

Divya Kala Shakti Program

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About:

- This time, the sixth DIVYA KALA SHAKTI program was organized in the divine city of Varanasi, where approximately 100 artists from six states, namely West Bengal, Odisha, Jharkhand, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, and Uttarakhand, performed in the program.
- It is organized by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment through CRC-Lucknow, an organization under the department.
- The Department is taking Divya Kala Shakti to regional levels under the direction of former President Shri. Ram Nath Kovind.
- As per this direction, five regional “Divya Kala Shakti” programs have already been held in various places, including the Western Region, North Eastern and Southern Region in Mumbai, Arunachal, Chennai, New Delhi, and Gauhati.

Q1) Why is Varanasi called Kashi?

In the Mahabharata the city is referred to as Kāśī (काशी : Kashi) from the Sanskrit verbal root kaś- “to shine”, making Varanasi known as “City of Light”, the “luminous city as an eminent seat of learning”. The name was also used by pilgrims dating from Buddha’s days.

Source: Varanasi event welcomes dignitaries and disabled artists for Divya Kala Shakti Program

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