

## **Institutional Letter of Endorsement**

Project for the Declaration of the International Fire Safety Day

Fire & Security Association of India, an association, based in Chennai, India, which aims to establish Life Safety, Fire Safety and Security as an important human obligation in the development of the country. Our Mission is Surakshit Bharat'—Safe & Secure India, hereby expresses its strong support and endorsement of the international initiative seeking to establish October 8 as the *International Fire Safety Day*, through its official inclusion in the United Nations (UN) calendar of international observances.

We recognize that fire safety is a fundamental component in the protection of lives, property, and natural and cultural heritage, as well as in strengthening the resilience of communities, businesses, and institutions in the face of emergencies. Through this endorsement, we emphasize the importance of establishing a global commemorative date to:

- Raise awareness among the population and decision-makers about the risks and consequences of fires.
- Promote best practices, regulations, technological innovation, and a culture of prevention at all levels of society.
- Encourage international cooperation, technical training, and capacity building in the field.
- Create a common space for campaigns, programs, and activities on education, training, and emergency response.

This endorsement aims to add our voice and commitment to the efforts being carried out before the United Nations by the proposing entities, and to strengthen the multisectoral and international support for this proposal, which we consider necessary, timely, and of global impact.

We hereby express our full willingness to collaborate in the promotion and dissemination of this initiative and remain attentive to any developments regarding its progress.

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