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Amaan Ali Khan and Ayaan Ali Khan started this concert by rendering a **Raag Purnadhanasi**. These Khan Brothers are the 7th generation in the unbroken chain of the Senia Bangash School and disciples of Maestro Amjad Ali Khan.

After this energetic performance Ustad Amjad Ali Khan took charge and created magic with his **Sarod** he started with **Raag Shivanjali** to continue the concert with **Zillah Kafi**. He also presented self coined **Raag Ganesh Kalyan**, which is created for a concert held at Ganesh Pooja and has a touch of Raag Kalyan. Hence it is named as *Raag Ganesh Kalyan*. He concluded his solo performance by giving an *Asamee* touch by presenting Bihu, a traditional form of Assam.

Maestro Amjad Ali Khan, Amaan Ali Khan & Ayaan Ali Khan jointly presented an energetic performance to conclude the concert. According to Maestro 'Every *Raaga* has a soul and every *Raaga* is an entity in self. Every *Raaga* of our country is rich, can be recognized through its melody. We are surrounded by these *Raag*'s in this universe. Khan Brothers said that they have a very special affection for Assam as their mother (*Bharatnatyam* Dancer Subalakshmi Khan) hails from Assam.

**Diamond Jubilee Celebrations** started with this enthralling performances will continue with the four days Assam Festival at Delhi Haat from (21st to 24th Feb) where a fashion show is to be organized and **more than 150 artists from North East** to take part, Traditional and Cultural shows by local artists from Assam are going to enthrall Delhitees with their unique blazing, compelling and mesmerizing performing arts where one can enjoy Bihu, Faidiba, Lion Dance, Chiro, Nangkhren, Bagurumba dance forms and much more.

On this occasion spoke person of Assam Association Captain Barua said, 'I am very proud to announce that today we are 60 years young, vibrant and brimming with energy. Like a fully grown flower only one root and one stem, and many petals woven together to dazzle the eye'. 'During these celebrations, Delhitees can experience the flavor of Assam as Assam Association Delhi bringing traditional Dance & Music, Ethnic Cloths and much more in Capital from the land of fairs and festivals Assam' he added.

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