

## **4<sup>TH</sup> BHILWARA NATYA PURASKAR 2013**

In an effort to encourage theatre performances in Hindi and discover fresh talents from across India, LNJ Bhilwara Group organized Bhilwara Natya Puraskar for the third consecutive year at Azad Bhawan on May 25-26, 2013.

The success of this initiative could be judged by the crowd that thronged Azad Bhawan to catch the famous plays Matsyagandha and Aurangzeb.

'Matsyagandha', was an enactment of one of the most remarkable and revered episodes from the Mahabharat. It also depicted the hurt sentiments of the most powerful character of Satyawati. The play was a remarkable depiction of the many sides of the vows of Bhishma.

'Aurangzeb', beautifully dealt with the subject of war of succession to throne soon after emperor Shajahan fell ill and entire issues and consequences related to it.

'Matsyagandha', directed by Shri Mohammad Nazir Qureshi, bagged the first prize of Rs. Two lakhs, a trophy and a certificate, while 'Aurangzeb' directed by Shri K. S. Rajendran, was declared runner-up and it received a cash prize of Rs. one lakh, a trophy and a certificate.

The prizes were distributed by Shri L. K. Advani, who was the chief guest on the occasion. In his speech, Shri Advani appreciated performances of both the teams. Shri L. N. Jhunjhunwala was also present during the prize distribution ceremony along with jury members Shri Rajendra Kumar Bagrodia and Dr. Bharat Gupt.