

Name of the Element: Janmashtami Processional Rally

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Brief Description

Janmashtami is a public holiday in Bangladesh, where a procession is held in the capital city every year. Havans, kirtans and discussions are also organised on the occasion. Participants in the rally enact passages from Krishna Leela or Mahabharata using different props and costumes. Several youngsters dress up as Krishna, called the eighth avatar of the ten incarnations of Vishnu, to participate in the procession. Every year, the procession starts from the famous Dhakeshwari temple and traverses through the streets of Old Dhaka. We find in the history books, these rallies have been celebrated from the early 15th century.

Region: Old Dhaka City, Bangladesh

Photographs: Video: Consent:

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