Renovated Heritage Locomotive inaugurated by Shri R.P.S. Kahlon, IAS, Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust

The renovated Heritage Locomotive was inaugurated by Shri R.P.S. Kahlon, IAS, Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust at Subhas Bhavan, the operational headquarters of Kolkata Dock System at 10.30 a.m. on 21st March, 2013.



Shri R.P.S. Kahlon, IAS, Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust inaugurating the renovated Heritage Locomotive at Subhas Bhavan, the operational headquarters of Kolkata Dock System on 21st March, 2013. Shri A. K. Mukhopadhyay, Secretary, KoPT, Shri A.V. Ramana, CME, KoPT & Shri U. Sinha, TM, KoPT look on.

The august gathering including senior officers of Kolkata Port Trust during inauguration of renovated Heritage Locomotive at Subhas Bhavan on 21st March, 2013.

In the inaugural programme, Shri R.P.S. Kahlon, IAS, Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust said Kolkata Port Trust can boast of its rich heritage and traditional glory. As the set of riverine port like Kolkata Port is always changing and moving in manifold directions, the ups and downs of cargo handling will be the way of life. So, we should explore many other inherent potentialities of Kolkata Port Trust and we should also preserve our rich heritage of historical magnitude.

This Steam Engine operated Locomotive (bearing CPC serial no. 29) was built by M/s Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Reorganised Limited, Japan. It was procured by Calcutta Port Commissioners or CPC (presently Kolkata Port Trust) in 1955. It served the Kolkata Dock System for about 30 years since then. This Heritage Locomotive was refurbished by the departmental staff and placed in the compound of Subhas Bhavan in September, 2005. Due to passage of time, owing to its exposure to open air, its structure got damage and shape distorted. Chairman expressed his concern about this Heritage Locomotive in Jan, 2013 and with his patronage this Heritage Locomotive has been completely renovated in March, 2013 to get a totally new look. Arrangement for its regular upkeeping has also been made to maintain its glory.