EPCH takes India's colours & weaves to exhibition of traditions in textiles, arts and crafts in Kyrgyzstan

India-Kyrgyz Colours and Weaves in Central Asia; 13th - 24th June 2019



Above left: HE Ambassador of India in Kyrgyz Republic, Mr. Alok Amitabh Dimri; and Mr. Zhamankulov Azamat Kaparovich, Minister of Culture, Information and Tourism of the Kyrgyz Republic being welcomed during opening of the exhibition. Seen with them are, Mr. Ratnesh Kumar Jha, Addl. Development Commissioner (Handicrafts); and Mr. Santosh Kumar Singh, Addl. Development Commissioner (Handlooms). Above right: The dignitaries at exhibitor stalls. Below: The dignitaries seen with the Master crafts persons from India and Kyrgyz Republic at the exhibition



An India-Kyrgyzstan joint exhibition entitled "Colours and Weaves in Central Asia" on Indian textiles and handicrafts, was organised by Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India through EPCH in coordination with Embassy of India in Bishkek and Government of Kyrgyzstan Resource Centre in Kyrgyzstan of Central Asian Crafts Support Association (CACSARC - kg). Over 100 products of handlooms and handicrafts were selected by designers for display at the show. Master crafts persons were deputed for live demonstrations of tie & dye and Madhubani crafts.

Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi visited Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan from 13-14 June, 2019 to attend the SCO meeting and this exhibition was organised on the side-lines of the Prime Minister's visit. The exhibition was inaugurated on 13th June 2019 by Mr. Zhamankulov Azamat Kaparovich, Minister of Culture, Information and Tourism of the Kyrgyz Republic; and HE Ambassador of India in Kyrgyz Republic, Mr. Alok Amitabh Dimri, in the presence of Mr. Ratnesh Kumar Jha, Additional Development Commissioner (Handicrafts); and Mr. Santosh Kumar Singh,





Above: Mr. Manish Prabhat, Joint Secretary, Eurasia Division, MEA and Ms. Sipra Ghosh, Counselor, Embassy of India, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, visited the exhibition and interacted with artisans. Below: Visitors in the Indian stalls







Women artisans of Kyrgyzstan performing live demonstration of their famous craft styles of shyrdak (felt rugs with appliqued coloured panels) associated with their ancient nomadic style of living

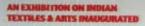




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Coverage of the show by print media





Additional Development Commissioner (Handlooms), Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India.

Mr. Zhamankulov Azamat Kaparovich, Minister of Culture, Information and Tourism of the Kyrgyz Republic appreciated the display by both Indian and Kyrgyz sides and said that this initiative will bring the people of the two countries closer and give the opportunity to his Government to understand the institutional support offered by the Indian side to its crafts persons for

promotion and development of crafts in India. Speaking on the occasion, HE, Mr. Alok Amitabh Dimri said that this exhibition is a confluence of two cultures, traditions, arts & crafts and gives an opportunity to artisans on both sides to share their experience and expertise to incorporate designs, patterns & motifs in each other's textiles and crafts.

The exhibition showcased textile items along with handicraft figurine products such as elephant on wheel, wooden lion, bullock cart, statue of Lord Krishna; stoles including Kyrgyz exhibits such as Shyrdak carpets, traditional motifs, felt textiles along with live demonstrations by the Indian and Kyrgyz artisans