

**Chief Secretary inaugurates cultural evening at Nazrul Kalakshetra**  
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Poets Rabindranath Tagore and Kazi Nazrul Islam have tied India and Bangladesh to one string. They have contributed their entire life towards uniting these two nations through their poetries, songs, essays and creations. The culture of these two nations is indifferent and one, which is why the more the works of Rabindranath Tagore and Kazi Nazrul Islam are discussed in these two nations, the more the present generation will be benefitted, enunciated Chief Secretary J. K. Sinha after inaugurating a cultural evening jointly organized by Information & Cultural Affairs department and Surbani at Nazrul Kalakshetra yesterday. He said, music and poetry do not have boundaries and nor there is any lingual and religious difference. Poet Kazi Nazrul Islam's poetry and songs created even in arduous situations inspire us. Bangbandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rehman followed Kazi Nazrul Islam's path in the Liberation War of 1971. Advocate General of the State Sidharth Sankar Dey as a special guest, said, Kazi Nazrul Islam had unconventional talent. The Bangladesh government even recognized him as a national poet which has brought pride to Bengali community.

Bangladesh Assistant High Commissioner in Agartala, M. Arif Mohammad as a guest of honour spoke about the life of Kazi Nazrul Islam. He said, Nazrul's work has been translated to English, Latin and Chinese languages recently. It is to be noted that with the joint initiative of Information & Cultural Affairs department and Surbani, a 4-day 'Nazrul Song Training Workshop' started on July 23 at Khudiram Bose English Medium School. The workshop ended yesterday. Professors of Bangladesh, Chayanot Suman Majumdar, Jannat A. Firdausi Lucky and Bijan Mistri provided training on Nazrul songs to 201 students of different schools in Khowai, Sonamura, Udaipur and Agartala. Chief Secretary J. K. Sinha felicitated these three professors from Bangladesh with souvenirs. Advocate Subrata Sarkar was also felicitated on behalf of Surbani. Vote of thanks was delivered by Director of ICA department Ratan Biswas. Other dignitaries present in the cultural evening programme were Chairman of Tripura Tea Development Corporation Santosh Saha and Law Secretary Biswajit Palit.