National effort needed for further strengthening democratic foundations: Vice President

The Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu has said that a national effort is needed to further strengthening country's democratic foundations. He was addressing the gathering after releasing the Book 'Loktantra ke utsav ki ankahi kahani' authored by Dr. S.Y.Quraishi, here today. The Chief Election Commissioner, Shri A.K. Joti and other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

<u>Defence Ministry Launches 'Swachhta Hi</u> <u>Sewa' Campaign</u>

Defence Secretary Shri Sanjay Mitra administered Swachhta Shapath to officers and staff of Ministry of Defence here today.

India Signs 76 Million US Dollar Loan Deal with Japan International Cooperation Limited (JICA) to Upgrade Alang-Sosiya Shipyards

The Government of India signed a loan deal worth \$76 million with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) today, for a project to upgrade the environment management plan at Alang-Sosiya ship recycling yards. Change in Tariff Value of Crude Palm Oil, RBD Palm Oil, Others – Palm Oil, Crude Palmolein, RBD Palmolein, Others – Palmolein, Crude Soyabean Oil, Brass Scrap (All Grades), Poppy Seeds, Areca Nuts, Gold and Silver Notified

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 14 of the Customs

INDIA'S FOREIGN TRADE: August 2017

MERCHANDISE TRADE

EXPORTS (including re-exports)

In continuation with the positive growth exhibited by exports for the last twelve months, exports during August 2017 have shown growth of 10.29 per cent in dollar terms valued at US \$ 23818.83 million as compared to US \$ 21597.09 million during August,2016. In Rupee terms, during August 2017 exports were valued at Rs.152365.23 crore as compared to Rs.144570.03 crore during August,2016, registering a positive growth of 5.39 per cent.