

## **News Extract on Food Festival of India**

### **Madagascar Matin – 06/11/15**

#### **IBIS HOTEL : food festival in honour**

To strengthen the cultural relations between India and Madagascar, the Embassy of India organizes since September the first Festival of India in Madagascar, till end of November. Many programmes presenting different forms of Indian culture will take place, including the Food festival of India, that will be held at Ibis Hotel, from 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> November.

In close collaboration with the ministry of culture and tourism, Government of India and in partnership with Ibis Hotel, this will be the first food festival in Madagascar and an opportunity for the Malagasy people to discover, appreciate and taste Indian cuisine which is diversified. "First of all, this is first contact with Indian cuisine. Whether it is typically from the North or the South, East or West of this large country, this festival is aimed at conquest those who like Indian food. The panel of spices, curry, taste that will be combined to offer the rich menu presenting the culinary art. For this edition, this food festival will be presented by the chefs Balram Mahendra and Kumar Jaiswal, two chefs from renowned five-star hotel. They have come specially to Madagascar to share their know-how in Indian cuisine", explained Chandra Ballabh Thapliyal, Ambassador of India, at a press conference.

During one week, people in Tana and its surroundings will have the opportunity to taste Indian food, vegetarian or non-vegetarian, prepared by these authentic Indian chefs. Regarding the ingredients, we can find most of them in Antananarivo but some spices and ingredients will be brought from India. Among the food to be presented: Murgh Tikha, Puhina Tala Murgh, chicken curry, etc. Different ways of cooking chicken, original and light spicy chicken to be tasted. An event not to be missed.

### **Les Nouvelles – 06/11/15**

#### **Food festival of India: More than 20 Indian specialties in the menu**

**<http://www.newsmada.com/2015/11/06/festival-culinaire-indien-plus-dune-vingtaine-de-specialites-au-menu/>**

After the presentation of various dance shows in October, as part of the Festival of India, the Embassy of India is organizing this week the Food Festival of India, from 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> November.

For the first time, a week of food festival takes place in Madagascar, in partnership with Ibis Hotel, Ankorondrano. The objective is first to make Malagasy people discover various Indian food delights and also to exchange culture between the two countries through culinary delicacies presented by the Indian chefs and Malagasy chefs. The Indian chefs have come specially in Madagascar for this festival.

“To satisfy everyone, we are presenting many Indian culinary delicacies, vegetarian or non-vegetarian. More than Indian food varieties will be presented during this festival. This will be an opportunity for everyone to experience Indian food.”, declared one responsible from the Embassy of India in Madagascar.

We may note that this festival of India takes place in other regions of Madagascar also, mainly dance performances which was successful in Toamasina. The Festival will be concluded by Gujarati Folk dance performances in Antananarivo and Majunga.

Midi Madagascar – 06/11/15

<http://www.midi-madagasikara.mg/economie/2015/11/06/festival-culinaire-indien-des-chefs-cuisiniers-indiens-a-madagascar/>

### **Indian culinary festival: Indian Chefs cooks in Madagascar**

As a continuation of the Festival of India in Madagascar, the Embassy of India with the support of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism of India is organizing the Food festival of India that will take place during a week at Ibis Hotel.

“Two Indian Chefs Balram Jaiswal and Mahendra Kumar, both working at renowned five star hotels and have been especially flown to Madagascar from India to display their culinary expertise”, said the Ambassador of India in Madagascar, SEM Chandra Ballabh Thapliyal, at a press briefing, yesterday.

This event will take place from 9 to 15 November 2015. *“The Malagasy people will have the opportunity to taste Indian culinary delicacies , both vegetarian and non-vegetarian, prepared by Chef duo. This will be the 4<sup>th</sup> Indian culinary festival organized abroad. Madagascar will have the privilege to welcome for the first time ”*, he concluded.

Ino Vaovao – 06/11/15

As a continuation of the Festival of India in Madagascar, the Embassy of India is organizing Food festival, from 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> November, at Ibis Hotel, Ankorondrano. Different Indian food will be presented by two chefs from India, Balram Mahendra

and Kumar Jaiswal who will come specially to Madagascar to share their know-how in Indian cuisine.

More than 20 Indian menus will be presented during one week. This event is part of Festival of India in Madagascar that aims at sharing Indian culture to Malagasy people.

### **Ao Raha – 06/11/15**

#### **Food festival: From this Monday, at Ibis Hotel**

During one week, the Food festival of India will take place from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November to 15<sup>th</sup> November, at Ibis Hotel.

Two Indian both working at renowned five star hotels and have been especially flown to Madagascar from India will display their culinary expertise in Madagascar.

The Chef duo has contributed to the successful holding of a number of Indian Food Festivals in India and abroad. Madagascar is for the first time having the privilege of hosting Food Festival of India.

Under the Festival of India, the Embassy of India in Madagascar has already successfully organized Nrityaropa dance performances in Antananarivo in September, Bhangra dance performances in Antananarivo and Tamatave, Mehendi art application in Antananarivo and Tamatave. The Festival will be concluded by Gujarati Folk dance performances in Antananarivo and Majunga. This festival of India is organized in collaboration with the the Ministry of Culture and Tourism, Government of India.

### **LA VERITE – 07/11/15**

#### **Food Festival of India: Two Indian chefs from India share their expertise**

The Indian food will be honoured during the food festival that will be held from 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> November, at Ibis Hotel-Ankorondrano. This is the first time, such event is organized in Madagascar, according to the Ambassador of India.

Two Chefs Balram Jaiswal and Mahendra Kumar, both working at renowned five star hotels, have been especially flown to Madagascar from India to display their culinary expertise. Dal Tadaka, Dum Biryani Lazeez, Gulab Jamun, Hara Kebab, these are some Indian culinary delicacies to be tasted by visitors during this food festival.

For a week, people in the capital Antananarivo and close by areas will have the opportunity to enjoy Indian delicacies, both vegetarian and non-vegetarian,

prepared by authentic Indian chefs. People from all the nationalities will get a never before opportunity to enjoy the authentic gastronomic delights of India on offer at hotel Ibis.

This event is a part of Festival of India organized by the Embassy of India in Madagascar with the support of the Ministries of Culture & Tourism, Governmentt. of India.

Under the Festival of India, the Embassy of India in Madagascar has already successfully organized Nrityarooma dance performances in Antananarivo on 24 September, Bhangra dance performances in Antananarivo (9 October) & Tamatave (11 & 12 October), Mehendi (Hena) art application on 9 October & 11 October in Antananarivo and Tamatave. The Festival will be concluded by Gujarati Folk dance performances in Antanarivo and Majunga.