## **PRESS RELEASE**

## Reception on the occasion of Republic Day - 2014

A reception was organized by the Consulate General of India, Hamburg on the occasion of the 65<sup>th</sup> Republic Day of India on January 28, 2014 from 1830 hrs to 2030 hrs at the Museum of Ethnology (Voelkerkunde Museum), Hamburg. Dr. Dorothee Stapelfeldt, Hon'ble 2<sup>nd</sup> Mayor of Hamburg and Senator for Science and Research was the Chief Guest at the function. The programme started off with the playing of National Anthems of India and Germany, which was followed by the welcome speech by Dr. Vidhu P. Nair, Acting Consul General and speech by the Chief Guest. Thereafter, a Bhangra Dance performance by *Dhadkan Punjab Di* group enthralled the audience. Light refreshments were served at the end of the programme. Around 200 guests, including officials of the Hamburg Senate Chancellery, members of the Consular Corps, German friends of India as well as members of Indian community from Hamburg and nearby areas attended the function.

A few photographs of the event are attached.

Hamburg January 29, 2014



Dr. Vidhu P. Nair, Acting Consul General of India, Hamburg and Mrs. Nanditha Bose welcoming Dr. Dorothee Stapelfeldt, Hon'ble  $2^{nd}$  Mayor of Hamburg and Senator for Science and Research





ACG introducing Dr. Stapelfeldt to the officials of the Consulate



ACG interacting with Dr. Stapelfeldt and the Director of the Völkerkunde Museum



ACG addressing the guests



Dr. Dorothee Stapelfeldt addressing the guests



ACG interacting with Dr. Stapelfeldt



ACG interacting with the chief guest and other guests



Bhangra Dance Performance by Dhadkan Punjab Di Group



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Chief Guest, ACG and other invited guests enjoying the Bhangra Dance



Guests enjoying the Bhangra Dance



Guests at the reception



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