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## CELEBRATION OF 73rd INDEPENDENCE DAY AT OP:EC-II, MCSD, GSI, VISAKHAPATNAM ON 15th AUGUST, 2019

The 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence Day was celebrated with fervor and great enthusiasm atOPEC-II, Marine and Coastal Survey Division, Visakhapatnam to commemorate the great sacrifices made by the great leaders during Independence movement and their roles in our nation's building. Smt N Vijay Durga, Director initiated the programme with welcome address and Shri M Keshav Rao, Deputy Director General, OPEC-II, Marine and Coastal Survey Division, Visakhapatnam unfurled the national flag at 0915hrs in presence of all the officers and staff of OPEC-II, Visakhapatnam followed by rendition of the National Anthem in unison. Shri M Keshav Rao, DDG, Visakhapatnam addressed the gathering and he shared his thoughts on present and future scenario of Geological Survey of India. He expressed that, so far Mineral and Mining sectors contributes nearly 3% share in nations GDP but in order to meet the vision of 5 trillion economy by next 5 years. GSI also needs to accelerate to reach the assigned targets and more exploration projects needs to take up onshore and offshore. He also reiterated that all officers need to be in readiness to accept additional responsibilities in keeping view of the growing demands in mineral sector. This event was followed by serving of refreshments at OPEC-II, Visakhapatnam. The event witnessed the spirit of patriotism.



National Flag hoisting by Shri M.Keshav Rao, DyDG, Op:EC-II



Shri M.Keshav Rao, DyDG, Op:EC-II addressing the officers and staff of Op:EC-II



Officers and staff of Op:EC-II, MCSD, GSI, Visakhapatnam