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DEEPOTSAVA2019

As part of ongoing India-Qatar Year of Culture-2019, the Embassy of India, in partnership with North Indian Association, a prominent community organisation in Qatar, will be holding a gala cultural event "Deepotsava 2019" at 1900 hrs on 31 October 2019 at Hotel Inter-Continental Doha.

2. The cultural event will feature several troupes visiting from India. A synopsis of the key elements is given below:

Incredible Mallakhamb: Mallakhamb is a traditional Indian sport in which a gymnast performs feats and strikes poses in concert with a vertical wooden pole or rope. Mallakhamb is derived from the terms "malla" which denotes a wrestler and "khamba" which means a pole.

Illuminati dance group : Illuminati-a group of artists who create an alternative visual reality through the amalgamation of dance and technology. This visiting troupe, Kartikeya & group, won accolades for their performance in the reality TV Show "India's Got Talent".

Fusion on Feet, Flamenco & Kathak: "Flamenco-Kathak" is a creative blend of two dance disciplines in their pure and collaborative form. Flamenco & Kathak seamlessly overlap, creating rhythmic patterns & nuances unique and new to the two dance forms. When the purity and essence of two cultures come together in unison, the energy is just enthralling. The Flamenco shoes and the Kathak ghungroos come alive, sometimes speak, and sometimes argue, giving a collective rhythmic experience that leaves a sparkle in the eyes of the viewers. The performance will be effected by renowned personalities - Kathak exponent Aditi Bhagwat, Flamenco Artist Kunal Om & percussion player Aditya.

Detailed information on the event is given in the enclosure.