

Dr. VS Arunachalam, SA to RM, delivering the inaugural address.

## **INAUGURATION OF NEW BUILDING OF DESIDOC**

The new building of DESIDOC in the Metcalfe House campus was inaugurated by Dr. VS Arunachalam, Scientific Adviser to Raksha Mantri and Secretary, Department of Defence Research on 2 August 1988. The building also houses the Institute of Systems Studies and Analyses (ISSA).

While inaugurating the building. Dr. Arunachalam emphasised the importance of libraries in research and development work and highlighted the role of DESIDOC in storage and retrieval of information available within and outside DRDO. Dr. Arunachalam said that good library facilities are a major factor in the creativity of research scientists. Dr M Krishnamurthi former Chief Controller. Research & Development gave a brief account of the progress made by DESIDOC over the years and spoke of the high quality services rendered by it in the areas of information dissemination, publication, preparation of audio-visuals and training. He said that

DESIDOC ranked among the leading libraries and information centres of the country. Dr. R Krishnan, Chief Controller, Research & Development in his remarks, called upon the scientists of DESIDOC to make greater use of newer information technologies for obtaining information in their respective fields. He expressed his happiness at the increasing use of computers in information processing.

Earlier, Shri SS Murthy, Director, DESIDOC, welcomed the guests. He expressed his gratitude to Dr. Raja Ramanna (the former Scientific Adviser) and Dr. Arunachalam for their continuing support by making the requisite funds available for the new building, for augmenting the facilities and creating a better working environment.

Dr. NK Jaiswal, Director, ISSA, thanked the Scientific Adviser, Chief Controllers, guests and all those who had contributed towards making the day's function a success.