Commerce Secretary’s visit to the Coffee Board, Bengaluru

Mrs. Rita A Teotia, IAS, Commerce Secretary, visited Bengaluru to interact with the senior officers of Government of Karnataka, on the steps to be taken to enhance exports from Karnataka and other issues related to Export promotion. During her visit to Bengaluru, she visited the Coffee Board, Head office Bengaluru on 22nd March 2016. As quality of coffee plays a major role in coffee exports, she visited Coffee Quality Division along with the Chairperson, Secretary, Director of Research and Director of Finance, Coffee Board and had a glimpse of activities viz., roasting of commercial coffee samples like Plantation, Arabica cherry, Robusta parchment and Robusta cherry, cupping of coffee samples, working mechanism of different types of Roasting machines, Grinding machines, Espresso machines, different techniques and brewing methods etc. and had a view of different coffee samples viz., Green coffee, Speciality coffees like Mysore Nuggets Extra Bold (MNEB), Robusta Kaapi Royale (RKR) and Monsoon Malabar samples. She was very impressed with the activities of the Board and her words of encouragement motivated the officers and staff of the Board.

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