

# 18<sup>TH</sup> G20 LEADERS' SUMMIT, NEW DELHI, INDIA 09 TO 10 SEPTEMBER 2023

THEME: 'ONE EARTH, ONE FAMILY, ONE FUTURE'

# STATEMENT SESSION 1: ONE EARTH

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PRAGATI MAIDAN, NEW DELHI

His Excellency, Shri Narendra Modi Ji, Prime Minister of the Republic of India and Chair of the G20,

#### **Excellencies Heads of State and Government,**

Allow me at the outset to express my deep gratitude and sincere appreciation to His Excellency, Shri Narendra Modi Ji for inviting Mauritius to the G20 meetings and for the very warm hospitality extended to my delegation.

I seize this opportunity to congratulate India for the successful Chandrayan-3 mission to the moon. The Aditya – L1 mission is also a technological and scientific prowess and an inspiration for voyage into the future.

### Excellencies,

This Leader's Summit is taking place at a critical juncture of our interconnected world. Global challenges such as climate change, health emergencies, biodiversity loss, inequity and geopolitical crises are disrupting our chances of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.

Here, we express our solidarity with the People and Government of Morocco in the wake of the earthquake.

We have no choice than to collectively meet the crises head-on.

India's vision of 'One Earth, One Family, One Future' is a beacon which infuses hope for mankind. A vision of equality, inclusivity and prosperity which touches all of us.

As a small island, we are at the frontline of the climate crisis and facing an existential threat due to our inherent vulnerabilities.

We are grateful to India for placing sustainable development at the core of its G20 presidency and for giving Mauritius an opportunity to voice SIDS challenges at this table of the most influential economies of the world. Without a more responsive international financial architecture, it will be tough for us to decarbonise our economy, address capacity constraints, debt and multiple developmental challenges.

We are grateful to the G20 for recognising the need for ambitious and concrete actions to address the structural vulnerabilities and imbalances of SIDS.

We hope that the G20 galvanizes swift action for special and differential treatment for SIDS.

This Summit has also given us the opportunity to engage in dialogues for a more equitable world.

A wide range of important innovative measures such as the G20 High Level principles on Lifestyles for Sustainable Development, Deccan High Level Principles on Food Security and Nutrition and the need for an Inclusive Digital Economy have been accentuated for our common good.

We thank the G20 for admitting the African Union as a member.

We look forward to the adoption of the New Delhi Leaders Declaration which is forward-looking, action-oriented and reflects our common aspirations towards achieving the SDGs.

## Excellencies,

Respect for International law, adherence to the principles and values of the UN Charter for a rules—based world order and reinvigorated multilateralism will make our common future brighter and better.

Thank you for your attention.

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