the Government of Chile, and the EtM organizers led by their Co-founder **Mr. Daniel Daccarett**, for inviting India as the first ever "**Country of Honour**" at EtM this

year. We are grateful to the Municipality of Vitacura and the Bicentenario Park authorities for their warm hospitality. I also would like to thank ProChile for its exemplary cooperation in coordinating and supporting the participation of niche Indian tech and innovation-focused enterprises.

Excellency and distinguished guests,

Your State Visit to India earlier this year, marked a landmark moment in India-Chile bilateral relations. Your interactions in Bengaluru and Mumbai, India's principal technology and innovation hubs, were closely followed by stakeholders on both sides. The visit underscored our shared belief that innovation and technology must serve as instruments for inclusive growth and human development.

Building on the momentum generated by your visit, both sides have been working to deliver on all the key commitments identified by the leadership. The **Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)** negotiations have been going well with three rounds already completed and both sides aiming for an early conclusion. We are optimistic that the CEPA will be a forward-looking framework capable of unlocking new opportunities across technology, services and mobility of professionals, critical minerals, digital trade, innovation-led manufacturing, and the wider knowledge economy.

Recently, we also successfully concluded the **9<sup>th</sup> round of the India-Chile Foreign Office Consultations (FOC)**, reaffirming our

shared commitment to deepen cooperation across political, economic, technological and developmental sectors. Both sides noted the immense potential for collaboration across sectors like Science and Technology, Agriculture, joint Research & Development, Green Energy and Critical Minerals, to name a few. Given the vast synergies in our Startup and Innovation ecosystems on both sides, we could also organize **Joint Hackathons** in the near future, collaborating to develop innovative solutions for the common challenges facing humanity.

Friends,

India, for its part, is undergoing a period of accelerated technological transformation. Key national initiatives like the **India AI Mission, the Semiconductor Mission and India's Digital Public Infrastructure**, are paving the way tech-enabled development and inclusive citizen services. Platforms such as **Bhashini** are ensuring that digital tools are available in multiple Indian languages, expanding both accessibility and inclusion. In India, digitalization and innovation are securing last mile connectivity, with a vision to leave no one behind.

Looking ahead, **India will host the "AI Impact Summit" in February 2026**, a global platform dedicated to examining the societal and developmental implications of artificial intelligence. We would be honoured to welcome Chile's participation in this important gathering, particularly given Chile's leadership in regional AI initiatives, such as **LATAM-GPT**, sustainable technologies, renewable energy, precision mining and scientific innovation.

Chile's strengths in these areas complement India's digital, engineering and technological capabilities. Together, our two countries have the potential to shape practical, human-centred solutions in areas ranging from clean technologies and mining innovation to AI-enabled public services, digital health, robotics and fintech.

Friends,

India therefore approaches EtM 2025 as an opportunity to foster genuine partnerships and a space for open and productive collaborations. The Indian Pavilion today boasts the presence of leading global Indian companies such as **TCS, Infosys, Kalpataru, ESSAAR** and many more. They are a reflection of India's skill, talent and rapid growth, where by the end of this decade, we will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest economy in the world.

Excellency,

Although India and Chile are separated by distance, our shared democratic values, our commitment to human dignity and our belief in the power of technology to improve lives bring us remarkably close. **Innovation thrives when nations work together, and it is this spirit of cooperation that defines our engagement today.**

In closing, I extend my warmest wishes for the success of EtM Day 2025 and extend an invitation to all of you to be with us during the Inauguration Ceremony of the Indian Pavilion in the afternoon and also visit it over the course of 3 days, to see for yourself, the

technology, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit that India brings. I once again thank the EtM organisers, ProChile, the Municipality of Vitacura, our partners at Cam-India and others for making this event possible. India deeply values its friendship with Chile, and we look forward to strengthening this partnership in the months and years ahead.

**Muchas gracias.**

**Jai Hind.**

**Long live the friendship between India and Chile!**

**Larga vida a la amistad entre India y Chile!**