

music

Bhalabasha Dio Protidin

Shaheda Sultana Piya makes her debut in the world of music

By Shahana Parbeen

MUSIC lovers can look forward to a new star in the cultural circles of the country because there is a new addition to Bangladesh's tiny music family. Shaageta launched the first solo audio album of Shaheda Sultana Piya at a neat ceremony on Thursday evening at a local Chinese restaurant.

The album is titled *Bhalabasha Dio Protidin* and the songs have been composed by Pranab Ghosh, one of the leading composers of the country.

At the press conference held to launch the album, Pranab Ghosh talked about his perception of Piya. He said that he was very very hopeful of her success



Shaheda Sultana Piya

in the field. He said that he personally felt that Piya's main source of achievement was her parents' dedication to her learning and *reyaz*. Without their help, Piya would not have been where she is today, he said.

Others who spoke at the press conference also expressed their hopes of Piya making a success in the field. Among those who spoke on the occasion included such well reputed and established singers as Tapan Chowdhury, Subir Nandi and Sheikh Saadi Khan.

Piya obtained her Bachelors in Music from Gandharava Mahabidyalaya at Delhi in India. She has also trained under Maharajanjan Shwama, Samiran Chakravarti, Ustaad Nirod Baran Barua and Ustaad Vinod

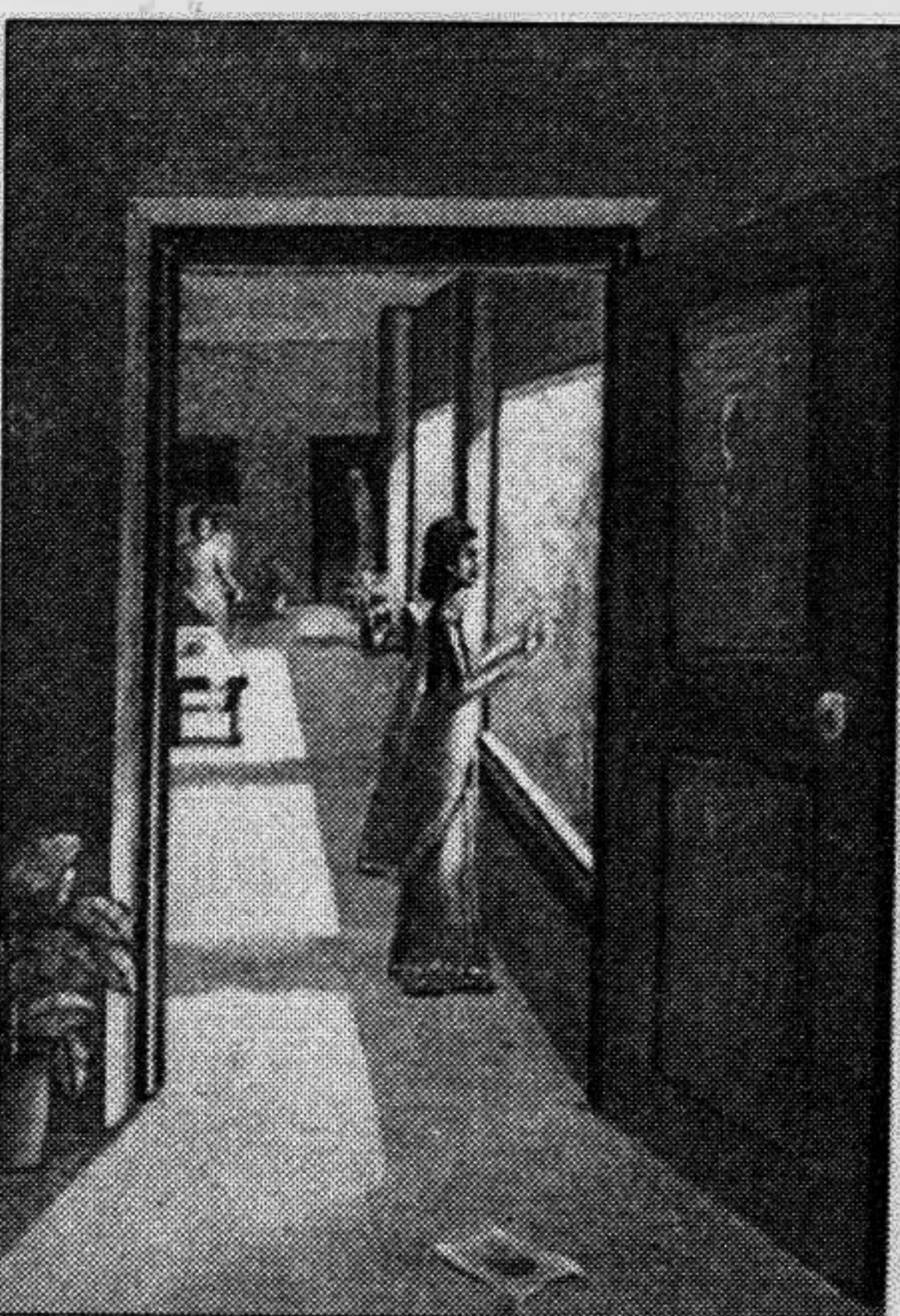
Kumar Mudgal (Delhi). At present she is taking lessons from Shobha Mudgal in Delhi, who herself is making waves in the Indian music arena with her soulful songs. Even after all this, Piya hopes to pursue yet higher studies on music in the near future. Her favourite singers in Bangladesh include Runa Laila, Sabina Yasmin, Andrew Kishore and Tapan Chowdhury.

Bhalabasha Dio Protidin is Sangita's 146th release. Earlier on Wednesday, it held a cultural evening at the National Museum auditorium to introduce Piya. The bright new artist presented a few numbers from her first album and also some popular songs of Lata, Chitra Singh and others.

exhibition

Speaking Through the Canvas

Yeasmin Ara Lina's first solo exhibition opens at Gallery 21



By Nafid Imran Ahmed

THE first solo exhibition of paintings by Yeasmin Ara Lina opened at Gallery 21 yesterday. Anwar Hossain Manju, AL president member inaugurated the exhibition. Eminent artists Mostafa Monwar, Asma Kibria and Shaheen Subrana were present as special guests.

The evening began with Shaheen Subrana's welcome speech where she expressed her feeling of duty towards young promising artists, the underprivileged, the flood-affected, the handicapped and anyone she can help through activities of Gallery 21. She spoke of the fund-raising exhibition for the flood victims, the exhibition of 'Shara' to collect money for schools and many of the promotional exhibitions that Gallery 21 has hosted in the past.

Distinguished Artist Mostafa Monwar then spoke of Lina's work saying that her watercolors are of high quality

and even her oils show that she has a mature hand. He said that her disabilities have not stopped her from expressing herself, on the contrary, it probably enhanced her vision and gave her the power to perceive things in a totally different manner. He said 'Tagore had said "Chokher aloy dekhechilem chokher bahrey" (I have seen beyond my eyes with light from my eyes...) and I say "Moner aloy dekhechilem moner bahrey" (I have seen beyond my soul with the light from my soul...)'

Artist Asma Kibria then took the stage to congratulate Lina on her first exhibition and then artist Swapan Chowdhury, Lina's teacher and mentor, said, 'I am Lina's teacher and I'm here to say some words on her, words which she cannot understand. When I first started to teach her, it was difficult to communicate with her but as time went by, I learnt how to speak to her in sign language. I realised that with a few movements of her hands and my

hands we could express ourselves quite well. She is a very talented girl and I hope she never lets go of this mode of expression, because she does it very well.'

Anwar Hossain Manju in his speech said, 'We live in a cruel world. We have to live through strikes, hartals - we have to live in a world where people are very busy. We, who govern the country, have a lot of responsibilities and have almost no time to enjoy what our country has, the arts, and music. I appreciate the efforts of the organisers to still encourage and promote the young artists amid all these limitations that engulf us and hope this will be a continuing trend. He then lit a light (*pradip*) and formally inaugurated the exhibition.

Yeasmin Ara Lina has produced an exceptional range of work, which asserts the wonder of creativity in defiance of cruel handicaps of nature. Lina's world is limited only to sight - for she can neither speak nor

hear and she has found a visual vocabulary absolutely her own and free of non-visual intrusions.

The exhibition is unique and the paintings are very detailed. Perhaps Lina, who has no other way of perceiving things has a keen eye or even better inside and views an ordinary object in detail. The colours she uses, especially in her oil paintings are bright and vivid and reflects the boldness, strength and energy within her, which she cannot express in any other way.

Lina's work is good, and not only as a handicapped artist and from the looks of it, she will be an artist of high caliber one-day. It is quite an opportunity for art-lovers to decipher the language of the mute - congratulations to her for having the courage and the talent to hold an exhibition.

It is also commendable on the part of Gallery 21 to hold such an exhibition and to give someone like Lina an opportunity to express herself - to help her to be heard.

to preview

Juboraj on BTV Tonight

THE 2nd episode of *Juboraj* will be aired on BTV tonight at 9.00 pm. The serial is written by Imdadul Haque Milon and stars Toukir Ahmed as *Juboraj* and Shomi Kaiser as *Maya*. One of the highlights of this serial is the fact that Shomi appears in 3 different roles in the story.

Synopsis: *Maya's* mother *Rokeya* asks her about her relationship with *Juboraj*. *Maya* decides to confide in her mother and tells her that she is deeply in love with him. But *Rokeya* is too scared to share this information with her husband *Talukder Shahib*. Meanwhile *Meser Ghatak* goes to *Juboraj's* mother with a proposal to find a good bride for her son. A distressed *Maya* decides to write to her loved one who also sends answers to her messages. *Champa* becomes their go-between to communicate. *Talukder Shahib* keeps on pressuring his family for *Maya's* marriage. So *Rokeya* decides to tell him that *Maya* has a choice of her own and doesn't want to marry the boy that he has chosen. This angers the father so much that he asks the ghatak to



Toukir and Sami in a dramatic sequence from Juboraj

reschedule the wedding to an earlier date. *Juboraj* decides to tell his own mother about his love for *Maya*. One day *Maya*

decides to stand up to her father and tell him clearly that she has no consent to the wedding arranged for her and will not

forcibly be married off. *Talukder Shahib* slaps her right across her face.....

---Muneera Parbeen

TV Guide

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

BTV

3:00 Al-Quran. Programme summary 3:10 Recitation from the Bible 3:15 Patriotic song 3:20 Open University 4:00 Khabar 4:05 Animation film: Banana's in Payjama 4:30 Programme on Nutrition 4:45 Metho Soor 5:25 Special debate programme 6:30 Khabar 8:40 Programme from Chittagong centre 7:05 Maati-o-Manush 7:25 Bhraman 8:00 News in Bangla 8:30 Rreetur Rangay Aanka 9:00 Drama serial: Yubaraj 10:00 News at Ten 10:30 Magazine: Ananda Ananda 11:00 Swadhinata Tomar Janya 11:30 Khabar/The News 11:45 Close down

News 1:05 World Weekend: 20:20 Profiles of Century 2:30 World Living: The Big Trip #14/16 Series Vs Africa 4:30 HARDtalk 5:00 BBC World Newsdesk line World Report / 24 Hours

CHANNEL [V]

11:00 [V] This Week 11:30 Channel [V] Oye 12:00 [V] Hit Machine 12:30 [V] Dares You 1:00 [V] Line Lagao 1:30 [V] Hit Machine 2:30 [V] The Ticket 3:00 [V] Lunch Pad 3:30 [V] Hit Machine 5:30 [V] Sunday Special 6:30 [V] Hit Machine 7:00 [V] Cool Mail 7:30 [V] Hit Machine 8:00 [V] Crossword 8:30 [V] Hit Machine 9:00 [V] Challenge 9:30 [V] Sabha 10:00 [V] Hit Machine 10:30 [V] Mainstage 11:30 Billboard US Countdown 12:30 [V] Hit Machine 3:30 [V] Hit Machine

Janata Ki Adalat 12:00 Mega Hit Parade 12:30 Star News Sunday 1:30 India Business Week 2:00 Fortune of War 3:00 Movie Classic: Beat The Devil 4:30 Media TV 5:00 The Knock 6:00 Travel Asia

STAR WORLD

6:00 Batman 6:30 Animal House 7:00 Crystal Maze 8:00 Mr Belvedere 8:30 Only Fools & Horses 9:00 The Adventures of Sinbad 10:00 Small Wonder 10:30 Mind Your Language 11:00 Xena 12:00 Hercules 1:00 L A Heat 2:00 Walker-Texas Ranger 3:00 Tropical Heat 4:00 WWF Superstars 5:00 The Simpsons 5:30 Travel Asia 6:00 Asia News Sunday 6:30 3rd Rock From the Sun 7:00 The Crow 8:00 The X-Files 9:00 Cops 9:30 TV Com 10:00 Asia News Sunday 10:30 3rd Rock From the Sun 11:00 The X-Files 12:00 The Crow 1:00 Asia News Sunday 1:30 3rd Rock From the Sun 2:00 The X-Files 3:00 Cops 3:30 Keneth Copeland Ministries 4:00 Life in the World..... 4:30 World News 5:00 2 Point 4 Children 6:30 Hollywood Squares

STAR MOVIES

7:30 Family: Ernest Saves Christmas (12) 9:00 Drama: Pleasure Palace 11:00 Bhaskar Ghose Show 11:30 Sunday Best: The Hard Way (1979) 1:30 Drama: Mr&Mrs Bridge (15) 4:00 E! Cp: Kathy Najimy 5:00 Horror: Damien (Omen-II) (15) 7:15 Action: Volcano (15) 9:30 Starbiz 10:00 Sunday Night Premiere: Hradrain 12:00 Action:

Bail Out 2:00 Drama: Pleasure Palace 3:45 Action: Red Flag: The Ultimate Game (12) 5:30 Action: Volcano (15)

ATN

6:00 Islamic Programme 7:30 Musical Prog 8:00 Shooting Prog 8:30 Musical Prog 9:00 Dance Prog 9:30 Drama Serial 10:00 Money Talk 10:30 Bangla Film-Subir Fadey 7:00 Drama Serial 7:30 Film Songs 8:00 Drama Serial 8:30 Magazine Prog 9:00 Drama Serial 9:30 Songs Prog 10:00 Bangla Film-Palki

PTV-2

8:00 Tilwat Aur Tarjuma/Hamd-Naat/Warizish 8:20 Cartoon 8:30 Khabrain 8:45 Fun Time 9:05 TV Encyclopedia 9:25 Khat Farmaish 9:40 Sports Clinic 10:05 PTV Gold 10:30 English Film: Darkwing Duck 10:55 Mast Mast Sanyo 11:00 Khabrain 11:10 Sports Hour 12:05 The Sunday Brunch 12:55 Qurban-e-Hakeem 1:02 Food Show 1:40 Aaj Di Shaam 2:00 Drama Serial 2:55 Laag (Zebra Khan) 3:55 Karak 4:15 Education 5:25 Rizai for 9th 5:55 Zameen Per Zindagi 6:25 Aou Courses 7:00 English News 7:15 Do Star Trek Deep Space Nine 8:10 Monsoon Serial 8:40 Khabab Ajab 9:00 Break for Headlines News 9:02 Khabab Ajab 9:20 TBA 10:00 Khabarnama & Commercial News 11:00 My Choice Songs 11:35 Home Victim 12:35 Serial Monsoon 1:00 Khas Khas Khabrain/Close Down

Pick of the Day



Manchali

on Star Plus at 8 pm
Ayesha and Bachubai are attracted by an advertisement from Ghaziabad promising them a fortune if they bought goods from them and sold them in their premises. Ayesha quickly applies and is appalled to find a parcel of nude photographs delivered to her. Scared that they might be hauled up by the police for selling pornographic stuff, Ayesha, Bachubai and Prem cook up ways and means to destroy the material, but each time it keeps coming back like the proverbial bad coin. Just as they think that they have finally got rid of it, comes a phone call from Ghaziabad...another consignment is on its way.

In Control- Cricket 3:30 MTV-U VJ Cyrus 4:30 MTV-Ek Do Teen VJ Raageshwari 5:30 MTV & Kenwood India Hit List VJ Rahul 6:30 Non-Stop Hits 7:30 MTV Recycled 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 Housefull VJ Naisha 10:30 MTV Fresh VJ Rahul 11:00 Simrnoff Mega Mix VJ Naisha 12:30 Destination Dance - The Grind - Beach Show 12:00 MTV Unplugged 1:00 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 12:55 Pop Re Pop 1:00 Jharokha 1:30 Best Of The Best 2:15 World Premiere 2:30 Double Mint Double Maaza 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 Hungama 4:30 Bajaj Music Box 5:00 Hum Ta Ra 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Brake Fail 6:45 World

Bani 9:30 Shri Krishna 10:30 Sangeet Samrat Tansen 11:00 Tiliem-E-Hoshurua 11:30 Picnic Antakshari 12:00 School Days 12:30 Dilli Dairy 1:00 Sakhi Saheli 1:30 News for Hearing Impaired 1:55 Feature Film In Regional Lang 2:30 News in Hindi 2:40 News in English 2:50 Feature Film In Regional Language 4:30 Feature Film in Hindi 7:30 Samachar 8:00 Hum Sab Ek Hain Poonchu Ki Khuda Se 8:30 Meerabai 9:00 Samachar 9:30 News 10:00 TBA

SONY TV

7:30 Aatma 8:00 Rushiprasad 8:30 Chart-busters 9:00 Movers & Shakers 9:30 Live-The Awa Cup 1st Test-Day-4 8:00 Hum Sab Ek Hain 6:30 Boogie Woogie 7:00 CID Bewildering Robbery 7:30 Ramayan (*Arun Govil, Dipika) 8:30 Cine Prime Film: Raj Kapoor's Film - Ab Dilli Door Nahin 11:30 Highlights-The Awa Cup 1st Test-Day-4 12:30 The Unforgettable- Raj Kapoor Film Songs 1:00 Saaya 1:30 Star Year Kalkar *Guest- (Game Show On Songs) 2:30 Churbusters (Trailer Show)

ZEE TV

6:00 Yaadon Ki Pal (B/W Songs) 6:30 Zee News & Zee Business 7:00 Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagran 8:05 Guggudee 8:30 Disney Hour Cartoons 9:30 Shree Krishna 11:00 Mahabharat 11:30 Vijay Jyoti 12:00 Crossfire 12:30 Bourrvita Quiz Contest 1:00 Whirlpool MoM Contest 1:30 Film Baatein/Chalo Cinema 2:00 Hello Paanch 2:30 Hello Friends 3:00 Suniye Zee Suniye Zee (Dhak Ghar) 3:30 Hindi Feature Film: Udhar Ki Zindagi (Kajol, Jeetendra, Mousami Chui) 6:30 Ek Nazar 7:00 Disney Hour Cartoons 8:00 Thums Up- Public Demand VJ Roshan Abbas & Kanakshana 8:30 TVS- Saregama 9:30 Tarkash 10:00 Rishtey Saathi 11:00 Mano Ya Na Mano 11:30 Naya Zamana 12:00 Raahin 12:30 Gubbare 1:30 Waarish 2:00 Zee News 2:30 Zee Arabia 3:00 Hindi Film (B/W): Mr India (Geeta Bali, I S Johar)

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9:00 Sure Sadhak 9:30 Movie Club Film (Last Thursday's Film Rpt) 12:30 Sawal Jawab 1:30 Movie Club Film (Last Friday's Film Rpt) 3:30 Geet Sangeet 4:30 Sunday Bangla Film 5:30 News 7:20 Binodan (Magazine Show) 7:30 Bangla Sambad 8:00 Serial: Sonargaon 8:30 Special Programme 9:00 Special Programme 9:30 Serial: Sidhanta 10:30 Sambad

DD CHANNEL-1

5:55 Vande Mataram & Thought of The Day 6:00 Aradhana 6:30 UGC Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:40 Rantoli 8:40 The World News 8:50 The World News 9:00 Gao Saachi

DD METRO

7:00 Boot It Computer

7:15 Gurubani Sagar 7:45 Business Weekend 8:30 Serial: Shiv Mahapuram 9:30 Dill Daria 10:00 Akhira Kaun 10:30 Show No 1 11:30 Discy Dairy 12:00 Computer Show 1:00 Kuch Baatein Kuch Gancee 1:30 Ayur In Style 2:00 Lucky Seven 2:30 Saranga 2:55 Urdu News 3:05 Hindi Film 7:30 Mirich Masala 8:00 Public Hasti Film Masti 8:30 Ajnabi (Serial) 9:00 Yeh Ishq Nahin Aasan 9:30 Awwal Number 10:30 Cross Fire 11:00 India This Week Business 11:30 Sunehari Yaadein/Park Cafe 12:00 Asha Parekh Show 12:30 UGC Prog

AXN ACTION TV

8:00 Extremists 8:30 Planet EX 9:00 Play Life 9:30 Nightman-II *Ep- Ultra Web 10:30 Police Rescue *Ep- The River 11:30 Farscape *Ep- The Revenge Effect 12:30 Profiler-II 1:30 Highlander Raven *Ep- Reborn 2:30 MOVIE: Warriors 4:30 Knights & Wamors 5:30 Planet EX 6:00 Very Radical 6:30 Nightman-II *Ep- Ultra Web 7:30 Total Recall *Ep- 8:30 Very Radical 9:00 Planet EX 9:30 MOVIE: Western Special: Old Gringo (*) 1:30 MOVIE: Rolling Thunder 1:30 Nightman-II *Ep- Ultra Web 2:30 Robocop *Ep- Midnight Minus one 3:30 Very Radical 4:00 Who Dares Wins 4:30 Extremists 5:30 Silk Stalking *Ep- Love Never Dies 6:30 Police Rescue

CARTOON NETWORK

5:30 World Famous Toons 6:30 Jatonson's 7:00 Flintstones 7:30 The Popeye Show 8:00 Scooby & Scrappy D 8:30 Cave Kids 9:00 Big Bag 10:00 Timeless Tales 10:30 The Detective Squad 11:30 Dynomutt 12:00 Tom & Jerry Show 12:30 Bugs & Daffy 1:30 Addams Family 2:00 Dumb & Dumber 2:30 The Real Adventure of Johnny Que 3:00 Goober & The Ghost Chasers 3:30 Casper and the Angles 4:00 Goldie Gold and Action Jack 4:30 The Detective Squad 5:30 Dexter's Laboratory 6:00 Tom & Jerry Kids 6:30 Bugs & Daffy Show 7:30 Johnny Bravo 8:00 Two Stupid Dogs 8:30 Scooby Doo Where Are

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

12:30 Challenge 1:30 Ultra-transience 2:00 Next Step Ep. 101 2:30 Wings 3:30 Danger Zone 4:00 ESPU 4:30 Next Step Ep. 109 5:00 Ultra-transience 5:30 Beyond 2000 Ep. 235 6:00 Splat! Ep. 18 6:30 Ushuaia Ep. 18 7:30 Outer Bounds Ep. 5 8:00 High Adventure Ep. 18 8:30 Challenge 9:30 Storm Warning Ep. 10 10:00 Ultra-transience 10:30 Going Wild with Jeff Corwin Ep. 23 11:00 Splat Ep. 36 11:30 Born Among Wild Animals 12:00 Jaws & Claws 12:30 Crocodile Hunter 1:30 Wings 2:30 Discovery Profile Series 3:30 Discovery Profile Series 4:30 Discovery Profile Series 5:30 Discovery Profile Series 6:30 Discovery Profile Series 7:30 India Hour: Gulsitan 8:30 Wild Discovery 9:30 Napoleon's Lost Fleet 10:30 The Napoleon Murder Mystery 11:30 Discovery Profile Series

HOME TV

8:00 Club 700 9:00 Action Drama 9:05 Cartoon 9:45 A King of Magic 10:00 Ga Mere Man Ga 11:00 Hip Hurray 11:30 Cafe 18 12:00 First Cut 12:30 Bollywood Reporter 1:00 Khabr Udhan 1:30 Amma & Family 2:00 Panther 2:30 Matinee Show 03:00 Zaban Sambhal Ke 3:30 Documentary 5:30 Aao Aais Karen 6:30 Tele Shopping Network 7:00 Hollywood Hungama 7:30 High Five 8:00 Dunia Gol Hai 8:30 Popularly Yours 9:00 Jaane Kya Tune Kahi 9:30 Panther 10:00 Amma & Family 10:30 Aap Ke Sitare 11:00 First Cut 11:30 Mulaqaat 12:00 Matinee Shows 12:30 Ga Mere Mann Ga

BBC

6:00 BBC World News Headlines 6:30 World Living: Holiday Guide 7:00 BBC World News 7:30 World Focus: Correspondent 8:00 BBC World News 8:30 World Focus: Simpson's World 9:00 BBC World News 9:30 Hard Talk 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 BBC World News 11:00 BBC World News 11:30 BBC World News 12:00 BBC World News 12:30 Wild World: Masternmind India (Quiz Presenter- Sid-dharth Basu) 1:00 BBC World News 1:30 Hard Talk 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Focus: This Week 3:00 BBC World News Headlines 3:05 World Weekend: Chris Patten's East & West: The Pacific Century 4:00 BBC World News 4:30 World Living: Talking Movies 5:00 BBC World News 5:30 Reporters 6:00 BBC World News Headlines 6:05 World Weekend: 20:20 Profiles of Century 7:00 BBC World News 7:30 Wild World: The Velvet Claw #5/7-8:00 BBC World News Headlines 8:10 Dateline London 9:00 BBC World News 9:05 Weekend World: The Road to War- In 2nd World War 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 India Business Report 11:00 BBC World News 11:05 World Weekend: Chris Patten's East & West: The Pacific Century 12:00 BBC World News Headlines 12:30 Simpson's World 1:00 BBC World



The X Files on Star World at 9:00pm

7:00 MTV Hanging Out VJ Sonia 9:00 House of Style 9:30 Non-Stop Hits 10:30 Best of... 11:30 Made in India VJ Cyrus 12:00 MTV Hit Music 1:00 MTV Housefull V Naisha 1:30 Non-Stop Hits 2:30 MTV

7:00 Jagran 7:30 to 9:30 Every Half Hour - Zee News: Hindi 9:57 India Vagait Wee The People 10:00 Zee News English 10:30 Zee News Hindi 11:00 Zee Sports Show 12:00 Zee News English 12:30 to 6:30 AM Every Half Hour Zee News: Hindi