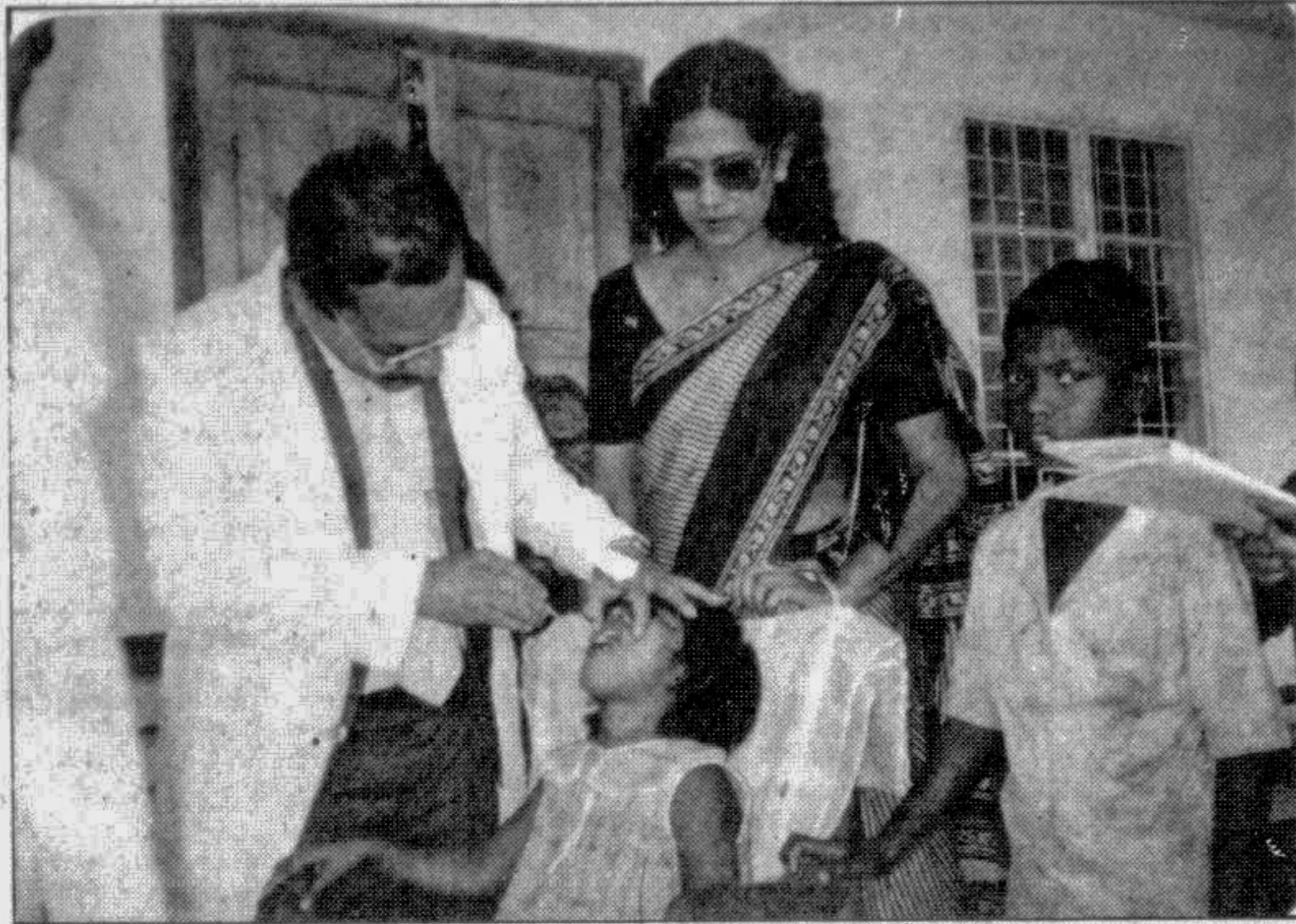


**Metropolitan**

**Dhaka Day by Day**

**Joy of Serving the Less Fortunate**

by Raffat Binte Rashid



Free health care for the poor at Banani Community Development Project.

It is very obvious for a daughter to follow the footsteps of her mother, her future choices are likely to be influenced by the mother's likes, dislikes or even beliefs. For Kumkum Karim it was nothing different; she chose to serve the destitutes, exactly like her mother. She thought that helping the poor was just a part of growing up and being an adult, for her it was a natural choice to be a social development worker.

Kumkum Karim was one of the members of the Pioneer Lioness Club, but when it was dissolved she did not sit idle, instead along with a few other determined ladies like her, she started a free school and center for health care in Banani and one in Kamarjuri in Gazipur. These two projects were initially funded by their own investments but then they approached World Vision to support them.

The Banani project known as Banani Community Development Project is not as big as Kamarjuri, we have rented the premises of Banani Model School, where in the afternoon we give lessons to the street children. We have appointed five teachers for this purpose. The kids are usually from very poor families, their parents are either rickshawpullers, *fuchka* wallas, drivers or fourth grade workers of the department of T and T. Sometimes the students are house maids and working children themselves. From 2 pm to 5 pm we teach them basic alphabets, reading and writing, but these are done in a very colourful and playful manner, because they get bored easily. We teach them up to 5th grade and the ones interested or intelligent enough are admitted to high schools for further education. Their financing is also done by us," informed Kumkum.

Kumkum, quite impressive in her look had a self-assured air around her, she knew what she was doing and what her further goals are. In Kamarjuri they have introduced adult education, along with free schooling like Banani, here atleast 150 women in 7 groups of 20 each are being educated. These village women are now being able to keep records of their poultry, dairy and other small dealings. "We also give them various sorts of training, in sewing, cooking, kitchen, gardening. We make them understand the importance of being an educated, healthy

person. Many of our trainees are now working in the city's garments factories or are in government service as sewing teachers. They now plan their kitchen garden, encourage others to join and learn to live better lives. They have all become earning members of society. But adult education and such training programmes are easier in villages. In the city it's quite out of question. Few people would let their maid go to school in the afternoons or evening."

"These women have now become so smart that they have started saving money too. So far their joint savings amount to Tk 16,000. Though it's a nominal investment for a collected group to start any business, we are all ready to help any one of them out financially. All these efforts are encouraging simultaneously for us and them too. For health care we have doctors and give them free check ups and medicines in both our projects. We have installed about 175 latrines and four tubewells in six villages in Kamarjuri and about 100 latrines and two tubewells in Banani. Both our projects are a success but now we have a problem of success," she added jokingly.

"In Banani they are able to accommodate 200 children and right now they have a surplus of another 200. The expenses of all these kids can no longer be borne by us. Our projects are supported by Ireland through World Vision and in this fiscal year of '93-'94, they have reduced education funds by one third, thus these educational projects are suffering very badly, we cannot find donations or funds for these extra 200 children," lamented Kumkum.

Kumkum Karim is also a member of Gulshan Community Ladies Club. This club is also involved in similar development projects. Right now they are planning to improve the garbage disposal system. This club has arranged theatres and cultural shows for fund raising. For them approaching the government for help is a big hassle.

Education, health, environment are the basic requirements for a prosperous nation and every citizen men or women should be well aware of it. It is always a pleasure to have women in these sectors, and of course a welcoming sign. Women should bother their pretty heads with such mundane matters too, after all, as the saying goes "Give me a good mother I'll give you a good nation."

**Tommy makes home cuisine popular abroad**

By Staff Correspondent

Tommy Miah, the Bangladesh-born restaurateur settled in Britain and known internationally as the Curry King launched his second book, "The Secrets of the Asian Master-chefs" formally at a city hotel yesterday. The book reveals some of the recipes for making mouthwatering dishes from Bangladesh, India and Pakistan.

This is the second book of the 34-year old culinary czar who had already entered Several Books of Records for organising the largest curry event in Britain. Tommy's first cookbook, "The Best of Bangladesh" received wide acclaim with food lovers of Bangladeshi and Asian dishes. His current title was formally launched in Britain on July 6.

Abdul Mannan, Minister of State for Civil Aviation and Tourism speaking at the launching ceremony congratulated Tommy Miah for both his cooking and writing skills and for enhancing the image of Bangladesh in the world outside. "Tommy through his efforts has endeared innumerable foreigners to love Bangladeshi

cuisine," the minister said and added that the Civil Aviation Ministry through the Bangladesh Biman will extend whatever cooperation is possible in the promotion of Bangladeshi delicacies.

A S Mahmud, a former president of Dhaka Chamber of Commerce and Industry lauded the enterprising skill of Tommy Miah and hoped that Bangladeshi food and delicacies would receive increasing attention of people around the globe.

Enayetullah Khan, Chief Editor of United News of Bangladesh (UNB) and Dhaka Courier who organised the publication ceremony commended the efforts of Tommy Miah and hoped that more Bangladeshis would endeavour to win recognition for the country through utilisation of their skills. "People like Tommy Miah are ambassadors of our country abroad", he said. He also suggested that the reputed restaurateur organise a major cooking event in the country.

Tommy has organised a cooking competition in Bangladesh to be held in November /December this year.



Acting President of Bangladesh Awami League Abdus Samad Azad addressing a 15-party rally in front of the central office of Awami League yesterday. — Star photo

**Two hurt in city clash**

By Staff Correspondent

Two persons were injured when two rival groups traded gunshots at Shaheednagar under Lalbagh thana yesterday morning for establishing dominance over the locality.

Our DMCH correspondent informed that Babul, 25, and Jamal Hossain, 18, were admitted to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital with bullet injury.

**Indian national arrested**

RAJSHAHI, July 19: Members of 20 Rifle Battalion arrested one Indian citizen and seized a small packet of heroin from his possession while entering Bangladesh territory under Godagary thana of the district yesterday, reports BSS.

The arrested person was identified as Mainul Haq of Murshidabad district of India.

Later, the arrested person was handed over to Department of Narcotics Control along with the heroin.

**Samad, Zillur slate attempt on Rahmat Ali**

Acting President of Bangladesh Awami League Abdus Samad Azad and General Secretary Zillur Rahman yesterday condemned the alleged attempt on the life of President of Krishak League and Gazipur district Awami League Rahmat Ali MP, reports BSS.

In a joint statement here, the Awami League leaders expressed their deep concern at the alleged attack on Rahmat Ali MP by armed cadres of a party when he was presiding over a meeting of Thana Health Service Development Committee at Kaliakoir Thana Health Complex Sunday.

"The incident took place in presence of Thana Nirbahi Officer and Thana Health Officer under the leadership of Swapan, Hazrat and Pervez," they alleged and observed that such attack on a Member of Parliament was an act of axing on democracy.

**Lankan Minister due July 25**

Shri Lankan Minister for Food, Cooperatives and Poverty Alleviation Mallimaratche will arrive here on July 25 on a six-day official visit to Bangladesh, reports UNB.

During his stay, the Lankan Minister is expected to call on President Abdur Rahman Biswas and Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia.

**Weather**

**Showers likely**

By Staff Correspondent

Light to moderate rain or showers accompanied by temporary gusty wind may occur at a few places over Chittagong, Barisal and Dhaka divisions and at one or two places over Khulna, Rajshahi divisions while moderately heavy or heavy rainfall may occur over the Sylhet region during the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today (Tuesday).

The Met office forecasts, day temperature is likely to remain nearly unchanged over the country.

The country's highest temperature yesterday of 35.5 degree Celsius was recorded in Jessore and the lowest 22.2 degree was recorded in Rangamati.

The chief amounts of rainfall recorded during day time yesterday were: Sylhet 184 mm, Rangamati 63 mm, Rangpur 56 mm, Majdicourt 37mm, Khulna 30mm, Srimangal 24 mm, Faridpur and Comilla 19 mm each, Bhola and Tangail 16 mm each and Dhaka 13 mm.

The sun sets today (Tuesday) at 6.47 pm and rises tomorrow (Wednesday) at 5.23 am.

The maximum and the minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some of the major cities and towns of the country yesterday were:

Cities/Towns	Temperature in degree Celsius		Humidity in percentage	
	Max	Min	9 am	6 pm
Dhaka	31.4	27.2	81	93
Chittagong	30.6	26.1	83	92
Rajshahi	34.4	27.4	83	80
Khulna	34.6	28.0	86	98
Barisal	33.0	25.0	86	95
Cox's Bazar	30.0	-	-	95
Sylhet	26.0	24.2	100	98
Dinajpur	33.3	28.4	84	75

**Biswas, Khaleda greet President of Colombia**

President Abdur Rahman Biswas and Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia yesterday felicitated Dr Cesar Gaviria Trujillo, President of the Republic of Colombia, on the occasion of the independence day of Colombia, says a PID handout.

In their separate messages to the President of Colombia, Biswas and Begum Zia wished him good health, happiness and long life and the people of Colombia peace and increasing prosperity.

**One shot dead**

By DMCH Correspondent

One Shanker Chandra Sarker was killed yesterday as he was shot by a gang of robbers Sunday night when he tried to resist them at his residence at Ichhankandi at Savar.

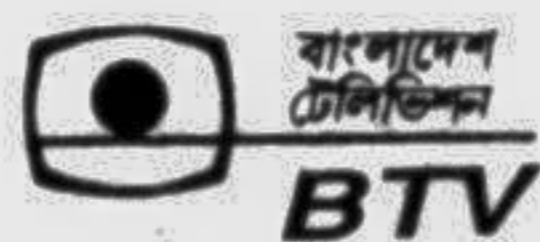
Relatives of the deceased said that four others were injured.

The unidentified gang looted two television sets and two tape recorders.

Sources said that the gang entered Sarker's house at about 11 pm Sunday. The dacoits fired gunshot at Sarker's neck while he resisted them.

The victim was first taken to the Holy Family Hospital and later shifted to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH).

Sarker succumbed to his injury at about 6 in the morning on Monday.

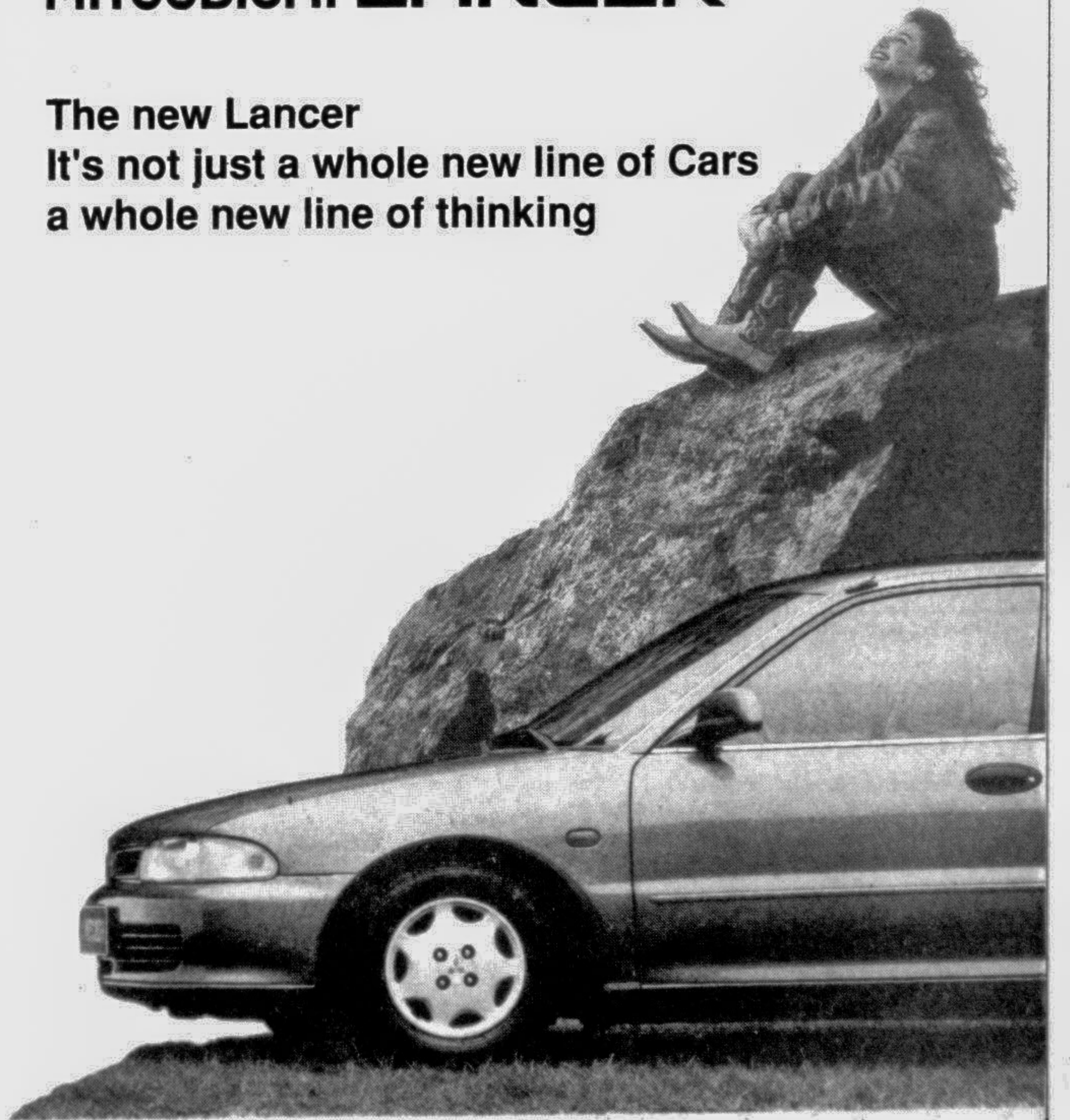


Tuesday

- 5.00 Opening announcement
- Al-Quran
- Programme summary
- 5.10 News in Bangla
- 5.25 Esho Para Sikhi
- Programme on Mass Education
- 6.00 TV debate
- 7.00 Open University
- 7.25 Sangeeta : Programme of Modern songs
- 8.00 News in Bangla
- 8.40 Drama serial : Janmabhumi
- 10.00 News in English
- 10.30 Film show : ENG
- 10.30 Khabar/The news
- 10.40 Tomorrow's programme summary
- 11.45 Closing

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