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A Simple, but Surely Talented, Poet

An open discussion on Sajjad Kadir's Aye Je Ami

By Mishu M Chowdhury

BISWA Shahittya Kendra, one of the leading cultural organisations of the country, organised a weekly discussion on the contributors of the various cultural sectors of the country.

This week's discussion highlighted poet Sajjad Kadir's recently-published 'El Je Ami', twenty-nine poems in a featured manner.

The discussion was held on Saturday at the Kendra premises. Personalities of repute, including Poet Shamsur Rahman and other literary critics along with the discussion club of 'Biswa Shahittya Kendra', took part in the lively, eventful afternoon.

'El Je Ami' (Here I am), reveals the poet's masterly fluency in representing his individual thoughts. The subject matter of his compositions ranges from his dreams of a different Dhaka city to his romanticism, persistence of time etc.

The function commenced with the poet's speech. Nahid Ahsan being the host for the evening. The introductory speech was made by Poet Abu Karim, a long-time friend of the Sajjad.

Abu Karim described the poet to be a remarkable one of the '60s, as he knew him. Introducing Sajjad, he said that he is more popular as an author and a novelist for the past forty years of his creative career. Karim met the poet thirty up the time when he was a student of



the Chittagong College in 1970. As a pen friend, a deep sense of attachment took a concrete shape between them simply by writing letters. Sajjad displayed his talents in teaching, journalism and is currently working as the director of the Press Institute Bangladesh, Karim told the audience.

Celebrated reciter Golam Sarwar recited with emotionally-charged voice 'Sattya Khota, Poyareo Bolte Pari / Amitakhoroe Doshbahya Hobe Na', from 'Tokhon, Ekdin' (One Day, Then). The poem tells the romantic feelings of a man for his loved.

His view of a better Dhaka, comes to life in 'Shaye Je Amar Dhaka Shahor' (That is my Dhaka City), presented to the audience by Refat Ara Shahhaj.

The main discussion started with Delkaj Rahman discussing the publication of the book. Poet Shamsur Rahman, arriving in the middle of her speech, quoted 'We murder to desecrate his disinterest on discussing any creation of others, as he compared the discussion with a murder. Shamsur Rahman said that poetry should create enthusiasm among the readers as it is obvious in Sajjad Kadir's composition.

Among the early works of the poet are 'Amra Pachjon' (We Five), 'Dorgar Kache Nadi' (River by the Door), 'Opar Baye' (Another Time of the Day), 'Opocheyer Jantapat' (Goods for Misuse), 'Akash Boreya Dao' (Extend the Sky) etc.

Chitra Nadir Pare invited to London Film Festival

By Cultural Correspondent

TANVIR Mokammel's Chitra Nadir Pare (Quiet Flows the River Chitra) has been invited to be screened at the 43rd London Film Festival organised by National Film Theatre (UK) to be held during November 3-18 this year.

The film was recommended by Cary Rajinder Sawhney, programme advisor to the festival. This is a rare honour for the film director who has already charmed the local viewers with his second movie.

Chitra Nadir Pare is a 114-minute film supported by a strong team led by director himself. The cinematography is

by Anwar Hossain, editing by Mahadeb Shi, art direction by Uttam Guha and the direction of music by Syed Sabab Ali Arzoo. The cast is also a team well united in their combined portrayal of a touching story of the Partition of Indian subcontinent—one of the most important events that has put impact in the minds of the people of this part of the world.

The film tells the story of Shashikanta's family, which like millions of other families are faced with the dilemma of whether to leave their homeland or not, as the Hindus and Muslims are forced to choose new homes on the other side of the border. But Shashikanta Sen Gupta, an eccentric lawyer

stubbornly refuses to leave the place his ancestors have been living in for centuries.

The family has a beautiful house on the bank of river Chitra. Some unscrupulous Muslim lawyers eye his house and want him to leave. Shashikanta's family starts living with the neighbours. His daughter falls in love with a Muslim boy.

Tragedy strikes the family during the 1964 riots when his brother Nidhukanta's wife and daughter gets violated.

Nidhukanta commits sui-

cide; and consequently his family is forced to leave for India. Shashikanta's ailing health cannot take in all the injustice that surrounds the time and he dies. His family also is thus compelled to leave for India. Only the silent Chitra river stands witness to all that is happening around.

In being invited to the London Film Festival, the film will now get a chance to be exposed to a wider range of viewers who will be able to get the taste of art-films that are being made in the country.

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An Ad with a Difference

By Cultural Correspondent

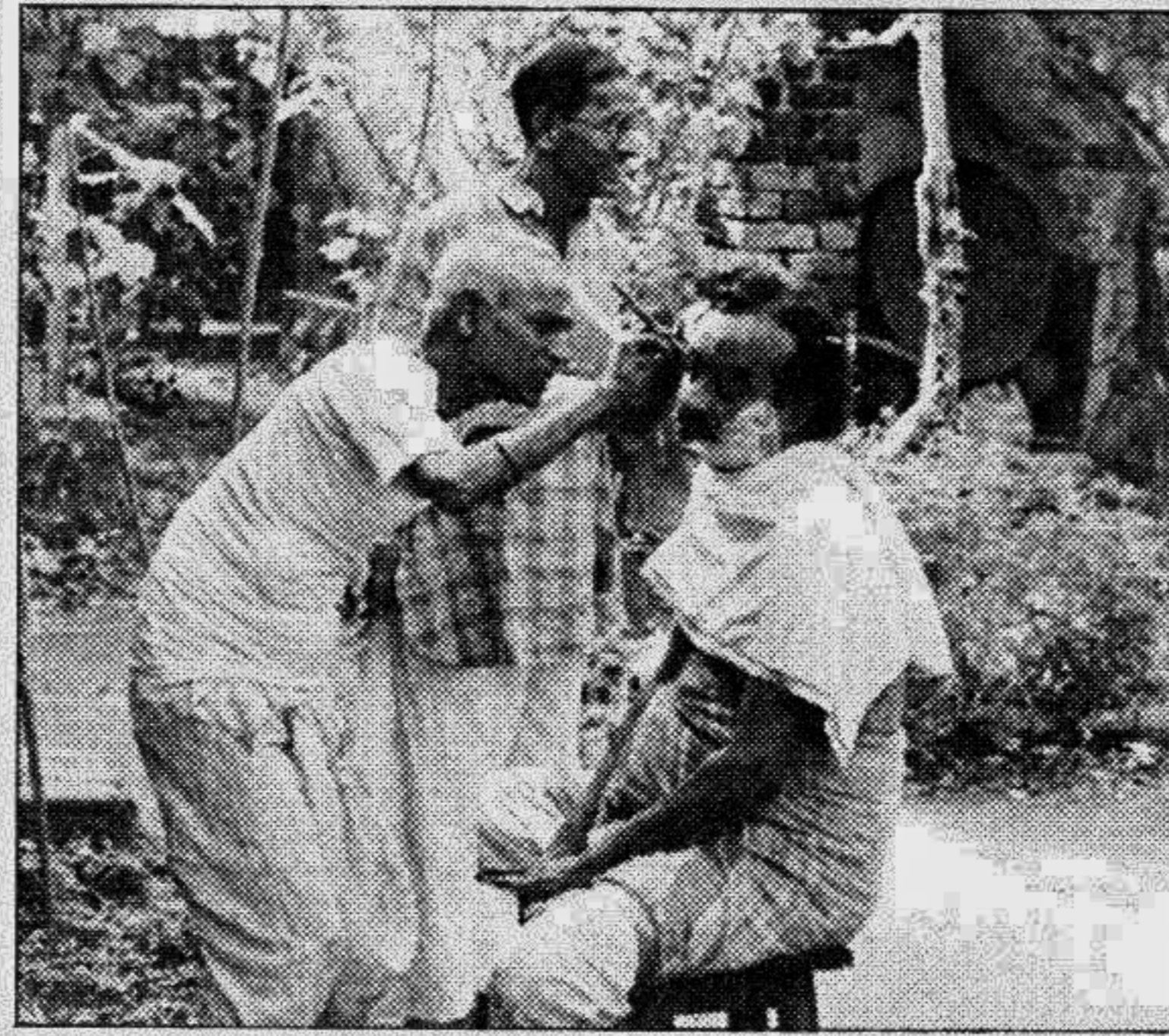
ALTHOUGH there has been a vast improvement in the quality and content of ad films in Bangladesh, we have lagged far behind especially in comparison to our neighbours. Most of the advertisements are made along similar lines, similar gimmick and similar jingle, using the few professional models we have. Therefore, most ads are simply replicas of one another.

The psychology behind most ads appear to be to pinch on the customers' sense of class and beauty. Many ads do not serve their very purpose, that is to inform customers about their product and hence influence them to buy a certain commodity over another. The ads today portray good-looking models, wearing beautiful clothes, smiling away for no reason at all - aspects which hardly tell much about the products being advertised.

There are however exceptions to the rule. In recent times, the ad firms in Bangladesh are trying to come out of the dogmatism that afflict the ad world. One such exception is the Lever Brothers Wheel Washing Soap and Powder advertisement.

Produced by Ad-com, one of the leading advertising agencies of the country, the ad has been shot at different locations of the country, portraying 'Bangladesh at its best'. It has a patriotic tone in it, emphasised by the jingle that has been used. The redeeming factor is that no professional models have been used, no finicky glamour has been portrayed, there is no facade. Emphasis has been given to rural Bengal, the ordinary people and their lifestyle.

Clearly much effort and thought have gone into making of this refreshing commercial.



A scene from Chitra Nadir Pare.

TV Guide

Monday 30th August

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
Headlines 6:05 World Living: USA Direct 6:30 World living: Top Gear 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 11:30 World Focus: Copresspondent 12:00 BBC World News 12:30 India Business Reports 1:00 BBC World News 1:30 World Focus: The Big Trip #12/16: Spain & Africa 2:00 World News 2:30 World Focus: Copresspondent 3:00 World News 3:30 Hard Talk 4:00 BBC World News 4:30 World living: Top Gear 5:00 BBC The World Today 6:30 World Focus: Copresspondent 7:00 BBC World News 7:15 World Business Report/24 Hours

CHANNEL [V]

7:30 Tea With [V] 8:00 Virtual [V] 8:30 Tea With [V] 9:00 [V] Style Police 9:30 Tea With [V] 10:00 [V] Line Lagoo 10:30 [V] Hit Machine 1:00 [V] First Day First Show Spl 1:30 Sunday Spl 2:30 [V] Sabha 3:00 [V] Hit Machine 3:30 [V] This Week 4:00 [V] Hit Machine 4:30 Tea With [V] 5:00 Virtual [V] 5:30 Tea With [V] 6:00 Launch Pad 6:30 Tea With [V] 7:00 [V] Line Lagoo 7:30 [V] Hit Machine 8:30 Channel [V] 9:00 [V] This Week 9:30 [V] First Day First Show Spl 10:00 [V] Hit Machine 10:30 Late Night [V] 11:00 [V] Cool Maal 11:30 Late Night [V] 12:30 [V] Hit Machine 1:30 Late Night 2:00 [V] Dares You 2:30 Late Night [V] 3:30 [V] Hit Machine

STAR PLUS

6:30 Ninaad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:30 TVC Shopping 10:00 Good Morning India 12:00 We The People 12:30 TVC Shopping 1:00 Hit Ya Fit 1:30 Virsaas 2:00 Ek Mulaquat 2:30 Swabhiman 3:00 Kuchha Pappad

Pukka Pappad 3:30 Star

Bestsellers 4:30 Lassie 5:00 Shotgun Challenge 6:00 Small Wonder 6:30 Zaban Sambhalke 7:00 Hit Ya Fit 7:25 The Trail Show 7:30 Star News (Hindi) 8:00 Srimati Sharma Na Kehi Thi 8:30 Tu Tu Main Main 9:00 Saans 9:30 Star News 10:00 Main 10:30 Saajid No. 2 11:00 Aaj Ki Baat 11:30 A Mouthful of Sky 12:00 Star News 12:30 The Bold And The Beautiful 1:00 Brittas Empire 1:30 Murder One 2:30 Dangerfield 3:30 Snowy River McGregor Saga 4:30 Media TV 5:00 The Bold and The Beautiful 5:30 Oprah Winfrey Show



Main on Star Plus at 10:00 pm

STAR WORLD

6:00 Aerobics Oz Style 6:30 Hollywood Squares 7:00 Brittas Empire 7:30 Jack Hanna's Animal Adventure 8:00 2 Point 4 Children 8:30 Newhart 9:00 Heartbeat 10:00 Peak Practice 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 Dr Quinn Medicine Women 1:00 The Bold and The Beautiful 1:30 Tropical Heat 2:30 Movie TV 3:00 Jack Hanna's Animal Adventure 3:30 2 Point 4 Children 4:00 Hollywood Squares 4:30 World News 5:00 Asia News Update 5:05 World Business Report



Home Improvement on Star World at 5:30 pm

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6:00 Mr Bean 6:55 AsiaNews Update 7:00 Drama And Greg 7:30 Caroline In The City 8:00 Chicago Hope 9:00 The Bold And The Beautiful 9:30 Home Improvement 10:00 Mr Bean 11:00 Dharma And Greg 11:30 Caroline In The City 1:00 Home Improvement 1:30 Mr Bean 2:30 Dharma And Greg 3:00 Caroline In The City 3:30 Kenneth Copeland Ministries 4:00 Life in the Word With Joyce Meyer 4:30 World News 5:00 2 Point 4 Children

STAR MOVIES

7:45 Family: The Paper

juma/Hamd/Naat 8:20

Cartoon 8:30 Khabrain 8:45 Abb Pata Challa 9:05 Khat Farmaish 9:20 Sargam Sargam 9:45 Ilaaj-Bil-Ghiza Pakistan 10:05 Shab Daigh 10:35 English Film: Goof Troop 10:55 Milli Nagma 11:00 Khabrain 11:10 The Saint (Eng Film Roger Moor) 12:00 Drama Serial 12:55 Quran-e-Hakeem 1:02 Bismillah 1:15 Drama Serial 2:00 Drama Serial 2:50 The Face Of Cultural 3:15 Roushni 3:30 Paimaney 4:00 Ghardari 4:35 Biology for 10th/Geography/Chemistry 5:55 Inter College Quiz 6:25 Aiou Courses 7:00 Taranum (Drama Serial) 7:45 English News 8:00 Potluck 8:20 Ali Baba (Drama Serial) 8:45 Yeh To Hai Hi Lollywood (Top Ten Songs) 9:00 Break for Headline News 9:02 Yeh To Hai Hi Lollywood 9:50 Pura Chand 10:00 Khabrainama & Commercial News & Pak Business Update 11:15 Classics Drama Serial: Crime Files 12:20 Special: TBA 1:00 Khas Khabrain/Close Down

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 News In Hindi 12:57 News Headlines 1:00 India's Most Wanted 1:30 Vision Beyond 5:00 Zee Business Show 3:30 Mystery Unploded 3:00 Question Hour 3:30 Zee World 4:00 Teer Kaman 4:30 The Diplomacy Show

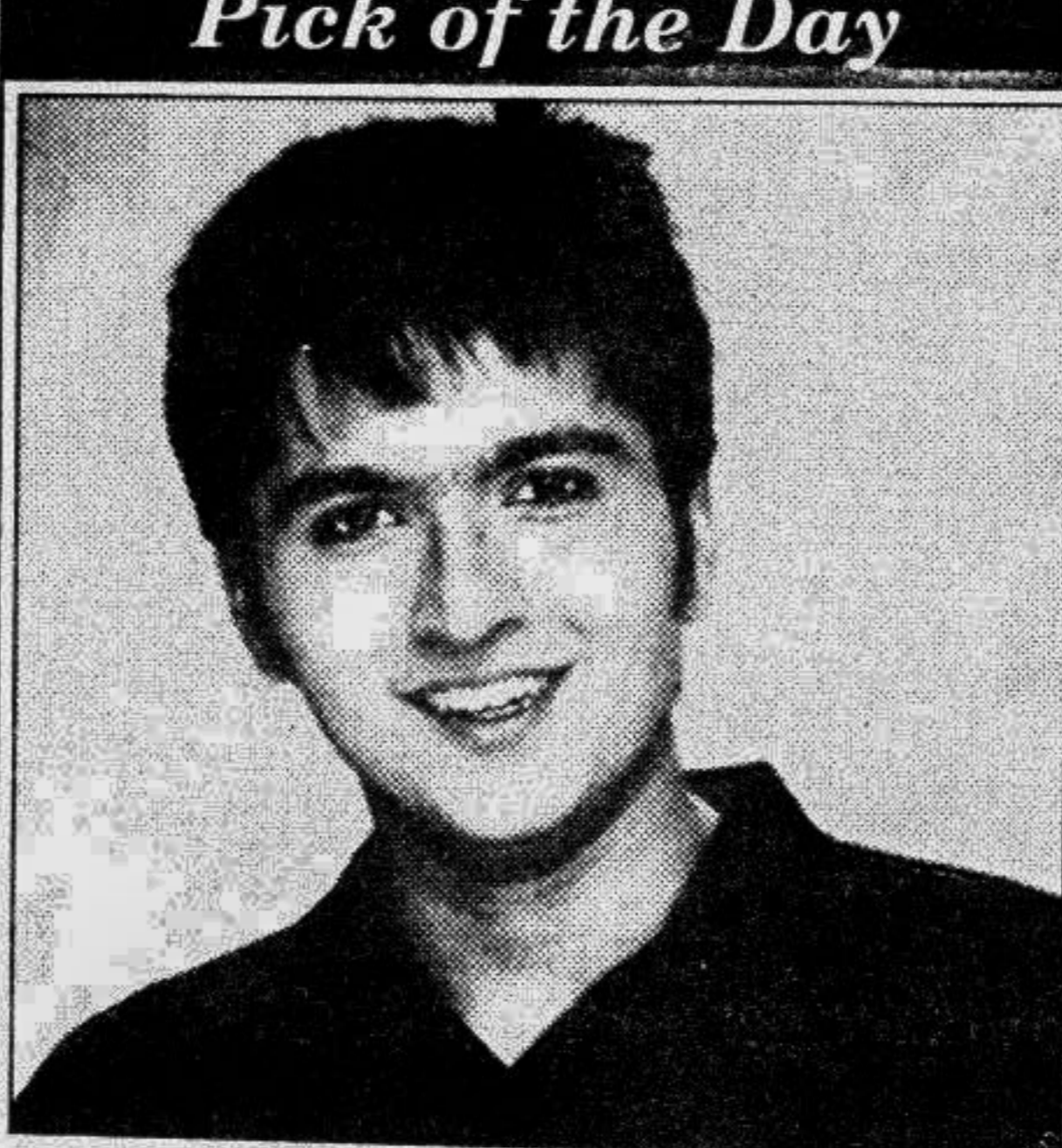
MTV INDIA

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 Nadya 11:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaaz/Amrita/Nikhil 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV Houseful V Nafisa 1:30 MTV & Kenwood India Hit Lists VJ Rahul 2:30 MTV Select VJ Nikhil 3:30 Love Line VJ Malaika 4:00 Essential 4:30 Pepsi Dance Connection Special: TV MTV 5:30 MTV Most Wanted VJ Nadya/Rahul 6:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaaz/Amrita/Nikhil 7:30 MTV Ek Do Teen VJ Rajeshwari 8:30 Non-Stop Hits 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 Houseful VJ Nafisa 10:30 Non Stop Hits 11:30 The Grind (Beach Show) 12:30 Chill Out 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 74 11:30 Bajaj Music Show 5:40 Gaan 5:50 Palli Katha 6:10 Serial 6:40

Pick of the Day



Pick of the Day Virtual [V]

Channel [V] takes the bewilderment that a teenager faces with the Internet, e-mail, telephony, ICQ, chat, CD-ROM, htm, http, ... and gives these youngsters a fun way of falling in love with the cyber world using his/her excitement and apprehension of the subject.

Virtual [V] is about everything from what machines to buy, how to set up an e-mail account, cool sites to check out, free stuff to download, hot new software, hotter computer games & the stupidest net jokes to reeeeeeeally heavy stuff like how to upgrade your machine for free, how to set up your own web page and Sabir Bhatia's brain scan.

5:00 pm. Duration 10 minutes.

9:00 Movers & Shakers

9:30 Tri-Nation AIWA Cup Cricket Fm Sri Lanka- Live (Trailer Show) 10:00 The Popadum Show 10:30 Bajaj Ki Lehren 11:00 Star Yaar Kalakar (Presenter-Farida Jalal) 12:00 Rang Berangee 12:30 Chartbusters (Trailer Show) 1:00 Khoya Khoya Chand 1:30 Music Mantra (Trailer Show) 2:00 Boogi Woogi 2:30 Daily Sope - Aurat 3:00 Daily Sope - Ek Mahal Ho Sapno Ka 3:30 Daily Sope - Junoon 4:00 Cine Matenee-Hindi Feature Film: Ek Mahal Ho Sapno Ka 7:30 Music Mantra (Trailer Show) 8:00 Chartbusters (Trailer Show) 8:30 Malgudi Days 9:00 Chamatkar 9:35 Saaya #40 (Achimantay Kaour, Manisha Joshi, R Madhavan) 10:05 Missing #10 (Presenter- Jackie Shroff) 10:40 Movers & Shakers 11:15 Ek Mahal Ho Sapno Ka (Daily Show) 11:45 Janoon (Daily Sope) 12:15 Music Mantra (Trailer Show) 12:30 Heena #35 1:00 Family No. 1 #43 1:30 Alpavram #56 2:00 Open House 3:00 Aurat 3:30 Cine Nite Show-Hindi Feature Film : Shan-E-Khuda

ZEE TV

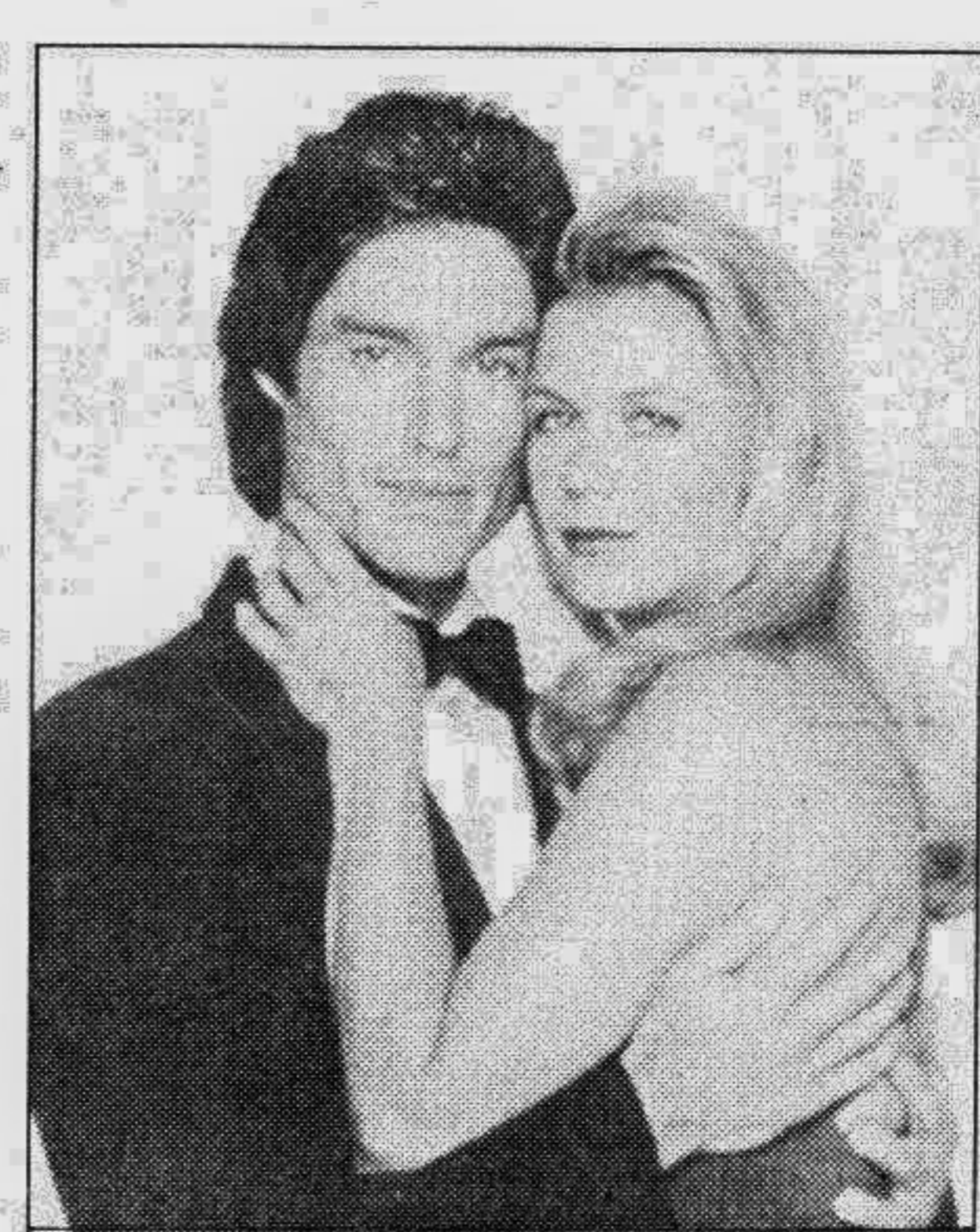
6:00 Yadoon Ki Pal (B/W Songs) 6:30 Zee News & Zee Business 7:00 Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagran 8:00 Guldasta 8:30 Zara Haske- Hai Zindegi 9:00 Zara Haske- Filmi Chakkari 9:30 Disney Hour (Cartoon) 10:30 Ek Nazar & Guldasta 11:00 Thums up Public Demand 11:30 Amanat 12:00 Neeyat Ep-52 12:30 Choti Choti Baanch 1:00 Do Aur Do Paanch 1:30 Naye Nazrane (Film Trailer) 2:00 Daily Sitcom-Hum Paanch (Rerun) (Serial: Amita, Rakhi Vijan) 2:30 Sope- Sanskar 3:00 Daily Sope- Raahat (Rerun) (Serial) 3:30 Cinema Hits Hindi Film: Bees Saal Bad 6:30 Ek Nazar (Hindi Film Trailer) 7:00 Disney Hour Cartoons 8:00 Chota Muh Aur Badi Baat (Sitcom) 8:30 Ghar Jamaai #Ep- 61 (Satish Shah, R Madhavan, Shadha Singh) 9:00 Ashiqui #Ep-23 (Anita Raj, Farida Jalal) 9:30 Haad Kar Di #Ep-58 (Sitcom) 10:00 Janam #8 (Divya Shett, Kartika Rane, Sheeba, Sameer, Rohini Hattangady) 10:30 Kala Sona #26 (Songeeta, Achinta Kaur, Nobeedita) 11:00 Shapath #136 (Kiron Kumar, Nikita, Homi Wadia, Sudesh Beri) 11:30 Raahat 12:00 Nirma-Hum Paanch 12:30 Colgate-Top 10 songs of India VJ Satish Shah 1:00 Nagin #9 (Seema Kapoor, Ronit Roy) 1:30 Tejaswini #3 2:00 Zee News 2:30 Zee Arabia: Anhonee (Horror Show) 3:00 Feature Film (B/W)

DD CHANNEL

5:55 Vande Mataram & Thought of The Day 6:00 Serial: Aradhana 6:30 For The Universities 7:00 IGNOU Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:40 Subha Sabera 8:30 Business Plus 8:45 The News 8:50 This Morning's Business 9:00 Subha Sabera (Current Affairs) 9:30 Serial: Khatta Meetha 10:00 UGUS 10:30 Tarang 11:30 YOUNG 12:30 Aurat 1:00 Serial: Aparajita 1:30 Intezar Aur Sahi 2:00 Deewar 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 Programme For Children 5:00 Aap Ka Pariwar 5:30 Sargam 6:00 Nai Rahen 6:30 Samachar Diary 6:45 Fashion Today 7:00 Krishna Darshan 7:30 Samachar 8:00 Fifty Fifty 8:30 Bharati (Serial) 9:00 Samachar 9:30 News 10:00 Serial: Chandrakanta 11:02 Sooriya Maharana Pratap 11:32 Itihaas 12:02 Serial

SONY TV

7:30 Aatma 8:00 Risprasad 8:30 Chartbusters (Trailer Show)



The Bold And The Beautiful on Star World at 9:00 pm

Samacher/News 3:05 Dawat 3:30 Woh Ladki 4:00 Ank Ajoobe 4:30 Sports 5:00 Animal Planet 6:00 Flash Gordon 6:30 Superman 7:00 Goof Troops 7:30 Green Teen Quiz 7:55 Sun Sun Sun 8:00 Ya Cafe 8:30 The Queen of Hearts (Serial) 9:00 Prayeshit (Serial) 9:30 Jane Bhi Do Paroo (Serial) 10:00 Lebedev Ki Naika 10:30 Aaj Tak 10:50 Sorry Sir (Serial) 11:05 Blue Healers 11:30 Silent Reech 12:00 Series-Crime Busters

DD INTL

9:30 Opening & News in English 9:45 Business Plus 10:00 Mirch Masala (Film Magaz-ine) 10:30 India This Week (Reporting) 11:00 Light Music 11:15 Culturel Prog 11:45 TBA 12:15 Bharat Samachar (News in Hindi) 12:30 TBA 1:00 Hindi Film 10:00 Hindi Film (Rpt)

AXN ACTION TV

7:30 Highlander I #Ep- Return Of Amanda 8:30 Nanku 9:00 Yamato Takeru (Cartoon) 9:30 Extremists 10:00 Xtreme Sports-2 10:30 Police Rescue #Ep- Something's Got To Give 11:30 AXN The Series 12:00 Who Dares Wins 12:30 Highlander I #Ep- Revenge Of The Sword I #Ep- Acapulco Heat #Ep- Mouse That roared 2:30 MOVIE: Tenth Of A Second 4:30 Ninku 5:00 Yamato Takeru (Cartoon) 5:30 Extremists



The Full Monty on Star Movies at 12:00 pm

Drink the Little 10:00 Flinstone Kids 10:30 Riche Rich 11:00 Top Cat 11:30 Captainplanet 12:00 Scooby Doo 12:30 The Cartoon Grand 1:30 Fantastic Max 2:00 Crocodile 2:30 The New Scooby Deo Movies 3:30 Sky Commanders 4:00 Centurions 4:30 Swats Kats 5:00 Ninja Robots 5:30 Flinstones 6:00 Top & Jerry Kods 6:30 Crocodile 7:00 The Mask 7:30 Dexters Laboratory 7:45 Whats a Cartoon! Show 8:00 The Addams Family 8:30 Scooby Doo Where Are You 9:00 The Popeye Show

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Science Frontiers 2:30 Discovery Showcase 3:30 Discovery Profile Series Ep. 1 4:30 Next Step Ep. 96 5:00 Ultrascience 5:30 Beyond 2000 Ep. 247 6:00 Splat Ep. 5 6:30 Ushuaia Ep. 105 7:30 Outer Bounds Ep. 18 8:00 High Adventure Ep. 5 8:30 Travelers 9:30 Supercities 10:00 Intimate Escapes 10:30 Great Mysteries And Myths 11:00 What A World 11:30 In Care of Nature 12:00 Lost Animals of the 20th Century Ep. 10 12:30 Equinox 1:30 Nest Step Ep. 95 2:00 Ultrascience 2:30 Beyond 2000 Ep. 240 3:00 Splat! Ep. 2 3:30 Ushuaia Ep. 102 4:30 Outer Bounds Ep. 15 5:00 High Adventure Ep. 2 5:30 Travelers 6:30 Mega Movie Magic Ep. 4 7:00 Popular Mechanics for Kids 7:30 Lonely Planet 8:30 Untamed Amazonia 9:30 The New Detectives 10:30 Storm Warning 11:30 Discovery Profile Series

HOME TV

7:30 Club 700 8:30 Aap Ke Sitare 9:00 Blood &... 9:15 Cartoons 10:00 Action Drama 10:45 Chalte 11:00 Matinee Show 11:30 Jaane Kya Tune Kahi 12:00 Insaide 12:30 Zaban Sambhal 1:00 Tele shopping Network 1:30 Telebrands 2:00 Aao Gues Karen 2:30 Hageeget 3:00 Popularly Yours 3:30 Telebrands 4:00 Hit-Hit Hurry 4:00 Tele-shopping Network 5:30 Chalte Chalte 5:45 Cartoons 6:30 Action Drama 7:15 Pahlri Nagar 7:30 Long Of Music 8:30 First cut 9:00 Holly Wood Hangama 9:30 Saar 10:00 Satya 10:30 Infocous 11:00 Panther 11:30 First Cut 12:00 Aap Ke Sitare 12:30 Amma & Family

ATN

6:00AM Islamic programme 7:30 Drama serial 8:00 Music prog. 8:30 Drama serial 9:00 Musical prog. 9:30 Songs prog. 10:00 Bangla Film : Mela 7:00 Drama serial 7:30 Horoscope prog. 8:00 Fashion show 8:30 Magazine prog. 9:00 Musical prog. 9:30 Economic prog. 10:00 Bangla Film : She-cool