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Ambassador Anesh Maistry has dedicated **28 years** to the Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO), beginning his career in 1997 as an Assistant Foreign Service Officer.

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