

CULTURE: AN INTRODUCTION

The English word 'Culture' is derived from the Latin term 'cult or cultus' meaning tilling, or cultivating or refining and worship. In sum it means cultivating and refining a thing to such an extent that its end product evokes our admiration and respect. This is practically the same as 'Sanskriti' of the Sanskrit language. The term 'Sanskriti' has been derived from the root 'Kri (to do) of Sanskrit language. Three words came from this root 'Kri; prakriti' (basic matter or condition), 'Sanskriti' (refined matter or condition) and 'vikriti' (modified or decayed matter or condition) when 'prakriti' or a raw material is refined it becomes 'Sanskriti' and when broken or damaged it becomes 'vikriti'.

Culture is a way of life. The food you eat, the clothes you wear, the language you speak in and the God you worship all are aspects of culture. In very simple terms, we can say that culture is the embodiment of the way in which we think and do things. It is also the things that we have inherited as members of society. All the achievements of human beings as members of social groups can be called culture. Art, music, literature, architecture, sculpture, philosophy, religion and science can be seen as aspects of culture. However, culture also includes the customs, traditions, festivals, ways of living and one's outlook on various issues of life. Culture thus refers to a human-made environment which includes all the material and nonmaterial products of group life that are transmitted from one generation to the next. There is a general agreement among social scientists that culture consists of explicit and implicit patterns of behaviour acquired by human beings. These may be transmitted through symbols, constituting the distinctive achievements of human groups, including their embodiment as artefacts. The essential core of culture thus lies in those finer ideas which are transmitted within a groupboth historically derived as well as selected with their attached value. More recently, culture denotes historically transmitted patterns of meanings embodied in symbols, by means of which people communicate, perpetuate and develop their knowledge about and express their attitudes toward life. Culture is the expression of our nature in our modes of living and thinking. It may be seen in our literature, in religious practices, in recreation and enjoyment. Culture has two distinctive components, namely, material and non-material. Material culture consists of objects that are related to the material aspect of our life such as our dress, food, and household goods. Non-material culture refers to ideas, ideals, thoughts and belief. Culture varies from place to place and country to country. Its development is based on the historical process operating in a local, regional or national context. For example, we differ in our ways of greeting others, our clothing, food habits, social and religious customs and practices from the West. In other words, the people of any country are characterised by their distinctive cultural traditions.

KUMAUNI CULTURE

Kumaon has been an interesting region since the last two decades due to the rock paintings which have been discovered in the area. Lakhu Udiyar and Lwethaap are the most famous ones amongst them. Kumaon is said to be the point of origin of Pahari Kalam which is yet another style of painting well-known across the world. The most popular art form of Kumaon, however, is known as Aipan or Alpana. In this art form, pieces of cloth, walls and papers are all decorated with geometric figures which belong to God, Goddesses and the other natural objects of nature.

Alpana is a very important art form of Kumaon which can easily be spotted in the homes of this region. Aipan has a number of art forms including Saraswati Chowki, Nav Durga Chowki, Chamunda Hasti Chowki, Janeyu Chowki, Hasan Chowki, Acharya Chowki, Dhuli Arghya Chowki, Durga Thapa etc. Apart from worshipping Lord Shiva and Shakti, the residents of this region worship other Gods and Goddesses too including Kul Devta, Bhumi Devta, Gram Devta and Naga Devta. Some other important folk Gods worshipped include Naina Devi, Nanda Devi, Gwalla, Bholenath, Airy, Gangnath, Chaumu, Haru and Kail Bisht.

Kumaon is also administrative region of uttarakhand. Commonly speaking language is hindi and its native language is kumaoni language. The people of kumaon speak 13 dialects including kumaiya, gangola, soryali, sirali, askoti, danpuriya, johari, chaugarkhyali, majh kumaiya, khasparjia, pachhai and rauchaubhaisi. This group of languages is known as the group of central pahari languages. Kumaon is also rich in its folk literature which comprises of myths, heroes, heroines, bravery, gods, goddesses and the characters drawn from ramayana and mahabharatha.

The most popular dance form of kumaon is known as chhalaria and it is related to the martial traditions of the region. All the festivals are celebrated with a lot of enthusiasm and witness such traditional dance forms even today.

Kumaon" –a region in the state of uttarakhand is blessed with wide nature scenario and misty mountains. It is surrounded by tibet on north, nepal on east, uttar pradesh on south and garhwal region on west.

The region of kumaon is bounded of himalayan mountain ranges, with two sub mountains namely terai and bhabhar. A good amount of kumaon region is deep forest which is fully under the control of local forestry department. Majority of the peoples believe hinduism in kumaon region. It is surprisingly to see that

the ancient rocks, valleys, mountains in the kumaon region are named some hindu mythological gods or goddess such as shiva, vaishnava bholanath, gangnath and airy.

According to the researcher atkinson, there are more than 250 shiva temples and 35 vaishnava temples are present in the kumaon region in british times. The temples which are situated around bageshwar, binsar, thalkedar, rameshwar, kot ki mai, almora and ganganath are worshipping lord shiva. Similarly the temples that located in the almora, nainital, pumagiri, devidhura and gangolihat are worshipping the shakti. The regions in the lohaghat – champawat are associated with kunna avatar and sun gods. However the region kumaon is well famous for worshipping the lord shiva, majorly because of the regions like panchkedars and kailash – mansarovar. According to the hindu mythological sages opinion, kailash is the finest and purest place to worship the god siva.

Kumaon is a region which is mainly dependable on the income from tourism. For exploring the scopes of tourism, the welfare organizations start a venture namely "kumaon mandal vikas nigam" which delivers the complete details about the kumaon tourism, places to visit, kumaon best hotels list, kumaon tour packages, kumaon pilgrim destinations etc. It is always feel to say that kumaon is tourist spot that will gives you the magnificent mother nature experience.

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लोहाघाट | हमारे संवाददाता

राजकीय स्नातकोत्तर महाविद्यालय लोहा घाट में सांस्कृतिक परिषद का गठन किया गया। इसमें सिमरन साह को अध्यक्ष

महाविद्यालय में सांस्कृतिक परिषद प्रभारी डा. सुमन पांडेय के दिशा निर्देशन में और डा.तीफिक अहमद, डा. विमला देवी तथा डा. विद्या कुमारी के सम्मुख सर्वसम्मति से अध्यक्ष पद में सिमरन साह, उपाध्यक्ष छात्रा पूजा पाठक और दीक्षा जोशी, उपाध्यक्ष छात्र शशांक पांडेय, सचिव बेबी प्रियंका और पूजा



लोहाघाट कालेज में शनिवार को सांस्कृतिक परिषद के गठन के बाद मौजूद पदाधिकारी।

कोपाध्यक्ष नवीन राय बने। सलाहकार समिति में निखिलेश गहतोड़ी, सुमित गड़कोटी, प्रियंका गड़कोटी, संदीप पंत. संजय बोहरा, सौरभ फर्त्याल, शिवानी, उप्रेती, संयुक्त सचिव नीलम उप्रेती। मनोज बडोला, शबनम, नेहा गड़कोटी

ज्योति सौन आदि रहे। प्रतिनिधि सांस्कृतिक समिति शिवानी अधिकारी और वाद-विवाद निस्तारण समिति में दीपक देव, नेहा गड़कोटी, प्रियंका गड़कोटी, दीपक फत्यांल आदि रहे।

सांस्कृतिक पारंषद की अध्यक्ष बनी शोमा लोहाघाट। पीजी कॉलेज में सांस्कृतिक परिषद में शोभा कुल्याल की अध्यक्ष चुना गया। प्राचार्य डॉ. सुशील कुमार गुरुरानी की अध्यक्षता और सांस्कृतिक प्रभारी डॉ. सुमन पांडेय के नेतृत्व में सलाहकार समिति में प्रेमा, कविता पांडेय, राहुल बिष्ट, आस्था गोस्वामी, सुनीता, प्रीति खाती, अदिती विश्वकर्मा और छात्र संघ के सभी पदाधिकारी रहे। डॉ. तौफिक अहमद, डॉ.जगदीश पांडेय, डॉ.महेश त्रिपाठी आदि मौजूद रहे।

सिमरन बनी परिषद अध्यक्ष (चंपावत)। कॉलेज में सांस्कृतिक परिषद का गठ किया गया। इसमें सर्वसम्मति र सिमरन साह को अध्यक्ष चुना गया सांस्कृतिक परिषद प्रभारी डॉ. सुमन पांडेय के दिशा निर्देशन में अध्यक्ष पद पर सिमरन साह, उपाध्यक्ष छात्रा पूजा पर स्विधित साह, उपालचे छाता रूपा पाठक और दीक्षा जोशी, उपाध्यक्ष छात्र शशांक पांडेय, सचिव बेबी प्रियंका और पूजा उप्रेती, संयुक्त सचिव बीलम उप्रेती, कोपाध्यक्ष नवीन राय चने गए। जबकि निखिलेश गहतोड़ी, सुमित गड़कोटी, प्रियंका गड़कोटी, संदीप पत, संजय बोहरा, सौरभ फत्यांल, शिवानी, मनोज बडोला, शबनम, नेहा गड़कोटी, अचीति सीन आदि को सलाहकार समिति का सदस्य बनाया गया। सांस्कृतिक सांमति प्रतिनिधि शिवानी अधिकारी और वाद विवाद निस्तारण सामिति में दीपक देव, नेहा गड़कोटी, त्रियंका गड़कोटी, दीपक फत्यंत आदि रहे। डॉ. तौफिक अहमद, डॉ. विमला देवी और डॉ. विद्या कुमारी ने नवनिर्वाचित पदाधिकारियों को बधाई दी। क्यूरो



ऐपण में भावना ने मारी

जागरण संवाददाता, लोहाचाद : राजकीय गोस्वामी ने दूसरा तथा रेन गोस्वामी ने त स्नातकोत्तर महाविद्यालय में सांस्कृतिक स्थान प्राप्त किया। प्रतियोगिता में छात्र स परिषद द्वारा ऐपण प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन स्था व सुमित गडकोटी द्वार प्रतिभग वि किया गया। जिसमें विद्यालय के छात्र- गया। जिसमें सहल तथ की सालान पुरस्त छात्राओं हाए एतिभाग किया गया। दिसा गया। प्रतियोगिता में निणायक प्रतिभागियों द्वारा है। विश्व मुचा । दिसा गया। प्रतिभागियों द्वारा कोणे, डा स्वात दक्षणी ऐपण, सरस्वती पीठ, वर चौकी, मेलकावी, डा कमलेश माकते वे निभाई तामकुरण चौकी आदि का प्रदर्शन किया प्रतिमोगिता के सफल संचालन में कि विश्व गया। निद्यालय के प्राचाय केनेएस नेगी के कुमारी, हा तीफिक आज़द, मान विशा निर्देशन व मास्कृतिक परिषद प्रभारी अजय देक, नवीन गय, शिवानी अधिक मा सुमन पाडेच के संचालन में आयोजित, मनीज बडोला, राजेश किर दीपक गी

पतियोगिता में भावना त्रिभावी ने पहला, चित्रा प्रसाद आदि हाथ सहयोग प्रदान किया ग



सांस्कृतिक परिषद के सुनित बने अध्यक्ष परिषद का मठन हो गया है। जिसमें सुमित अध्यक्ष बनाया गया। परिषद प्रभारी डा. सुमन पांडेय की अध्यक्षता में हुए चुनाव में सुमित गड़कोटी को अध्यक्ष, छात्रा उपाध्यक्षा सिमरन साह, छात्र उपाध्यक्ष सूर्य प्रताप सिंह, सचिव नीलम जोशी, संयुक्त सचिव आरती, कोषाध्यक्ष प्रशांत वर्मा और सलाहकार समिति में शिवानी अधिकारी, नवीन राय, नेहा गड़कोटी, बेबी प्रियंका, महिमा कठायत, पूजा उपेती, प्रियंका गड़कोटी, आरती ढेक, शशांक पांडेय, पूजा पाठक, लिक्षत राय। निर्णय लिया कि १ जनवरी को सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन होगा।



हीं समन पाइंग्र के दिशा निर्देशन में छात्र सम्मानित तथा छात्रा उपाय्यक बंधी हो. एके हियेथी हो बिधान गरी हो स्था की प्रमृति पार भीड़ी की बसती प्रियंका के लोक गीवी पर दशक अपने स्थाति मेलकानी हो अर्थन विपत्त हैं छारी समाधना बीत ने समी बीध दिया। स्थानी में थिरकने लगे। जिला पंचायत सैंब संनवात ने सभी का स्थायत किया

TRADITIONAL DRESSES

- 🕨 घाघरा
- चन्या
- 🕨 चोली
- > वास्केट
- कुर्ते
- 🕨 कमीज
- 🕨 टोपी
- 🕨 पिछौड़ा
- > सफेद साड़िया
- > घाघरा
- ► नथ,
- > मांगटीका

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

- ➤ चिमटा Tongs
- ➤ ढोलक Dholak
- > हारमोनियम (Reed Organ)
- ➤ मंजीरा (Hand Cymbal)
- > कांगो (Congo)
- तबला (Tabala)
- ➤ कैसियो (Casio)
- गिटार (Guitar)
- ➤ নাল (Naal)
- ➤ बक्शाटीन (Tin Box)
- ➤ माउथ पीस (Mouth Piece)
- खजरी (khajari)

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