Celebration of 78th Birth Anniversary of Jayanta Hazarika held by Assam Association Delhi

New Delhi 2nd October :- The 78th Birth Anniversary of Jayanta Hazarika was celebrated by Assam Association Delhi on 26th September 2021 from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM through Google Meet digital platform. Several invited persons participated the event viz. Shri Mayukh Hazarika, Anima Choudhury, Robin Kalita, Manisha Hazarika along with reputed artist viz Shri Prasanta Rajkhowa, Shri Sushobhan Talukdar, Nazrul Islam, Dr Mrinal Das, Smti Dhrity Deepa, Dr Shyamalima Gogoi, Palkee, Melody Murchana, Ratan Das, Zheem Pathak, Pranami Saikia, Upasana Borthakur, Shubham Mallick, Abhilasha Sharma, Vishalakshi U Kashyap, Reem Pathak, Prof Binod Khadria etc. Around 90 Nos of Audiences joined the event across the country.



The entire event was recorded and the video has been made available in the YouTube link https://youtu.be/vgtCl6rdvwU

At the outset, Mayukh Hazarika was requested to speak about his father Jayanta Hazarika from his prescriptive as his father as well as an artist which he described beautifully touching the chord of the hearts of the audience.

Shri Mayukh Hazarika started describing his long association with the Assamese community in Delhi as well as Assam Association Delhi where he was associated for around 30 years with plenty beautiful memories to recollect. While describing about Jayanta Hazarika as his father, he become emotive and admitted that it is very difficult for him to describe as he lost him at his early age when he was only 6 years old. Somehow he could manage to recollect few bits and bytes from his deep memory. Initially they were in total loss after his sudden departure, didn't know what to do. But sooner or later, he along with his mother decided to move ahead celebrating his father's life and the reason behind it was that it was extremely difficult for them to keep Jayanta Hazarika confine within four walls of the family. They could feel that as his father was born not for his family alone, but for every assamese households, so he should get what he deserved to live with all Assamese households . After that, they started their journey which is still fascinating.

While querying how he felt when he faces the enormous affection his father still commanding deep inside Assamese heart, he conveyed that it has been overwhelming giving a few instances why. It happened when sometime he visits some parts of Assam including interior villages, there would be always some persons who would reveal something very new about his father. It happens after his performances, someone would come forward and describe me how my father performed the similar song so differently and these have been happening even after so many years after his departure. Also sometime when he visits someone's house in some interior locations, he was told how his father sat on that corner, took tea and snacks. Their memory are still so fresh which is intriguing. Further he told that though he has already designed a portrait of his father out of imagination from his dream about him, but frequently he feels that this is incomplete. The portrait from his dream is yet fully linked with reality. And whenever some people help him to connect his dream with real world, he adds these color to the portrait and so far he has added plenty color in this picture but franking this has been never ending. He has been keep adding colour –sometime blue, sometime violet, sometime Pink ...and it keeps going on. This fascinating journey is helping him to discover his father. Sometime he feels that the songs of his father really provide hope and aspiration in today's world. His voices, music, melody have becoming eternal. Then whenever he interacts with today's youths to know their feeling towards his father, he feels surprise to find new elements on their notations. It is really surprising that even after 45 years of his departure, his song his music still relevant which has become very much part of Assamese culture. After that he sang two of his favorite songs through he admitted that choosing his favorite amongst songs still a difficult task for him.

After that Smti Anima Choudhury, the eminent artist spoke about her memorable days with Jayata Hazarika during her college days. She described how Sri Hazarika was dearer to the youths at that time and describe patiently how gracefully Jayanta Hazarika nourished Assamese songs and music. She conveyed that there was magic in Jayanta Hazarika's song which captivated audiences. He was one of the pioneer to infuse several western musical instruments in Assamese music industry. He was an expert in playing several instruments viz. mandolin, guitar, tabla, accordion, harmonium etc. His harmonium playing was mesmerizing and there was hardly anyone at his time who could play harmonium like him.

After that invited Guest, Sri Robin Kalita spoke about his association with Jayanta Hazarika when he was in College. Though he could interacted with Jayanta Hazarika shortly, but still the memory is fresh. He also admitted that his life was very much influenced by Jayanta Hazarika.

Then several invited artist performed viz. Sushobhan Talukdar, New Delhi Song Vishalakshi U Kashyap , New Delhi , Dance Palkee Guwahati, Dance Nazrul Islam , New Delhi Song Dr. Mrinal Das , Guwahati Instrumentation Guitar Dr Shyamalima Gogoi, New Delhi , Song Dhrity Deepa, Delhi, Song Melody Murchana, Delhi , Song Prasanta Rajkhowa, Guwahati on Jayanta Hazarika Pranami Saikia, Lakhimpur , Song

- Abhilasha Sharma, Guwahati, Dance
- Upasana Borthakur, Lucknow , Song
- Jyotsna Das Saikia, Guwahati, Song
- Zheem Pathak, Guwahati, Song
- Shubham Mallick Instrumentation
- Ratan Das Instrumentation
- Dibsun Baruah Guwahati, Song
- Manisha Hazarika message
- Reem Pathak , Delhi Song

The vote of thanks was presented by Prof Binod Khadria . The video link of the individual performer has also been uploaded and made available as follows.



Mayukh Hazarika ,Mumbai on his father Jayanta Hazarika <u>https://youtu.be/pH4T5uyY83Q</u>



Anima Choudhury, Guwahati on Jayanta Hazairka https://youtu.be/yhB_ha8ItVU



Robin Kalita , Guwahati on Jayanta Hazarika https://youtu.be/Vlbc4F5gJZQ



Sushobhan Talukdar , New Delhi, Song <u>https://youtu.be/OUvAs6AN3TE</u>



Vishalakshi U Kashyap , New Delhi Dance <u>https://youtu.be/6592zCenllc</u>



Palkee , Guwahati, Dance https://youtu.be/luvH81-XiBY



Nazrul Islam Mayur Vihar, New Delhi , Song https://youtu.be/FuZsLe5zTQM



Dr. Mrinal Das , Guwahati, Instrumentation Guitar <u>https://youtu.be/Sj1i2UjEWvc</u>



Dr Shyamalima Gogoi, Delhi, Song https://youtu.be/8I21VTE-OdY





Melody Murchana, Delhi song - Borkhar ritu bhal pao moi || বর্ষা ঋতু ভাল পাওঁ মই

Dhrity Deepa Delhi Song https://youtu.be/hFxvMl0ud60

Prasanta Rajkhowa, Guwahati on Jayanta Hazarika





Pranami Saikia, Lakhimpur, Song https://youtu.be/z6-7sv7RRg4



Abhilasha Sharma, Guwahati, Dance https://youtu.be/T-RRQ912VS8



Upasana Borthakur, Lucknow, UP, song https://youtu.be/7-tAac3_mak





Jyotsna Das Saikia, Bamunimaidum, Guwahati, Song <u>https://youtu.be/fqt9dEgUf2k</u>



Shubham Mallick, Instrumentation ,<u>https://youtu.be/TwQnKFQ6x-Y</u>

Zheem Pathak, Guwahati Song, https://youtu.be/6FzkLWt6tkY



Ratan Das, Instrumentation, <u>https://youtu.be/-</u> SOXyIrO-rM



Dibsun Baruah Guwahati, Song https://youtu.be/ah-0nOgheDo



Manisha Hazarika, Guwahati, Message https://youtu.be/FyWGojbShZ4



Reem Pathak, New Delhic Song



Prof Binod Khadria Delhi, Vote of thanks https://youtu.be/MtDT0BFtGPw

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