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dion of jatra, punthi, pala, etc. still constitute a rich cultural history of the subaltern classes whose natural and spontaneous but amazing creative zest and éclat speak of the continuing celebration of life even in the face of all-devouring disasters and dangers.

What is known as the 'Bengali Enlightenment' — sometimes overstated as the nineteenth century — was not only a middle-class phenomenon, but it was largely shaped and animated by the creative possibilities and participation of the subaltern classes, whose protests and movements, from time to time, yielded a progressive social dialectic in favour of freedom, free thinking, secularism, democracy, and above all, in favour of a life that celebrates itself even in the face of death. Through various trials and triumphs, it is our people who still remain progressive, creative, tolerant, responsible, democratic, non-communal, secular, and even revolutionary, and what is usually termed

poverty so glibly attributed to our common people is only an economic phenomenon perpetuated not by the people themselves, but by the bankruptcy and poverty of the ruling elite. While our people always try to move forward, most of our middle-class political leaders and cultural gurus tend to move backward or wallow in the slough of crises!

The celebration of the Pabla Baishakh is actually a celebration of life, and to celebrate life is to celebrate its underlying strength and possibilities which our people can only claim to have. Middle-class festivities with reiterated patterns and postures today look like routine responses, but the fact that the people "not only sur-

vive but prevail", to use Faulkner's words, points to an ardent celebration of life in this part of the world, which perhaps cannot be found elsewhere. In a country where spectacles of death and dying, damage and destruction may fairly be scheduled into its annual routine, where the patterned succession of flood-drought-tornado-earthquake keeps the Faulknerian question in view:

"when will I be blown up?" and where hunger, poverty, malnutrition, disease, illiteracy including political deceptions and crises lead most of our people to the pronouncement of "I am no more than an animal that someone has stabbed in the stomach", our people still fare forward, and give us (the middle-class) what we eat, utilise, exploit, and finally spoil.

What is really unfortunate is

that despite such enormous possibilities and strengths of our people, they have not yet been adequately galvanised into a continuous and integrated cultural revolution that can ensure none's but people's power in all spheres. On this day of Pabla Baishakh, let us all look forward to such a moment and a movement, and sing — *esho he Baishakh, esho, esho...*

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c. Executive Engineer, E/M Division-3, CAAB, Kurmitola, Dhaka.  
d. PA to Member (Ops & Plans), Chief Engineer, CAAB, Dhaka and Director (ZIA), CAAB, Dhaka.  
e. Airport Manager, Saidpur Airport, Saidpur.
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