

Rongali Bihu celebrated in Gurgaon



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The festival of joy and happiness and the most endearing festival of the people of Assam, the Rongali Bihu was celebrated in the Millenium city of Gurgaon, by Assam Association, Gurgaon on April 18 at the HUDA Community Centre Ground in Sector 46. The gala cultural evening, followed by an exotic dinner was attended by more than 300 people, hailing from as far flung as Noida, Faridabad, Dwarka, New Delhi and nevertheless Gurgaon.

The cultural evening was preceded by a programme, dedicated to all those killed in the recently killed in the terrorist attacks in different parts of India and specially Assam. The programme was performed by small children in the age group of 3 to 13 yrs. and was applauded by all those present.

The curtains to the cultural evening was raised with 'Lighting of Lamps' by honoured guests Dr. Binaybrata Sharma, Ex-CMD, OIL, Trailokya Prasad Khaund, Retd. IAS officer and veteren citizen of Gurgaon Nabakamal Bhuyan, assisted by the President of Assam Association, Gurgaon Mridul Bhuyan, Vice-President Mukul Gogoi and General Secretary Dr. Kalpajeet Nath.

The cultural evening started with a chorus by few of the Lady members of Assam Association, Gurgaon, namely Ashalata Bhuyan, Dr. Geeta Baruah Nath, Reena Sharma, Momee Gogoi, Mimun Das, Rajashree Kashyap, Mala Sharma, Nisha Agarwal, Nilanjana R Dutta. The chorus was followed by a graceful classical Odyssey dance 'Mangalacharan Namami' by Banditta Nath. The cultural evening gained momentum with a couple of Modern songs by upcoming singer from Gurgaon Arun Baruah, followed by Arup Bhagawati and his daughter Trisha Bhagawati. The spirit of the evening soared with a beautiful Bihu Dance performed by Vidisha Sharma and Akankshya Bhuyan. The highlight of the evening was some melodious songs by Debojit Das & his wife Mimun

Das. The true bihu spirit was further displayed by another graceful Bihu dance by Momee Gogoi, Kaveri Chakroborty & Nisha Agarwal.

The evening reached its crescendo by an innovative show, displaying the traditional clothes of Assamese women. The most inspiring fact was that about 6/7 graceful ladies from the non-assamese fraternity of Gurgaon participated in the event along with the lady members of Assam Association, Gurgaon, which enthralled the viewers.

The souvenir of Assam Association 'Samannay' was also inaugurated during the event by Binaybrata Sharma, flanked by Editor of 'Samannay', Dr. Geeta Baruah Nath.

The cultural evening came to an end with 'Bihu Hunsori' by the youngsters of Assam Association, Gurgaon, followed by 'Vote of Thanks' by General Secretary Dr. Kalpajeet Nath.

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