

Governor attends Classical Dance Festival

Classical dance forms removes physical barriers to strengthen the bond of unity: Governor

Guwahati, May 3: Assam Governor Shri Gulab Chand Kataria attended Classical Dance Festival and Arangetram ceremony held at Pragjyoti ITA Centre for Performing Arts in the city today.

It may be noted that the classical dance festival was organised by Pushpanjali Cultural Academy to present a kaleidoscope of classical dance forms from across the nation.

Speaking on the occasion, Governor Shri Kataria said, "Indian classical dance forms are a symbol of the cultural identity of our country which dates back to centuries." He said that classical dance forms are the media of artistic expressions through which various stories, cultural and religious themes are expressed. He also said that Indian classical dance is a beautiful and captivating art form that has been passed down for generations. There are several beautiful classical dance forms in India. Each of the dance forms represents country's rich cultural heritage. Cultural relations between different countries of the world are being developed through global exchange programmes and developing cultural relations. Lauding the exponents of different classical dance forms, the Governor said that their contributions have led to promoting and propagating Indian folk art and culture across the country and outside.

The Governor said that Indian classical dance holds immense cultural and spiritual significance in Indian society. They serve as a means of preserving and passing on traditions, customs and legends. Moreover they have played a role in religious rituals and ceremonies, often serving as a form of worship and devotion.

Shri Kataria further said that classical dances bring people together, create a sense of well-being among people. He said that the language of dance can transcend cultural barriers and provide a unique way to communicate without using words, further strengthening the sense of unity. Today, Indian classical dances are quite popular all over the world.

Governor Shri Kataria lauded "Pushpanjali Cultural Academy" for making significant contribution in making the young generation of Assam realize the national spirit through classical dances.

Renowned dancer Smt Leela Samson(Padmashree) also attended and performed in the programme.

Padmashree Jatin Goswami, Padmashree Ghana Kanta Bora along with a host of other dignitaries were also present in the ceremony today.

