# Picnic of DIU English Dept at Tepantar



The English Department of Daffodil International University went for a picnic to Tepantar, Gazipur on February 17, 2008. Tapantar, about two hours journey from Dhaka, is a shooting spot with laudable combination of natural and artificial beauty. About 150 teachers and students of the department spent the whole day at the spot in merrymaking with various programmes. The students arranged a concert which enthralled the audience with "Shob bhalo tui eka bashisney", "Ural dibo akashey", "Chumki chalechhey eka pathey", "Panjabi wala", "Babuji jara dhirey chala" and other songs. The audience could not but respond to the beat with spontaneous dance. There were also raffle draw and different competitions including musical chair, magic box and passing-thread-through-needle. The Head of the Department, Dr Binoy Barman, distributed prizes among the winners after the competitions. The picnic committee, comprising faculty members Umme Kulsum and Kamal Hossain, demonstrated their feat to organise the programme in a well-disciplined manner



Cultural function held to celebrate basanta Utsab at Rajshahi University Campus.

# Orientation program at UIU

An orientation program Spring 2008 was held in the United International University (UIU) Auditorium at 3.30 pm today.

The Managing Director of Southeast Bank Mr Niaz Ahmed was the chief guest and UIU Board of Governors Honorary Member Mr Muslehuddin Ahmed was a special guest while Prof Dr M Rezwan Khan, Vice Chancellor of UIU was in the chair of the ceremony.

Among others UIU advisor Prof Dr Golam Rahman, UIU Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Chowdhury Mofizur Rahman, Dean, School of Business Prof Dr Md Habibur Rahman, Prof Dr Mohammad Musa, Director of Students Affairs Suman Ahmmed and about five hundred newly enrolled students and guardians were present in the ceremony.

The speakers of the program hoped that the intention to establish this university was not to add a new name in the list of private universities in Bangladesh. The key persons involved in establishing this university had a noble wish in their hearts which will be a harbour for cultivation of knowledge to the optimum level, research etc.

# Chinese Spring festival 2008 celebrated at NSU

Confucius Institute at North South University (NSU) has celebrated the Chinese New Year party known as Spring Festival on February 16 at 6 pm in the NSU campus. Dr Khaliquzzaman Elias, Director of CI gave the welcome address. His Excellency Mr Zheng Qingdian, Ambassador of the People's Republic of China in Bangladesh spoke as the Chief Guest, while Mr Liu Sanzhen, Cultural Counselor of the Chinese Embassy in Dhaka, was present as the Special Guest. Dr Hafiz G A Siddiqi, Vice Chancellor, NSU, presided over the function. Professor Jiang Yinlian, Ms Churi, and Mr Asifizaman also spoke on the occasion. His Excellency the Chinese Ambassador distributed the semesterend certificate among the CI students. The speech session was followed by a lively cultural show. The China-Bangladesh friendship song was sung by the CI students and afterwards different cultural performances such as Lion dance, traditional huang mei opera, Bangla and Chinese songs and dance, instrumental music were rendered by CI students, teachers and little children of the Dhaka International School. The festival was attended by a large number of students and their parents.