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BENGALI NEW YEAR

'Mahul' to spread rustic charm

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LUCKNOW: The Bengali New Year or Poila Baisakh observed on April 14 will begin on a musical note for the Bengalis in Lucknow. Bengali band Mahul Folk Band from Jharlgram, West Bengal will perform at the Bengali Club and Youngmen's Association premises on the day.

DOL MAHUL'S AIM AND VISION



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What is the specialty of the band?

Partha Bhowmik: The band is devoted to different types of Bengali folk songs, but we have a special inclination or liking towards the folk songs that originated from Jhargram region of Bengal. The band members are also doing research work in various folk forms like Baul. Tusu, Bhadu, Bhatiyali, but Rabindra Sangeet occupies a very special place in our hearts. We are now working and researching on Tagore's works, songs, compositions and paintings.

