



**Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute (named after Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri), paying its tribute to nation's beloved 'Babuji', the second Prime Minister of India on his 50th death anniversary on 11th January 2016.**

The idea of an Institute to promote scholarly activity between India and Canada was first conceived by Professor Michael Brecher, a Professor of Political Science at McGill University when he met Prime Minister Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri who gave the convocation address at McGill University in June 1965. In his address, Indian Prime Minister had suggested that there needed to be institutional understanding to promote scholarly exchange in the field of humanities and social sciences. In 1967, a joint announcement of the Government of Canada and the Government of India, gave birth to the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute, named after the late Indian Prime Minister, whose vision still forms the core of the Shastri Institute's mandate.