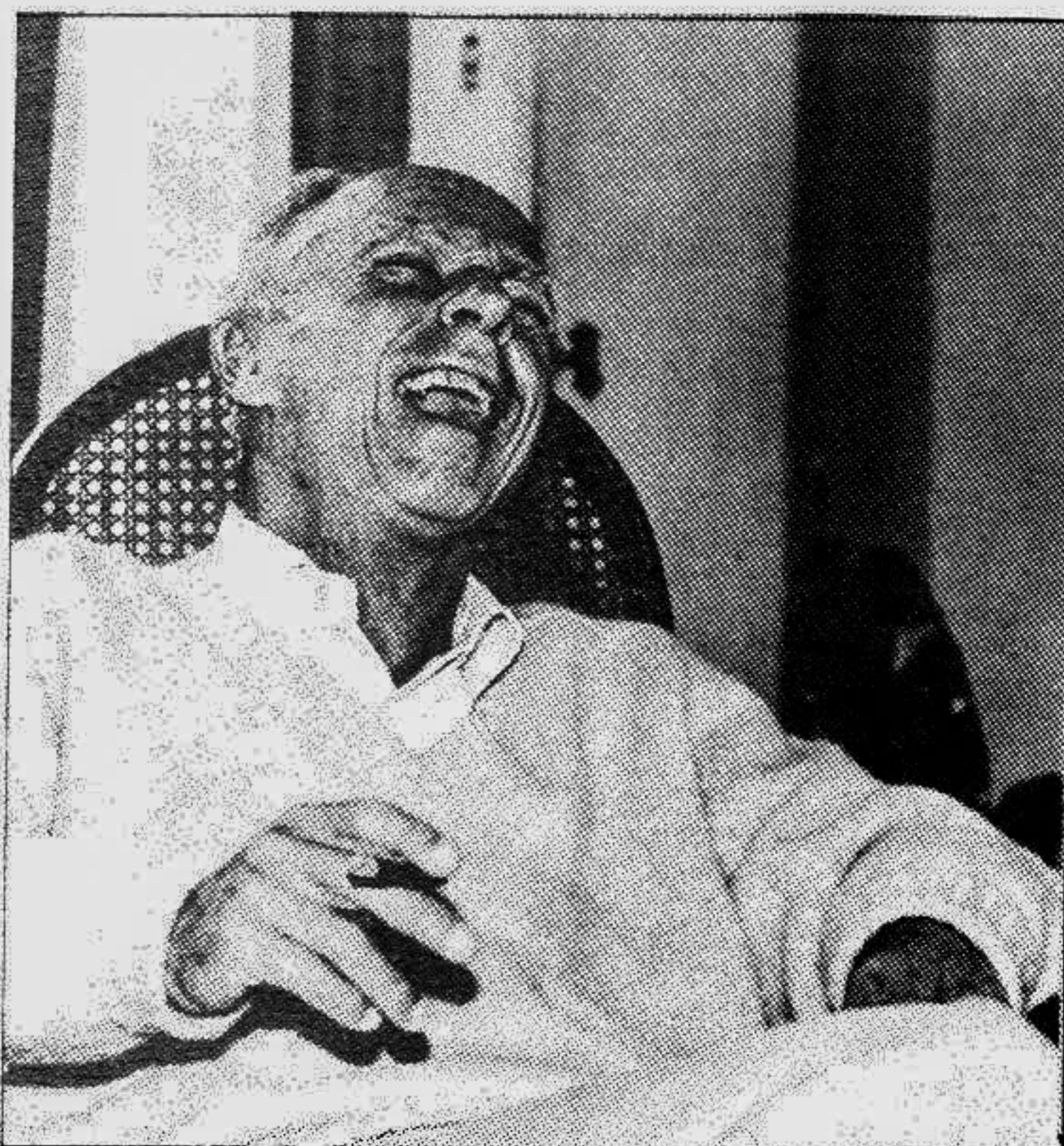


exhibition

A Look into the Life and Works of Claude Simon



Claude Simon: Still kicking

WHEN there is an exhibition going on titled 'Life and Works of Sayeed Ahmad', a multifarious personality of our cultural milieu at the same time another exhibition is on unobtrusive on manifold activities of the French author Claude Simon who won Nobel Prize for literature in 1985.

By Ziaul Karim

Simon's life is as colourful as his works are. Branding his works or labelling his style is a difficult task for critics and

readers alike. He is what we understand by the epithet 'renaissance man'.

A collage (reproduction) titled La Paravent de Sales or the screen of silence is a work that lends insight to the understanding of this prolific genius. Simon through this collage tries to identify the underlying elements of culture and how culture shapes human psyche. We see in it reference to all branches of creativity plus hints of death and destruction. Since he has seen the dark part of life, fought for French in 2nd

world war arrested by the Nazis and managed to escape his death, human condition and their deepest predicament has always been the subject of his writing and art.

Simon is the production of new wave in French literature in the fifties. The Edition Publication Group then was the pa-

tron of new writing in French. He joined the Group where he met persons like Alain Robbe-Grillet and Michel Butor. His first book Vent meaning wind was published from this group.

In his chequered life, he has travelled extensively almost covering the whole of Europe.

The show has in its body of

exhibits Simon's manuscripts, extracts from his writing on art and culture, history and anthropology. To understand Simon, the myriad-minded man the show in a small scale is comprehensive and easily accessible. The exhibition is open to all from 5 to 8 pm everyday until June 1.



The Screen of Silence collage

event

Mahanagar Natyamancha Complex

A Dream Come True for the Theatre World

THE Mahanagar Natyamancha Complex which was inaugurated four days ago in the city's Gulistan area by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina is the result of a long pending demand by the officials and workers of Group Theatre Federation.

It was felt for a long time that there is no proper stage in the city for the cultural enthusiasts in the metropolis. The need for a national stage that would be the venue for all major cultural events in the city at state level, with easy access to

By Muneera Parbeem

all, was reiterated by the leading cultural activists of the country for years. With the opening of this venue, therefore, begins a new era in the field of all cultural activities of the city.

While inaugurating the joint, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina said that we have to enrich our culture further in order to prove ourselves as a developed and civilised nation of the world. The prime minister also referred to the annulment of the Performance Control Act of 1876, saying that this has created dynamism in the theatre movement of the country. She hoped that with this and the opening of this new venue there will be a healthy growth of the theatre movement in the country.

Unlike any other stage in the country, the Tk 5.35 crore project built on an area of 5 acres of land will have a capacity of ac-



Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina unveiling the plaque of Mahanagar Natyamancha complex.

commodating 600 people at a time. The theatre complex itself covers an area of 2700 sq. feet. When completed it will have an open-air stage equipped with the latest lighting and sound systems, a 600 seat auditorium, library, VIP lounge, cafeteria, control room, modern car parking arena etc. The complex will be maintained by Dhaka City Corporation which also build the place. The best advantage it will prove to all the theatre buffs in the city is that it will be a place with easy access for all. In other words, it will be that Mukto Mancha that all the

theatre activists have been longing for so long.

Mahanagar Natyamancha will overshadow all other theatres of the country with its sheer size, capacity and situation alone. The building of such a complex was one of the basic demands of the Group Theatre Federation of the country. With this dream fulfilled, it is now hoped that other demands of the theatre activists will be met, in the due course of time. That will hopefully prove a giant step to take the theatre revolution of the country many leaps forward.

TV Guide

Wednesday 12th May
(All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)

BBC World

6:00 BBC World News
6:30 World Living: Janice Robinson's Wine Course
7:00 BBC Newsroom in: World Business Report/USA Direct/Asia Today
7:24 Hours 9:00 BBC Newsroom in: World Business Report/Asia Today
7:24 Hours 10:00 BBC World News 11:30 World Focus: Reporters 12:00 BBC World News 12:30 World News 1:30 BBC The World Today 2:00 World News 2:30 World Focus: Reporters 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 Hard Talk (r) 4:00 BBC World News 4:30 World Living: Janice Robinson's Wine Course 5:00 BBC The World Today 6:30 World News 7:00 BBC World News 7:30 World Focus: Hard Talk 8:00 BBC World News 8:30 World Living: A Gaffer's Travels: Arizona 9:00 BBC World News 9:30 World Focus: Hard Talk 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 World Living: Film India (Anchors: Victor Banerjee) 11:00 The World Today 12:30 World Focus: Hard Talk 1:00 BBC News 1:30 World Focus: The Money Programme 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Living: Top Story 3:15 Europe Direct 4:00 BBC Newsdesk 4:30 World Business Report 5:00 Hours

CHANNEL [V]

8:30 Rewind VJ Sophia
10:00 Zabarast Hits
12:00 House Arrest 12:30 Catch 22 1:00 Zabarast Hits 2:30 First Day First Show 3:00 Turn On T [V]



Snowy River McGregor Saga on Star Plus at 1:30 am

4:00 News 4:30 [V] Backbench 5:30 Turn On T [V] 7:30 First Day First Show 8:00 House Arrest 8:30 Kingfisher-Mangta Hai 9:30 Launch Pad 10:00 Turn On T [V] 10:30 House of Noise 11:00 Toofan TVI 11:30 Banned at Bedtime 12:00 The Juice 12:30 The Drum 1:00 Turn On T [V]

STAR PLUS

6:30 Nimaad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:15 The Trial Show 9:30 Good Morning India 11:30 Ek Din Ek Jeevan 12:00 So Let's Yahoo 12:30 The India Show 1:00 Hello 1:30 Good Food Guide 2:00 Kora Kagaz 2:30 Yeh Hai Raaz 3:00 Swabhimani 3:30 Kabhie Kabhie 4:00 Is Duniya Ke Sitare 4:30 Waggle Ki Nayee Duniya 5:00 Potli Baba Ki 5:30 Doogie Howser 6:00 The Wonder Years 6:30 Small Wonders 7:00 Meri Awaz Suno 7:25 The Trial Show 7:30 Star News (Hindi) 8:00 Hello 8:30 Tanha 9:30 Star News Cup-Magic Moments 11:00 Aaj Ki Baat 11:30 A Mouthful of Sky 12:00 Prime Minister's Speech 12:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 1:00 Newheart 1:30 Snowy River McGregor Saga 2:30 Lovejoy 3:30 LA Law 4:30 Media TV 5:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 5:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show

STAR MOVIES

7:30 Comedy/Western: My Name is Nobody 9:30 Comedy: Love at Stake 15 11:30 Thriller: Blink 15 1:30 Extreme CU 2:00 Action: Bound By Honor (Blood in Blood Out) 5:00 Comedy/Western: My Name is Nobody 7:30 Romance: Don Juan De Marco 15 9:30 El BTS 11:30 Double Bill: Tom

Cruise Cocktail 12:30 Double Bill: Tom Cruise All The Right Moves 15 2:00 Thriller: Blink 15 4:00 Comedy: Love at Stake 15 5:30 Romance: Don Juan De Marco 15

STAR WORLD

6:00 Aerobics Oz Style 6:30 The New WKRP in Cincinnati 7:00 The Frugal Gourmet Cooks Italian 7:30 The Wonder Years 8:00 Newhart 9:00 LA Heat 10:00 The Pretender 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 NYPD Blue 1:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 1:30 Tropical Heat 2:30 Fashion TV 3:00 Mystarious Island 3:30 Small Wonder 4:00 The New WKRP in Cincinnati 4:30 World News 5:00 Asia News Update 5:15 World Business Report 5:30 Home Improvement 6:00 Buffy the Vampire Slayer 7:00 Ally McBeal 8:00 The Practice 9:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 9:30 Home Improvement 10:00 Buffy the Vampire Slayer 11:00 Ally McBeal 12:00 The Practice 1:00 Home Improvement 1:30 Buffy the Vampire Slayer 2:30 Ally McBeal 3:30 The New WKRP in Cincinnati 4:00 Life In The World With Joyce Meyer 4:30 World News 5:00 Home Improvement 5:30 Media TV

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

12:30 Oceans of Mystery: The Second Seal of Malta 1:00 Oceans of Mystery Episode 6 1:30 Alien Invasion Week Deep Secrets 2:00 Century of Discoveries Origins 3:30 Discovery Profile Series Marsupials 4:30 Lonely Planet La Ruta Maya 5:30 Outer Bounds Episode 12 6:00 Next Step Episode 116 6:30 Ultra-trance: Fighting Fires 7:00 Beyond 2000 Episode 232 7:30 Medical Detectives Raw Terror 8:00 Supercities Berlin 8:30 Travellers Oktoberfest: Munich, Germany 9:30 Intimate Escapes Quinta de las Flores 10:00 Splatt! Episode 17 10:30 Equinox Designing Dream Machines 11:30 Lonely Planet Costa Rica and Nicaragua 1:30 A New World Seeds of Survival (Ethiopia) 2:00 Supercities Cairo 2:30 Wild Guide Episode 2 3:00 Eyewitness Volcano 3:30 Lost Animals of the 20th Century Episode -12 4:00 Next Step Episode 94 4:30 Ultra-trance: Fighting Fires 5:00 Beyond 2000 Episode 235 5:30 High Adventure Episode 2 6:00 Splatt! Episode 15 6:30 Born Among Wild Animals Elephant Boy 7:00 Jaws & Claws Going Ape 7:30 Lonely Planet North Thales 8:30 Hunters The Dangerous Sea 9:30 Alien Invasion Week Extraterrestrials 10:30 Great Mysteries and Myths The Death of the Red Baron 11:00 Legends of the Isles The Holy Grail 11:30 Discovery Profile Series Big Cats



Waggle Ki Nayee Duniya on Star Plus at 4:30 pm

ESPN

12:30 Dutch Football 2:30 Iska Karate 3:30 Sportscenter LIVE 4:30 NBA In The 90's NBA Anthology 5:00 1999 NBA Playoffs LIVE 7:30 Cricket World Cup News 8:00 Cricket Magazine Show Team Spotlights 8:30 Cricket World Cup News 9:00 Cricket World Cup Highlights/Specials-Panel Show 10:00 Saucy Running & Racing 10:30 NBA Playoffs 1:00 World Of Rugby 1:30 ESPN World Snooker: 1999 British Open 3:30 NBA In The 90's NBA Anthology 4:00 1999 NBA Playoffs 6:30 Cricket Magazine Show All Stars Of World Cup 7:00 Inside Cricket: 2nd Session 7:30 Cricket World Cup News 8:00 NBA Playoffs 10:30 International Cricket Winning Moments Of India 11:30 98/99 UEFA Cup Finals

STAR SPORT

12:30 National Rugby League Melbourne Storm Vs Western Suburbs Magpies 2:30 PGA Tour Golf Classic Of New Orleans 4:30 Olympic Magazine 5:00 World Wild Rugby (Super 12s) 7:00 Cricket World Cup News 7:30 Cricket Magazine India Vs Pakistan Stumped 8:00 Cricket World Cup News 8:30 PGA Tour Golf Classic Of New Orleans 10:00 Word Cup Showjumping FEI World Cup 1998/99 11:00 Cricket World Cup 96 Final Highlights Australia Vs. Sri Lanka 1:00 Cricket World Cup Highlights/Specials-Panel Show 2:00 Sport India 2:30 Cricket Magazine India Vs Pakistan Stumped 3:00 FIM World Motorcycle Championship 4:30 WTA Tour Tier-1 Rome 7:00 Cricket World Cup News 7:30 Max Power 8:30 Cricket Up Close 9:00 Cricket World Cup Highlights/Specials-Panel Show 10:00 This Is The PGA Tour 11:00 1999 Formula One Highlights

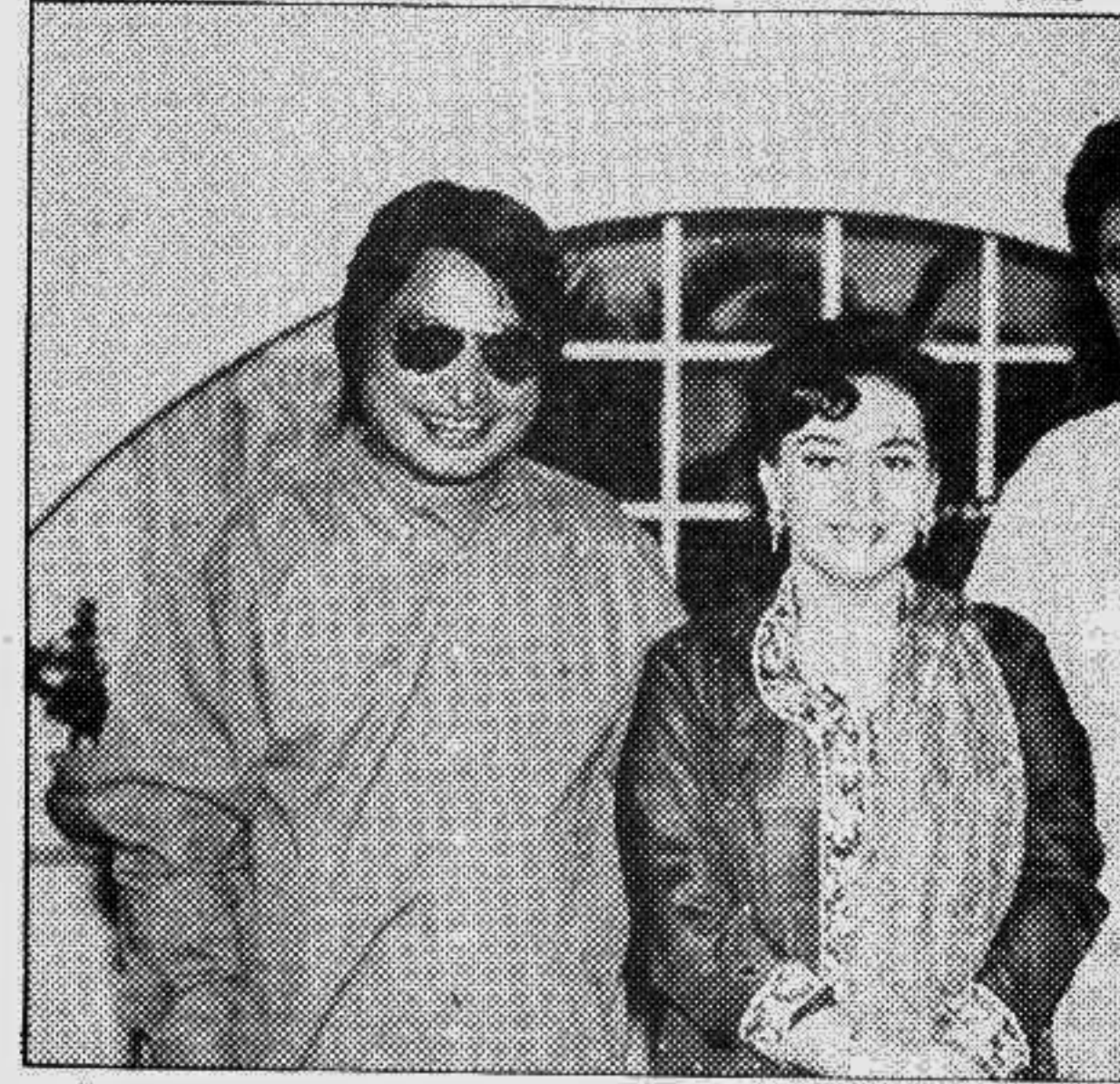
ZEE CINEMA

8:15 BAHU KI AWAAZ (*Rakesh Roshan, Supriya Pathak) 11:15

MOVIE FARE 11:30 DO BADAN (*Manoj Kumar, Asha Parakh) 2:30 MAD HYANTAR 2:45 MAKING OF A LEGEND 3:15 PAYR KA SINDOOR (*Anil Kapoor, Jyoti) 6:15 EK MOOD ANEK 6:30 GEET BAHAR 6:45 UJALA FILMI BAATEIN 7:15 NARAYAN (*Amol Palekar, Swarup Sampat) 10:30 GOPI KISHAN (*Suniti Shetty, Karishma Kapoor) 1:45 GHAR DE TERGENT CINE MAGIC 2:15 DHARAM SANKAT

PTV-2

8:00 Tilwat Aur Tarjuma/Hamd/Naat 8:20 Cartoon 8:30 Khabrain 8:45 Mansoobajaat Barai Khud Kafalat 9:00 Sur Saviya & Sehra Ka Safar & Sada-E-Kasim 9:40 Shana Ba Shana 9:50 Aaj Ki Kitaab-Aik Nazm 10:05 Boor Kay Ladoo 10:30 English Film: Chup And Dale 10:55 Milli Naghma 11:00 Khabrain 11:10 Serial 11:35 Serial 12:30 Urdu Khail 12:55 Quran-e-Hakeem 1:02 Bismillah 1:15 Drama Serial 2:00 Serial 2:50 The Earth Revealed 3:20 Aarshi Puda 3:40 Natural World 4:35 How Things Work 5:00 Yeh Munk In Hae 5:25 Hanara Sehat 5:55 Kitab Quiz 6:25 Aoi Courses 7:00 Tarannum 7:05 Felix The Cat (Cartoon) 7:30 Such Gup 7:45 English News 8:00 Morven Gold



Is Duniya Ke Sitarey on Star Plus at 4 pm

trial-Cricket 8:30 TBA 9:00 Non-Stop Hits 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 House Full VJ Nafisa 10:30 Non-Stop Hits 11:30 The Grind (Beach Show) 12:30 Non-Stop Hits Continue...

MUSIC ASIA

7:30 Aalaap 8:00 B&W Gems 8:30 All Time Hits 9:00 Hit Parade 9:30 World Premiere 9:45 Brake Fail 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Colgate Zig Zag Best Of The Day 11:30 Bajaj Music Box 12:00 World Premiere 12:15 Medimix Madhur Moments 12:30 Bakeman's Star Ek Mood Anek 12:45 Pop Re Pop 1:00 Jharokha 1:30 Hum Ta Ra Rum 2:00 Pop Re Pop 2:15 World Premiere 2:30 House Of Choice 3:00 All Time Hits 3:30 Medimix Madhur Moments 3:45 Bakeman's Star Ek Mood Anek 4:00 World Premiere 4:15 Pop Re Pop 4:30 Bajaj Music Box 5:00 Artist Of The Fortnight 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Brake Fail 6:45 World Premiere 7:00 Hit Parade 7:30 All Time Hits 8:00 Bakeman's Star Ek Mood Anek 8:15 Medimix Madhur Moments 8:30 Best Of The Best 9:00 Pop Hungama 9:30 Bajaj Music Box 10:00 Old School Sizzler 10:30 Jharokha 11:00 Brake Fail 11:45 Shabab

ZEE INDIA TV

7:00 Jagran 7:30 to 11:30 PM Every Half Hour - Zee News Hindi 12:00 The Ent. Show 12:30 Zee World 1:00 India Debates 1:30 BQC 2:00 Zee News-Hindi 2:20 Zee Face To Face 2:30 Positive Health Show 3:00 Zee News-Hindi 3:30 Ek aur Nazaria 4:00 Teer Kaman 4:30 Jaanch Ya Aanch 5:00 The Tech Show

MTV INDIA

7:00 Non-Stop Hits 8:00 MTV Hanging Out VJ Rahul / Sonia 9:00 Classic MTV VJ Sarah / Rahul 10:00 Non-Stop Hits 10:30 MTV Most wanted VJ Nadia 11:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaz / Amrita / Nikhil 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV HouseFull V Nafisa 1:30 MTV Fresh VJ Rahul 2:00 MTV Recycled 2:30 MTV Select VJ Nikhil 3:30 Love Line VJ Malaika 4:00 Nam-Stop Hits 4:30 Pepsi Dance Connection Special- TV MTV 5:30 MTV VJ Shehnaz / Amrita / Nikhil 7:30 MTV In Con-

Songs 9:00 Daily Sope: Jannabhum: 9:30 Daily Sope: Dropadi (*Rupa Ganguli, Suneetra, Kushal, Sankar) 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:10 Bengali Movie: (Underrun Closed)

DD CHANNEL-1 (National)

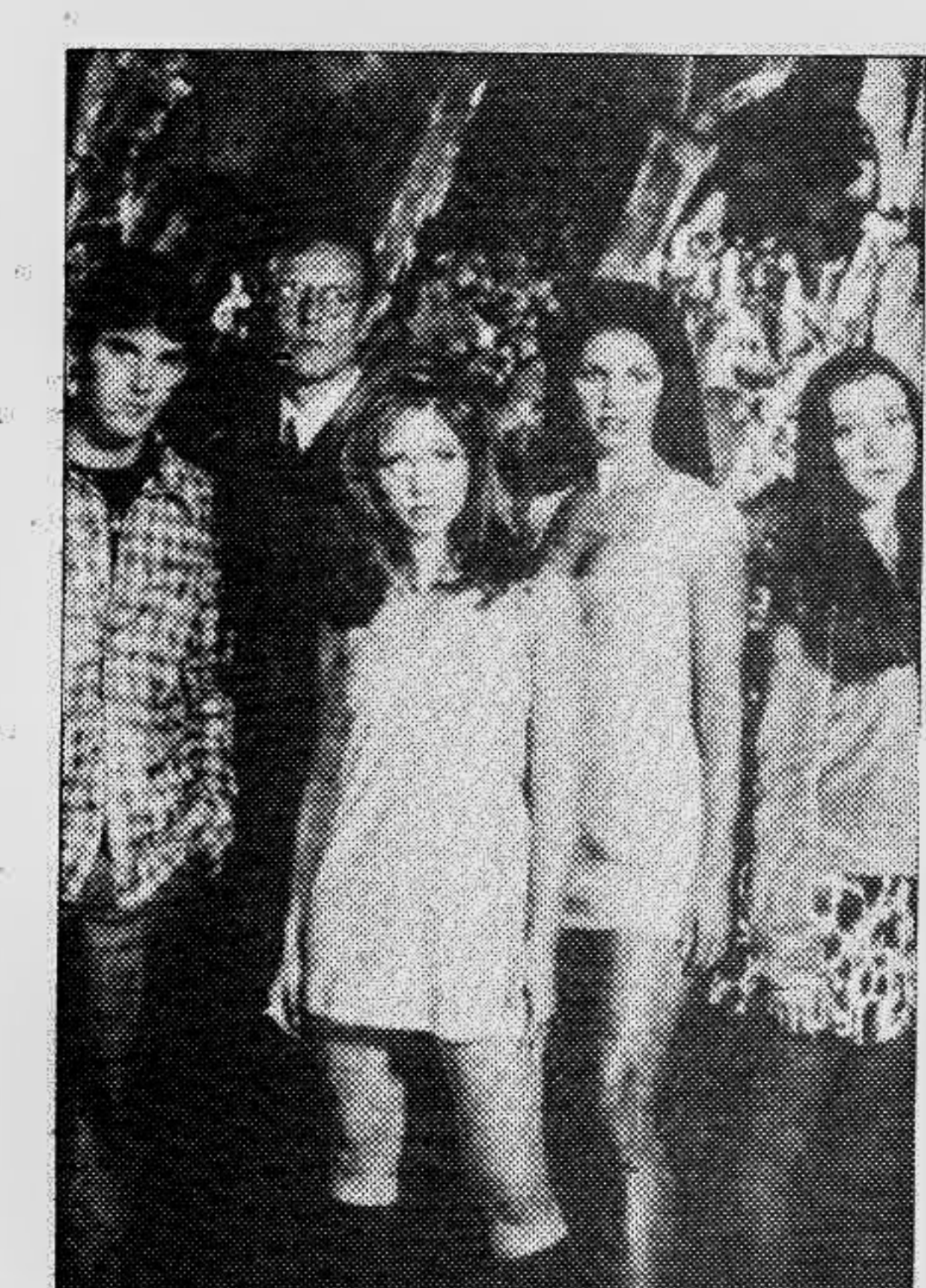
5:55 Vande Mataram & Thought of The Day 6:00 DV Music: Aradhana 6:30 For The Universities UGC Programmes 7:00 UGC Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:30 Business Plus 8:45 The News 9:00 Suba Sabera 9:30 Palsha 10:00 UGC Programmes 10:30 Tarang 11:30 Youg 12:30 Aurat 1:00 Aparajita 1:30 Jilhasa 1:30 Waqf Ki Raftar 2:30 News in Hindi 2:40 News in English 2:50 Roop Suhane 3:00 Aap Ki Shanti 3:30 Ujala 4:00 Tea Time Monoranjan 4:30 Anjuman 5:00 Bhabhan 5:15 Ankur 5:30 Weekly Sports 6:00 Programme on Environment 6:15 Sab Rang 6:30 Kala Parikrama 7:05 Rural Woman 7:30 Samachar 8:00 Ajab Ajooba 8:25 Chitrahari 9:00 Samachar 9:30 News 10:00 Aawaz Ki Duniya 10:30 Anjali 11:02 Serial: 11:32 Vidhan 12:02 Telebrand Show (Underrun Closed)

SONY TV

7:30 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Woh 8:00 Biprasad 8:30 Movers & Shakers 9:00 Chartbusters 9:30 Cine Clips 10:00 Family No. 1 #33 10:30 Khawish #5 11:00 Alpavram #Ep-42 11:30 World Of Cricket 12:00 Movers & Shakers 12:30 The Good Home Show 1:00 Chartbusters 1:30 Cine Clips 2:00 Boogi Woogi 2:30 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Woh 3:00 Ek Mahal Ho Sapno Ka 3:30 Junoon 4:00 Cine Matinee-Hindi Feature Film: Chupke Chupke 7:00 Indian Holiday With Anu Malhotra 7:30 Cine Clips 8:00 Chartbusters 8:30 Dekh Bhai Dekh 9:00 Colgate Gel- Boogie Woogie (Contest) 9:35 Hum Sab Ek Hain Ep # 46 10:05 Serial: C I D 10:40 Movers & Shakers With Guest 11:10 Ek Mahal Ho Sapno Ka 11:45 Junoon 12:15 Ramayan 1:00 Aahat 1:30 Thoda Hai Thoda Ki Zaroorat Hai 2:00 Open House 3:00 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Woh 3:30 Cine Nite Show-Hindi Feature Film: Ek Din Ka Sultan

ZEE TV

6:00 Yeaddon Ki Pal (B/W Songs) 6:30 Zee News & Zee Business (Rpt) 7:00 Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagran 8:00 Guldasta 8:30 Zara Haske-Hai Zindegi 9:00 Zara Haske- Filmi Chakkari 9:30 Disney Hour Cartoons 10:00 Ek Nazar 11:00 Backman's Mama Mia 11:30 Jaan 12:00 Adhikar 12:30 Zalka Ka Safar 1:00 Jeena Iska Naam Hai 1:30 Nume Nazrane 2:00 Hum Paanch 2:30 Mausam 3:00 Raahat 3:30 Cinema Hits- HF Film: Raaz 6:30 Ek Nazar 7:00 Disney



Buffy the Vampire Slayer on Star World at 10 pm

Hour Cartoons 8:00 Coca-Cola-Dance Mastia 8:25 Hip Hip Hurray #29 9:00 Do Aur Do Panch 9:30 Kaha Se Kaha Tak #Ep-19 10:00 Anhonee Zee Horror Show 10:30 Baat Ban Jaaye # Ep-90 11:00 Zanjeerin #67 11:30 Raahat 12:00 Amanat 12:30 Saturday Suspense (Horror Drama)-Kundli 1:30 Knock Knock Kaun Hai 2:00 Zee News 2:30 Mano Ya Na Mano 3:00 Hindi Feature Film: Mirza Shaleban



Rewind VJ Sophia on Channel V at 8:30 am

DD Metro

7:00 Metro Fit 7:15 Bhakti Sagar 7:45 Business Aaj Tak 8:00 Good Morning Today 8:30 The First Edition 9:00 Serial: Reti Likhe Naam 9:30 Current Affairs Prog- 10:00 Serial: Nirnay 10:30 Serial: Saat Raag Sharat Ki Sang 11:30 STV 12:30 UTS Shopping 1:00 Live: Challenge the Master 1:30 Rajdhani Se 2:30 UTS Shopping 2:55 Samachar: The News-English, Urdu 3:05 The Resturent Show 3:30 Dhalti Sham Ka Suraj 4:00 Ank Ajoobe 4:30 World Sports 5:30 Darkwing Duck 6:00 Nani Kahe Kahani 6:30 Tom & Jerry 7:00 Heads & Tails 7:30 Sangeet Anand 7:50 Entertainment Now/Cinema 8:00 Nature Calls 8:30 Kuchh Is Tarah 9:00 Didi Ka Dulha 9:30 Sher Mere Yaar 10:00 Padosan

CARTOON NETWORK

5:30 World Famous Toons 6:30 The Real Adventure of Johnny 7:00 Tom & Jerry Kids 7:30 The Popeye Show 8:00 Scooby & Scrappy D 8:30 Perils Of Penelope 9:00 Josie & Pussycat 9:30 Drink The Little 10:00 Flintstone Kids 10:30 Richie Rich 11:00 Top Cat 11:30 Captain Planet 12:00 Scooby Doo 12:30 The Cartoon Grand Prix 1:30 Fantastic Max 2:00 Crocodile 2:30 The New Scooby Doo Movies 3:30 Sky Commanders 4:00 Centurions 4:30 Swats Kats 5:00 Ninja Robots 5:30 Flintstones 6:00 Top & Jerry Kids 6:30 Crocodile 7:00 The Mask 7:30 Dexters Laboratory 7:45 What's a Cartoon! Show