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ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED Presents

Ghazal King, singer, composer, music director, activist and entrepreneur

Padma Bhushan Jagjit Singh's The Living Legends 'GHAZAL SYMPHONY'

For the first time in the world, the Music Maestro's live performance event with an entourage of 30 musicians in Ahmedabad

Ahmedabad, December 16, 2010: ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED, Mumbai have organised "GHAZAL SYMPHONY" - a momentous epoch-making occasion, to be presented by Padma Bhushan *Ghazal* Samrat Jagjit Singh in Ahmedabad at Rajpath Club on Friday December 17, 2010.

Ghazal singer, composer, music director, activist and entrepreneur, Jagjit Singh's "*Ghazal Symphony*" is a first ever *Ghazal Symphony* event in the world, which will comprise of the Music Maestro performing 'live' with 30 talented musicians to enthral his fans like never-before. History will be created in the world of Indian music when a never-before-seen event will unfold itself not just for Indian audiences but also for global lovers of *Ghazals*!

Technocrats Hemanshu Mehta and Pradeep Goradia of ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED, a leader in the world of entertainment, glamour and glitz, are pioneering this first-of-its-kind musical evening by presenting Jagjit Singh at "*The Living Legends Ghazal Symphony*". For *Ghazal* fans and music lovers, Odyssey's magnum opus event is going to be the greatest treat ever presented by any Company! The *Ghazal* ensemble will feature master musicians from various Indian classical traditions performing on a variety of Indian musical instruments.

Ghazal King Jagjit Singh said, "This magnum opus '*Ghazal Symphony*' will be presented on a momentous epoch-making occasion."

The *Ghazal Symphony* has been conceptualised and conceived by Kuldeep Desai, associated with Jagjit Singh since last 20 years, and melodiously arranged in symphony format by Deepak Pandit (son of Shambhulal Pandit of Shankar-Shambhu fame, a well known Sufi singer duo). Kuldeep Desai said, "We are very happy that ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED is supporting and promoting an ancient Indian art form. This entertainment powerhouse will introduce several new and pioneering initiatives in the world of films, 'live' shows and fashion across multiple languages including Hindi, Marathi and English."

Transporting one back to simpler, unhurried times while delicately provoking memories and emotions, Jagjit Singh's *Ghazals* transcend barriers of age, language and culture. With a velvety voice, beloved to *Ghazal* aficionados around the world, Jagjit Singh's prolific oeuvre is as extensive as his popularity. He is credited with bringing *Ghazal* appreciation from its elitist confines to the reach of the layperson. Jagjitji has tremendous appeal among folks of all ages. He is to be credited for bringing *Ghazals* to

the attention of music lovers around the world. He is a pioneer who made Urdu lyrics accessible to listeners.

Hemanshu Mehta, Managing Director of ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED said, "The first-ever '*Ghazal Symphony*' will be the height of artistic accomplishment - not just in India, but across the globe. With this fabulous event, we at ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED, are proud to present this unique event that will witness the participation of Indian and international *Ghazal* lovers."

Pradeep Goradia, who manages the Indian operations of ODYSSEY CORPORATION's Entertainment Division said, "India's famed and finest *Ghazal* exponent Padma Bhushan Jagjit Singh's legendary vocal repertoire and range, along with his mastery over Hindi, Punjabi and Urdu languages have helped him perfect the art of *Ghazal gayaki*, as well as to give well-rounded expression to his rendition of Indian classical music. ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED will present on the world stage Jagjit Singhji as India's goodwill and cultural emissary to spread the magic and melody of *Ghazals*."

ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED ventured in the field of Entertainment and Media with the expertise and initiative of Parthiv Gohil, the well known singing sensation of "*Sawariya*" fame. Parthiv creatively conceived and actively created the musical initiative of the *Ghazal Symphony*, with additional support from Kuldeep Desai, making the dream once seen by Kuldeep Desai years ago into a reality. This wonderful thought is now being brought out in the form of "*Ghazal Symphony*" to be promoted in Indian and international locations. This year, marking the 70th year celebrations of Padma Bhushan Jagjit Singhji, the performance is all set to enthral the audiences with his mesmerising spell.

About ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED :

ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED Entertainment Division is one of most emerging film production and distribution house based in Mumbai. The sole aim of ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED is to create quality cinema in the forthcoming future, and penetrate the market with several diverse film projects, while creating niche within, without compromising on the wholesome entertainment factor. The Company has a vision to bring original talents into the Indian Film fraternity and get the best out of them. ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED is a public limited company, listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange. "We are engaged in construction business and also provide financial services."

ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED is now producing a Marathi Film '*ON DUTY 24 TAAS*'. The film is directed by renowned film maker Kedar Shinde and will soon be releasing all over Maharashtra. The Entertainment Division of ODYSSEY CORPORATION LIMITED has lined up a number of Hindi and Multi-Lingual Movies, and is all set to rock the Entertainment Industry, apart from the *Ghazal Symphony*, through national and international events.

About *Ghazal* King Jagjit Singh :

Ghazal King Jagjit Singh is considered to be the most successful *Ghazal* singer and composer of all time, in terms of both critical acclaim and commercial success. With a career spanning over four decades, and a repertoire comprising 50 albums, the range and breadth of his work has been regarded as genre-defining. He gained acclaim together with his wife, another renowned Indian *Ghazal* singer Chitra Singh in 1970's and 80's, as the first ever successful duo (husband-wife) act in the history of recorded Indian music. Together, they are considered to be the pioneers of modern *Ghazal* singing, and regarded as most successful recording artistes outside the realm of Indian film music. He has sung in Punjabi, Hindi, Urdu, Bengali, Gujarati, Sindhi and Nepali languages. He was awarded India's third highest civilian honour, the Padma Bhushan, in 2003.

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