

## *Five-days' Workshop on*

## *Kangra Kalam: The Art of Kangra Miniature Painting*

In order to revive the dying art of Kangra Miniature Painting Pratibha Spandan Society, Shimla and Kalp Foundation, Mandi organized a five days' Workshop on Kangra Miniature painting. Both the organizations are involved in the preserving the cultural heritage of Himalayan region and is organizing workshops, seminars and conferences for the benefit of academic community, research scholars and students.

The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Hari Chauhan, Curator, HP State Museum, Shimla, who is a well-known archaeologist and was the Chief Guest of the inaugural session. Kangra painting is the pictorial art of Kangra, one of the princely states of Himachal Pradesh. Painting is done on a hand-made paper using the mineral and vegetal colors. He

said that the efforts have been made by the rulers of princely states in patronizing the miniature art. He highlighted the role of state museum in promoting the art of miniature painting. He emphasized on the need of preserving the art of miniature art before it fades into oblivion.

During the five-days' workshop the participants will learn the basics of Kangra Miniature Painting, line and shade work, colour making and colouring techniques. About 33 participants of different age groups from different parts of the country are participating in the workshop.

