



**Consulate General of India
Bali

Press Release

Celebration of the 76th Republic Day of India in Bali

The 76th Republic Day of India was celebrated at the Consulate General of India, Bali on 26th January 2025 with a flag-unfurling ceremony. The event, held with much gaiety and patriotic fervour, was attended by over hundred people, including members of the Indian community, students, friends of India as well as the officials and family members of Consulate and Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre Bali (SVCC Bali). The event commenced with the unfurling of the national flag by Consul General Dr. Shashank Vikram, followed by the singing of the National Anthem 'Jana Gana Mana'. Thereafter, the Consul General greeted the public on the national day and read out the address of Hon'ble President of India Smt. Droupadi Murmu to the nation on the eve of the Republic Day.

A series of cultural programme followed, with the participation of the choir of One Earth School students, who performed a patriotic song 'Mera Joota Hai Japani' and patriotic dance 'Phir Bhi Dil Hai Hindustani'. To conclude the ceremony of the day, the Consul General, exchange of letters between the Consulate General of India and Indonesian Red Cross-Bali was held marking a new beginning of a stronger partnership in the future.



On this Republic Day Hon'ble President of the Republic of Indonesia is visiting India as Chief Guest of the Republic Day Celebration in New Delhi. Consul General of India Dr. Shashank Vikram also hosted an evening reception on the occasion of the 76th Republic Day of India at Hilton Bali Resort, Nusa Dua. The Government of Bali Province was represented by Mr. I Dewa Gede Mahendra Putra, Assistant for Government and People's Welfare of the Regional Secretariat of Bali Province. Other prominent invitees from the government included hon'ble members of House of Representatives of the Republic of Indonesia Mr. I Dewa Gde Agung Widiarsana, Mr. Gde Sumarjaya Linggih, and Mrs. Tutik Kusuma Wardhani and member of Regional Representative Council of the Republic of Indonesia Dr. Shri I Gusti Arya Wedakarna Mahendradatta Wedasteraputra Suyasa, member of Bali Regional House of Representatives, members of Bali consular corps, and Head of Denpasar Immigration Office.

Consul General addressed the gathering of over 250 guests comprising prominent members of the civil society, bank personalities, airport authorities, business and hospitality community, academicians, prominent cultural personalities, museum personalities, and members of the Indian community in Bali.

The event started with the playing of the National Anthems of Indonesia and India. Cultural performances, including Indian fusion dance led by Mrs. Pooja Bhatnagar and patriotism-themed contemporary dance presented by the local artist Mr. Adi Siput and group. The guests also enjoyed music performances during the programme. It was enlivened by Ms. Jyothi Krishnanandayani's captivating voice while performing the patriotic song 'Vande Mataram'. The renowned musician from Balawan and Batuan Ethnic Fusion contributes to vibrant and dynamic performances for the Republic Day celebration. The gathering was concluded by dinner including Indian authentic dishes provided by the restaurants' partners.


