**Press Release**

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**RAJASTHAN DAY CELEBRATIONS BEGIN IN STYLE WITH *NAGARAS* AND CAMEL TATTOO SHOW**

**Jaipur, 27 March:** The 4 day festival of Rajasthan Day Celebrations began with an extravagant opening ceremony by way of the ‘Run for Rajasthan’ and BSF Camel Tattoo Show at JDA Polo Ground. The event was inaugurated by the Higher Education Minister, Shri Kali Charan Saraf. The Minister of State for Tourism (Independent Charge), Ms. Krishnendra Kaur (Deepa) and the Chief Secretary, Mr. CS Rajan were also present on the occasion.

The event began with ‘Run for Rajasthan’ with 31 athletes led by Olympian runner Gopal Saini. They then came and lit the ceremonial torch. This was followed by a scintillating performance of *'nagaras*' by Nathulal Solanki and his group from Pushkar.

This was followed by an hour long mesmerizing camel musical show by camel contingent of the BSF, Jodhpur. This event included a mind-blowing performance of the camel mounted band as well as acrobatics and PT exercises skilfully done on the camels. The ships of the desert also danced on the music of the band. It began with a march past.

A large number of foreign tourists as well as the local populace enjoyed the evening.