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## Year of connecting the world through Ramayana-2024

The Ramayana is cherished not only as a literary gem but also as a global cultural treasure that transcends borders and unites individuals worldwide. Spanning across the globe, the Ramayana has profoundly influenced numerous cultures, providing inspiration, moral insights and spiritual guidance.

The ICCR had organized its 1st International Performing Art Workshop on Ramayana successfully in Kolkata (West Bengal) featuring an ensemble of 17 international artists from Vietnam, Sri Lanka, and Myanmar, as well as 28 Indian artists from Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Assam and Sikkim from 23rd to 26th June, 2024.

The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) is back with its 2nd edition of the International performing art workshop under the banner of "Year of Connecting the World through Ramayana-2024." This initiative fosters international cooperation to establish shared heritage, encourage joint cultural productions, and promote Ramayana-related art forms. This aim is to highlight the common elements of cultures connecting countries of the world through Ramayana and its values.

The tale of love, courage and righteousness of Ramayana will be portrayed by Surati Performing art group from the United States of America joined by classical dancers and musicians from the Southern part of India. This will enhance cultural exchanges and deepen understanding of the shared heritage.

The workshop will be held in Bangalore, Karnataka, in collaboration with the Department of Kannada and Culture, the Government of Karnataka, and Bangalore University, as well as in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, in collaboration with Andhra University, from July 29th to August 5th, 2024.

The event will be graced by Prof. Dr. Jayakara S. M., Vice-Chancellor, Bangalore University, as the chief guest, and Shri. Sheik Latheef, K.A.S., Registrar, Bangalore University, as the guest of honour.

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