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**ENCHANTING MUSICAL PERFORMANCE TODAY ATJKK**

**Jaipur, 2 September:** The 3 day Dhruvpad Programme began today at Jawahar Kala Kendra (JKK) with enchanting performances by Pandit Dalchand Sharma (Nathdwara Gharana) and Pandit Laxman Bhatt Tailang of Jaipur. The event was inaugurated by Director General JKK, Ms. Pooja Sood, ADG (Technical), JKK, Ms. Anuradha Singh and renowned Dhruvpad artiste Pandit Laxman Bhatt Tailang.

The evening began with a solo performance -- *Pakhawaj Vadan* by Pandit Dalchand Sharma, who is an eminent exponent of *Pakhawaj*playing in India. Panch Dev Stuti and ‘Ganesh Paran’ were rendered. This was followed by presentations of the traditional composition of the ‘Nathdwara Gharana’. Dr. Dalchand Sharma concluded the performance by presenting ‘Rela’. He was accompanied by Vinay Mishra on harmonium as well as his disciples Salman Khan and Hariom.

The evening concluded with the performance of eminent Dhruvpad artiste Pandit Laxman Bhatt Tailang. He first rendered ‘Aat Honge Aali Pyari’. He then presented two self composed pieces. Dr. Madhu Bhatt Tailang accompanied him in singing, Om Nayar on *Tanpura*, Pandit Ravi Shankar on violin and Dr. Shyam Sundar Sharma on harmonium.

It is to be recalled that the event was a part of the weekend cultural programme at JKK. Tomorrowa *Rudra Veena Vadan* by Mrs. Vidushi Jyoti Hegde, *Pakhawaj Vadan* by Dr. Praveen Kumar Arya and Dhruvpad *Gayan* by Shri Nishant Mallick along with Shri Prashant Mallick will take place. The event will be held at Krishnayan Auditorium from 6 pm. The entry to the event is complimentary and on a first come first serve basis.