

Photography

# Children of the hills

Enam Ul Haque presents his photography solo capturing the spirit of tribal life in the hilly regions at the National Museum.

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TRIBAL people of Bangladesh have found their abode in the lap of nature across the hilly regions lying to the South-East of the country. They have got a unique way of life of their own. Tribal way of performing rites of culture and religion is a significant mark of racial diversity. Cultural richness of the tribal people may well add a mean-

ing and painting. Enam Ul Haque's on-going solo exhibition of photography is considered as another step to bring this unfocused people into focus. Better known as a nature photographer, Enam for the first time capture human face. All his four photography exhibitions in the past four years dealt with nature. In 1998, Bangladesh National Museum organised a four-



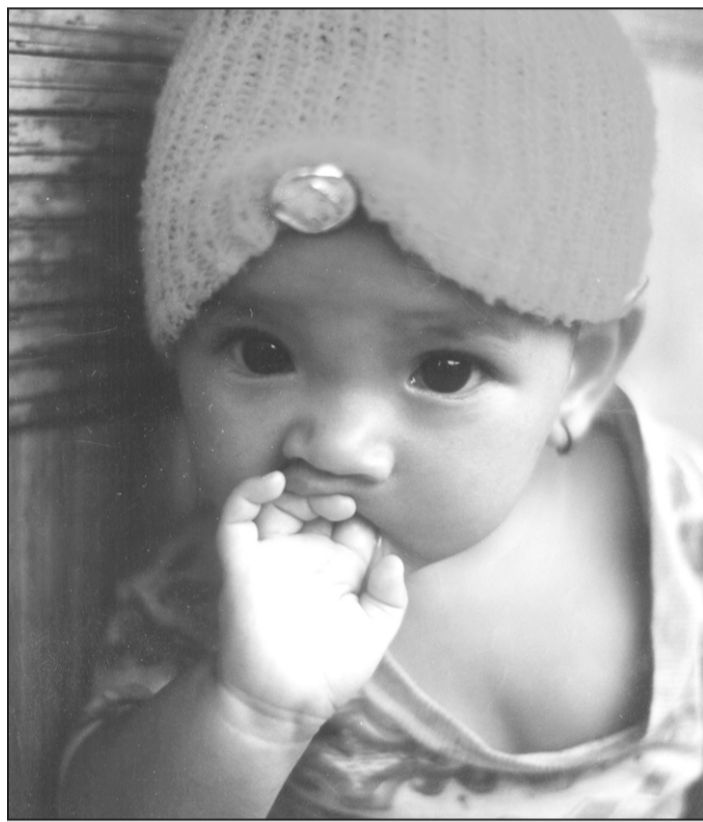
Shower of joy.

ing dimension to the country's mainstream culture. Though the cultural ingredients of these people had long been out of focus, presently it has been an emerging trend that they are gaining due recognition and exposure and are being absorbed in the national cultural arena. Tribal life and culture now constitute an essential part of the nation's cultural activities. Tribal life has now occupied a status as themes and subjects of art, photog-

week long exhibition titled Birds of Bangladesh which earned him great public acclaim. In the current exhibition, he has attained a new dimension by incorporating innovative language and new subject. He has termed this new dimension as 'expression.' He is exhibiting here, for the first time, the photographs of human beings. Enam Ul Haque says, "What we see in the realm of nature is enormity; on the other hand, what we see in the



Builder's arm.



Wonder of hills.

face of a person is expression." This is indeed, a major turning point in the career of a famed nature-photographer. As he thinks, although this exhibition deals with the human beings, he is presenting the photographs of people who live in the deep recess of the hills. "My photography began under the abiding spell of the nature, and nature still remains the only inspiration of my photography," he added. In Bangladesh, tribal people are known as Chakam, Marma, Tonchonga, Tipra, Rakhain, Khasi, Monipuri, Murong, BomChak, Pankho, Khumi, Kheyang, Garo, Hajong, Koch etc. They are the living blossoms of our hills. Their souls can not part with the hills even when they live in the plains.

Enam, while on the way to Keokradon, Tojingdong, Ramjoom, and other hills, came in close con-

tact with the hilly people. Their hamlets became his temporary abode, and an amity between the hills and the plains developed. "Their friendship is as simple and charming as those of nature. The trails of our hills are more lively and enticing to us now," Enam further commented.

The hilly people live their simple, self-supporting lives on the slopes. Each of them grows grain in the wilderness, makes marvelous bamboo-house with his own hands, weave cloths with home-grown cotton, and plays a thousand year old music on their hand-made instruments.

The exhibition will run till February 28.

Book Fair

# Visitors overflow at Boi Mela on Ekushey February

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THE premises of Bangla Academy was jam-packed on Ekushey February (February 21) as city dwellers and book-worms thronged to the site to celebrate the historic day also recognised world wide now as International Mother Language Day. Sale of books was also high as compared to others days, stall owners said.

Books by Humayun Ahmed were most in demand list along with the other prominent writers and poets. Humayun Ahmed's Brishty O Meghmala was released yesterday from Pal Publications. The poetry cards also continued to be favourite among visitors. A total of 71 books arrived at the annual fair on February 21, the 20th day of the fair.

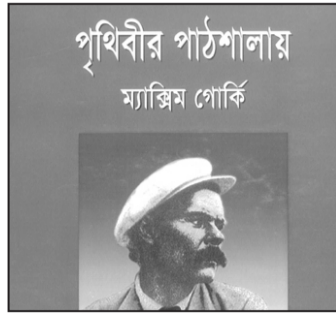
The new arrivals include O Jiban Obbhagamon and Muktijuddher Kobita by Hasan Hafiz, Bhoyal Amonibash by Rahat Khan, Sreshta Kabita of Ashim Saha, Atripa Bashana by Ali Ahmed, Keep it up Kilzoy by Syed Shamsul Haq, My Story of 1971 by Mohammad Anisur Rahman, Sagor Parer Deshe by Mohammad Mosharaf Hossain and Baul Batash by Makbula Manjur.

Books dealing with political Shasantantrik Unnayan 1757-2000 by Dr. Harun-ur-Rashid were released yesterday. Dekha Theke Lekha by MM Rezaul Karim, Parbattya Chattagram Shanti Prokria O Poribesh-Poristhiti Mullanayan by Mej. Gen. (Retd) Syed Muhammad Ibrahim were released on Tuesday.

Radical Asia Publications has brought out a number of books on politics, mostly on Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. Fifty-nine books arrived at the fair on Tuesday. The titles include Ogo Phandashi by Abul Khair Muslehuddin, Jibikar Khela by Shah Khairul Bashar, Uposagore Upakule by Humayun Reza, The Mind of War Injured Freedom Fighters of Bangladesh by Dr. MA Mohit Kamal, Shantir Protik Mother Teresa by Enamul Kabir, Bhalobashar Mukh by Musa Kamal, Aparichita by Shahidul Alam and Baddhabhumi Ekator by Mostofa Hossain and a translation of Maxim Gorky Prithibir Pathsala.

A good number of children's book have also been released at the fair so far. The books which released on Tuesday and are selling well are Open Secret by Abul Hossain Azad, Thuriburi of Ahsan Malek, a translation of Lev Tolstoy Shikkhamulak Shishu Khaini, Bhabla Cehle Kabla Kanto by Obaidul Gani Chandan, Elo Galpo Hoya by Momel Chowdhury, Bagh O Burir Galpo by Sultana Rizia, Shuvor Shokher Goyendagiri by Tapan Bagchi.

National Poet Shamsur Rahman Ridpodme Joshna Dole and Shuni Ridoyer Dhoni were released Tuesday. Bishaka Prokashani has published Al Mahmud's great poetry



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collection Sonali Kabin in the form of cards. Former president Hussain Muhammad Ershad's poetry book titled 'Jekhane Barmamala Jole' was also by Shahit Yamala. Other poetry titles released on Tuesday are Shapna jabe Somudra Pane by Pulin Roy, Britter Babosched by Fakri Elias and Rangdhonur Roktokkhoron by young poet Wahid Adnan. Meanwhile, Bangla Academy held a day-long programme to mark the historic day of language movement and the International Mother Language Day. The programme included recitation, discussion and mass songs. Some 134 poets recited their own work k at the function in the morning chaired by Poet Muhammad Nurul Huda. The poets made a proposal to invite poets from all the nations, who observe International Mother Language Day, in the next years programme. Prof. Salahuddin Ahmed delivered the Amar Ekushey Lecture in the afternoon with Justice Muhammad Habibur Rahman was in the chair. The number of visitors at the fair was thin yesterday with most book stalls also opening after the scheduled time. A number of stall owners claimed that their books were damaged during the rain on Wednesday night.

affairs are also arriving in the fair almost every day. Bangladesh Rajnitir Sangskriti and Sangskritir Rajniti by Dr. Emajuddin and , Bangladesher Rajniti Sarker O

RECOMMENDATIONS

### Living spirit of hill people

On the occasion of Ekushey February 'International Mother Language Day' a solo photography exhibition by Enam Ul Haque, titled 'Living Spirit of Hill People in Hills and Plains' is being held at the Bangladesh National Museum from February 18. The exhibition will continue till February 28.

### Three generations in art

The inaugural ceremony of a group art exhibition by artist Jindu Prova Debi, Swapan Chowdhury, Sultana Mahmood Milita and Shayyan Chowdhury Arnob, three generations from one family will be held today at the Drik Gallery at 5p.m. Art critic Professor Borhan Uddin Khan Jahangir will attend the ceremony as chief guest.

The exhibition will be open to all from 3p.m. - 8p.m. everyday till March 2.

### Solo exhibition

A solo exhibition of artworks by Dilara Begum Jolly has started at the Gallery 21. The exhibition will continue everyday from 10a.m. -- 8p.m. till February 26.

### Art Exhibition

A solo art exhibition by Faruk Ahamed was inaugurated on February 17 at the Divine Art Gallery, Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel.

The exhibition will remain open everyday from 10a.m. - 8p.m. till February 26.

### Music of Water

On the occasion of Convocation 2001 of Jahangirnagar University, Centre for Nature Photo Study (CNPS) organised a solo photography exhibition by A M M Ikram titled Music of Water at the Jahangirnagar University auditorium, which started on February 16.

The exhibition will remain open everyday from 10a.m. to 5p.m. till February 26.

# TV GUIDE

PICK OF THE DAY



MacArthur on HBO tonight at 10. A biographical and semi-documentary on the remarkable career of General Douglas MacArthur, from World War II as the legendary Supreme Allied Commander to his Korean War experience as the United Nations Commander. MacArthur stars academy award winner Gregory Peck, Ed Flanders and others.

Gulistan 11:00 India Hour Gulistan 11:30 Discovery Profile Series 12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Ultimate Guide to Planes 2:30 Future Tense 3:00 Cafe Digital 3:30 India Hour: Gulistan 4:30 Discovery Profile Series 5:30 21st Century Medicine

### STAR WORLD

6:00 Murder Call 7:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 8:00 Home Improvement 8:30 Happy Days 9:00 Walker Texas Ranger 10:00 Marital Law 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 World's Wildest Police 1:00 Grace Under



The Simpsons on Star World at 4p.m.

Rock From the Sun 12:30 French and Saunders 1:00 Murder Call 2:00 Nash Bridges 3:00 Morris Cerullo 3:30 Exalted Word 4:00 Creflo Dollar 4:30 World News 5:00 Outback Adventure 6:00 The Adventures of Sinbad

### STAR PLUS

6:00 Tu Tu Main Main 6:30 STAR Geetmala 7:30 Hit Ya Fit 8:00 Cine Jharokha 8:30 Good Morning India 9:30 Star Morning Show: My Friend 12:30 Hit Ya Fit 1:00 TSN 1:30 Shrimati Sharma Na

### CARTOON NETWORK

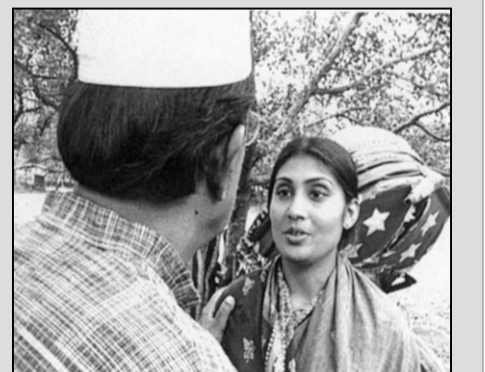
6:30 The Road Runner Show 7:00 The Smurfs 7:30 The Popeye Show 8:00 Dexter's Laboratory 8:30 I Am Weasel 9:00 The Powerpuff Girls 9:30 Batman The Animated

Series 10:00 Sylvester & Tweety Mysteries 10:30 Garfield and Friends 11:00 Tiny Toon Adventures 11:30 Tom & Jerry Kids 12:00 The Little Lulu Show 2 12:30 Scooby Doo Where Are You? 1:00 The Smurfs 1:30 The Road Runner Show 2:00 Tiny Toon Adventures 2:30 Ninja Robots 3:00 The Little Lulu Show 2 Toon Tamasha 3:00 Flintstones 4:00 The Mask 4:30 Swat Kats 5:00 Scooby & Scrappy Doo 5:30 Dexter's Laboratory 6:00 I Am Weasel 6:30 The Powerful Girls 7:00 The Popeye Show 7:30 Batman The Animated Series 8:00 Sylvester & Tweety Mysteries 8:30 Garfield and Friends 9:00 The Road Runner Show 5:30 The New Scooby Doo Movies

TCM TURNER CLASSIC MOVIES 9:30 High Society 11:35 Death on the Diamond 1:15 Today We live 3:35 The Long, Long Trailer

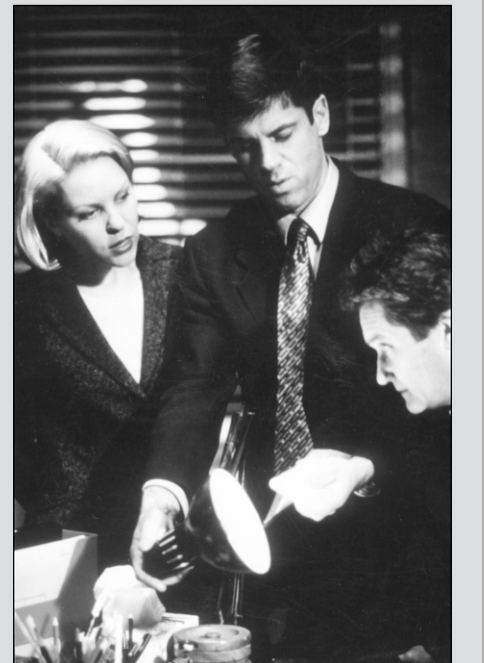
STAR MOVIES 7:00 Comedy : Just One Night 9:00 Thriller: Golden Spiders 11:00 Drama: Civility 12:45 Comedy: Remote Control 2:15 Drama: Beloved 5:00 Drama: Willy Milly 7:00 You Pick-the-Flick: TBA 9:00 Thriller: Lake 11:00 Drama: Love Field 1:00 Drama: When a man loves a woman 3:15

Drama: Alegria 5:00 Comedy : Another Stakeout 6:15 Artho O Nithi 6:50 Akattorer Dinguli 7:00 Suvo Muktir Gane 7:40 I Dream of Jeanie 8:00 Din



Friday drama: Bibikta on Ekushey television at 8p.m.

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Murder Call on Star World at 8:00 p.m.

### EKUSHEY TV

2:00 Ekushey Headlines 2:05 Aiker Poltrikay 2:15 E Shoptaher Bishsho 2:40 Classic Cartoons 3:00 Ekushey Headlines 3:05 Bangla Film: Bidrohi Bodhu 5:30 Gillette World



Goodness Gracious Me on Star World at 11p.m.

Sports Special 6:00 Ekushey Headlines 6:05 The Big Fight 7:00 Drama Serial: Probashi Porijon 7:30 Ekushey News 8:00 Shukrobarer Drama: Bibikta 9:00 Virgin Takdum Takdum 9:30 English Series: MacGyver 10:30 BTV News 11:15 Ekushey Late Night News 11:30 Ei Shoptaho 11:45 Ekushey Headlines

4:00 CID (Dev Anand, Nalini Jaywant) 7:00 Geet Bahar 7:30 Shaadaar Shukrawaar Mr & Mrs 55 (Guru Dutt, Madhubala) 10:30 Bollywood News 11:30 Anuraag (Ashok Kumar, Nutan, Vinod)



French and Saunders on Star World at 12:30a.m.

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### BBC WORLD

6:00 BBC News 6:30 World Business Report 7:00 BBC News 7:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report 8:00 BBC News 8:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report 9:00 BBC News 9:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report 10:00 BBC News 10:30 Hardtalk 11:00 BBC News 11:30 Click Online 12:00 BBC News 12:30 IT: India Tomorrow 1:30 BBC



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### CNN

4:00 CNN This Morning 4:30 Asia Business Morning 5:00 CNN This Morning 5:30 Asia Business Morning 6:00 CNN



Virgin Takdum Takdum on Ekushey television at 9p.m.

This Morning 6:15 Asia Business Morning 6:30 Asian Edition 6:45 Asia Business Morning 7:00 CNN This Morning 7:30 Moneyline 8:00 Larry King Live 9:00 World News 9:30 World Sport 10:00 World News 10:30 Showbiz Today 11:00 World News 11:30 Q&A Asia (replay) 12:00 World News 12:30 World Report 1:00 World News 1:30 World Sport 2:00 World News 2:30 Insight 3:00 Larry King Live (replay) 4:00 World News 4:30 Biz Asia 5:00 Asia Tonight 5:30 World Sport 6:00 World News 6:15 Asian Edition 6:30 Biz Asia 7:00 World News 7:30 Wibizasia 8:00 Asia

### DISCOVERY CHANNEL



Virgin Takdum Takdum on Ekushey television at 9p.m.

6:30 Eyewitness II 7:00 ESPU 7:30 Outer Bounds I & II 8:00 Without Warning I 8:30 Lonely Planet II 9:30 Assignment Discovery 10:30 Go For It! 11:30 Intimate Escapes 12:00 Intimate Escapes 12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Medical Detectives I 2:30 21st Century Medicine 3:30 Eyewitness II 4:00 In CO0are of Nature 4:30 Outer Bounds I & II 5:00 Without Warning I 5:30 Lonely Planet II 6:30 Splat II & III 7:00 Let's Dance/There's No Food Like My Food 7:30 Wild Discovery 8:30 Ultimate Guide to Planes 9:30 Future Tense 10:00 Cafe Digital 10:30 India Hour:



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