



# Passage to India 2024

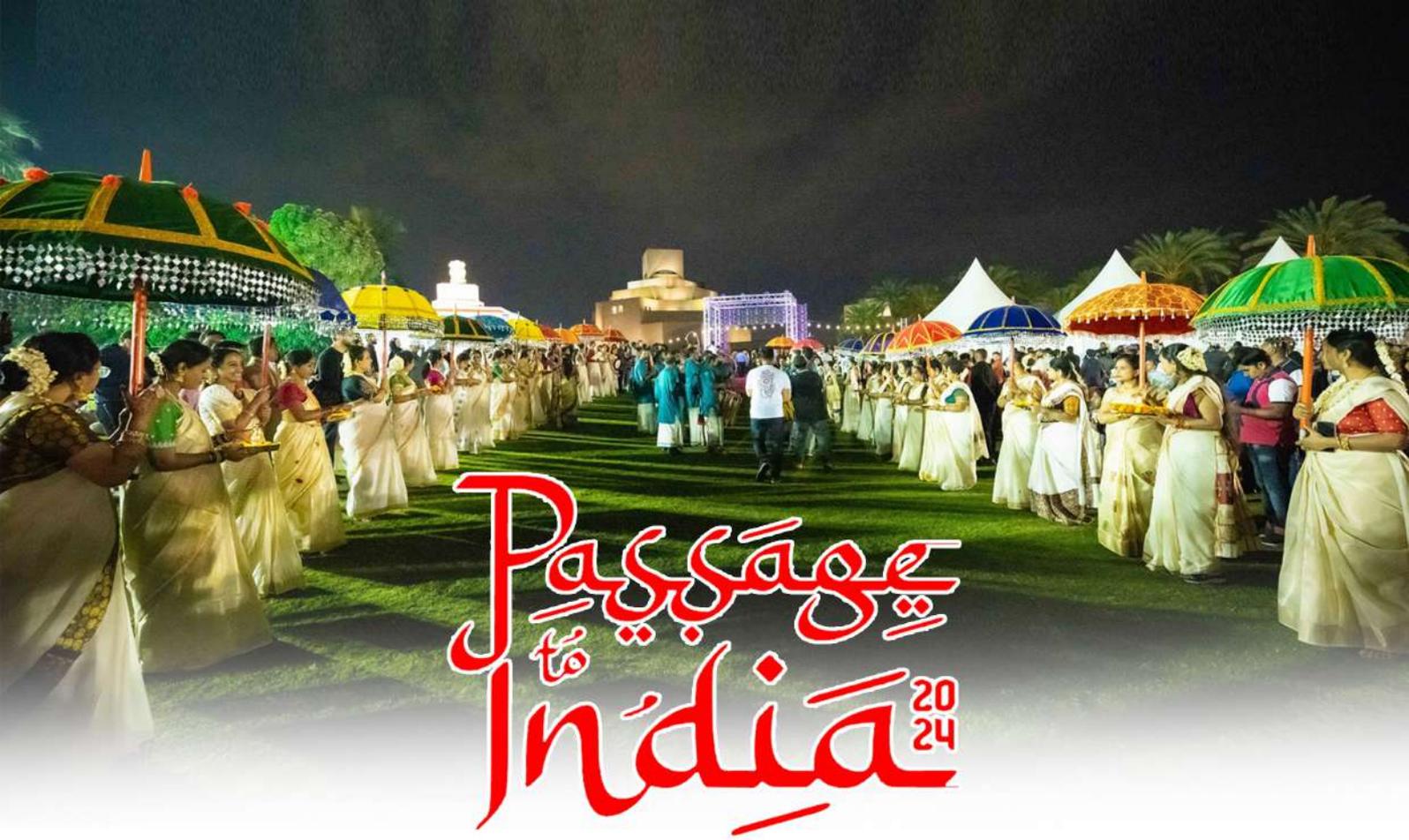
Indian Cultural Centre under the aegis of Embassy of India, in collaboration with Qatar Museum, inaugurated their three-day cultural extravaganza, Passage to India 2024 on 7th March at Museum of Islamic Park. The celebration also marked 50 years of diplomatic relationship between Qatar and India. State Minister and President of Qatar National Library, HE Dr. Hamad Bin Abdulaziz Al-Kuwari was the Chief guest for the evening. Ambassador of India to Qatar, H.E. Mr. Vipul, officials of the Embassy of India, the managing committee members of all apex bodies, Indian community leaders felicitated the Chief guest and other dignitaries.

The large audience enjoyed various stalls comprising of Indian cuisines, Indian handicrafts, and other artefacts by attending this event for 3 days.

On 8th March 2024. Niyazi brothers from Rampur, India, enthralled the audience with their Qawwali performance.

On 9th March 2024. The Dog Show carried out by Ministry of Interior's Dog squad was the major attraction for the evening.





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Indian Cultural Centre along with the Embassy of India, in collaboration with Qatar Museum and Museum of Islamic Park, concluded the second day of their three-day cultural extravaganza, Passage to India 2024 on 8th March 2024. The major attraction was a live performance of Thiruvathira by the Indian community members.



# MEDICAL CAMP

On 2nd February 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India, in association with Asian Medical Centre, organized a medical camp for the Indian Community. ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan, Vice President, Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, Presidents of the associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion.

A variety of medical services were offered to the community members at special prices. President Mr. A.P. Manikantan mentioned that this initiative not only addresses immediate health concerns but also contributes to the long-term well-being of the community and thanked the Asian Medical Centre for their support. The initiative was executed by ICC's Youth Wing and was coordinated by Head of Consular and HR at ICC, Mr. Sajeew Sathyaseelan

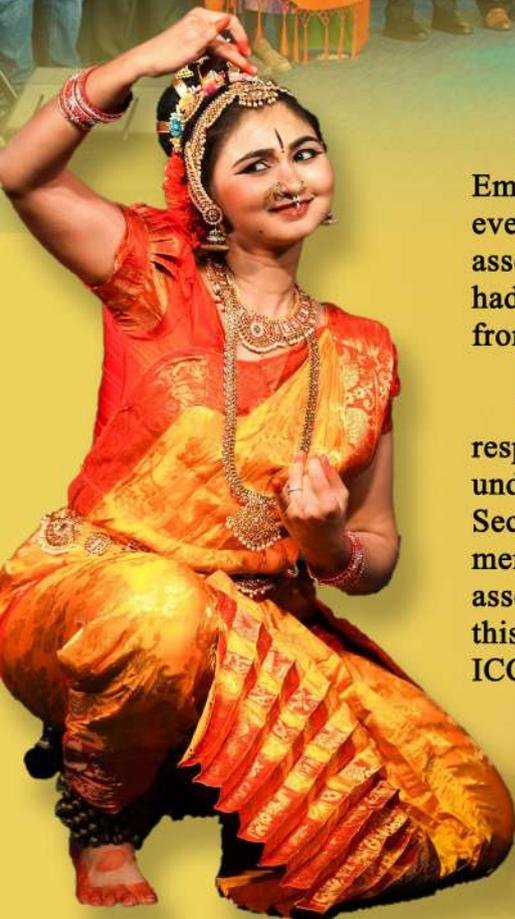
# Wednesday fiesta

## KUCHIPUDI RECITAL



On 7th February 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India, conducted 'ICC Wednesday Fiesta', a weekly cultural event of the vibrant Indian community residing in Qatar. ICC, in association with Andhra Kala Vedika, an associated organization of ICC, had invited a renowned Kuchipudi dancer, Srivyshnavi Korlakunta, from India to perform on this occasion.

ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan thanked the community for the response to the cultural events and explained various initiatives ICC is undertaking. ICC's Vice President, Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, AKV's Managing Committee members, Presidents of the other associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion. Mrs. Sumaa Mahesh Gowda, Head of School Activities at ICC, anchored the event proceedings.



# Inter AO Dance Festival **Natyanjali**



On 16th February 2024, Embassy of India in association with Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India, conducted 'Natyanjali: Inter AO Dance Festival', a cultural extravaganza by the associated organizations under ICC. 25 associated organizations belonging to different Indian states performed on this occasion. Mr. Sachin Dinkar Shankpal, First Secretary at the Embassy of India, was the Chief Guest for the evening. The event garnered huge response from the India diaspora. ICC's General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar welcomed the audience and the dignitaries. ICC's Vice President Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu thanked the community for their response to this cultural event and explained various initiatives ICC is undertaking. Mr. Shankpal, in his speech, appreciated ICC Managing Committee for various initiatives they have undertaken in the past and hoped that the trend will continue in future. Mr. Abraham Joseph, Secretary at ICC, gave away Vote of Thanks.

Rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, Presidents and managing committee members of the other associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion. Mrs. Sumaa Mahesh Gowda, Head of Cultural Activities at ICC, anchored the event proceedings.



On 21st February 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India conducted 'ICC Wednesday Fiesta', a weekly cultural event of the vibrant Indian community residing in Qatar. ICC, in association with North Indian Association, an associated organization of ICC, "Virsat" carried out various cultural performances on this occasion. Mr. Sachin Dinkar Shankpal, First Secretary at the Embassy of India, was the Chief Guest for the evening. The event garnered huge response from the India diaspora.

NIA President Mr. Sanjay Arora welcomed the audience and the dignitaries ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan thanked the community for the response to the cultural events and explained various initiatives ICC is undertaking. ICC's Vice President, Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, NIA Managing Committee members, Presidents of the other associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion. Adv. Jaffer Khan, Head of Premises at ICC, gave away Vote of Thanks.



# ICC WINTER FEST 2024



On 23rd February 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India, conducted 'ICC Winter Festival' in association with Maestro Arts an associated organization of ICC, and Skills Development Center carried out various cultural performances on this occasion. Maestro Arts President Mr. Aasik Kumar welcomed the audience and the dignitaries. ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan thanked the community for the response to the cultural events and explained various initiatives ICC is undertaking. ICC's Vice President, Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, Maestro arts Managing Committee members, Presidents of the other associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion. Mrs. Sumaa Mahesh Gowda, Head of Cultural Activities at ICC, anchored the event proceedings.

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# ANGAMALY CARNIVAL



On 28th February 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India, conducted 'ICC Wednesday Fiesta', a weekly cultural event of the vibrant Indian community residing in Qatar. ICC's associated organization 'Angamaly NRI Association' carried out cultural performances on this occasion.

ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan thanked the community for the response to the cultural events and explained various initiatives ICC is undertaking. ICC's Vice President, Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, Angamaly NRI Association's Managing Committee members, Presidents of the other associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion. Mr. Shantanu Deshpande, Head of School Activities at ICC, anchored the event proceedings. Mr. Sajeev Sathyaseelan, Head of Consular Services at ICC, conveyed Vote of Thanks.





**Indian Cultural Centre**

under the aegis of Embassy of India, Qatar

in association with

**ICC Women's Forum**

Presents

# International WOMEN'S DAY Celebration



On 2nd March 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India celebrated 'International Women's Day' in their premises. ICC Women's Forum planned and executed this event. Mr. Gyanveer Singh, Counsellor (Political and Information) at the Embassy of India, was the Chief Guest for the evening. The event garnered huge response from the Indian diaspora and specially women.

In his Presidential speech, Mr. A.P. Manikantan thanked the community for their response to this event and explained various initiatives ICC is undertaking. Mr. Singh, in his speech, appreciated ICC Managing Committee for various initiatives they have undertaken in the past and emphasized on the need of women empowerment. ICC's Vice President Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, ICC's General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, Presidents and managing committee members of the other associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion.

3 guest speakers, Dr. Rasha Al-Zaman, Mubarak Al- Nuaimi and Dr. Ambika Anand, enlightened the audience with their thoughts and knowledge. Various cultural team carried out cultural performances on this occasion. Mrs. Sumaa Mahesh Gowda, Head of Cultural Activities at ICC, guided the event proceedings.





# ENVISIONING TOMORROW



Envisioning Tomorrow: A Dialogue on the Role of the Indian Constitution in Empowering Youth.

The Indian Cultural Center (ICC) Youth Wing is pleased to announce the successful organization of a thought-provoking session titled "Envisioning Tomorrow: A Dialogue on the Role of the Indian Constitution in Empowering Youth." The session was conducted by the esteemed retired Justice of the Supreme Court of India, Shri. Kurian Joseph, and took place on the 29th of February at the ICC Ashoka Hall.

The session aimed to ignite discussions and reflections on the pivotal role of the Indian Constitution in empowering and shaping the aspirations of the youth Against the backdrop of a rapidly evolving society, understanding the constitutional principles and their relevance to the aspirations of the youth is crucial.

The official inauguration was done by Rtd. Justice Kurian Joseph and ICC President A P Manikantan delivered the presidential address with the presence of ICC Vice president

Subramanya Hebbagelu, ICC general secretary Mohan Kumar Duraiswamy and ICC MC members. ICC Youth Wing Chairman Edwin Sebastian and Program coordinator Ms. Vairajni delivered the welcome speech and vote of thanks, respectively. The program was attended by people from various communities and attendees from Various forums under the Indian Cultural Centre, community leaders and witnessed fruitful discussions. ICC Youth Wing conducted a photo exhibition based on the 75th anniversary of Indian Constitution in ICC premises.



# ICC LONG TERM RESIDENT AWARDS 2024

Indian Cultural Centre along with the Embassy of India, in collaboration with Qatar Museum and Museum of Islamic Park, concluded the second day of their three-day cultural extravaganza, Passage to India 2024 on 8th March 2024. As an appreciation for their commitment, ICC felicitated some of the long-term Indian residents staying in Qatar on this occasion. Here are some glimpses of the “ICC Long Term Resident Awards 2024”.



# ICC IFTAR MEET 2024

Indian Cultural Centre under the aegis of Embassy of India conducted Iftar in their premises on 25th and 26th March 2024. ICC's Ashoka Hall was decorated and lit to celebrate this holy occasion. ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan welcomed the attendees. Ambassador of India to Qatar, H.E. Mr. Vipul, spoke about the importance of this holy month and wished everyone a healthy and happy Ramadan. The officials from various ministries including the Ministry of Interior blessed the event with their attendance.

The event was attended by the officials of the Embassy of India, other Apex body presidents, Presidents of other associated organizations of ICC and community leaders of the Indian diaspora. ICC's Vice President Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar and the rest of the Managing committee attended to the guests and the dignitaries.



# ICC IFTAR FOR HER

Indian Cultural Centre along with ICC Women's Forum conducted "Iftar for her", an event celebrating Iftar for the underprivileged women on 31st March. ICC's Women's Forum managed and executed this event. ICC's Ashoka Hall was decorated to celebrate this holy occasion. First Secretary of the Embassy of India Dr. Vaibhav Tandale and his wife Dr. Manisha Tandale graced the occasion by their presence.

ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan welcomed the attendees. Dr. Vaibhav, spoke about the importance of this holy month and wished everyone a healthy and happy Ramadan. The underprivileged women, including domestic workers, were felicitated by Dr. Vaibhav and ICC Managing Committee on this occasion.

ICC's Vice President Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, other Apex Body Presidents, President of ICC Women's Forum Mrs. Nandini Abbagouni, rest of the ICC Managing Committee and Managing Committee of Women's Forum, community leaders blessed the event with their attendance.

# ICC YOUTH WING BLOOD DONATION CAMP 2024



ICC Youth Wing in association with Hamad Medical Corporation and Grand Mall, Asian Town hosted a Blood Donation Camp on 5th April, 2024. The event witnessed an outstanding turnout from the community. However, during this holy month of Ramadan, it is a blessing that we were able to arrange blood donations, potentially saving the lives of more than 250 people.

The official inauguration was done by Shir. Harshavardhan Patel, First Secretary, Embassy of Indian and ICC President A P Manikantan delivered the presidential address. ICBF president Mr. S. Hanavas Bava, ICC General Secretary Mohan Kumar Duraiswamy and Grand Mall Regional Director Mr. Ashraf Cherkkal delivered the felicitation speech with the presence of ICC MC members and apex bodies members, ICC Youth Wing Chairman Edwin Sebastian, executive members and community leaders witnessed the official function.



# Eid Bazaar & Mehndi Night



The Indian Cultural Centre (ICC) conducted Eid Bazaar & Mehndi Night on 7th, 8th & 9th April 2024. His Excellency Mr. Vipul, Ambassador of India to Qatar, inaugurated the celebration. Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of India graced the event by his presence on 8th April 2024. ICC President Mr. A.P Manikantan warmly welcomed the gathering, while ICC's Vice President Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu delivered the Vote of Thanks. The event was also attended by the presence of ICC Advisory Council Chairman Mr. Sathish Pillai, ICBF President Mr. Shanavas Bava, ICC Past President Mr. PN Babu Rajan, ICC General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, ICC Management Committee Members, and esteemed community leaders.

There were vibrant stalls of handicrafts, leather products, imitation jewelry, readymade Indian traditional clothes and delicious Indian food. In addition to the shopping delights, the bazaar also featured live henna stations.



ICC felicitate  
an Indian Biker  
- **Mr. GABRIEL SHARATH**



Mr. Sandeep Kumar, Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy of India felicitated Mr. Gabriel Sharath, who hails from Mangalore, Karnataka and is touring the middle east on his bike on 8th April 2024 at ICC Premises. ICC's President Mr. A.P Manikantan, ICC's Vice President Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, community leaders and Indian diaspora were present on this occasion.

# Community Reception

In honor of

**Mr. Vinu Mohan**

South Indian Film Actor

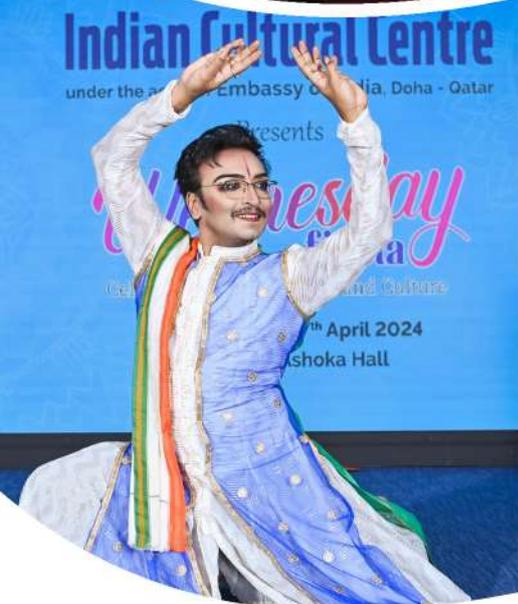
**Ms. Vidhya Vinu Mohan**

South Indian Film Actress



On 13th April 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India, hosted south Indian cine actor Mr. Vinu Mohan & Actress Ms. Vidhya Vinu Mohan in the ICC Mumbai Hall. ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan felicitated the actor in a ceremony in the Ashoka Hall. Event also attended by ICBF President Mr. Shanavas Bava and other ICC Managing Committee members, AO Presidents and a large number of community members were present on this occasion. Mr. Vinu and Ms. Vidhya shared their experiences and appreciated the work ICC is doing.





## ICC Wednesday Fiesta

On 17th April 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India, conducted 'ICC Wednesday Fiesta', a weekly cultural event of the vibrant Indian community residing in Qatar. ICC, in association with Bangiya Parishad Qatar, an associated organization of ICC, had invited renowned dance and singing trope from India, comprising of Esha Goswami, Chandralekha Dutta, Rudrava Niogi, Sahila Panja and Arnab Basu, to perform on this occasion. ICC's President Mr. A.P. Manikantan thanked the community for the response to the cultural events and explained various initiatives ICC is undertaking. ICC's Vice President, Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu, General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, BPQ's Managing Committee members, Presidents of the other associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion. Mr. Shantanu Deshpande, Head of School Activities at ICC, anchored the event proceedings. Mr. Abraham Joseph, Secretary at ICC, gave away Vote of Thanks.

# Ugadi Special Wednesday Fiesta



On 24th April 2024, Indian Cultural Centre, under the aegis of the Embassy of India, conducted 'ICC Wednesday Fiesta', a weekly cultural event of the vibrant Indian community residing in Qatar. ICC, in association with 4 associated organizations of the Telugu Community, had organized this event. Shreyas Patkar, an artist who had traveled from India, enthralled the audience with his live musical performance.

ICC's Head of Inhouse Activities, Mr. Satyanarayana Malireddy welcomed the audience. ICC's Vice President Mr. Subramanya Hebbagelu thanked the community for the response to the cultural events and explained various initiatives ICC is undertaking. ICC's General Secretary Mr. Mohan Kumar, rest of the ICC Managing Committee members, Managing Committee members of AKV, TJS, TPS, TKS, Presidents of the other associated organizations and senior community leaders were present on this occasion. Mr. Shantanu Deshpande, Head of School Activities at ICC, coordinated the event proceedings. Mr. Arshad Ali, Head of Finance at ICC, gave away Vote of Thanks.