Independence Day 2018 Celebrations in Nairobi

The 72\textsuperscript{nd} Independence Day of India was celebrated with traditional fervour in Nairobi.

Ms. Suchitra Durai, High Commissioner unfurled the tricolour at the India House followed by singing of the National Anthem. High Commissioner addressed the guests and read out H.E. the President's address to the Nation on the eve of Independence Day. Copies of address to the nation by H.E. the President; address to the Parliament of Uganda by Hon’ble Prime Minister on July 25, 2018; and leaflets on ‘ten guiding principles of India’s engagement with Africa’ were also distributed to the audience.

Various Indian Associations collaborated to present a cultural performance on the occasion. The cultural programme included a skit by children from the Hindi Samiti of East Africa; Hindi patriotic poems and songs by children; a Telugu patriotic song; bhajan ‘Vaishnav Jan To’; and a Kathak dance performance on song ‘Vande Mataram’.
Around 450 people including members of the Indian community and friends of India attended the function.

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