

## **"Sardar Bhagwan Singh University Dazzles with PuruliaChhau Dance Extravaganza!"**



On the evening of October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Cultural and Music Club of Sardar Bhagwan Singh University, Balawala, illuminated the stage with a mesmerizing performance of the traditional Purulia Chhau dance. The event was organized by the dedicated team of SPICMACAY enthusiasts, was a vibrant celebration of this martial arts-derived art form.

The program was inaugurated with the lamp lighting ceremony by Prof. (Dr.) J. Kumar (Vice Chancellor) Prof. Veerma Ram (Director, School of Pharmaceutical Science & Technology) accompanied by, Ms. Urmi Chaurasia (Controller of Examination), Dr. Manish Arora (Dean Student Welfare) and Capt. Nalini Mehrishi.

PuruliaChhau dance, renowned for its vivacity and rich colours, was presented by the talented Shri Tarapad Rajak and his group of 15 exceptional performers. The Purulia Chhau is a vigorous form of Dance Drama that draws its themes from the two great Indian Epics. The Ramayana and the Mahabharata. The ensemble included accomplished dancers who transported the audience into a world of rhythmic delight and artistic excellence. This event not only celebrated the rich heritage of the Purulia Chhau dance but also highlighted the university's commitment to promoting and preserving India's diverse cultural traditions.

The event was anchored with grace and enthusiasm by Ms. Shweta Thakkar (MPT 1<sup>st</sup> yr.), and Ms. Vaishali Singh, (BPT 2<sup>nd</sup> yr.).

The event was Co-ordinated by Dr. Pooja Yadav (Convener) and Dr. Maitri Chaturvedi (Co-Convener) and Team, played a pivotal role in the smooth execution of this cultural extravaganza.

The evening concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks delivered by Ms. Khushi Baweja (BPharm, 3<sup>rd</sup> yr.). Her gratitude extended to the performers, the organizing committee, and the enthusiastic audience.

The event was attended by a diverse audience including students, Staff and Faculty Members.

