



**Embassy of India
Jakarta**

PRESS RELEASE

67th Republic Day celebrated in Indonesia

The 67th Republic Day was celebrated at the Embassy of India in Jakarta, the Consulate General of India in Bali and the Consulate General of India in Medan with traditional gaiety and fervour. Mr. Manish, Charge d’Affaires hoisted the National Flag at the Embassy premises and similar ceremonies took place at the Indian Consulates in Bali and Medan.

The President’s address was read out by the Charge d’Affaires in Jakarta and the Consuls General in the respective places. Charge d’Affaires informed the gathering about the new programs of the Government of India such as Make in India, Swachh Bharat, Digital India and Startup India; the various activities of the Mission during last year including Festival of India and International Day of Yoga; the activities on the bilateral front specially the visits by Vice President of India Mr. Hamid Ansari, visit of External Affairs Minister Mrs. Sushma Swaraj, visit of Minister of State for External Affairs General (Retd.) V.K. Singh and visits of Indonesian dignitaries to India. He also talked about India Development Foundation of Overseas Indians which is a not for profit Trust established to serve as a credible institutional avenue to enable overseas Indians to engage in philanthropy to supplement India's social and development efforts.

Nearly 300 members of the Indian community, Persons of Indian Origin and Friends of India participated in the ceremony. About 150 school children from three Indian schools - Gandhi Memorial International School, the Rama International School and Texmaco DPS School - sang the National Anthem and patriotic songs. The students of Jawaharlal Nehru Cultural Centre (JNICC) also performed patriotic songs and a dance on the occasion.

Later, Charge d’Affaires interacted with members of Indian community to ascertain their welfare and gave a broad overview of various functions scheduled to be held in future by the Mission. A sumptuous feast of Indian food delicacies was served to the vast gathering.





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