



## RETURN TO THE ROOTS

It was a rare occasion. Seven renowned artists from West Bengal joined a get-together at a local hotel on Saturday. They ate, drank and talked to their heart's content reminiscing about their old days. Bijon Chowdhury was born in Gopalganj, Ganesh Halui in Jamalpur, Dhiraj Chowdhury in Brahmanbaria and Suhash Roy in Narsingdi. Alok Bhattacharya, Monoj

Dutt and Sadhan Chakraborty also have their ancestral homes in Bangladesh. Art critic Monsiz Majumder who accompanied the seven was born in Dhaka. Art enthusiast Syed Durjoy Rahman Joy hosted the lively function. Earlier the guests came to Bangladesh at the invitation of Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts that arranged a two-week exhibition of their

works from April 25. Besides, works of Paritosh Sen, Amitabh Bhattacharya and Jogen Chowdhury are also on show. Local artists, art critics, senior citizens and journalists attended the get-together to make it a memorable day.

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