



**Consulate General of India
Frankfurt**

Press Release

Subject: Celebration of the 72nd Republic Day of India

The celebration of the 72nd Republic Day of India was organized by Consulate General of India, Frankfurt through virtual mode due to the Covid-19 restrictions currently in place in Germany.

2. To mark the occasion, Consulate organized a flag-hoisting ceremony with the limited physical presence of the India-based officials and a few local staff. The flag-hoisting was followed by playing of National Anthem and reading of Rashtrapati ji's Address to the Nation by Consul General. The flag-hoisting ceremony was livecast on Consulate's Facebook Page.

3. Consulate also organized the virtual reception on this occasion. More than 300 dignitaries were invited to witness the virtual reception. Prof. Dr. Kristina Sinemus, the Hon'ble Minister for Digital Strategy and Development of the State of Hessen, sent a video message being the Chief Guest for the event. Apart from Prof. Dr. Sinemus, Prof. Dr. Andreas Pinkwart, the Hon'ble Minister for Economy, Innovation, Digitization and Energy, North Rhine Westphalia and Dr. Stephan Holthoff-Pförtner, Hon'ble Minister for Federal and European Affairs and International Affairs for the State of North Rhine-Westphalia also sent video messages. The virtual event also included a series of cultural performances by Indian artists and Indian community associations as well as the congratulatory messages sent by various Indian entrepreneurs and company representatives.

4. The web links for the virtual event are given hereunder:

Programme: https://cgifrankfurt.gov.in/public_files/assets/pdf/PROGRAMME.pdf

Official Event: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rdC-saVPhuQ&feature=youtu.be>

Cultural Event: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b95B4F2Cb5w&feature=youtu.be>

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