

Dhaka Day by Day

Subtle Confluence of Colours and Forms

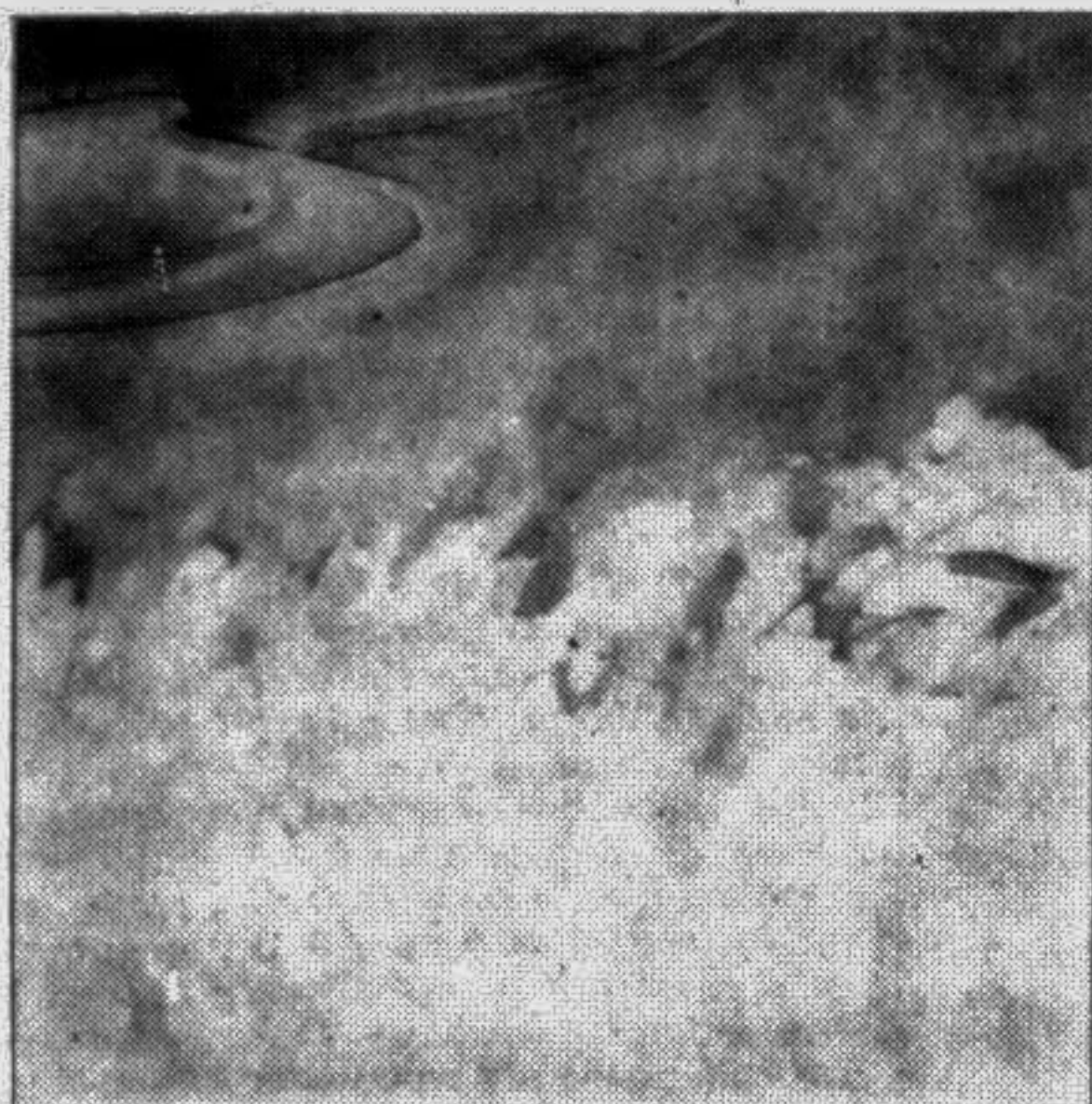
by Fayza Haq

A collection of selected works of Syed Jahangir was recently displayed at La Galerie. Skill and sincerity were combined in the paintings which were mostly abstract or impressionist.

"Signal No 10" one saw a portrayal of the cyclones in Bangladesh. The beige and white splashes at the bottom brought in the wild and destructive turmoil of the water. The orange streak in the dark blue sky was the lightning. The composition, in an abstract form, recalled fear and disturbance during our natural calamities.

"Nature in Turmoil" 1 and 2 have brought in the cyclone like some insurmountable rampage of fire which burnt and broke everything in its path. Haphazard colours and shapes had been brought in by swirls of yellow, orange and red against a blue and green background.

"In Quest of the Unknown" used almost the same colours as the previous two paintings but the subject and colour organisations were different. There was a vertical red line backed by a burning yellow thicker line. Around it were numerous colours and forms that represented the mysterious situation that existed around the Almighty. This was a work with spiritual overtones.



In "Nature and Rhythm" series, one sometimes saw the landscape as two dimensional forms, the soil and the foliage being indicated by colours of green, brown, yellow and orange, while the forms were abstract. "I now enjoy the abstract more than the realistic and I love playing with colours," the artist said about his works.

"Reflection" was meant to be a depiction of society, environment and moods of people. There were uneven geometrical forms in beige and green on a brown background. One could see their reflection in front in rhythmic forms, lines and colours which took no definite shape.

"Reflection 2" dealt with forms in deep blue and brown abstract forms, with their reflection in front. The reflection and the subject had merged into a single plane.

"About to Bloom" was a delineation of lily buds. The subject was reflected in the foreground in shades of pink, with a greenish blue

background. "In Memoriam" showed helmets and bayonets at the forefront with a child, surrounded in orange, being tossed at the top. Here the artist was dealing with the atrocities of the Pakistan army. Freedom fighters were shown in the next work "Nearer to Victory" in which the Pakistan army was shown as a mass of orange and yellow surrounded by the overwhelming black of their surrounding opponents. Both were symbolic works, as were many in the exhibit.

"Nature in Rhythm" showed an enlarged leaf in yellow and green semi-abstract form. In contrast was the tempera work of '56 "Winter Night" which was done when the artist was gradually moving away from the realistic to the abstract. This was an impressionist work and

depicted a sleeping woman, covered with a blanket. "Seated Woman" had a flat surface with black geometrical lines. In this water-colour and pastel work the artist was experimenting with cubist forms before reaching out for the abstracts. This too had been done in '56.

Done in the same year was "Trio", which had three figures in a free form. The space and lines were more minimised than the "Seated Woman". There was considerable space at the

back. "Landscape: New Mexico," done in '58, was a lyrical water-colour which showed trees, mountains and sky in which the artist had been influenced by the American painter John Marin.

"Blossom in Winter" brought in nature once again, with flowers done in an abstract form. It was a play of dimensions in colour and form.

Syed Jahangir has participated in 50 national and international works. He has exhibited his paintings in India, Pakistan, Nepal, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Japan, Egypt, Germany and the USA. He was awarded the 1st prize in pavilion designing in "Artisans at Work" Fair at Lahore in '65 and a special prize for float designing at the "Horse and Cattle Show" at Lahore, Pakistan in '68. He received honourable mention at the national art exhibition organised by the Shilpakala Academy, Dhaka in '75. He was also awarded the "Ekushey Padak" in '85 for his contribution to the promotion of fine arts in the country.



The outgoing High Commissioner of Australia Richard K Gate made a farewell call on Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia at her office yesterday. — PID photo

Gate makes farewell call on Khaleda

Outgoing Australian High Commissioner Richard Kellet Gate yesterday said his country would continue to expand co-operation with Bangladesh, particularly in trade and commerce, reports UNB.

The assurance came when Gate made a farewell call on Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia at her office in the afternoon.

Begum Zia emphasised the need for larger import by Australia from Bangladesh for lessening the existing trade imbalance between the two countries.

She also said increased import of livestock from Australia would help attain the target of dairy farming programme initiated by the present government.

The Prime Minister also discussed with the envoy different development programmes, including education, family planning, employment generation and industrialisation.

She hoped that the friendly bilateral relations would further strengthen.

The outgoing Australian High Commissioner lauded the role of Begum Zia in the anti-autocracy movement, saying he had witnessed the movement for democracy in Bangladesh.

Gate, who ended his 4-year tenure in Dhaka, said he had also seen the efforts of the democratic government for the welfare of the common man.

'Steps taken to introduce English as second language'

Education Minister Barrister Jamiruddin Sircar, now in Paris, said steps are being taken to introduce English as second language up to degree level, reports UNB.

He was delivering his speech at the 27th session of the General Conference of UNESCO in Paris Friday.

The Education Minister is leading a six-member Bangladeshi delegation to the conference.

The Minister said government has taken measures to computerisation results of all public examinations, redesigning the curriculum and establishment of private university, medical college, teachers training college at private level for bringing about an improvement in the education system.

We have introduced compulsory primary education and mass education programmes for achieving the target of education for all by the year 2000 to fulfil our constitutional obligation," the Education Minister said.

Seeking increased cooperation of UNESCO for bringing about a qualitative change in the education system of Bangladesh Sircar said government is redesigning and restructuring the education policy and education system of the country.

He said government had already set up a full-fledged division of primary and mass education under direct control of

'His passing away cast pall gloom over country'

By Staff Correspondent

Letters of condolence from individuals and organisations continued to pour in the office of The Daily Star expressing shock at the sad and untimely demise of S M Ali, publisher and the founder editor of the paper.

Securities and Exchange Commission

Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission Sultan-uz Zaman Khan in his tribute to the late S M Ali in a condolence message said "I was personally most privileged to be associated with him during my university days in the early fifties... His passing away cast a pall of gloom over the whole country."

Stephen Gee

Stephen Gee, Second Secretary of Australian High Commission wrote: "Bangladesh has lost one of its finest journalists. We all mourn Mr Ali's passing and extend sympathy to his family."

Rangpur Dinajpur Rural Service

"In his demise Bangladesh has lost an ardent supporter and promoter of truth, justice and development," wrote Dr Allen M Armstrong, the acting director of Rangpur Dinajpur Rural Service in his condolence message at the death of S M Ali.

M N Mustafa

M N Mustafa, former Director General of Radio Bangladesh and Adviser Bangladesh Open University in his condolence message said: "He will live in his profession which he has enriched, enlarged in its dimension and lent it high dignity."

The Gregorian Association

Condoling the death of S M Ali General Secretary of The Gregorian Association Dr Tanvir A Khan hoped that the proteges of the 'luminary figure' will carry the mantle of uncompromising journalism.

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It is further notified that a lottery was held on 28th October, 1993 at 3 p.m. in presence of the representatives of Securities & Exchange Commission, Dhaka Stock Exchange, Investment Corporation of Bangladesh and Bangladesh Computer Council for allotment of Shares amongst the applicants. The valued applicants are hereby informed that allotment letters will be ready for delivery to the successful applicants on 1st November, 1993. Those who have applied for our Shares & Debentures are requested to contact the Share Department of the Company at 19/B, Dhanmondi R/A, Road No. 1, Dhaka during office hours from 1st November, 1993 to 7th November, 1993 for collecting the allotment letter(s). Allotment letters not collected within this period will be sent by post to the allottees in their mailing address after 7th November, 1993 at their risk and responsibility.

Hasina thanks people for making hartal a success

Awami League President Sheikh Hasina has thanked the people for making yesterday's countrywide hartal an all out success, reports UNB.

In a statement last night, she said the people once again gave their verdict in favour of banning communal politics, trial of Golam Azam, withdrawal of case against 24 personalities of Gano Adalat.

Puja Udjapan Parishad meet Nov 5

An extended meeting of the Bangladesh Puja Udjapan Parishad Central Committee will be held on November 5 at 10:00 am at Dhakeswari Mandir Melangan premises here, reports BSS.

All members of the central committee and all district representatives have been requested to attend the meeting on time.

SAARC meet on prevention of drug trafficking begins

Home Minister Abdul Mattin Chowdhury yesterday said illicit trafficking and abuse of narcotics pose a threat not only to the individuals but also to the families, the society, the state and the civilisation at large, reports UNB.

"To combat the problem, concerted efforts at international level is needed where regional cooperation assumes special importance," he said while inaugurating a three-day regional meeting at Hotel Sheraton in the evening.

State Minister for Education Principal Md Eunus Khan was the special guest at the inaugural session of the 8th meeting of the SAARC Technical Committee on "Prevention of Drug Trafficking and Drug Abuse."

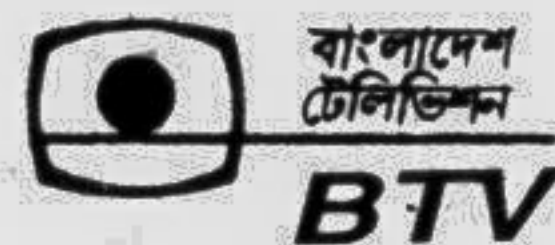
Home Secretary Azimuddin Ahmed presided over the session. Director of SAARC Secretariat Navaratna Rajah also addressed the session while Director General of Narcotics Control Department Syed Muniruddin read the keynote paper.

The Home Minister said promoting exchange of information and intelligence among the enforcing agencies of the SAARC countries are a precondition for effective action leading to apprehension of drug traffickers operating in the region.

Poet Mainuddin's birth anniversary observed

Rich tributes were paid to the memory of poet Khan Mohammad Mainuddin on the occasion of his 92nd birth anniversary in a function yesterday, arranged by Poet Mainuddin Academy at the National Museum auditorium here, reports BSS.

Speaking on the occasion State Minister for Science and Technology Prof Abdul Mannan said poet Mainuddin was the inspiration for the socio-cultural and nationalist aspirations of the country.



Sunday
5.00 Opening announcement
5.10 News in Bangla
5.25 Cartoon: Tom and Jerry
5.45 Sports programme
6.30 Apner Dakter
7.25 Tagore Song's
8.00 News in Bangla
9.05 Film: Sword of Tipu Sultan
10.00 News in English
10.30 Musical programme: Surer Chhota
11.30 Khabar/The News
11.40 Tomorrow's programme summary
11.45 Closing

Weather

Dry weather likely

By Staff Correspondent

The weather forecast for the next 12 hours commencing 6 am today(Sunday) says, the sky may remain cloudy over Chittagong, Barisal and Dhaka divisions. Light rain or thundershower is likely to occur over the region of Chittagong and Noakhali.

The Met office forecasts that the weather may remain mainly dry elsewhere over the country.

The day temperature is likely to remain nearly unchanged over the country.

The country's highest temperature recorded yesterday was of 33.6 degrees Celsius at Bogra and the lowest was 19.0 degrees Celsius at Dinajpur.

The sun sets today at 5:20 pm and rises tomorrow at 6:05 am.

The maximum and the minimum temperatures and maximum and minimum relative humidity recorded in some of the major cities and towns of the country yesterday are:

Cities/towns	Temperature in degrees Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	9 am	6 pm
Dhaka	31.3	20.7	72	79
Chittagong	29.2	23.5	86	81
Rajshahi	31.3	20.4	83	87
Khulna	30.7	21.6	72	85
Barisal	30.4	21.5	83	85
Cox's Bazar	31.0	25.0	85	77
Sylhet	30.5	21.3	70	69

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2. The following persons are the directors of the company:
(1) Mrs Paricha Nur Chowdhury, (2) Mrs Jahanara Begum, (3) Mr Md Jahangir Kader Jem, (4) Mst Ummei Marium, (5) Mr Md Zahidul Kader, (6) Mst Martuza Marium (minor), (7) Mr Md Zahid Kader (minor), Mrs Jahanara Begum (Mother of the minors) is appointed as guardian of the above minors.

3. Schedule of Property:
Particulars of land & building: All that piece & parcel of land measuring an area 9368.03 sq metre (100800 sft including adjacent pond) on Plot No 'A' 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289 & part of 290 at BSCIC, I/E, Mouza-Sapura, P.S. Boalia, Rajshahi, together with all superstructures made/to be made thereon and all the plant/machinery, electrical equipment etc.

4. Tender schedule containing the details of the assets and properties (alongwith the list of machinery) may be obtained from the Assets Disposal Department, BSB, Head Office, Dhaka on cash payment of Tk. 250/- (Taka two hundred fifty) only (Non-refundable).

5. Intending tenderers/buyers may drop their tenders/offers in sealed cover alongwith earnest money (refundable) 5% of the quoted value in Bank Draft/Pay Order in favour of Bangladesh Shilpa Bank in the tender box kept at the BSB Head Office on 28.11.93 at 12.00 Noon.

6. On acceptance of offer, the successful bidders/tenderers shall have to deposit 50% of the bid or tendered money within 7 (seven) days and the balance within 30 (thirty) days from the date of acceptance of tender. In case of failure in making payment of the bid amount within stipulated time, the earnest money or the tender money (as the case may be) shall be forfeited and the mortgaged property may be resold. The project assets will be handed over to the successful bidder(s) by the bank on fulfillment of the conditions.

7. Tenders will be opened on 28.11.93 at 12.30 P.M. at the Assets Disposal Department, BSB, Head Office in presence of the tenderers (if any). For further information, if any, the undersigned may be contacted. Bidders may purchase the above mentioned movable and immovable property in a lot or separately.

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