78th Independence Day celebrated in Custom House, Kolkata

Kolkata Customs Zone celebrated the 78th Independence Day at the Custom House, Kolkata with a lot of fanfare. The Chief Guest, Shri Madan Mohan Singh, Chief Commissioner of Customs, Kolkata Zone was received by Additional Commissioner of Customs Shri Shiv Pratap Singh in the presence of Principal Commissioner of Customs (AP& ACC), Kolkata Shri Shivaji Hanumant Dange and Principal Commissioner of Customs, (Preventive), West Bengal Shri Vinayak Azad. The Chief Guest inspected the parade contingent consisting of Preventive Officers, Havaldars, Kolkata Police Armed Guards and the K9 Dog Squad of the Kolkata Customs Zone in the presence of a marching band belting out patriotic melodies. Thereafter, the Chief Commissioner Hoisted the National Flag amidst fervent singing of the National Anthem by all present and gave an inspiring speech to the officers. Thereafter, a wonderful dog show was put on by the members of the Kolkata Customs K9 dog squad. A vote of Thanks was made by Principal Commissioner of Customs (AP& ACC), Kolkata Shri Shivaji Hanumant Dange after which he read out the Anti-Drug Abuse Pledge, which was repeated by all the officers present. A wonderful cultural program consisting of soulful renditions of patriotic songs and recitations was conducted by Customs Officers which was loudly applauded by the audience. At the end, Chief Guest awarded Certificates of appreciations and awards to officers for their outstanding performances in the All India Central Revenue Sports and Cultural Meet. Thereafter, the event concluded with thanks giving by the Chief Commissioner of Customs.