



careers as professional photographers.

Mousumi says that they used YASHICA MF-2 during the training.

"Because for any new photographer YASHICA is very easy to handle, and you can take good pictures with it," says a smiling Mousumi.

After seven days of training in Savar Training Centre, Mousumi came back to her village Bhottopara and immediately took a three thousand taka loan from the local NGO office and against the loan she got a new YASHICA MF-2 camera from that NGO.

From August 2003, Mousumi started photography commercially. She uses Fuji-100 film for her camera. Generally she takes 20 taka for each photograph. So, using just one reel Mousumi makes a good profit. She gave me an account of her expenditure. The price of a Fuji film was 90 taka, developing it cost 25 taka and the printing cost was four taka per photo.

Mousumi generally uses one or two reels a month, from every reel her average income is 300 taka. Generally she gets contracts to take photographs in almost all family functions of Bhottopara. Besides that she gets invitations from all schools and organisations of Madnagar area. Mousumi has a dream to become a renowned photographer, to this end she wants more training on photography.

About her own marriage, she told me, she would marry that person who will always support her photography. She will never stop taking pictures because photography is now not only her passion, but also her dream and business. ■

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