6th "Greenwood Spirit Theatre Festival" felicitation ceremony

~Time to pull off the masks as Bengal Shrachi honors eminent theatre personalities~

Kolkata, 18th June 2007: The sixth "Greenwood Spirit Theatre Festival" (GSTF) culminated in an impressive and glittering function at the G.D. Birla Sabhagar today. The occasion was graced by renowned theatre & film personality, Mr. Om Puri, who was the Chief Guest. Mr. Ansu Sur, former Director, Nandan & former Director of Kolkata Film Festival, Mr. Goutam Ghose, renowned film director, Mr. Partho Raha, Convener of Theatre festival, eminent poet and film critic, Ms. Roopa Ganguly, renowned film personality, actor Ms. Shatabdi Roy & Mr. S K Todi, Director, Shrachi Group & Mr. Rahul Todi, Managing Director, Bengal Shrachi Housing Development Limited were other dignitaries present at the occasion today.

On this occasion veteran theatre personality and stalwart of Bengali theatre, **Ms. Shobha** Sen was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award- "Utpal Dutta Smarak Samman" of Rs. 50,000. Chief Guest, Mr. Om Puri, presented the award to her for her distinguished contribution to Bengali theatre and life-long dedication to the cause of the theatre movement in Bengal.

'Tripti Mitra Smriti Purashkar' of Rs 25,000 for best production from amongst the Kolkata-based groups was bagged by Rangroop for their much-acclaimed play "Mukhosh Nritya". Ms. Seema Mukherjee, Director, Rangroop received the award on behalf of the Group. Besides, Shilpayan from North 24 Paraganas has won the Bijon Bhattacharya Smriti Samman of Rs 25,000 for their play "Satya Shylock". Mr. Ashish Chattopadhyay, Director; Shilpayan received the award on behalf of the group. Six groups from the districts had competed for this coveted award.

"The festival has been an integral part of the city's cultural calendar and our effort has always been to promote troupes from all over Bengal & hence providing theatre lovers to experience a wide variety," said Shri S. K. Todi, Director, Bengal Shrachi Housing Development Limited.

The award ceremony drew to an end with the captivating and exhilarating performance of the play "Mukhosh Nritya" by Rangroop.

About Bengal Shrachi Housing Development Ltd.

Bengal Shrachi Housing Development Limited (BSHDL) formed in 1997 is a joint venture between the West Bengal Housing Board and Shrachi Group. It is a classic example of one of the first and most successful marriages between a public and a private enterprise. A trusted name in the real estate sector BSHDL has successfully completed various esteemed projects - Greenwood Park, Greenwood Nook & Greenwood Park Extension. Several ambitious projects like BlockByBlock, a first of its kind complete home solutions mall coming up at New Town, Synthesis Business Park- the second green building of the city, Neo - City, a 257 acre satellite township in Burdwan will be completed by mid-2009. The group has recently launched Junction Durgapur, a 360 degree entertainment hub, besides Junction, Bhubaneswar and Greenwood Elements are in the pipeline. Under the aegis of Mr. Rahul Todi, Managing Director, Bengal Shrachi has recently tied up with Rosedale Developers Pvt. Ltd, an US-based Development Company, to construct a city in New Town for the NRIs called Rosedale Gardens. The project pegged at Rs 1,000 million US dollars, aims to match international standards for advanced scientific research.

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