

## Antwerp Port Delegation Visits FIEO HQ

A delegation from Antwerp Port, Belgium, called on FIEO Secretary General Mr G.P. Upadhyaya on March 22 at the FIEO office in New Delhi. The delegation was led by Mr Wim Van den Abeele, CEO, Antwerp Headquarters. During the meeting, various advantages of the port of Antwerp were highlighted. It was mentioned that 60 per cent of the EU's purchasing power is within 500 km from Antwerp. The port is cost effective, congestion free and offers good connectivity. Mr Upadhyaya spoke about the Federation's initiative to set up a warehouse in Antwerp for the benefit of the exporting community. He informed that initially this facility shall be made available to 30 Indian exporters, and after subsequent evaluation, the capacity would be increased further. He informed that FIEO has already tied up with St John Freight Systems Ltd for this initiative. A team of senior representatives from St John Freight Systems Ltd were also present and had interaction on various functional aspects. ■



From left, Mr. Vinod Pal, Director, FIEO; Mr. T Johnson, Managing Director, St. John Freight Systems Ltd.; Mr. G P Upadhyaya, Secretary General, FIEO; and Mr. Win Van den Abeele, GEP, Antwerp Headquarters, Belgium.