

Hoobastank to perform at Shillong on Saturday



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‘D-Day’ is round the corner and everything is in place for the biggest extravaganza to take over Shillong in a while. Yes! American rockers – Hoobastank – arrived on Thursday in the ‘Scotland of the East’ all excited about their Saturday gig at the 5th Ground, JN Sports Complex, Polo.

The four member band accompanied by a three member technical team landed at Borjihar airport today morning and straight away drove to Rikynjai resort at Umiam to chase their jet lag away and get some well deserved rest after a long and arduous nonstop journey from California.

Visibly tired but nevertheless excited about their maiden tour to India, Hoobastank frontman – lead vocalist Doug Robb had this to say - “Man it feels good to be here and this place is fantastic,” he said adding, “A big hello to our fans and the music loving people of this beautiful country.”

The band before catching up on their sleep spend some time checking out the sights around the majestic Umiam lake which is almost filled to the brim on account of heavy rains in the last few days. Some of them were heard appreciating the scenery and the traditional Khasi welcome accorded to them upon arrival at Rikynjkai.

Back at the venue, things are rolling with the stage and décor crew working hard to have everything ready in time. Clifford Thangkhiew of QT Decorators was seen busy handing out instructions to ensure that the expected capacity crowd has all the basic amenities in place. “We are working overtime and are confident that everything will be ready well before time,” he said adding, “Though the intermittent rain is a bit of a dampner but its good its raining now, hopefully on the day of the show it will remain clear so that everyone has a great time.”

Similarly, Bahnah Jamir the coordinator of the sound crew that is coming from across the northeast region is confident that the show will go off extremely well. “This by far is the highest technical specifications that we have worked on beating all previous bands that have performed here,” Jamir said adding, “We are proud however that everything has been achieved with resources pooled in from the entire northeast so truly this is a unique gig.”

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