



IN THE T-OYOUS SPIRIT OF EID

HUNDREDS of thousands of colorfully dressed men, women and children converged at different centers for entertainment in the city during the long Eid holidays. Many waited for hours in long queues to get access to the Dhaka Zoo, Shishu Park, and Shishu Mela. Children in colorful clothes frolicked and enjoyed rides at the Shishu Park and Shishu Mela.

At the Zoo, hundreds lined up to have a ride. Big crowds kept gazing at all the people enjoying all the fun. Deprived of outdoor entertainment due to notorious traffic congestions and lack of playgrounds, families, mostly from the lower and middle-income groups, amassed at the amusement centers. For their part, the well-to-do families of the city in their thousands converged at the privately owned amusement parks. In short, Eid turned out to be what it usually is --- an occasion for a celebration of the human spirit. All worries, all sadness, every darkness within the mind, and without, simply ceased to be for a certain period of time. It was just as well.

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