

drama

Ghritang Pibet Enthralls Audience

Second Natyajan production staged

By Cultural Correspondent

JUNE 29, power failure, commonly known as load shedding is a common scene to Dhaka dwellers. But it did not trouble the patient drama viewers and critics as they waited anxiously for an hour to witness the performance by Nattojohn at the Guide House Auditorium.

'Ghritang Pibet', is a celebrated creation by one of the outstanding writers of this sub-continent, Promothnath Bisi. Among many of his comedy dramas Nattojohn staged 'Ghritang Pibet' under the direction of Tabibul Islam. 'Ghritang Pibet' is a comedy set in the 40's Indian socio-economic scenario. The characters in the play deceive each other in the fight for becoming rich the easiest and quickest way, getting married to a elite person's daughter. But as a result those impostors were also the victims of deception.

Written by Promothnath Bisi in the year 1343 (Bengali), 'Ghritang Pibet' that was staged at the Guide House Auditorium, is a shorter version of the main book. The principal characters 'promira' was played by Tazin Ahmed, 'sarbeswar' father of promira was characterized by Ahsanul Haque Minu, 'malabika' played



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by Memi were among the performances which were quite noticeable. 'Promira' lives at Sunny Villa of Sunny Park in the 40's India. Looking for a bridegroom her father appoints seven house tutors to teach her to be aristocrat, which was the measurement of status to him. But the bridegroom turns up to be an impostor.

One of the oldest comedies of Bengali culture, staging 'Ghritang Pibet' was not an easy task for the Natyajan production. The stage design was ordinary. The sound acoustics were very poor. Many words were not heard when the performers had to perform in a low voice. The drama had few chapters and each chapter started with a play back music of this continent, specially raag, ghazal and old classical songs to bring an impression of the time.

recitation

Poetry Come Alive Through Recitation

Three-day long recitation festival ended

JUNE 30, Shilpakala Academy with the help of 'Bangladesh Abriti Sommanay Parishad' organized a three day long festival titled 'Recitation Festival 1999' at the Public Library Auditorium. Started on the 28th of this month, the festival lasted three days. About ninety performers from all over the country took part in the festival. Thirty performers were allotted for each day which started from 7 p.m. The festival had three categories: solo recitation, duet recitation and dances with recitation.

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Shilpakala Academy started organizing such festival five years ago. Their first recitation festival was held in 1994. Since then they have been organizing such festivals each year. Their aim was to bring quality poetry closer to the poetry lovers and critics. 'Many good poetry could not be cherished by the audience due to bad vocals, so we tried to bring good and quality reciters, so that the poetry could be cherished by the audience' remarked the director of the Shilpakala Academy.

The concluding day started by the recitation from the poetry of the revolutionary poet Kazi Nazrul Islam. Shafi Ahmed's authentic voice made the crowd speechless. Following Shafi Ahmed's performance was the recitation of a poetry of Jassimuddin by Rokea Chowdhury Baby. Khaled Khan, a well known dramatist and a performer recited 'khob' an exquisite poetry by Jibonandya Das. Another of Nazrul's poetry 'Polatoka' was recited by an outstanding performer Aleya Ferdousi. Many quality performer took part in the festival with some good poetry such as 'Bonolata' an masterpiece by Jibonandya Das, 'Jatri' by the great poet Rabindranath Tagore, 'Chobi' by Abu hena Mustafa Kamal, 'Aguner Fulki Chote' another of Nazrul's creation. Among the participants Khalid Khan, Shafi Ahmed, Flora Ferdousi, Kazi Abu Zafar Siddique, Aleya Ferdousi and Krishty Nefaz's performance was of extra ordinary quality.

The auditorium was full of poetry lover. The background music was so low frequency while the recitation was going on that sometimes it could not be noticed whether the music was going on or not. The stage was not that attractive.

new book

Tridib's Album of Love Poems



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THE editor of the Penguin Love Poems wrote about 'in love' poems and poems 'about love' but did not elaborate much on the fine line between the two. We can very well guess what he was trying to point at. 'In love' poems would be more intimate than poems 'about love.' The recent collection of poems by born bohemian Tridib Dastidar will fit nicely in Penguin editor's 'in love' category. Who can pronounce 'my love will make

you bankrupt' if he is not passionately in love. Tridib's love poems are baring of a heart who can't live without love. It's quite amazing that at 40 plus this poet's heart is brimming with love. The 42-page photo album format brilliantly illustrated Bhalo Bastay Bastay Phatur Kare Debo is a collection to be consumed passionately and intimately. Priced at Tk 100, the volume produced in Tridib's handwritten script gives different flavour to otherwise dull love poems that are being churned out every now and then.

TV Guide

Thursday 1st July
(All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)

BBC

6:00 BBC World News
6:30 World Living: Travel Show- Holiday Guide
7:00 BBC News Inc. World Business Report/ USA Direct/Asia Today /24 Hours
9:00 BBC News Inc. World Business Report/ USA Direct/Asia Today /24 Hours
10:00 BBC World News 10:30 USA Direct
11:30 Europe Direct 12:00 World News 12:30 World Living: Film India (Anchore- Victor benarjee)
1:00 World News 1:30 Talking Movies 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Focus: The Money Program 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 Hard Talk 4:00 BBC The World Today 6:30 World Wild Life - South Africa's Meerkats Divided 7:00 BBC World News 7:15 World Business Report 7:30 BBC The World Today 8:30 World Living: Top Gear - The Air Show 9:00 World News 9:30 Hard Talk 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 Money Wise Presented By Sucharita Ghose 11:00 The World Today 12:00 World News 12:30 Hard Talk: 1:30

World Focus: Panorama 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Living- The Big Trip #3/16- Caribbean 3:15 Europe Direct 4:00 BBC News Inc. World Business Report/USA Direct/Asia Today /24 Hours

CHANNEL [V]

8:30 Rewind VJ Sophia 9:30 Zabadast Hits 12:00 House Arrest 12:30 Indian Top 10 1:00 Zabadast Hits 2:30 First Day First Show 3:30 Turn On T [V] 4:30 [V] Backbench 5:30 Turn On T [V] Teen Strip 7:30 First Day First Show 7:56 V News Bulletin 8:00 House Arrest 8:30 Rewind Special, VJ Sophia 9:30 Turn On TV 10:00 Turn On T [V] 10:30 Sophia's Choice 11:00 Turn On T [V] 11:30 Band at Bedtime 12:00 Over the Edge VJ Sophia 12:30 Turn On TV 1:15 V News Bulletin 3:30 Turn On TV

STAR PLUS

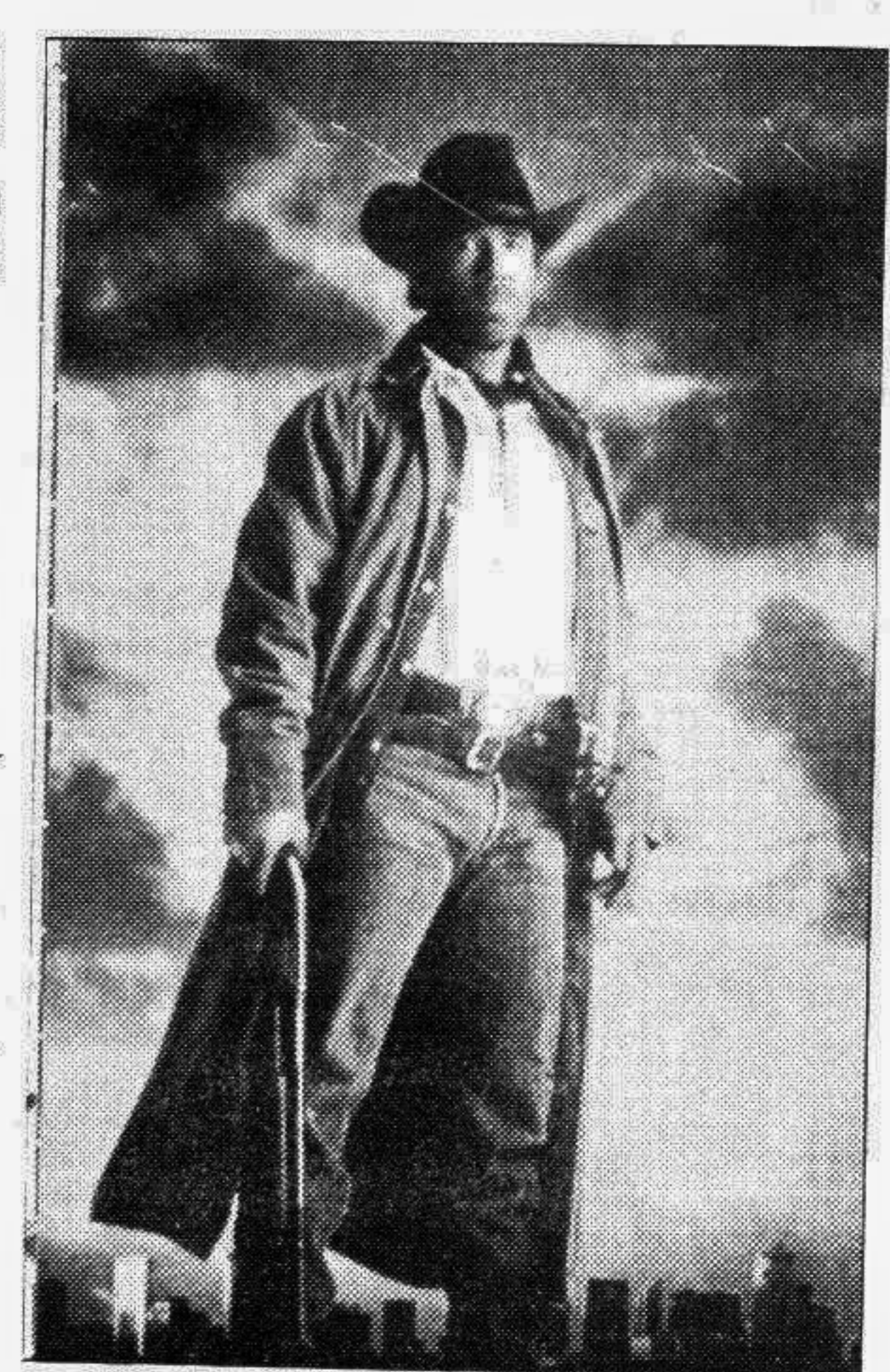
6:30 Ninnad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:15 The Trial Show 9:30 Good Morning India 11:30 Colgate Total World Cup Magic Moments 12:30 Rendezvous With Simi Garewal 1:00 Hello 1:30



Fried Green Tomatoes on Star Movies at 4:45 pm



Speed-2 on Star Movies at 12 midnight



Walker, Texas Ranger on Star World at 11:00 pm

Good Food Guide 2:00 Apraadhi 2:30 Yeh Hai Raaz 3:00 Swabhimani 3:30 Kabhie Kabhie 4:00 Daal Mein Kaala 4:30 Eureka 5:00 Story Teller 5:30 Doogie Howser 6:00 The Wonder Years 6:30 Small Wonder 7:00 Dress Circle 7:25 The Trailer Show 7:30 Star News 8:00 Meri Awaz Suno 8:30 Waqf Ki Nayee Dunia 9:00 Ajeeb Dastan 9:30 Star News 10:00 Thursday Movie: "Junoon" 11:00 Aaj Ki Baat 11:30 Junoon Contd... (Rahul Roy, Pooja Bhatt) 1:30 Dangerfield 2:30 Tropical Heat 3:30 Series: LA Law 4:30 Murder One 5:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show

STAR WORLD

6:00 Aerobics Oz Style 6:30 The New WKRP in Cincinnati 7:00 You Can Cook 7:30 The Wonder Years 8:00 Mysterious Island 8:30 Newhart 9:00 Buffy The Vampire Slayer 10:00 Alley McBeal 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 The Practice 1:00 The Bold And The Beautiful 2:30 Media TV 3:00 Mysterious Island 3:30 Small Wonder 4:00 The New WKRP in Cincinnati 4:30 World News 5:00 AsiaNews Update 5:05 World Business Report 5:30 Home Improvement 6:00 Unnatural History: Vampires & Witches 7:00 Walker Texas Ranger 8:00 Thief Takers 9:00 The Bold And The Beautiful 9:30 Home Improvement 10:00 Unnatural History: Vampires & Witches 11:00 Walker Texas Ranger 12:00 Thieftakers 1:00 Home Improvement 1:30 Unnatural History: Vampires & Witches 2:30 Walker Texas Ranger 3:30 The New WKRP in Cincinnati 4:00 Life in the World with Joyce Meyer 4:30 World News 5:30 Home Improvement 5:30 Movie TV

STAR MOVIES

6:30 Drama: Good Mother

Down

ZEE INDIA TV

7:00 Jagran 7:30 to 11:30 PM Every Half Hour - Zee News Hindi 12:30 News in Hindi 12:57 News Headlines 1:00 App Ki Adalat 1:30 India Debates 2:00 Namaste India 2:30 Zee Sports Show 3:00 Session With Seshan 3:30 Centre Stage 4:00 Teer Kaman 4:30 Agenda 2000

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 Nadya 11:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaz/Amrita/ Nikhil 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV House Full V Nafisa 1:30 MTV Ek Do Teen VJ Rageshwari 2:30 MTV Select VJ Nikhil 3:30 Love Line VJ Malaika 4:00 Non-Stop Hits 4:30 Pepsi Dance Connection Special- TV MTV 5:30 MTV Most Wanted VJ Nadya/ Rahul 6:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaz /Amrita/ Nikhil 7:30 Made In India VJ Cyrus 8:00 MTV Hip-shakers 8:30 Non-Stop Hits 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 House Full V Nafisa 10:30 Destination Dance 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

PTV-2

8:00 Tilwat Aur Tarjuma/Hamd/Naat 8:20 Cartoon 8:30 Khabrain 8:45 Cut Piece 9:20 Aahang & Roshni 9:45 Phool Chandi 10:05 Serial 10:30 Buttons And Raaste 10:55 Milli Nagma 11:00 Khabreen 11:10 Absar 11:55 Tele Play 12:45 Kawali 12:55 Koran-E-Hakim & Bismillah 1:15 Serial 2:00 Serial 2:45 Perspective & Health Forum 3:40 Talimi Malumat 4:35 Aurat Aur Kanon 5:25 Serial 5:55 Serial: Chayaa 6:25 IOU Course: 7:05 Mukabli Hala Aaina 7:20 Ainnak Wala Zin 7:45 English News 8:05 Jawan Sangeet 8:45 Serial 9:00 Break for Headline News 10:00 Khabrain & Commercial News 10:35 Mast Mast Sanyo (Musical Show) 11:15 Sunhere Yadon 12:15 Serial: Khas Khas Khabrain- Close



Rendezvous with Simi Garewal on Star Plus at 12:30 pm



Film India on BBC World at 12:30 pm

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 Pop Busters 2:00 Pop Re Pop 2:15 World Premiere 2:30 Music Mag 3:00 All Time Hits 3:30 Medimix Madhur Moments 3:45 Bakeman's Star Ek Mood Anek 4:00 Double Mint Double Mazaa 4:30 Bajaj Music Box 5:00 Teen In-teract 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 Artist Of The Fortnight 9:00 Orpat Telephone Pop O Mania 9:30 Bajaj Music Box 10:00 Old Tavern Sizzlers 10:30 Jharokha 11:00

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DD 7

10:30 Janmadin (Birth-day Greetings) 10:35 Shree Ram Krishna 11:00 Dropadi 11:15 Classical/ Folk Songs- 11:30 Parliament Hour/ Musical 12:30 Kunja Villa 1:00 Daily Sope: Aakash Chooa 1:30 Daily Sope: Rupakatha 2:00 Shree Kanakani 2:30 Shree Kanakani 3:00 Maha Probhu 3:30 Mohini 4:00 Bhangagarar Khela 4:20 Rabindra Sangeet 5:05 Shilpa Jagat 5:30 News 5:50 Bigan Prasanga 6:10 Gaan Sudhu Gaan 6:40 Khas Khabar 6:50 Janmabhumi 7:20 Tarunder Janney/Darshaker Darbare/Ghare Baire 7:30 Bangla Sambad 8:00 Aanya Sader Galpo (Serial) 8:30 Serial: Boxer Ratan 9:00 Janmabhumi 9:30 Dropadi ('Rupa Ganguli, Sunectra, Kushal, Sankar) 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:10 Bengali Movie

DD CHANNEL-1

5:55 Vande Mataram & Thought of The Day 6:00 Aradhana 6:30 UGC Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:45 The News 9:00 Current Affairs Suba Sabera 9:30 Tapasya Serial 10:00 UGC Programmes 10:30 Tarang 11:30 Young 12:30 Aurat 1:00 Aparajita



Wagle Ki Nayee Dunia on Star Plus at 8:30 pm

1:30 Ithaas 1:30 Waqt Ki Raftar 2:30 News in Hindi 2:40 News in English 2:50 Roop Suhane 3:00 Aap Ki Shanti 3:30 Sunhere Pal 4:00 Tea Time Monoranjan 4:30 Sunhere Sapne 5:00 Choti Se Aasha 5:30 Music 6:00 Buzurgon Ke Liye 6:15 CIET Programme 6:30 Dilli Aajtak 6:45 Falak 7:00 Krishi Darshan 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Paricramma 8:00 Fera Feri 8:25 Geet Bahar 9:00 Samachar 9:30 The News 10:00 Idhar Udhar 10:30 Serial: Nehle Pe Dehla 11:32 Iyadgaar 12:02 Spl. Prog

SONY TV

7:30 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Woh 8:00 Risprasad 8:30 Movers & Shakers With Guest 9:00 Chartbusters 9:30 Cine Clips 10:00 Family Number 1 10:30 The Popadum Show 11:00 Just Mohabbat 11:30 Harmony 12:00 Movers & Shakers With Guest 12:30 Indian Holiday Anchore-Anu Malhotra 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 7:00 Popadum Show 7:30 Cine Clips 8:00 Chartbusters 8:30 Cool Gate- Boogi Woogi 9:05 Dil Vij Pyar Vaar 9:35 Sparsh 10:05 Bhanwar 10:40 Movers & Shakers 11:10 Ek Mahal Ho Sapno Ka 11:45 Junoon 12:15 Cine Clips 12:30 Cine Prime Film 1:30 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Woh 3:00 Cine Nite Show-Hindi Feature Film: Jab Se Tumhe Dekha Hai

ZEE TV

6:00 Yeason Ki Pal (B/W Songs Show) 6:30 Zee News & Business 7:00 Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagran 8:00 Guldasta 8:30 Zara Has Ke- Filmi Chakkar 9:30 Disney Hour Cartoons 10:30 Ek Nadegi 11:00 Yehi Hai Nadegi 11:30 Raahin 12:00 Aashirwad 12:30 Suniye Zee- 1:00 Hudd Kar Di 1:30 Naye Nazam 2:00 Hum Paanch 2:30 Chingaree 3:00 Raahat 3:30 Cinema Hits- HF Film 6:30 Ek Nazar 7:00 Disney Hour Cartoons 8:00 Cross Fire (Quiz Contest) 8:30 Choti Mukh Bari Baat 9:00 Amanat 9:30 X-Zone Woh Kaun Thi Pt-2 10:30 Jaan 11:00 Banegi Apni Baat 11:30 Raahat 11:55 Jhalak- Trailer 12:00 Action Explosion Movie: Jawab Hum Denge (Sreedevi, Jackie Shroff) 2:30 News 3:00 Hindi Feature Film (B/W)

DD METRO

7:00 Yoga 7:15 Bhakti Sagar 7:45 Business Aaj Tak 8:00 Good Morning Today 9:00 The First Edition 9:00 Serial 9:30 Current Affairs Prog 10:00 Pankhudiyan 10:30 Saat Raang Sharat Ki Sang 11:30 STV 12:30 UTS Shopping 1:00 Music/Drama 1:30 Ken Kashan 2:30 UTS Shopping 2:55 Samachar/ News 3:10 Sports Time 3:30 Dhalti Sham Ke Suraj 4:00 Ank Ajoobe 4:30 World Sports 5:30 Super Human Syber Squad (Serial) 6:00 Phant



Thieftakers on Star World at 12 midnight

(Underrun Closed)

CARTOON NETWORK

5:30 World Famous Toons 6:30 The Real Adventure of Jhonny 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 Flinstone Kids 10:30 Riche Rich 11:00 Top Cat 11:30 Captain Planet 12:00 Scooby Doo 12:30 The Cartoon Grand Pix 1:30 Fantastic Max 2:00 Crocodile 2:30 The New Scooby Doo 3:00 Galtar and the 4:00 Centurions 4:30 Swats Kats 5:00 Ninja Robots 5:30 Flinstones 6:00 Top & Jerry Kids 6:30 Crocodile 7:00 The Mask 7:30 Desters Laboratory 7:45 What's a Cartoon! 8:00 The Addams Family 8:30 Scooby Doo Where Are You 9:00 The Popeye Show



Sophia's Choice on Channel V at 10:30 pm