



SHAKTI AND HERITAGE UTSCUV One Nation One Festival

MAIN ATTRACTIONS

SPIRITUAL CEREMONIES AND RITUALS: DAILY AARTI AND BHAJAN SESSIONS | NAVRATRA PROCESSIONS | CULTURAL PERFORMANCES ARTISAN AND CRAFT EXHIBITIONS: JK ARTISANS PAVILION | LIVE CRAFT DEMONSTRATIONS | HANDLOOM AND HANDICRAFT FAIR CULINARY DELIGHTS: NAVRATRA FOOD FESTIVAL | KASHMIRI CUISINE SHOWCASE HANDLOOM AND HANDICRAFT FAIR BRAND SHOWCASES AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: BRAND STALLS | INTERACTIVE SESSIONS | SPONSORSHIP INTEGRATION HERITAGE WALKS | ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES | GARBA AND DANDIYA NIGHTS YOGA AND MEDITATION SESSIONS | SPIRITUAL DISCOURSES

Celebrate this Navratra in KATRA

03 October 2024 to 12 October 2024



Objective

The event aims to celebrate the spiritual and cultural significance of Navratra, while promoting the rich heritage of Jammu & Kashmir. It will provide a platform for local artisans, businesses, and brands to showcase their products and connect with a wider audience, enhancing the cultural and economic vibrancy of the region.



- **1. Spiritual Ceremonies and Rituals:**
- Daily Aarti and Bhajan Sessions:
 - Morning and evening Aarti and Bhajan sessions at the Vaishno Devi temple, engaging devotees in spiritual practices.
- Navratra Processions:
 - Evening processions featuring local performers, devotees, and artists, concluding at the temple with sacred rituals.
- Cultural Performances:
 - Classical dance performances (Garba, Dandiya Raas) and Bhajans by renowned artists to honor Goddess Durga.

2. Unity in Diversity Pavilion:

- National Integration Pavilion:
 - A central pavilion showcasing the rich cultural diversity of India, with each state representing its unique Navratra traditions.
- Interactive Map of India:
 - A digital map allowing visitors to explore Navratra celebrations across the country, highlighting unity in diversity.



3. Nationwide Devotional Participation:

National Prayer Chain:

A synchronized nationwide Aarti and Bhajan session, live-streamed to showcase collective prayer and devotion.

Messages of Unity from Leaders:

Display of video messages or written blessings from leaders across India, emphasizing national unity.

4. Unity Mural:

Live Unity Mural Creation:

A large mural painted live during the event, with contributions from artists representing every state, symbolizing "One Nation."

5. Culinary Delights:

Navratra Food Festival:

A special section offering a variety of traditional Navratra dishes, focusing on sattvic (pure) food, prepared by local chefs and culinary experts. This will include delicacies like Kuttu ki Puri, Sabudana Khichdi, and Singhara Halwa.



6. Brand Showcases and Sponsorship Opportunities:

- Brand Stalls:
 - Leading brands and local businesses will have the opportunity to showcase their products, ranging from wellness and health products to traditional attire, jewellery, and souvenirs.

Interactive Sessions:

- Brands can organize workshops, demonstrations, and product launches, allowing for direct engagement with attendees.
- Sponsorship Integration:
 - Various sponsorship packages will be offered, including branding on event materials, exclusive stalls, and media coverage.

7. Cultural and Adventure Tourism Promotion:

- Heritage Walks:
 - Guided tours around Katra and nearby areas, highlighting historical sites and the cultural significance of the region.
- Adventure Activities:
 - Promoting the adventure tourism potential of the region with activities like trekking, paragliding, and nature trails around Trikuta Hills.



- 8. Evening Entertainment and Performances:
- Cultural Performances:

Every evening will feature performances by local and national artists, including folk music, dance, and theatre.

Garba and Dandiya Nights:

Organized Garba and Dandiya Raas nights, inviting participants to join in the vibrant traditional dances, reflecting the festive spirit of Navratra.

9. Artisan and Craft Exhibitions:

• JK Artisans Pavilion:

A dedicated area where local artisans from Jammu & Kashmir can exhibit and sell their traditional crafts, such as Pashmina shawls, papier-mâché items, walnut wood carvings, and Basohli paintings.

Live Craft Demonstrations:

Artisans will conduct live demonstrations of traditional crafts, allowing visitors to witness the intricate processes behind these beautiful creations.

Handloom and Handicraft Fair:

A marketplace featuring stalls from across the region, showcasing a variety of handloom and handicraft products, promoting the local craft industry.



- All the events such as Inaugurations Ceremony; Devotional Song Competition; Laser show; and other cultural activities are proposed at Shrine Board Stadium, Katra (within the reach of pilgrims and availability of proper infrastructure)
- Unity in diversity Pavilion (consisting of more than 100 stalls) to showcase products and culture of country will also installed in stadium.
- We propose 04 welcome gates out of which 2 will designed in ethnical look and two Digital-LED Gates (help us to showcase the rich and heritage culture of the state.
- Wide coverage of the daily programmes through Electronics / Print Medium.
- > Special pre festival sessions on Electronics Media to promote the festival.
- Artist from every state contribute to a mural symbolizing "ONE NATION"
- > Interactive Map of India How Navartara is celebrated across different regions with an engaging digital Map.

PROPOSED SITE For all major activities.





Promotional Strategy

- Digital Marketing Campaign: A robust online presence with social media promotions, website updates, and email newsletters to create buzz and attract visitors.
- Media Coverage: Collaboration with local and national media for extensive coverage, including live broadcasts, interviews, and event highlights.
- Collaborations with Travel Agencies: Partnering with travel agencies / Hotels to offer special packages for pilgrims and tourists, including transport, accommodation, and event passes.

Expected Outcomes

- Boost in Local Economy: Increased sales for artisans and local businesses, promoting sustainable economic growth in the region.
- Enhanced Tourism: The event will attract both domestic and international tourists, boosting Katra's profile
 as a key cultural and spiritual destination. Currently local participation is higher compared to tourist.
- Cultural Preservation: By showcasing traditional arts, crafts, and performances, the event will contribute to preserving and promoting Jammu & Kashmir's cultural heritage.
- This format aligns the spiritual significance of Navratra with the economic and cultural development of Jammu & Kashmir, making it a well-rounded celebration that benefits both the local community and visitors.



Proposed Terms of Collaboration

- Resource Sharing: The Department of Tourism may assist with logistical support, including venue arrangements, security, and permits, while AIVC will handle event planning, marketing, and vendor management.
- Branding and Promotion: The Department of Tourism will be prominently featured in all event branding, promotional materials, and media coverage, showcasing its role as a key partner in this prestigious event.
 - We believe that this collaboration will not only celebrate the spiritual and cultural essence of Navratra but also create a lasting impact on the cultural and economic landscape of Jammu & Kashmir. We look forward to discussing this proposal further and exploring how we can work together to make this event a grand success.





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