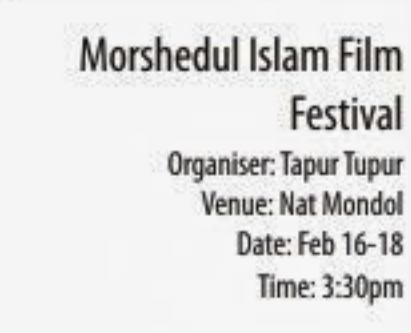


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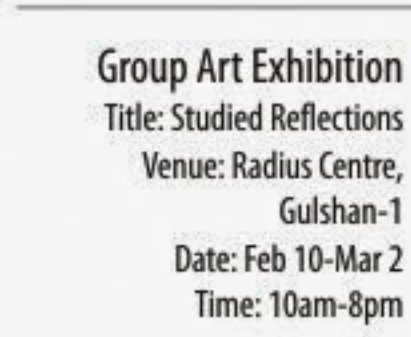
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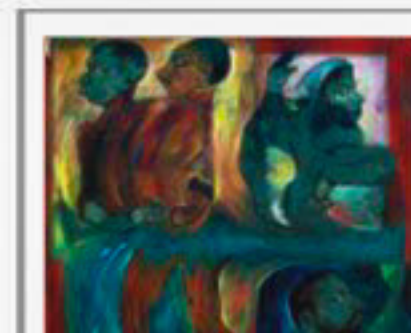
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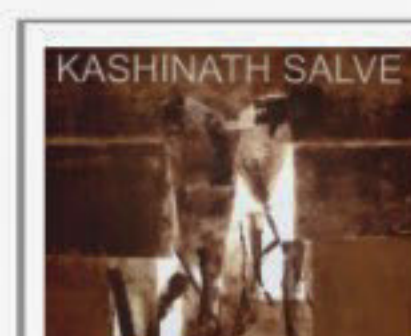
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Time: 10am-8pm



Solo Exhibition  
Title: Philosophy of Life  
Artist: Rahul Amin Rajol  
Venue: Bengali Gallery of Fine Arts,  
Dharmoadi  
Date: Feb 9-21  
Time: 12pm-8pm



Theatre  
Play: Shesher Kobita  
Troupe: Prangona Mor  
Venue: Experimental Theatre  
Hall, Shilpakala Academy  
Date: Feb 17



Solo Exhibition  
Artist: Kashinath Salve  
Venue: Gallery Cosmos, R-6,  
H-115, New DOHS, Mohakhali  
Date: Feb 7-30  
Time: 11am-8pm



Theatre  
Play: Baramkhana  
Troupe: Theatre  
Venue: Experimental Theatre  
Hall, Shilpakala Academy  
Date: Feb 15

ART EXHIBITION

Kashinath Salve's art exhibition opens at Gallery Cosmos

A CORRESPONDENT

A two-week long art exhibition titled "Through the artist's eye" by renowned visiting Indian artist Kashinath Salve was inaugurated at Gallery Cosmos at New DOHS, Mohakhali recently.

Professor Gowher Rizvi, Adviser and Special Representative to the Prime Minister of Bangladesh, spoke on the occasion as the chief guest.

US Ambassador to Bangladesh Dan Mozena and President of Bangladesh enterprise institute Farooq Sobhan jointly inaugurated the exhibition as special guests.

Mentioning the cultural similarity between Bangladesh and India, the US envoy appreciated the initiative to organise such an art exhibition of an Indian artist in Bangladesh.

UNB Editor-in-Chief and Chairman of the gallery Enayetullah Khan was also present at the inaugural function. Among the noted Bangladeshi artists, Biren Some, Alakesh Ghosh and

Rezaunnabi were present.

Twelve lithographs, 2 etchings and 27 paintings have been put on display at the exhibition, which will remain open until 20 February from 11am to 8pm daily.

Salve's mode of expression is figurative, symbolic and pure composition. His paintings and prints both can be categorised according to the use of nude, semi-nude figure, and lyrical composition. His figures are stylistic rather than realistic.

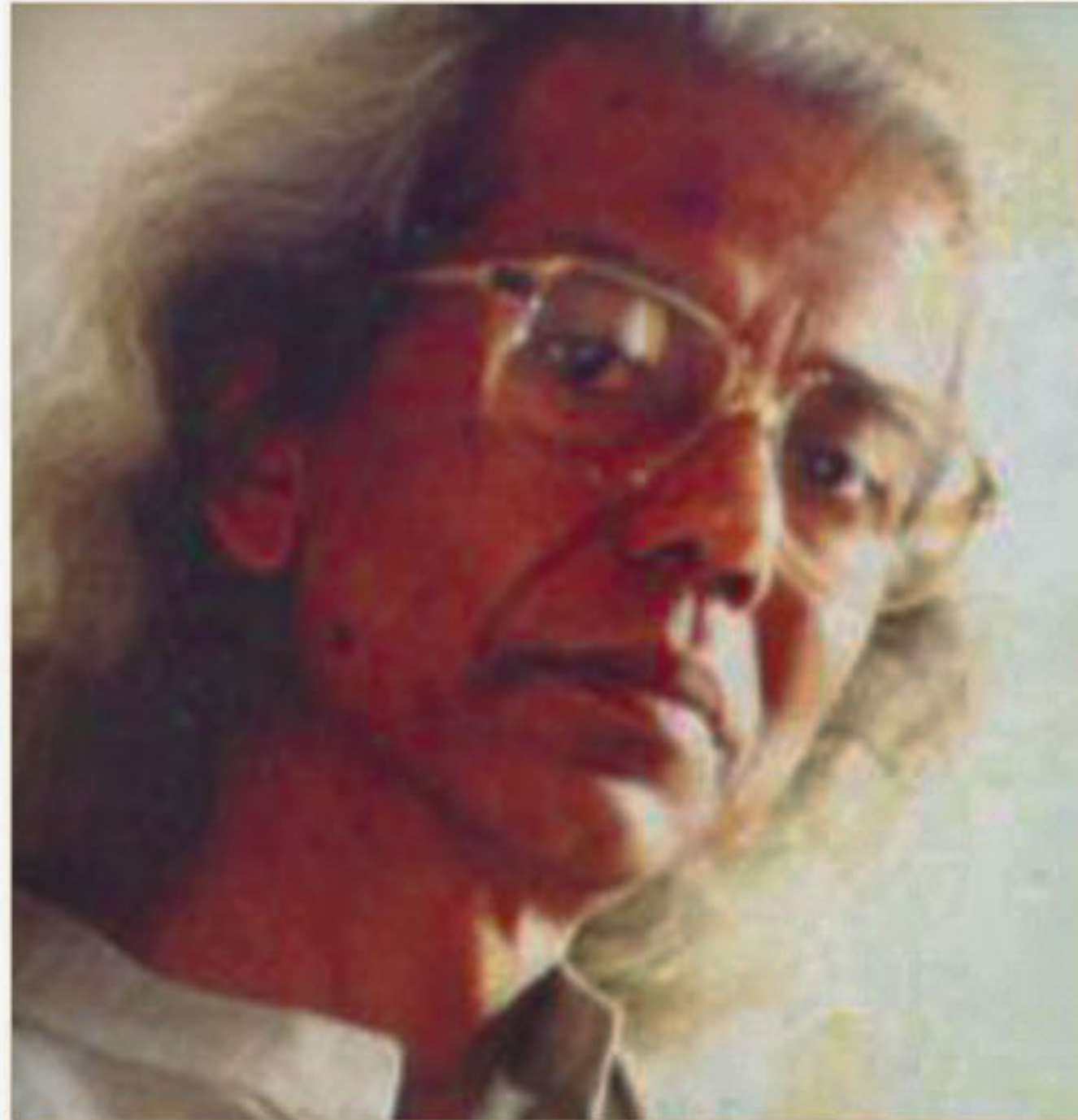
Kashinath Salve was born in 1944 in Ahmednagar, Maharashtra, India. He received National Award and Honoured as 'Eminent Artist of India' Lalit Kala Academy, New Delhi, 1995.

He had six solo exhibitions in many galleries, including Taj Art Gallery, Jehangir Art Gallery and Nehru Center, and participated in an international group exhibition in Japan in 1986-87.

He did 11 mural assignments for many reputed organisation's in India. Presently, he is working as a freelance artist.



(From left) Professor Gowher Rizvi, Kashinath Salve and Enayetullah Khan at the inaugural.



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Mahadev Saha, one of the leading romantic poets in contemporary Bengali literature, is also a poet of mystery. He has enriched our literature since the 1960s. He has added a new dimension to Bangla poetry. Saha is offering eight new publications at the ongoing Ekushey Boi Mela.

The four new books of poems by Saha are: "Selected Poems of Mahadev Saha (Bilingual)" (from Shakti Publications), "Kichu Dayney Kichu Ba Bigan-e" (Koli Prokashoni), "Premer Kabita" (from Aninda Prokashoni), and "Nirbachito Kabita" (Jhinuk Prokashoni).

Two new books of essays by Saha are "Kar Ki Bhumika" (Aninda Prokashoni) and "Ananda-er Mrityu Nai" (Samachar Prokashoni). A new travelogue by Saha, available at the Boi Mela, is "Banglar Mati Thames-er Jol" (Bangla Prokash).

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Amar Ekushey book fair begins at RU

A.M. JAHD, RU

A nine-day Amar Ekushey book fair 2012 began at Rajshahi University (RU) on Monday.

Swapno, a students' organisation of RU Psychology Department, organised the

programme at the second science building premises at the campus.

The book fair will continue till February 21. A total of 17 stalls of different publication have been set up at the fair.

RU Vice Chancellor Prof Abdus Sobhan inaugurated the programme by releasing

balloons. RU Pro-Vice Chancellor Professor Mohammad Nurullah, Proctor Chowdhury Muhammad Zakaria, Psychology Department chairman Professor Shahriar Enam, Swapno's advisor Professor Shamsuddin Ilias and other teachers and students of the department were present at the inaugural session.



KONGKON KARMAKER, Dinajpur

Bidding goodbye to chilly winter and welcoming colourful spring, Dinajpur celebrated Basanta Utshab on Monday afternoon.

With the sun symbolising Bashanta, people celebrated the festival by donning yellow clothes and sharing delicacies.

Udichi of Dinajpur organised the celebration programme on Monday afternoon holding different programmes including a festival procession, discussion and cultural programme.

A procession, brought out from the Udichi compound on Monday afternoon, paraded through Dinajpur and concluded at the starting point.

A cultural programme was organised at the complex.

Students of various schools and colleges also celebrated the festival with fervour.

College students of Dinajpur Government College had a gala time as celebrations began with dancing to the beats of the dhol

Colours of spring

Basanta Utshab celebrated in Dinajpur and Manikganj

Uddin Ahmed), arranged a colourful programme in Manikganj town Monday to celebrate Basanta Utshab or spring festival.

The organisation brought out a colourful rally from central Shaheed Minar premises which went through the main roads of the town. Hundreds of children including members of the Shahid Rafiq Smriti Pathagar, took part in the rally.

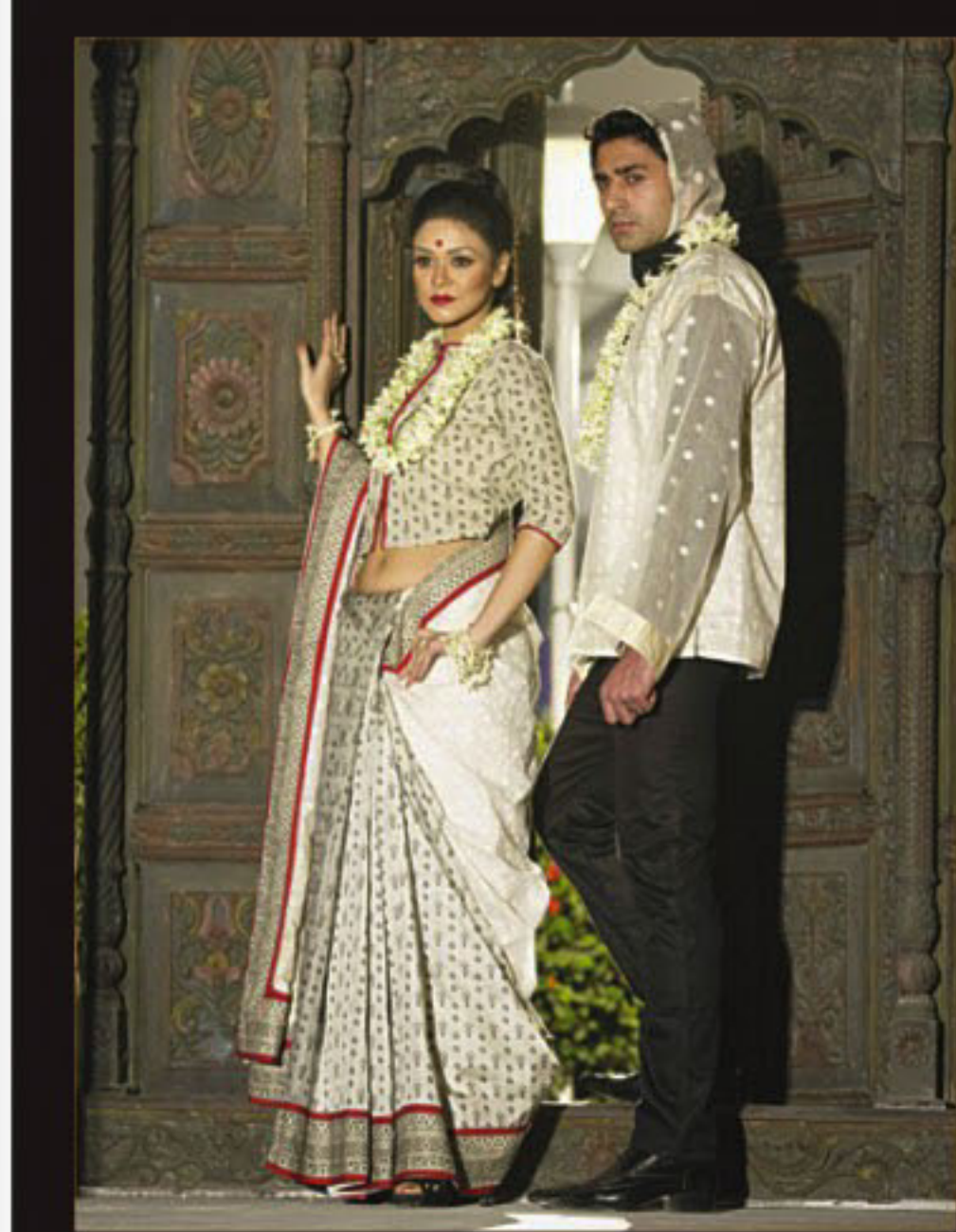
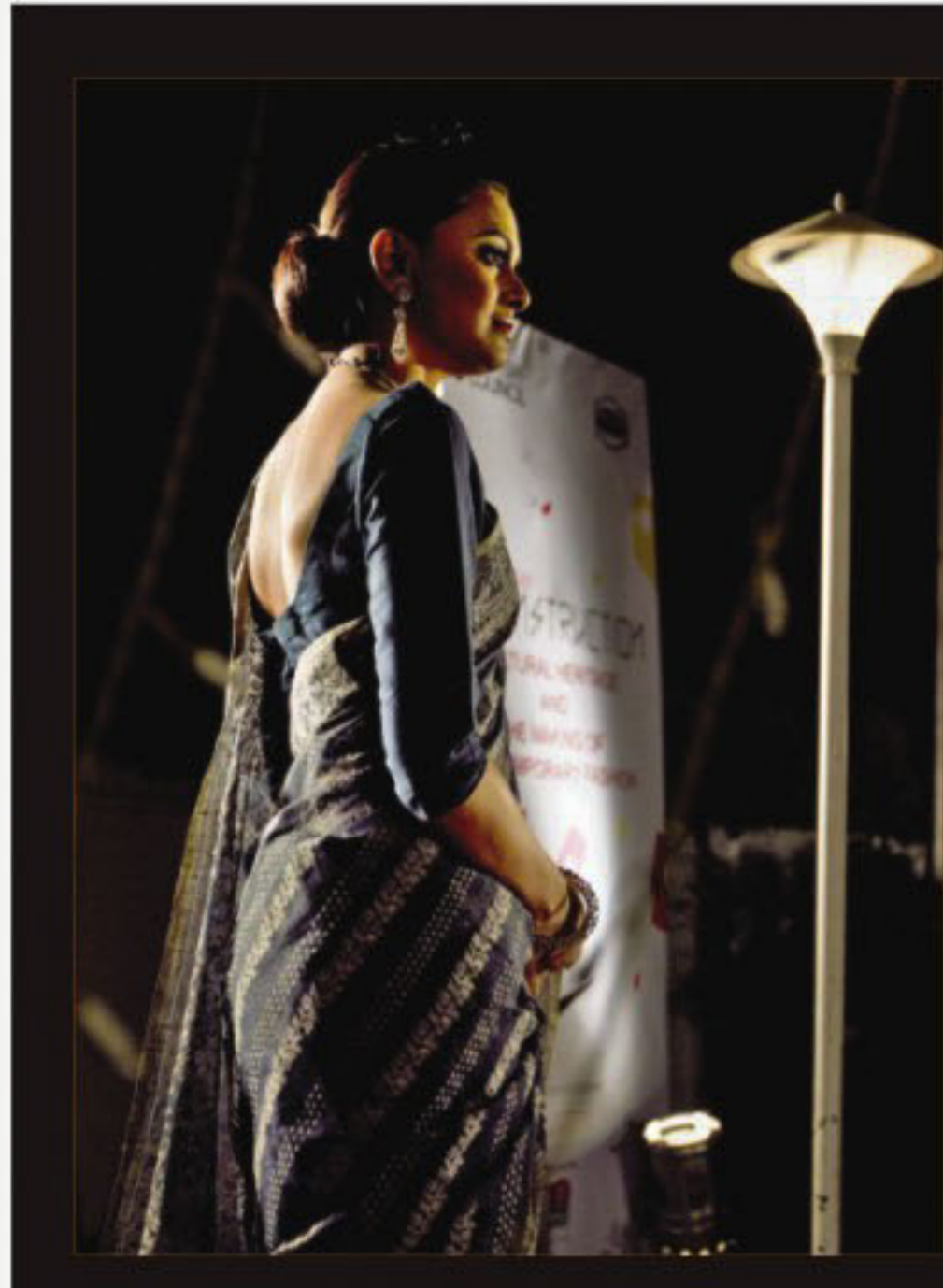
Later, a cultural function and discussion were held at the Shahid Minar premises. Iqbal Hossain Kochi, general secretary of Manikganj district unit of Sushashoner Jonno Nagorik, was present as chief guest. Atia Ferdousi Choitree, president of Shahid Rafiq Smriti Pathagar, presided over the discussion where Rabia Basri Tumpa, general secretary and Ishita Roy Anna, organising secretary of the pathagar, addressed the audience.

Artists of the pathagar performed dances, songs and recited poems.



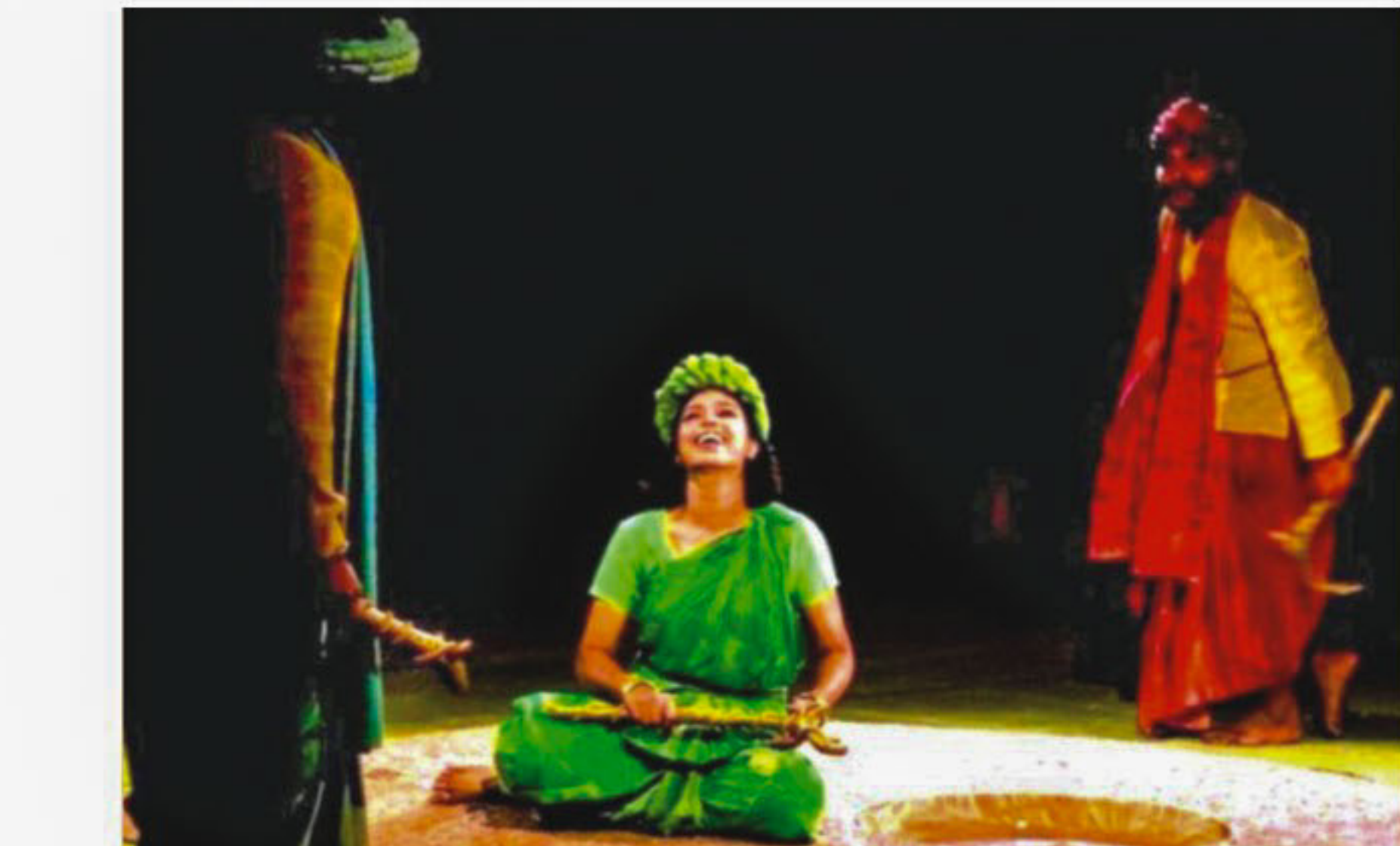
ZAHANGIR SHAH, Manikganj

Shahid Rafiq Smriti Pathagar, (a library set up in memory of Language Movement martyred Rafiq



THEATRE

'Arena' plays at Experimental Theatre Hall



BotTala holds 25th show of "Khona".

PHOTO: BOTTALA

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

For decades, plays have been staged in the proscenium form at the country's numerous auditoriums. After Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy opened up the Experimental Theatre Hall, new vistas appeared for theatre activists, especially directors.

As the Experimental Theatre Hall is the only well-equipped venue in the country where plays can be staged in different ways, directors started to take advantage of this and began to design plays in various forms. 'Arena' is one of the oft-used theatre forms in present day plays. Many of them earned plaudits as well.

Featuring some of such successful plays, a series of staging have been held at the Experimental Theatre Hall of BSA at present.

The staging opened on January 11 with BotTala's "Khona". Written by

Samina Luthfa, the play has been directed by Mohammad Ali Haidar. The troupe held the 25th show of the play on the day. Theatre (Arambagh) staged its ongoing production "Jonmoshuro" on February 12. Mahakal Natyasampraday staged "Nishimon Bisharjan" on the following day.

Aranyak Natyadal will stage "Raarang" today. Directed by Mamunur Rashid, the play depicts a Santal revolt in the northern part of the country.

Over the next few days, Lolk Natyadal (Shiddheswari), Subachan, Okik Theatre and Prachyanat will hold shows at the venue. Prachyanat will hold a two-day anniversary celebration, on February 21-22, while Subachan will stage "Mahajoner Nao" on February 18.

According to a Shilpakala Academy source, similarly designed plays are being staged to reduce extra pressure on the limited number of existing venues and on the old equipments.

Fashioning the designs

"Reconstruction": The closing ceremony

KARISHMA AMEEN

"Reconstruction: Cultural Heritage and the Making of Contemporary Fashion" -- a two-week exhibition celebrating the work of seven leading UK fashion designers and three Bangladeshi designers -- was organised jointly by the British Council and the Bangladesh National Museum. The exhibition concluded on February 11.

The closing ceremony which was held at the British Council premises featured the stunning creations of eminent Bangladeshi designers, Ruby Chuznavi, Manjulika Chakma and Emdad Hoque.

Director of the British Council, Bangladesh, Rosemary Arnott, warmly welcomed the guests and quoted famous Coco Chanel: "Fashion is not something that is in dresses only. Fashion is in the sky, in the street. Fashion has to do with ideas, the way we live, what is happening." Vice-Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Textile, Nitai Chandra Shutrador and director general of the National Museum, Prokash Chandra Das followed with short speeches.

The fashion show began with the designs of Ruby Guznavi, whose focus is on natural dyes and textiles. Her collection was a line from Aranya, consisting of saris, kurtas, short fatua tops, panjabis and kameez in jamdani and silk.

Some of the designs included silk saris with embellishments and matching shawls, silk short tops with straight silk pants and similar scarves, blue kameez with white embellishments and short top with a similar print and white flowing skirt. Among the men's wear were white jamdani fatua and silk panjabi.

Ruby Ghuznavi's line was followed by Manjulika Chakma who is renowned for her work with indigenous textiles. The influence of indigenous fashion could indeed be seen

in each of her designs where majority of the girls wore wrap around skirts made of ethnic textiles and prints with short fatua tops of similar textiles.

Purple bell-bottomed pants teamed with a purple top and straight quarter pants teamed with a white kaftan could also be seen. The men could be seen in similar wrap around skirts, fatua and scarves wrapped around their heads. Two saris were also included in the collection, which were heavy on indigenous influences.

The night wrapped up with the creations of Emdad Hoque, the founder of fashion school, Fashion Pathshala, who showcased his Peace of Mind Collection, which comprised mainly of white, red and black on jamdani, silk and muslin.

Apart from jamdani saris, there were jamdani hoodies sported by the men. A range of anarkali kameez sets with multi-layered bottoms teamed with bell-bottomed pants were also flaunted on the ramp.

The collection and with it the fashion show ended with a floor length kameez with a black and red multi-layered bottom and an off-white silk panjabi.

Events like Reconstruction can give Bangladesh a firm niche in the world map of fashion.

Al Pacino accepts National Medal of Arts at White House

US actor Al Pacino has received the National Medal of Arts at a White House ceremony that saw 16 other individuals and organisations also honoured.

President Obama saluted the 71-year-old's "signature intensity" as he gave the Godfather star the accolade.

His fellow honorees on Monday included country singer Mel Tillis and Rita Dove, a former US poet laureate. All of those recognised had left "an indelible mark on American culture," the President said.

"We are told we are divided as a people," he continued. "Then suddenly the arts have the power to bring us together."

Pacino's many films include Serpico, Dog Day Afternoon and Scent of a Woman, for which he won an Academy Award in 1992. He will soon be seen playing music producer Phil Spector in an HBO film about his trial and conviction for the murder of actress Lana Clarkson.

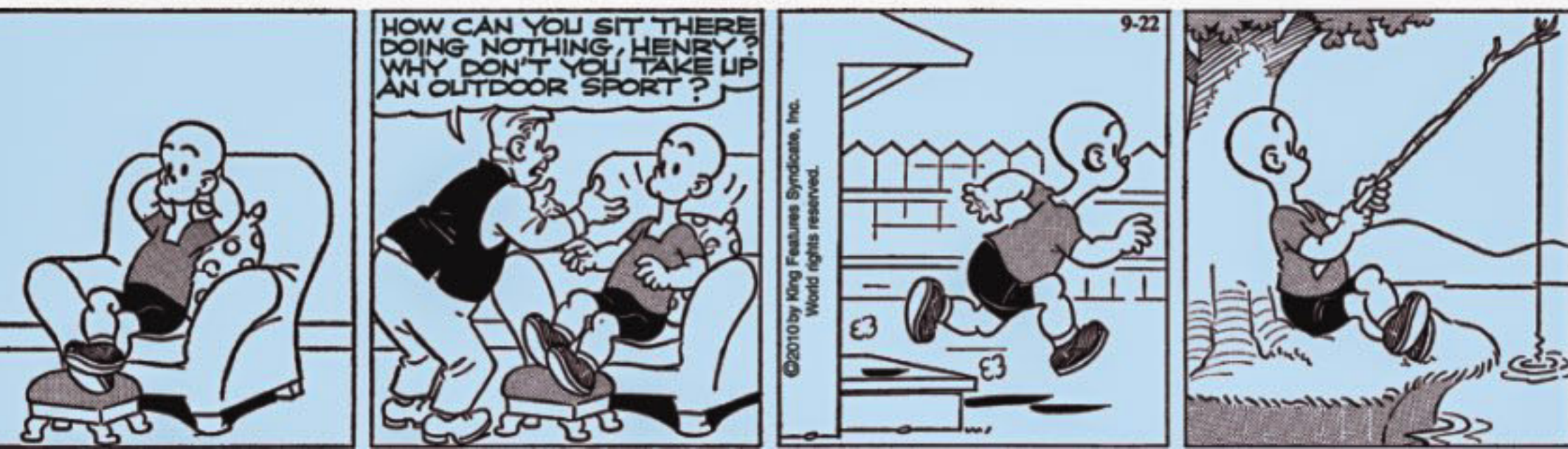
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**Phaguner Pala**  
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Drama Serial  
Cast: Afsana Mimi,  
Ferdousi  
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A portrait of a woman with long dark hair, wearing a vibrant sari with a blue, red, and yellow pattern. She is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. The background is slightly blurred, showing what appears to be a traditional wall with colorful patterns.

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The Truman Show	On Z Studio at 09:30pm
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