

Press release

SKUAST-Jammu hosted Live Music Entertainment Programme



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Music binds people together, irrespective of their caste, colour and creed, thereby, building a strong cultural relation with each other. Staying true to this, a unique live music entertainment programme was organized under Horizon Series by Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), Jammu with the artists of J&K in collaboration with Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology, Jammu on Wednesday. A unique blend and style of flute music and Tabla was presented by Rakesh Anand and Neeraj Verma, leaving the audience mesmerised, thereby, creating an atmosphere of tranquility through the medium of music. A flawless dogri folk performance by Jammu-based artists Surinder Singh Manhas, Garu Ram, Darbari Lal, Rohit and Chandan Jasotra left the crowd awestruck.

Surinder Anand said, “we singers do not have any kind of barriers when it comes to music.” Music can be of any type and we can easily adapt to it. We perform frequently in Haryana, Delhi, H.P. and Punjab besides, Jammu. So, it’s a kind of getting attached through music. Whenever we meet new people, we meet through heart not mind.”

On the onset of the programme, Sh. N.K Shill, Regional Director, ICCR, Jammu gave a brief introduction about various activities of ICCR. Professor J. P. Sharma, Vice Chancellor, SKUAST-Jammu who was the chief guest on the occasion stressed on the importance of developing and nurturing India’s rich cultural heritage passed by our ancestors. He added that such programmes helps in stress management particularly during corona pandemic when people are locked in homes.

The programme started by lightening the traditional lamp. Students of Sewa Bharti, Jammu gave performance on ill effects of plastic and its management.

All the statutory officers of the University, Head of the Divisions, faculty members and students also flocked to the concert to witness and enjoy the folk music attended the programme maintaining social distancing norms. At the outset, Dr. Akhil Gupta welcomed the dignitaries and audience. The programme ended with vote of thanks by Dr. Rajesh Katoch.