



CHHATRAPATI SHAHUJI MAHARAJ UNIVERSITY PRESS RELEASE

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The department of fine arts, CSJMU organised a folk dance performance at the opening of the CSJMU chapter of SPIC MACAY (Society for Promotion of Indian Classical Musical and Culture among Youth) in Chhatrapati Shahuji Maharaj University.

The program was presided over by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak. The program was inaugurated with lighting the lamp by Chief Guest Dr. Vandana Pathak and Special Guest Dr. Shalini Ved Tripathi and Yoga and Nature cure Specialist Mr. Om Prakash Anand.

Giving detailed information about the program, Smt. Abha Mishra said that Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture among Youth (SPIC MACAY) is a non-political, nationwide, voluntary organization founded in 1977 by Dr. Kiran Seth, Professor-Emeritus at IIT-Delhi, who was awarded the 'Padma Shri' in 2009 for his contribution to arts. SPICMACAY intends to enrich the quality of formal education by raising awareness about various aspects of Indian heritage and inspiring young minds to imbibe the values inherent in it. It seeks to inspire youth through experiencing the mysticism embodied in the rich and diverse cultural tapestry of Indian and world heritage. The vision of SPIC MACAY is that the beauty, grace, value, and wisdom embodied in these arts are reflected in the lives and thinking and will influence and inspire everyone to become a better person. To fulfil this aspirations, the country's most skilled artists present programs of Indian classical music and dance, folk, poetry, theatre, traditional painting, crafts, and yoga, mainly in schools and colleges at National and International level.

In the program, the Kalbhaliya group led by Performer Suraj Nath Kalbhaliya performed captivating performances of the **Rajasthani Kalbhaliya Folkstyle** on songs and dances like Kesariya Balma Padharo Mhare Desh, Nimora-Nimoda, Horiya Ma Ude Re Gulal, Rangeela Maro Dholna, Dama Dum Mast Kalandar.

In this program, respected Vice-Chancellor, Professor Vinay Kumar Pathak and Dr. Vandana Pathak appreciated the Kalbhaliya Group and extended their best wishes to all the teachers and students for the inauguration of the chapter of SPIC MACAY in the university. Adding he said this SPIC MACAY will not only aid the development of academics but also cultural programs that are being organized by the university from time to time.

Chief guest Dr. Vandana Pathak said that the opening of this chapter of Spice MACAY in the university will benefit the students to perform as well as learn the art hidden inside them.

The conveyor of this event was Dr Richa Mishra, Prof. Suvigya Awasthi, security in-charge Dr. R. P Singh, HoD. Fine Arts Dr. Brijesh Katiyar and students were also present in this opening event.

