

Discussion

Impact of French Revolution on world literature

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

It was a difficult subject, no doubt, to discuss and arrive at a conclusion because hardly any work has been done on the discernible impact of the French Revolution on world literature. The revolution had contributed to liberating society and fostering intellectual freedom which led to a surge of creativity in later days, but how much it contributed to world literature is an area that has not been researched extensively by scholars yet. Even in English literature it has not left an indelible

mark, as did other revolutions in later years. However, a section of scholars believe that the romantic literature which attained its highwater mark in the 19th century owed its growth to the French Revolution.

The idea of delving into the possible impact definitely was a laudable idea as it did stir many a mind in the afternoon on July 14. The discussion was initiated by Sampatik Sahityachinta, a literary group in the city, on the Impact of the French Revolution on World Literature at the Sanskriti Bikash Kendro at Paribagh. The

programme was organised to mark the 218th anniversary of the French Revolution and fall of the Bastille. Poet Dilara Hafiz presided over the meeting while Professor Zillur Rahman Siddiqui was the chief guest. Zakeria Shirazi, noted literary critique, presented the keynote paper. The translator and researcher Ahmad Mazhar conducted the programme. Participants included Fazlul Alam, Abul Quasim Fazlul Huq, Sazzad Qadir, M. Latifur Rahman, Mohammad Abdul Hye and Nahid Roksana.



(From left) Zakeria Shirazi, Dilara Hafiz and Professor Zillur Rahman Siddiqui at the discussion

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Citycell Mahakal Theatre Festival '07

“Bou Boshanti” to be staged today



Actors of Udichi in Bou Boshanti

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

As part of the ongoing Citycell Mahakal Theatre Festival '07, arranged by Mahakal Natyasaupradaya, Udichi (theatre branch) will stage *Bou Boshanti* today at the Experimental Theatre Stage.

Set in a village in a remote area during the Liberation War, Ratan Siddiqui's play *Bou Boshanti* features the ravaging impact of the war. Like many plays on Liberation War, *Bou Boshanti* does not have any combat scene.

Rather, war appears in the play through news aired from Swadhin Bangla Betar Kendra and dialogues of the characters. Ratan's play also highlights the changes in the structure of rural life, specifically in the social class system, turned upside down by the war.

Bou Boshanti is directed by Azad Abul Kalam. M. Shaiful Islam is the set and light designer of the play.

As Tuesday is the weekly holiday of the staff of National Theatre Stage, no play will be staged tomorrow at the festival.

Honours

Artist Kanakchanpa receives Japanese award

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Kanakchanpa Chakma recently received a “Sosiro” award at the 12th Art Miria International Contest in Japan. Artists from various countries come together in Tokyo every year to display their works at the international event. J.S. Kabir, a Bangladeshi artist settled in Japan, accepted the prize on behalf of Kanakchanpa. “It was G.S. Kabir who helped me to get in touch with the Japanese authorities,” said an elated Kanakchanpa.

Kanakchanpa's award-winning artwork is a 2ftx2ft acrylic on paper and is titled *A Message from the Wind*. The subject brings in a gray green sky with three indigenous women who are



The award-winning artwork by Kanakchanpa Chakma (top), the artist

gossiping near a river, before their bath. An element of happiness surrounds the figures.

Ethnic life is a recurring feature in Kanakchanpa's works. Initially her work used to be impressionistic and near realistic. Her next exhibition will be held in Seoul, South Korea. There will be nothing overtly realistic at the exhibition and

the artist will try to present her thoughts in symbols. Kanakchanpa's works highlighting Buddhist philosophy have been appreciated in South Korea. Next year she hopes to have a solo exhibition in the country. The exhibit will possibly deal with ethnic groups of Chittagong Hill Tracts.

CULTURALFEAST

National Art Exhibition

Venue: National Art Gallery, Shilpakala Academy
Date: June 17 to July 16
Organiser: Department of Art, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy

Musical Soiree

Organiser: Chhayanat Shangsakriti Bhaban
Venue: Chhayanat Shangsakriti Bhaban
Date: July 19
Time: 7pm

Theatre Festival

Title: Nobo anonde jago aji nobo robi kiron
Organiser: Mohakal Natya Sampraday
Venue: Experimental Theatre Stage, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
Play: Bou Bosonti
Troupe: Udichi
Date & Time: July 16, 7pm
Play: Projapati
Troupe: Natyakendro
Date & Time: July 18, 7pm

Photographic Presentation

Organiser: Drin Gallery
Venue: ULAB Auditorium, House 56, Road 4/A, Dhanmondi
Photographer: Manoocher Deghati (Iran)
Date: July 18
Time: 6:00pm

Documentary on Hasan Hafizur Rahman

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

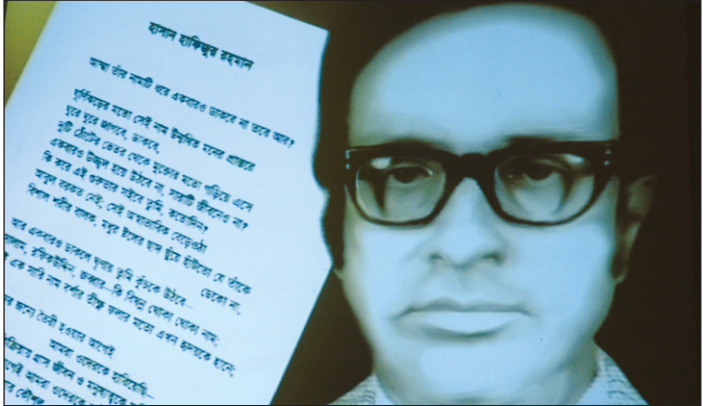
A documentary titled *Hasan Hafizur Rahman: Life and Works* was screened at Liberation War Museum on July 14. Hafizur Rahman Sangsad arranged the programme. National Professor Kabir Chowdhury inaugurated the programme. Noted personalities Syed Shamsul Haque, Dr. Anisuzzaman and Aminul Islam were also present at the programme.

The 67-minute-long documentary contains Hafizur Rahman's notable works during different periods. His involvement in the Language Movement and in Liberation War, as well as his contribution as a journalist and

press counsellor in different countries have also been featured in the documentary.

Dr. Anisuzzaman has provided suggestions and pointers during the making of the documentary. Rafiqueullah Khan has done the research for the film. The documentary has been directed by Babul Biswas.

Hasan Hafizur Rahman started his career as a sub-editor in the weekly publication *Begum* in 1952. After the Liberation War he worked in *Dainik Bangla*, *Shimanto Shibir-e*, *Aro Dut*, *Mrityu*, *Amar Bhetorer Bagh* and more are some of his notable literary works.



A scene from the documentary

Artist Shafiqul Ameen turns 96 today



Eminent artist of the country Shafiqul Ameen turns 96 today, says a press release. The veteran artist has been associated with the Institute of Fine Arts (IFA) since its inception and has been a teacher, administrator and later, the principal of the institute.

Ameen joined Calcutta Art College as a student along with Shilpacharya Zainul Abedin in 1932 and completed a six-year course in art and drawing. Later he worked at Rangpur Teachers Training College, David Hair Training College, Mymensingh Training College, and

Dhaka Training College.

Ameen worked side by side with Shilpacharya Zainul Abedin to establish IFA (also known as Charukala). He later went to England on a scholarship and taught art at Brighton College under London University for a year. After retiring from IFA, he joined Sonargaon Jadugar complex as its executive director and worked for seven years.

Shafiqul Ameen is associated with a number of social organisations at home and abroad.

“CDL Shangbad Protidin” airs 150th episode

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Live news-based programme *CDL Shangbad Protidin* on Banglavisión, aired its 150th episode on July 14. The programme, aired at midnight everyday, offers news from leading national and international sources and latest updates. There is also a special segment in the programme, which features headlines from the leading news websites. A new segment, “Public Survey”, has been included in the programme. Viewers can express their opinions on recent incidents and news in the segment through text messages.

CDL Shangbad Protidin is hosted by journalists Bayezid Milky and Shujan Kabir.



CDL Shangbad Protidin is aired everyday on Banglavisión

Performance by Fakir Alamgir at Shilpakala



Fakir Alamgir sings at the programme

PHOTO: STAR

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Bangladesh Shipakala Academy (BSA) arranged a musical programme on July 14 at the National Music and Dance Centre. The programme titled, *Shomoyer Shongram-1* featuring performances by noted artiste Fakir Alamgir – was the first of a series of programmes by BSA. BSA plans to hold similar cultural programmes featuring popular artistes to express their commitment against corruption. The programme was sponsored by ATN Bangla Multimedia Production Ltd.

Fakir Alamgir started off with *Daam diye kinechhi Bangla*. It was followed by *Amader cholchhey*

lorai, *Alu becho chhola bechho* and *Kaindona Rahmat-er ma*. The evening ended with a rendition of Alamgir's evergreen song *O Sokhina gechhos kina bhulla amarey*. At the programme, Alamgir wished for the recovery of Sabina Yasmin.

A discussion was held prior to the programme. A.B.M Abdul Howk Chowdhury, secretary to the Ministry of Cultural Affairs, was the chief guest. Special guests were Samar Paul, director general, National Museum and Sarkar Feroz Uddin, senior vice president, ATN Bangla Multimedia Production Ltd. Kamrul Hassan ndc, director general of BSA presided over the session.

ON AIR

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme.

News Bulletin

BTV
News Headlines (Bangla) at 8:55 am, 12:10 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm.

News (Bangla) at 8:00 am 1:00 pm 5:00 pm 8:00 pm.
News (English) at 3:00 pm, 10:00 pm.
Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).

CHANNEL-i
News (Bangla) at 7:15 am, 9:00am, 2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 10:30pm, 12:15am.

ATN BANGLA
News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11pm.
News (English) 8:20am, 7:00pm.
Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 a.m, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00pm.

CHANNEL 1
News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 12:00pm, 2:30pm, 6:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm, 12:30am
BANGLAVISIÓN
News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 2:00pm, 6:00pm, 7:15pm, 10:30pm.
News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00am, 12:00am, 4:00pm.
News Headlines (English) at 8:05pm

Rtv
News (Bangla) at 10:15pm, and 12:15am

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News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:30pm, 1:00am

ETV
News (Bangla): 1:00pm, 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm

BTV

08:45 World Roundup
11:15 Documentary
12:00 Maa O Shishur Kotha
12:30 Anu Poromanu
01:30 Shukhi Poribar
02:15 Sisimpur
03:05 Cartoon
03:30 Musical Programme: Dolon Champa
04:00 Agrodut
04:30 Bansuri
05:05 Debate
06:10 Matri Basha
07:00 Matri O Manush
07:30 Musical Programme
08:30 Protidin Bangladesh
08:35 Musical Programme: Chhayachondo Protikhon
09:30 Bul Bul
10:30 ATN Bangla
10:30 Deshey Deshey ATN Bangla
11:10 Dhalywood Show
12:10 Special Programme
01:15 Family No 1
02:45 Tele Film: Nivrityo Chari
05:00 Gram Gonjer Khobor
05:30 Jay Din
06:10 Old is Gold
07:50 Baddi Bajey
08:20 Golpey Anondoy ATN Bangla
10:40 Tele Film: Waren

ATN Bangla

09:30 Shongbad Potrey Bangladesh
09:50 Public Reaction
09:50 Gram Gonjer Khobor
09:50 Trityomatra
11:05 Educational Programme
12:30 Citycell Tarokakothon
01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan

01:30 Shangbad Potrey Bangladesh
01:45 Public Reaction
02:40 Mega Serial: Priobash
03:05 Banjio O Orthoniti
03:30 Rupantor
04:05 Sa Re Ga Ma
04:30 FCT Business Talk
05:30 Mukti Judhio Protidin
06:30 Stargate SG one
06:20 Antorailer Kotha
06:40 Business Show
07:50 Shomoyer Shonglap
09:35 Drama Serial: Kobi
10:00 Drama Serial: Shesh Theke Shuru
11:30 Ekanyo Barti
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro

ETV

08:00 Ekusher Shokal
01:30 Drishti
02:30 Shoyong
03:30 Chirontoni
04:00 Pathrey Pantorey
04:30 Shukhi Manush Project
05:30 Gaanoala
06:15 Ekusher Shondha
07:30 Deshjurey Chalchitro
08:00 Ta Na Na Na
09:15 Ekusher Shomoy
10:00 Drama Serial: Bodhon
10:30 Tahader Kotha
11:45 Reporter's File
12:00 Ekusher Raat
08:00 Rtv
08:00 Ei Din
09:00 Rtv Exclusive
09:05 Tarzan
10:00 Ei Desh
11:30 Drama Serial: Dohon
12:00 Wide Angle
12:30 Drama Serial: Raat
Jaga Pakhi
01:00 Antorango Alap
01:30 Ei Din
02:30 Musical Programme



Nibhritochari
On ATN Bangla at 2:45pm
Tele-film
Cast: Shahed, Tonima

03:45 Documentary
04:20 Musical Programme
05:10 Sports Carnival
05:30 Kachher Janala Durer
06:00 Janala
06:35 Protidin
08:00 Drama Serial: Dohon
08:40 Look at Me
09:20 Drama Serial: Raat
Jaga Pakhi
11:00 Heart Beat
Channel 1
08:40 Shuprobath Bangladesh
09:30 Chokh Mele Dekhi
10:30 Bangla Feature Film
02:00 Padmorag
03:30 Bhalobashar Ei Phit Oi

04:15 Drama Serial: Swapno
05:00 Drama Serial: Tanik Ali
05:40 Citycell Diner Sheshey
06:35 Amader Ranna Ghar
08:15 Desher Pathrey
08:55 Drama: Kuhu
11:30 Shamol Bangla
08:15 Innocent Voices
10:15 Half Past Dead
12:00 Sin
01:55 There's Something
03:55 Jiminy Glick In La La
Wood
05:25 Krippendorff's Tribe
07:00 Speed
08:55 Hostage

04:00 Bahu Thi
04:30 Aek Chabhi Hai Padoss
05:30 V Trailers - Star Plus
06:00 Meri Awaz Ko Mil Gayi
06:30 Kasturi
07:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
07:25 Bolly V - Star Plus
07:30 Kayamath
08:00 Antakshari - The Gr8
09:00 Kasautii Zindagii Kay
09:30 Meri Awaz Ko Mil Gayi
10:00 Kasturi
10:30 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi
11:30 Kayamath
12:00 Karam Apnaa Apnaa
STAR WORLD
09:30 Day Break
10:30 Arrested Development
11:00 8 Simple Rules
11:30 The Simpsons
12:00 Malcolm In The Middle
12:30 Koffee With Karan
01:30 Law & Order: S.V.U.
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
04:00 General Hospital
05:00 Third Watch
06:00 Scrubs
06:30 The Simpsons
07:00 My Wife And Kids
07:30 Friends
08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 That '70s Show
09:00 Still Standing
09:30 Grounded For Life
10:00 Yes Dear
10:30 Psych
11:30 Seinfeld
HISTORY
04:00 Albert Einstein
10:30 October Fury
11:30 Rishikesh
11:45 Brahmagyan
12:40 History Rocks: The 70's
02:30 Leo Tolstoy
03:30 Marco Polo
08:30 Military History one-off
05:30 Tactical to Practical
06:30 Anna
07:30 The Antichrist (Part 1)
08:30 Operation Desert Storm
09:30 Eagles
10:30 Hunt for the Bismarck
11:30 Victims of Jealousy
12:00 Movie Star or Spy?

FM radio
Radio Foorti
07:00am Hello Dhaka (Apu)
11:00am Amar 98.4 (Nusrat)
03:00pm Dhaka Calling (Sakib)
07:00pm Seven Eleven (Sadia)
11:00pm Late Night Show (Shuvo)
03:00am Back to Back music
02:30 Zoro, Suzy Q, Sven
03:00 Grey Whales
03:30 Plane Crash in Queens
04:30 Mad Labs
05:00 From meerkats To Mambas
05:30 Backyard Science
06:00 Dragon Tale
06:30 Plane Crash in Queens
07:30 Dens of Danger
08:30 Suicide Attack
09:30 Seconds From Disaster
10:30 Animal Extractors
11:30 Deadly Dealy
ESP
11:00 English Premier Football League
01:00 2007 Wnba Basketball - All-Star
03:00 Tour De France 2007
03:30 Major League Baseball
06:30 2004 X Games Classic, Champions
07:30 1999 Hootie And The Blowfish Cel
09:30 Ali Vs Ellis
10:30 Sportscenter India
11:30 Sportscenter Asia
11:30 Mtn One Day International Series
DISCOVERY CHANNEL
09:30 Discovery Biggest Shows
11:30 How Do They Do It?
12:00 Wild Safari
12:30 Yummy Mummy
01:00 Runway Moms
01:30 Raw Nature
02:30 Discovery Showcase
03:30 Popular Mechanics for Kids
04:00 Earth Science for Children
04:30 Wild Discovery
05:30 Wild Safari
06:30 Extreme Machines
07:30 Wildest Week
08:30 Colours of India
09:30 Future Weapons
10:30 Man Made Marvels
11:30 Life On The Edge
NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC
09:30 Plane Crash in Queens
10:30 Sauna Belt
11:15 Global Pendant
11:30 Mumbai Mega Flood
12:30 Super Cyclone
01:30 Power Play