

to give freedom to Austria. 'This relation with Austria remains and it has become traditional firm', Ravi added. Austria signed a state treaty in 1955 to be 'permanently neutral'. "I have been attending the Kerala Onam celebrations regularly for the last four years. They have better programmes every year," Wurm, who briefly joined the dancers on the stage, said. "Now I want to visit Kerala," he added.

"Amid the hectic schedules throughout the year, this season is very exciting. We practise for the programmes for weeks. It also gives us an opportunity to meet each other," Vienna Malayalee Association (VMA) president Babu Kozhikottayil said while addressing the public. H.E.Mr.Sheel Kant Sharma, the Indian ambassador to Austria, and Sunil Kumar Mohit, deputy chief of the Indian mission in Vienna, also attended the function.

The cultural programme, organised by the VMA effectively organised by the committee with the support of Ms.Lisa Kappany, Murphy Muk-



Hon. Minster Vayalar Ravi with District Chief of 23rd District and Austrian National Election Candidate of Indian Origin Dr. Monika Einzinger

kattukunnel, Ms. Jasmin Perumaden and many others. The Chandu Pottu with a combination of traditional Vallam Kali organised by Mr.Jose Valukkaren and team was highly appreciated. Mr. Thattil Nadackalan Babu appeared as Mahabali and he took all to Kerala and also to the dream land. The programme was professionally moderated by Mr. Tejo Kizhakkekara and Ms. Simi John. The huge public was thanked by Secretary Ms.Beena Thupathy. Many Austrians and also hundreds of people from different attended and appreciated show. More information and photos with Hon. Minister is available from the web site www. vma.nri.at

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Reception to Minister - In the stage with WMC German Province Officials

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