

Moonilal wows patrons at Chutney Brass

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HE has performed on the political platform and at religious events, singing verses of Hindi songs. But on Saturday night Housing Minister Dr Roodal Moonilal showed he also had talent at the Chutney Brass show at Guaracara Park, Pointe-a-Pierre.

Moonilal thanked promoter Randy Glasgow for hosting the annual event, before asking the crowd for permission to serenade them.

He performed "Raat Kali Ek Khwab" from the 1971 Hindi movie Buddha Mil Gaya. The song was originally sung by Bollywood playback singer Kishore Kumar.

Moonilal was backed up by musicians from the Gayatones orchestra. His rendition was well received by the thousands who gathered at Guaracara Park.

Moonilal sang for a small audience at the Divali Nagar celebrations last year. He said he enjoyed singing songs from old Bollywood movies.

Bollywood playback singer Kumar Sanu delivered a concert performance at Chutney Brass. He sang selections from Hindi movies dating back to the 1990s during his hour-long performance.

Sanu, who has won multiple filmfare awards, was accompanied by local songstress Nadani Kanhai during his performance of "Kuck Kuch Hota Hai".

The estimated 20,000 patrons were entertained by ten local bands, including reigning Chutney Soca Monarch Raymond Ramnarine and his band Dil-e-Nadan.

Ramnarine's voice was overpowered by his fans when he entered the stage singing his winning single "I ain't marring no more".

He delivered an energetic performance, alongside band vocalists Imran Beharry, Derrick Seales and Candy Hoyte.

T&TEC Gayatones, Karma, Melobugs, JMC 3Veni, BMRZ, Indi Art Orchestra, Spread Pal Crew, Sally Sagram and Xtreme Sounds and Maya orchestra were among the bands which performed at the event.