



Musical Soiree 'Under the Banyan Tree on A Full Moon Night' enthralls Delhi

- *First monthly concert series on a full moon night begins amidst audience delight*
- *Performances by Azeem Ahmed Alvi (North meets South - Sitar); Ujwal Nagar (Hindustani Classical Vocalist) and Qutbi Brothers Qawwal (Sufi Music - Qawwali) shine on in the full moon night*
- *Next series on May 27th at 1AQ, near Qutub Minar*

New Delhi 23rd April, 2018. The pioneering entertainment company, Teamwork Arts and Fab India – Home and Lifestyle came together to curate a beautiful setting where music and craft blended together seamlessly. The first concert of a three-part monthly series **Under the Banyan Tree on A Full Moon Night** kicked off at 1AQ, Mehruali, Near Qutub Minar.

The evening began with the young and talented Hindustani classical vocalist Ujwal Nagar setting the mood with his *bandish* before moving on to Meera *bhajan*. Soothing vocals of Ujwal paved the way for Indian Classical Instrumentalist Azeem Ahmed Alvi's 'North Meets South Sitar' along with Hafeez Ahmed on the *tabla*, Sridhar Raghunathan on violin, Vetry Bhupathi on *mridangam* playing *raag kirwani*. Azeem born into sixth generation of classical music concluded with recital of Vaishnu Vajanto.

As Azeem's sitar was weaving its magic, it was nature turn to galvanize the event. Right above the Banyan Tree, full moon was in its glory with clouds passing by, a subtle reminder to what was in store. The finale came with **Qutbi Brothers**, one of India's most celebrated *qawwali* singers, inheritors of a 750-year-old tradition. Qutbi Brothers began their first performance with Amir Khusro "Man Kunto Maula" and their Sufi renditions seemed to move the rain gods and it poured.

After a brief break, the musical setting moved inside the Ojas Arts Gallery at 1AQ and music enthusiasts witnessed an acoustic *Qawwali* in all its purity. Qutbi Brothers took the Sufi route to explain the composite culture of the country and in their unique style regaled audience with timeless Sufi *kalaam* and *bhajans*.