

Jammu, November 22, 2013

As part of its annual activity, Jammu & Kashmir Academy of Art, Culture & Languages organized series of *Hussaini Mushairas* (poetic symposia) to honour the memory of Imam Hussain (RA) and his companions who sacrificed their lives for upholding truth and righteousness. The *mushairas* were held in different languages both at Srinagar and Jammu where prominent poets paid rich tributes in verses to Imam Hussain (RA) and the Karbala martyrs.

At Srinagar, the *Hussainai Mushairas* were held in Kashmiri, Urdu, Pahari and Gojri languages on November 18, 20 and 21, respectively.

Poets who recited their verses in Kashmiri mushaira on November 18 include Prof Rehman Rahi, Ghulam Nabi Khayal, Ghulam Nabi Gowhar, Prof. Mashal Sultanpuri, Prof. Mohammad Zaman Azurda, Ali Shaida, Ayub Sabir, Fayaz Tilgami, Ghulam Hassan Gamgeen, Ghulam Nabi Naazir, Shahid Badgami, Muzaffar Hussain Dilbar, Zareef Ahmad Zareef, Ghulam Mohammad Lalu, G. M. Goni and G M Adfar.

On November 20, an Urdu Hussaini Mushaira was held. The participating poets included Muzaffar Iraj, Rafiq Raaz, Shafaq Sopori, Shabib Rizvi, Ayaz Rasool Nazki, Rukhsana Jabeen, Hamdam Kashmiri, Ashraf Aadil, Zahid Mukhtar, Nazir Azad, Syed Raza, Hasan Anzar, Imadad Saqi, Ahmad Pasha, Ashraf Aasari, Nighat Nazar, Suhail Mehdi, Gulzar Jaffar and Sheikh Gulzar Ahmad.



On November 21, a composite Gojri and Pahari Hussaini mushiara was held. The participating poets of Gojri language included Iqbal Azeem, Chowdhary Abdul Gani, Arif, Mohammad Rafiq Zakhmi, Mohammad Idrees Shad, Gulab ud Din Jaza, Chowdhary Noor Mohammad Naaz, Khadim Hussain Shabnam, Mian Mukhtar Ahmad, Chowdhary Siraj ud Din Tani, Syed Alam Shah Khaki, Chowdhary Taj ud Din Taj, Chowdhary Lal Din Shakir, Chowdhary Mohammad Sharief Qamar and Chowdhary Shabir Paswa. Those who presented poetic homage in Pahari include Mohammad Azim Khan, Mohammad Sarwar Rehan, Syed Amjad Kazmi, Sahil Maqbool, Parvaiz Manoos, Majid Hasrat, Danish Iqbal Turk, Kamid Rauf Qureshi, Ishfaq Tabassum, Ghulam Nabi Usmani, Inayatullah Khan, Ahmad Din Anwar, Aijaz Kazmi Dachnavi and Haji Feroz ud Din Baigh.

At Jammu, a composite *Hussaini Mushaira* was held on November 22 in the K L Saigal Hall. Poets representing different languages remembered the sacrifice of Imam Hussain and paid rich tributes to him and his companions. The poets include Arsh Sehbayee, Dr. Liaqat Jafri, Khurshid Kazmi, Swami Antar Nirav, Sham Taalib, Sheikh Zahoor, Amin Banihali, Sheikh Sajad Poonchi and Amin Sabooniya.


