



Kanwal Sibal and Ravi Kumar



Dominique Girard with Ashok Vajpeyi

ART OF THE MATTER!

Seven was indeed the order of the day As the clock struck the hour, seven contemporary artists assembled together to launch an art book — *Seven* —

written by Ashok Vajpeyi, "depicting the richness of Indian art," at the Visual Arts Gallery, IHC, on Wednesday evening.

The artists included Venu Viswanadhan, Rajendra Dhawan, Sujata Bajaj, Akhilesh, Seema Ghurayya and Manish Pushkale. The evening also marked the opening of an exhibition showcasing their works. This will then travel to Mumbai and

Chennai and then onto Paris, London, New York and Tokyo.

The evening saw the for-

a unique compilation showcasing the works of Indian artists spanning three generations." Dressed in

rather traditional outfits — men were generally in *khaki kurta pyjama* and women in light-coloured cotton saris — the evening seemed a perfect occasion for art-lovers to "discuss art and beauty"

Seen enjoying the works here were the ambassador of France Dominique Girard

Cinemaya's Aruna Va-

sudev, designer Neeta Bhargava and Alka Pandey, among others...



Anita Bhargava & Alka Pandey

deign secretary of India Kanwal Sibal inaugurating the exhibition "which is