

Turkmenistan Independence Day Special

Committed to independence and neutrality

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On Sept. 27, Turkmenistan proudly celebrates the 34th anniversary of its independence — marking over three decades of peace, prosperity and forward-looking diplomacy.

Since gaining independence in 1991, Turkmenistan has steadfastly pursued a foreign policy of permanent neutrality, enshrined in its constitution and recognized by United Nations General Assembly resolutions in 1995, 2015 and 2025. This principled stance has laid the foundation for building constructive relations with countries across the world — none more dynamic than that with Japan, a valued and long-standing partner.

Under the guidance of the National Leader of the Turkmen People Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov and the President of Turkmenistan Serdar Berdimuhamedov, the country has developed into a modern, open and forward-looking nation.

The government continues to invest in political stability, economic diversification, scientific innovation, cultural enrichment and education.

Independence and neutrality are not just policy principles — they are lived values, empowering Turkmenistan to act as a reliable mediator and propose international initiatives that address today's global challenges.

The president's historic visit to Japan in April was a significant diplomatic moment. His participation in the Turkmenistan National Day at the Osaka Expo highlighted the strength of the Turkmen-Japanese relationship. At the official opening of the Turkmenistan Pavilion, the president delivered an address emphasizing peace and trust as the foundations for global economic cooperation.

On April 15, the president met with Emperor Naruhito in Tokyo and held high-level talks with Prime Minister Shigeru

Ishiba, reaffirming shared commitments to peace, neutrality and sustainable development.

The president also met with representatives of Japan's business community, including members of the Turkmen-Japanese Economic Committee and company leaders.

He noted that Japanese companies have participated in commissioning several large industrial facilities in Turkmenistan. These include a complex for ammonia and urea production in Garabogaz, a polymer plant in Kiyanly, a facility in Ovadandepe that produces gasoline from natural gas and a gas turbine power plant in Charjev etrap.

That same day, the president was awarded an honorary doctorate by the University of Tsukuba, reflecting the strong academic bonds between the two nations.

Turkmenistan celebrates 34 years of independence with pride in its past achievements and confidence in its future. The country's enduring neutrality, constructive diplomacy and strategic partnerships — especially with Japan — form the bedrock of its long-term development.

This year's commemorations are an opportunity to reflect on the past and look ahead to a future shaped by peace, prosperity and trust.

Turkmenistan remains committed to building bridges, fostering dialogue and creating a better world for future generations. On this occasion of national pride, we extend our deepest gratitude to our international partners, especially the government and people of Japan, for their enduring friendship and cooperation.

Happy Independence Day, Turkmenistan!



President Serdar Berdimuhamedov
EMBASSY OF TURKMENISTAN



Turkmenistan's pavilion at the Osaka Expo
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