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(Courtesy pics)**

## India audience loves us – ENCAC

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**MBABANE – Eswatini National Council of Arts and Culture (ENCAC) Culture Manager Thembekile Dlamini, says they are well taken care of in India.**

Dlamini is currently in Faridabad Haryana, India, attending an event alongside the award-winning Gospel musician Nothando Dlamini and the Eswatini Culture Troupe.

The crafts mela which commenced on February 7 is scheduled to conclude on February 25. Organised annually by the Haryana Tourism Department, this fair attracts artisans from across India and over 20 other countries, transforming the venue into a vibrant cultural hub.

In an interview Dlamini shared their positive experiences in India. “We are well taken care of in India and the audience loves our cultural dances and the music dished out by Nothando Dlamini. It is fun to be here” Dlamini said.

The Eswatini delegation is showcasing the kingdom’s rich cultural heritage to an international audience. The Surajkund International Crafts Mela provides a valuable platform to promote Eswatini’s art music and cultural traditions. It also allows the delegation to engage with other participating countries fostering cultural exchange and collaboration.

### **Testament**

The event which is a significant opportunity for Eswatini to gain international exposure and build relationships with other nations is proving to be a success for Dlamini’s team. The fact that their art is so appreciated by an international audience is a testament to their unique creativity and talent.

The ENCAC’s participation in the Surajkund International Crafts Mela underscores Eswatini’s commitment to promoting its cultural treasures on the global stage and the feedback from Dlamini is a positive sign for the kingdom. The delegation is making the most of this opportunity.