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Surajkund Mela dons a spirit of a Carnival

A sea of visitors descended on the 34th Surajkund International Crafts Mela on a fine Sunday morning. The drumbeats, nagada rhythm and folksy tunes resonated in every corner of the Mela, as the band of performers went around entertaining the visitors. The atmosphere took a vibrant hue as the day progressed.

Saturday evening saw a number of cultural performances throughout the day by various folk artists from different parts of India. Although, the evening cultural performances left the audience spell bound with its classical flavours.

Devendra Maglamukhi was the star attraction at the cultural evening programme. Devendra Maglamukhi is a performer with a difference and brings in a fresh perspective to how we look at performing arts. Devendra Manglamukhi is a transgender who is striving to make a mark in the society. A gifted performer and an eloquent speaker, Devendra Manglamukhi has earned a name in the world of classical dance and has won numerous recognitions and awards.

Devendra manglamukhi is a National Awardee and has been bestowed the Meera Award in collaboration with Ministry of Culture and Sanskar Bharti. Having performed on various platforms both nationally and internationally, Magnlamukhi is now a name to reckon with.

The performance at surajkund showcased was ‘Mughlai kathak’ an art form that was patronised by Nawabi Gharans or erstwhile principalities of Lukhnow and Bhopal. The cultural performance began with Tarana in Farsi and a brilliant spell binding kathak dance solo that followed, left the audience in a trance.

Speaking on the occasion devendra Manglamukhi ‘expressed the desire to come back and perform at such a prestigious platform called Surajkund International Crafts Mela.

The evening concluded with another brilliant folk performance by Mrs. Ranju Prasad and party, who presented a bouquet of traditional earthy songs and tunes followed by folksy renditions of bollywood songs. The audience was left wanting for more.

As the mela picks up momentum, visitors are lining up to grab the best of crafts and handicrafts from across the nation. If you are looking for sprucing up your ethnic collection, make sure you visit the Surajkund International Crafts mela for a range of traditional handicrafts, Sarees, Shawls, Pottery, Stone Sculptures to exquisite carpets.

Mark your date for today as the evening will showcase a scintillating fashion show called the 'Ferghana Fantasy' by Ritu Beri. Witness a world of fashion and culture from the heart of Central Asia come alive at the Chaupal in the Surajkund international Crafts Mela.

The Mela will remain open to public from 10.30-8.30 daily from 1-16 February, 2020.