

**Shri R.P.S. Kahlon appointed as new
Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust**

Shri R. P. S. Kahlon, an IAS officer of 1984 batch of West Bengal Cadre took over charge as Chairman, Kolkata Port Trust, the First Major Port in India on and from the 2nd January, 2013.

Shri R. P. S. Kahlon was Principal Secretary, Environment Department, Govt. of West Bengal (w.e.f. 30.05.2011 till 02.01.2013) before joining Kolkata Port Trust as Chairman.

As a member of Indian Administrative Service, Shri Kahlon has served the state of West Bengal in various capacities. Shri Kahlon was Principal Secretary, Transport (w.e.f. 31.1.2011 to 30.05.2011), Department of Fisheries, (w.e.f. 2004 to 31.01.2011), Department of Sports & Youth Services, Department of Fire Services, Disaster Management Department (Additional Charge with Fisheries Department), Commissioner, Health & Family Welfare, Department of Health (1999-2002), Labour Commissioner, Labour Department, (2002-2004).

As an IPS officer of 1981 batch of Madhya Pradesh Cadre Shri Kahlon served Madhya Pradesh from 1981 to 1984. He was MA in English Literature.

Shri Kahlon's multi-dimensional interests in his long eventful career include participation in re-structuring and reshaping India's Economy and its implications, Social Welfare, Labour Relations, environmental dynamics and infrastructure.

In this critical situation of the riverine Port of Kolkata including Kolkata Dock System and Haldia Dock Complex, Shri Kahlon's over-all responsibility in Kolkata Port Trust with his multi-faceted experience is a significant milestone in the development of Kolkata Port Trust. Shri Kahlon believes in collective responsibility and wisdom and he invites co-operation from the port users, employees of Kolkata Port Trust, Calcutta Dock Labour Board and trade and commerce at large to rejuvenate Kolkata Port Trust with its Kolkata Dock System and Haldia Dock Complex and to make it vibrant in the Port and Shipping World.
