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## 3rd International Day of Yoga-2017

There was an unprecedented response at the International Day of Yoga (IDY) event organised by the Embassy on 17th June. About 1000 enthusiastic people attended the event at Hotel Intercontinental.

The event witnessed the participation of legendary Haile Gebreselassie who is presently President of Ethiopian Athletics Association. Haile exhorted youth to take up yoga. State Minister in the Prime Minister's office, Tadesse Haile and State Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hirut Zemene also graced the event. Ambassador Anurag Srivastava welcomed the gathering and spoke of the significance of IDY as well as benefits of yoga to individuals, societies and nations. The dignitaries practiced yoga along with other participants. Other prominent attendees including African Union Commissioners Dr Martial De-Paul Ikounga and Amani Abou-Zeid and members of the diplomatic community.

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