



मौर्य कला परिसर, कुवैत

Annual Report, Year 2016
Maurya Kala Parisar Kuwait
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1 January 2016 to 31st December 2016

Maurya Kala Parisar, Kuwait is a cultural and social association of people connected to the Indian states of Bihar and Jharkhand, active since 1995. The organization takes its name from the Maurya dynasty of Patliputra of ancient India. It has been active in promoting culture / ethnicity of eastern Indian states specially Bihar and Jharkhand by providing a platform for its members to interact with each other and also by organizing events of Interest for Indian Community in Kuwait.

This year Maurya Kala Parisar completed 21 years. The list of activities carried out during the year is as follows:

Events:

Ethnic Food Festival: 3rd Ethnic Food Festival "One Bite at a Time", was organized by Maurya Kala Parisar on Friday, 25th March, 2016 at Ras Salmiya. Husband and kids helped the ladies to decorate and arrange the food for display in the competition. Nearly 70 dishes prepared at home by 42 ladies and men were at display in four categories of the competition.

While the Food Competition was the highlight of the event, there were a variety of offerings of food from eastern India for the audience to feast at the stalls. Audience and participants were also entertained with games and spot quizzes loaded with gifts and prizes while the judges were evaluating the competition. Mughal Mahal Restaurants and LIC International sponsored the event.

MKP Surmai Shaam: MKP organized a musical evening presented by the members of association. The event was held at Rajdhani restaurant in Khaitan on 31st May 2016. It included performance by MKP in-house artists and Antakshari and other games. The dinner was sponsored by the association for members.

Dinkar Poetry Awards: Dinkar Poetry Awards 2016, a poetry writing and recitation competition for students was arguably one of the biggest ever student events in Kuwait. It was unique as it was a competition for Hindi / Urdu poetry generally not routine in student competition circuits. Over 81 budding poets from 12 schools competed for the coveted Dinkar Poetry Awards in three categories on Friday, 14th October 2016 at Indian Embassy Auditorium.

Other activities:

Maurya Loyalty Program continued this year as well.

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Organizational:

The present executive committee will complete its term by end of 2017, when elections for the new committee will be planned. We need more volunteers to join the committee as executive members.

Discussion points

- 1) Less number of EC meetings
- 2) List of activities
- 3) Membership

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