



'Lokrang-2021' | Rajasthan | 17 Dec 2021

Why in news

On 16 December 2021, **Rajasthan's Art and Culture Minister Dr. BD Kalla** inaugurated the **24th 'Lokrang-2021', a festival of folk artists**, at Jawahar Kala Kendra (JKK).

Key Points

- In this 11-day program, more than 650 **folk artists from all over the state as well as the country** will present the beauty of folk arts of their respective regions.
 - The function is being **organized by JKK, Art and Culture Department and RUDA (Rural Non-Agriculture Development Agency)** under **Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav**.
 - Along with the launch of Lokrang, on the first day, artists performed Garba Raas of Gujarat, Lavani dance (Ganpati) of Maharashtra, Kunbi of Goa, Dolu Kunitha of Tamil Nadu, Chhau (Slaughter of Mahisasur) of West Bengal, Badi-jawara of Madhya Pradesh, Dhubia of Uttar Pradesh, Jhijhiya of Bihar, Langa singing of Jodhpur and Chari dance were brilliantly presented.
 - Along with this, the **National Handicrafts Fair** was also started in **JKK's Shilpgram in collaboration with RUDA** (Rural Non-Agriculture Development Agency). The **fair was inaugurated by Art and Culture Minister Dr. BD Kalla**.
 - Shehnai-Nagada, Teen Dhol, Puppet, Bharatpur Naat, Algoja dance, Bahurupiya, Kalbelia and Bam Rasiya were performed in JKK's Shilpgram.
 - Artistic handicraft products made by award-winning craftsmen across the country are being displayed in the fair. This exhibition will be available for the visitors from 16 to 26 December.
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Reader's Traveler Award-2021 | Rajasthan | 17 Dec 2021

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The prestigious **Reader's Traveler Award-2021** was **announced by Condé Nast Traveler** on December 16, 2021, in which the state of **Rajasthan has been awarded the title of Favorite Indian State for Road Trip**. Apart from this, **Rajasthan has also been declared runner-up in the 'Favorite Leisure Destination' in India category**.

Key Points

- The beautiful, grand and glorious state of Rajasthan has been chosen as the preferred Indian state for road trips for the thrilling and pleasurable feeling to see and experience through road trips.
- It is worth mentioning that **Condé Nast Traveler is a leading travel magazine with nine different international editions**. The Traveller's Readers' Choice Awards are hereby announced after tabulating the results of the millions of respondents who submitted ratings during the Sweepstakes Period.

