

# Pahela Falgun celebration brings colour, joy in life

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**Online Desk:** The festival-loving people of the country have been celebrating Pahela Falgun, the first day of Spring in the Bengali month of Falgun, with colourful attire, flowers and songs.

Falgun is the eleventh month in the Bengali calendar and the first month of the season, Spring. Warm sunshine, blooming flowers and chirping birds make Spring the king of all the six seasons in Bangladesh.

Bakultala of Charukola, the premises of the Faculty of Fine Arts of Dhaka University, has become the center of celebration in the capital as thousands of people gathered there this morning on the occasion of Pahela Falgun.

The tradition of celebrating the Pahela Falgun in Bangladesh started in the Bengali calendar year 1401. Since then, the Jatiya Bawshonto Utsab Udyapan Parishad has been celebrating Pahela Falgun regularly with jovial cultural festivity at the Bakultala of Charukola (Dhaka University Faculty of Fine Art) in the morning.

Pahela Falgun festivities began in Charukola Bakultala with the organisation's event at 7am. It will also host similar festivities in the afternoon on the open stage at Uttara Rabindra Sarani and Bahadur Shah Park in the capital.

Different organisations including the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy (BSA) and many other organisations, institutions and businesses will be celebrating this year's festive February 14 with multiple programmes.

BSA will greet the day with a special dance recital titled 'Bawshanto Nrittyo' in the capital's Ramna Park at 3:30 pm with 225 dance artistes. A festive procession will be heading to the BSA premises after that, and the cultural event at the open premises of the academy will feature musical performances, recitations, dance recitals and choreography of Spring-themed Bengali fashion.