

The Himalayan Knot Exhibition at The Kunj Celebrates Artisan Weavers and Mountain Craft

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Last Friday, The Kunj came alive with the opening of *The Himalayan Knot*, a soulful exhibition and retail collection that pays homage to the resilient craftsmanship of the Himalayas. Organized by the Office of the Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) as part of the **Royal Enfield Social Mission**, the showcase weaves together heritage, artistry, and sustainable living.

Launched with a ceremonial lamp lighting, the exhibit is far more than a display of fashion and textiles—it is a living story of Himalayan identity, crafted by hands in the remote villages of **Jhanjeli and Kullu**.

New Collaborations, Enduring Legacies

At the heart of the showcase are creative collaborations that push Himalayan craft into contemporary relevance. Highlights include **“Letters to Home” by Countrymade and The Woolknitters**, a community of artisans based in Kullu. The exhibit also revives celebrated partnerships such as **EKA x Looms of Ladakh** and **Sonam Dubal x The Action Northeast Trust**, reaffirming the power of design rooted in community.

Weaving Memories and Mountains

The Himalayan Knot is not just a fashion showcase—it’s about **legacies, landscapes, and livelihoods**. Since its inception in 2022, the initiative has empowered women artisans, strengthened rural economies, and amplified the global visibility of mountain crafts. Drawing from the rugged yet poetic Himalayan terrain, the showcased textiles embody memory, resilience, and cultural pride.

Culture Meets Craft

The evening closed with a spellbinding performance by the **Ao Naga Choir**, whose harmonies resonated with the audience as deeply as the mountain stories woven into the textiles. Adding to the excitement, the second edition of *Journeying Across the Himalayas*—Royal Enfield’s annual multidisciplinary festival—was announced. The 2025 edition, themed **“Ours to Tell”**, will run from **December 4–10, 2025, at Travancore Palace, New Delhi**, bringing together exhibitions, performances, culinary journeys, and dialogues rooted in Himalayan narratives.

With its blend of craft, culture, and community, *The Himalayan Knot* underscores why the Himalayas are more than a backdrop—they are the loom of stories, spirit, and sustainability.

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