

**Message from the President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan HE. Dr. Arif Alvi
on the Occasion of 95th Republic Day of Turkey**

On the auspicious occasion of the 95th Republic Day, I wish to convey my most sincere and heart-felt felicitations to the people and government of Turkey. 29 October 1923 was a seminal moment in the annals of history when the great Turkish nation commenced its confident march with renewed vigour along the path of development and prosperity.

This day symbolizes Turkey's glorious struggle. The perseverance and determination with which the people of Turkey forged ahead against all odds not only changed the course of history but also animated aspirations of millions around the globe. For Muslims of the subcontinent struggling for an independent homeland, the valiant Turkish stance was both energizing and inspiring.

Pakistan regards Turkey as a dear brother and a close friend. Our two countries have stood resolutely by each other, in all moments of trial and tribulation. On this august occasion, I wish to reaffirm Pakistan's historic solidarity with Turkey, and reiterate my firm conviction that the two brothers will continue to stand shoulder to shoulder in the times to come.

May Allah Almighty continue to bestow His countless Bliss and Bounties on the people and leadership of Turkey.

May the Turkish people prosper, always.

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