



Ostad Gul Mohd Khan dead

By A Staff Reporter

Ostad Gul Mohammad Khan, a well-known exponent of classical music died on Saturday afternoon after a prolonged illness at the age of 109.

The classical vocalist of 'Dagor Gharana' fame of Agra, India, and a resident of Dacca since 1908 had been bed ridden for a long time suffering from diabetes and other complications related to old age.

The maestro's condition deteriorated since Wednesday and the end came at about 4 p.m. on Saturday at the residence of one his grand sons at Amligola, Lalbagh. Most members of his family were present at the bedside.

He left behind wife, three sons, a daughter and a number of grand children and hosts of music lovers to mourn his death. His eldest son Ostad Yusuf

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Khan Quraishi had died in 1963.

Ostad Gul Mohammad Khan, son of Ostad Ahmed Khan and grand son of Ostad Nader Khan of 'Dagor Gharana' of Agra had retired from active career in 1969.

He had been associated with the radio and television for a long time.

The maestro had trained a number of classical vocalists both in Bangladesh and India. Late Ostad Munshi Ralsuddin, Mrs Lalla Arjumand Banu, Mrs Ferlausi Rahman and Mrs Raushan Ara Mustafiz were among those Bangladeshi artistes who were taught by him. Mr Birendra Mohan Roy and Mrs Dipali Nag of India were also his students.

Among his four sons only two had followed the fathers footsteps in profession. The eldest Ostad Yusuf Khan Quraishi before his death had been a well-known classical singer. The youngest son Yasin Khan is a classical vocalist of Radio Bangladesh and Television.

The Namaj-e-Janaza of the deceased will be held after Zohar prayers at Baitul Mukarram premises today (Sunday).