

exhibition

A Serene Silence Descends

The 31st solo featuring master painter Syed Jahangir's recent works is being held at DD Gallery.

By Ziaul Karim

ONE of the most important figures in twentieth-century Indian art Swaminathan said, "The face of art is somewhat like that of the sun. It does not communicate but gives".

Anyone visiting the exhibition being held at DD Gallery

featuring recent works by Syed Jahangir would see how Swaminathan's realisation about art works.

Jahangir's recent canvas is a happy marriage between gold and ultramarine blue.

The visual experience that one gets out of Jahangir's work is quintessentially poetic.

The present show is a testimony to how the esoteric can-

vas of Jahangir of the past has gone through a sort of metamorphosis. From mysterious aura that marked his canvas for quite sometime, Jahangir suddenly appears to the world of sunshine and colour. It seems that in his 60s he has begun to rediscover the hidden beauty of nature. As Tony Morrison has once said "creativity is a personal thing for public consump-

tion," so does Jahangir's work an intimate discovery of nature for public consumption.

Jahangir is an amazing artist who moves virtually freely between abstraction and representative art. "I don't draw a line between abstraction and representative art. I paint what my impulses suggest," said Jahangir in a contemplative mood.



Self Portrait, Charcoal on Paper

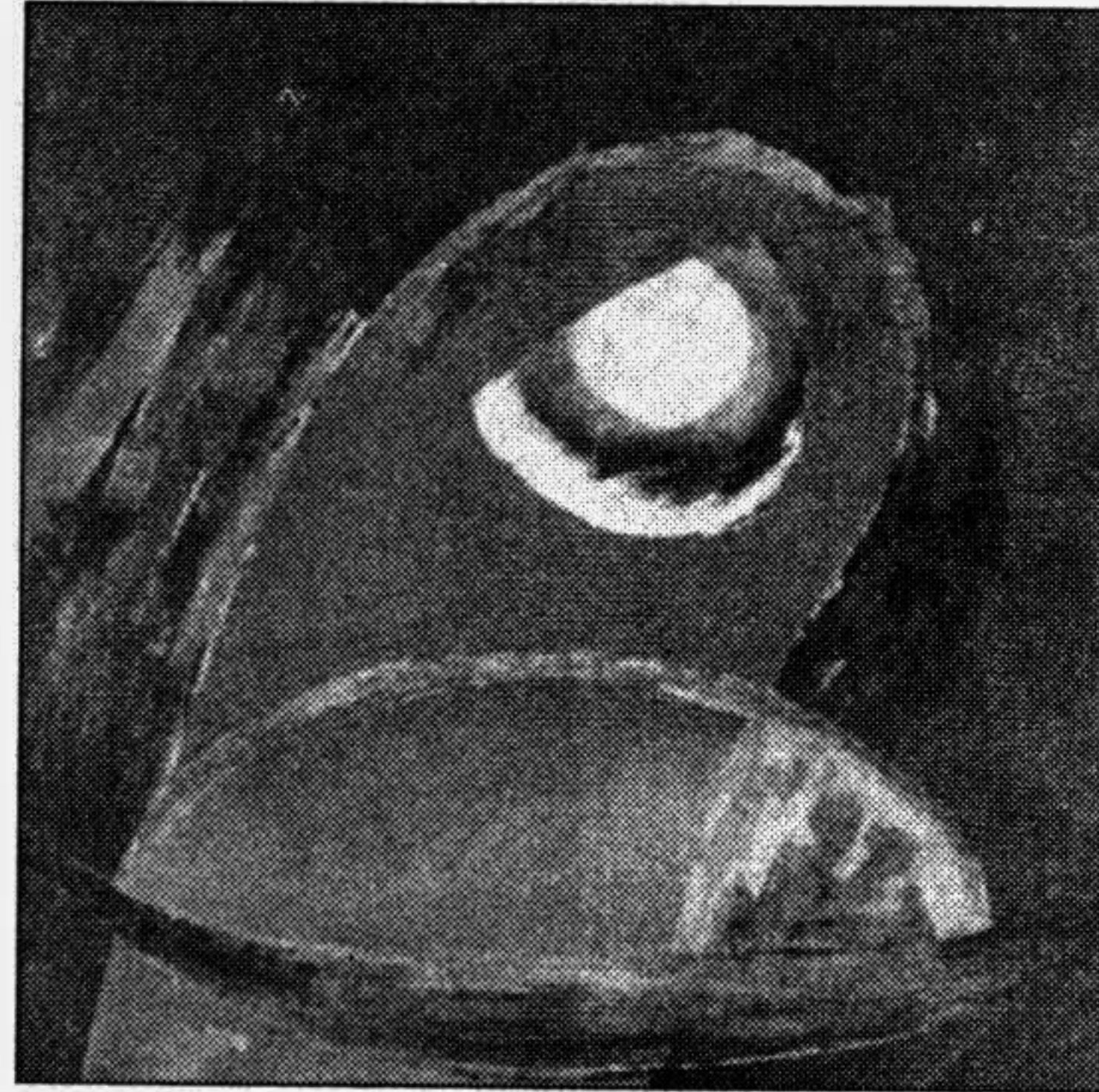
His recent works with their bright gold and cobalt blue create a serene silence, a silence Jibanananda Das wrote about in his poem Evening.

Evening descends - a serene silence all around

Works like *Moonlight Sonata*, *Sonar Tori*, *Moon Struck* spell the artist's urge to create a golden silence where his soul can rest a while from a long creative odyssey.

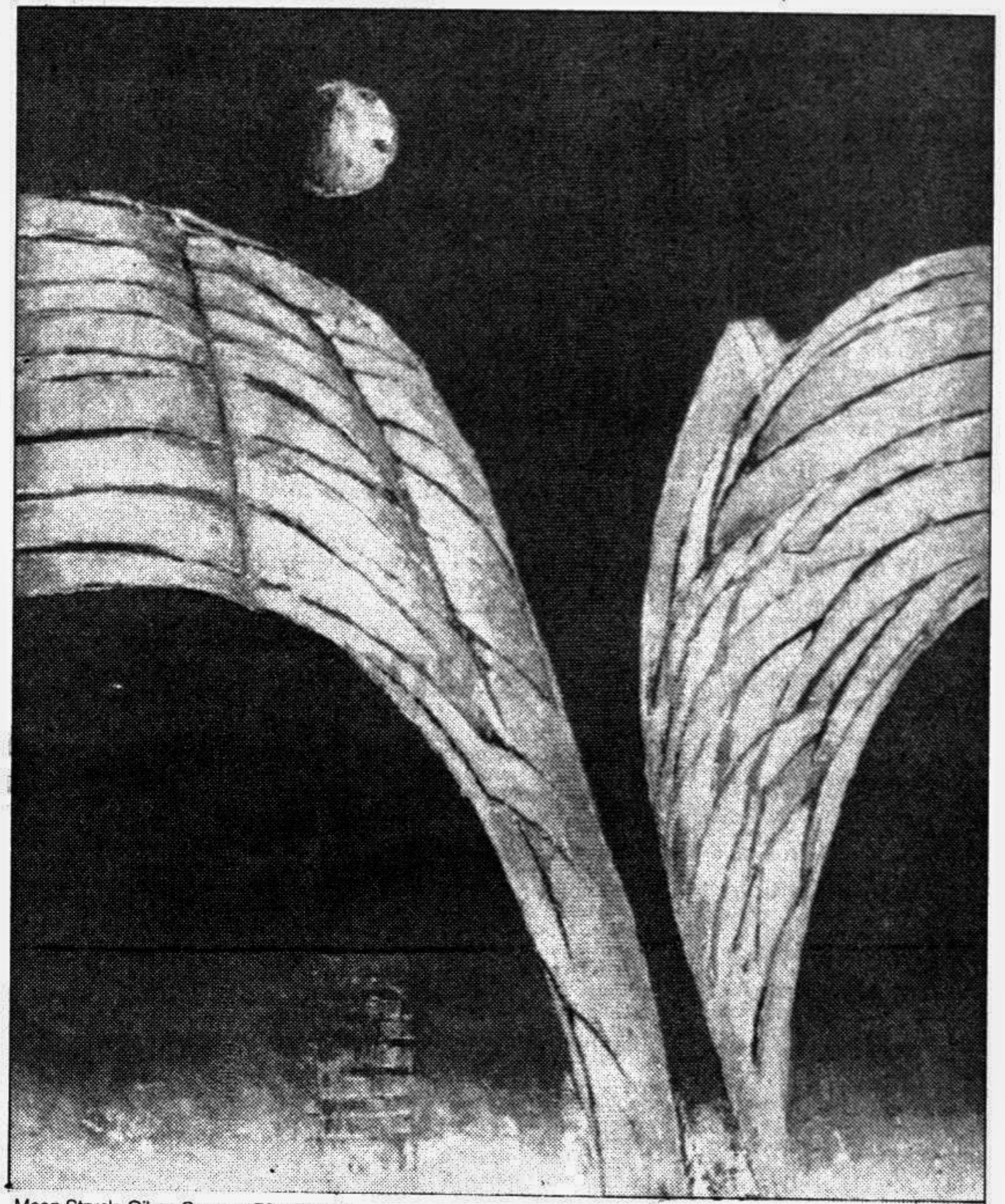
The 17-day show which began on October 15 will run until October 31 from 10 am to 8 pm.

For gallery-goers it's a treat for the eyes to experience one of our master painter's creative energy into full-force. Jahangir has in fact done 50 new works for this show particularly. In all, the show's body is made-up of 75 works done in oil painting and water colour.



above: Moonlight Sonata, Oil on Canvas, 91 x 91 cm

left: Sonar Tori (Golden Boat), Oil on Canvas, 132 x 152 cm



Moon Struck, Oil on Canvas, 73 x 73 cm

satellite tv

Here Comes TEN

New Channel Total Entertainment Network (TEN) begins its entertainment odyssey Nov 1



By Ziaul Karim

THE mood of the carnival was on the air as the stars of the tinsel town taking their seats, the launching programme of the new satellite channel TEN (Total Entertainment Network) gathered glitz and glamour to announce its presence in the entertainment circuit.

If the decades of the 80's and 90's are described as the computer age, then the next millennium would surely be termed as the age of satellite TV. As technology more and more stretching the leisure period for the human being, entertainment taking more and more space to add colour in our otherwise dull and drab life.

On Saturday evening, Oct 23, at Sonargaon ball room the TEN people spelled their commitment to healthy entertainment and the dream to promote and generate Bengali culture world wide as the channel will be aired across four continents, 140 countries to be precise.

Light faded out on the stroke of 8, spotlight slanted on the dais to be taken up by the presenter Mukul who began by telling a story which many had found heavy for an occasion like this. But the best part of the launching was an orchestra composed and conducted by Emon Shaha, son of the illustrious music composer Satya Shaha. The highlight of the music was the way Emon did his fusion. He blended folk,



Emon, far right, conducts the orchestra that delights the audience at the launching of TEN Channel on Oct 23 at Sonargaon Hotel.

modern Bengali song and western beat as smoothing as a knife cuts a butter.

After the synchronized musical spell the silver screen placed just behind the podium facing the audience lit up with clippings from the programme and title music created for TEN. The brief clipping managed to convey the message that TEN means business and it had taken entertainment seriously. The projection ended with a flash announcing that TEN begins its entertainment extravaganza on November 1.

For the next 40 minutes or so

it was up to the stars of Dhaka's cultural firmament including stars of the celluloid world to come one by one and speak about their expectation from TEN and how they feel about the channel that is coming in a big way to entertainment industry which has just beginning to bloom.

Afzal was the first to come since the organisers had decided to call the stars on stage in alphabetic order. "Since TEN is going to beam our culture across the continents onus is on TEN to promote our culture to the world." And Afzal in an

emotional voice said, "Through satellite channel we want to prove that we love our country."

"We talk about," Ilias Kanchan said next, "opening windows to let fresh air and light to come in. But we have to be very cautious about it because bad smell might also get in."

Emdadul Haq Milon came next to talk about his expectation: "I hope TEN would portray the true picture of the country and our culture."

Mamunur Rashid spoke in his usual flair saying, "If total entertainment means total en-

tertainment ignoring the other side of life that consists of pain and struggle then persons like us will not be with the effort of TEN. I feel life's struggle would be there in TEN's depiction of life and culture in Bangladesh."

The long queue of expectations and wishes from the celebrities rounded off with TEN's one of the directors Shilpi Ali inviting criticism about TEN's performance which would lend opportunity for correction and inspiration for making the TEN's entertainment journey a success.

tv preview

Ak Jholok Alo on Channel i tonight

Ak Jholok Alo

The second episode of the drama series 'Ak Jholok Alo' will be aired tonight at 8.45pm on Channel i. The drama has been written by Moinul Hasan Shaber and directed by Bulbul Ahmed. The drama stars Tony Dayes, Mita Nur, Irene Zaman, Jahanara Ahmed, Masud Ali Khan, Mohsin, Bandhon and Kumkum among others.

Synopsis: Asif goes to the village, much to the happiness of his relatives, who are ecstatic to see him after such long time. The wedding day approaches and there is an aura of anticipation and excitement everywhere. Everyone is extremely busy with the wedding preparations. There is, however, one person who is a little aloof - and she is Munni. Meanwhile, Soheli's friend falls in love with Asif, much to his chagrin. He then turns to Munni to help him with all his troubles.

Solo Performance by Kanak Chapa

A solo performance by Kanak Chapa will be aired tonight at 8pm on Channel i. Dancer Shamim Arita Nipa will be the host. Kanak will sing a Nazrul Geeti, a Lalon Geeti and a song of the olden days. The songs are as follows: *Akashay Aj Ronger Khela*, *Harano Huya Nikunja Bone* and *O Manush Gurur*. Kanak will speak about herself and about her life in between the songs. Moinul Hossain Khan is the music director and the program has been directed by Tahzib Islam Dula.

Chanda Ananda

Another solo vocal music performance will be aired tonight at 8pm on ATN Bangla. ATN's guest singer is Shahabuddin Nagari who will



Film star Diti in Alapon on Channel-i

render four songs: *Brishhir Kotha Mone Chhona*, *Jotodin Prithibitey Banchho* and *Biroho Amakey Bondhu Koreche*. The program which will be presented by Lutfun Nahar Baby has been conceived by Nur-e-Afroz and Hedayet Hossain Tuhin has directed the program. The program has been made under the banner of 'Impress Telefilm Ltd'.

Ittyadi

The popular magazine program, Ittyadi, will be aired on BTB on October 29 at 9pm. As always, it has been directed by Hanif Shanket and he will present it as its host. Four songs will be featured in the program one of which will be presented by Samina Chowdhury and Kuddus Boyati. The other songs will be rendered by Shubhro

Dev, Ashiqur Rahman and Nokul Kumar Biswas.

With two new additional sections Ittyadi wants its viewers to experience something new. Hashmat and Najmul Huda will appear in the first part and the other part will be completely done with computer graphics. There are some interesting cuttings from English programmes. There is also a special interview of collector Jahidul Islam which has been shot beside the English Channel.

Beside these there are 'Strange Treatment', 'Chintal', 'Advertisement', 'Begger Problem' and many other skits. Among the regular items there will be Nana-Nati, Audience quiz, documentary and Bengali dubbing of an English Movie. -compiled by Nadine Murshid

TV Guide

Tuesday 26th October

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

CHANNEL i

Morning Session
7:20 i Music 8:00 patidin Jahid Hasan: 3rd Episode of drama 'Protijogi' 8:40 'Chayamukh' 2nd Episode 9:15 Talk Show: Alapan 10:00 Swapner Jagat 10:40 Drama: Bhora Punima

Evening Session
6:40 i Music 7:10 Pradidin Jahid Hasan: 4th Episode of drama 'Protijogi' 7:45 Eki Shilpir Ganer Anushtan Artist Kanak Chapa 8:54

Drama Series : Ek Zhalak Alo 9:30 Talk Show: Galpa Shalpa 10:00 Business File 10:30 Bengali Movie : Abujh Hridoy.

BBC WORLD

6:00 World News Headlines 6:05 USA Direct 6:30 World Living: Earth Report: Black Sea 7:00 BBC World News Inc. World Business Report/Asia Today 7:24 Hours 9:30 Asia Today 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 The Travel Show 11:30 World Focus: Europe Direct 12:00 BBC World News 12:30 Mastermind India (Quiz Presenter: Siddhartha Basu) 1:30 Antonio Carluccio's Italian Feast 2:00 World

News 2:30 World Focus: The Sky At Night 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 Hard Talk 4:00 BBC The World Today 4:30 World Focus: Earth Report: Black Sea 6:30 World Focus: The Sky At Night 7:15 World Business Report 7:30 BBC The World Today 8:30 World Living: Travel Show: 9:00 BBC World News 9:30 Hard Talk: 10:00 World News 10:30 Wheels 11:00 The World Today 12:30 Hard Talk 1:00 BBC News 1:30 World Focus: Reporters 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Living: Talking Movies 3:15 Europe Direct 4:00 BBC Newsdesk Inc. World Business Report/24 Hours 5:00 The Bold And The Beautiful

5:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show

CHANNEL [V]

7:30 Tea With [V] 8:00 Virtual [V] 8:30 Tea With [V] 9:00 Lunched Pad VJ Sophiya 9:30 Tea With [V] 10:00 [V] Line Lagao 10:30 Video Preview 11:00 [V] Hit Machine 1:00 [V] First Day First Show 1:15 Weekender Bheja Fry 1:30 [V] Hit Machine 2:30 [V] Cross Word 3:00 [V] Hit Machine 4:30 Tea With [V] 5:00 Virtual [V] 5:30 Tea With [V] 6:00 [V] Job Shop 6:15 Tea With [V] 7:00 [V] Line Lagao 7:30 [V] Hit Machine 8:30 [V] Sabha 9:00 [V] Hit Machine 9:30 First Day First Show 10:00 [V] Hit Machine

10:30 Late Night [V] VJ Laila (N) 11:00 Top of the Pops 11:30 Late Night [V] 12:30 [V] Hit Machine 1:30 Late Night [V] 2:00 [V] Whazzatnoise 2:30 Late Night [V] 3:30 [V] Hit Machine

STAR PLUS

6:30 Ninaad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:15 The Trial Show 9:30 TVC Shopping 10:00 Good Morning India 12:00 This Week That Year 12:30 TVC Shopping 1:00 Film Based Prog- Hit Ya Fit 1:30 Sansar 2:00 Pal Chhin 2:30 Swabhiman 3:00 Choti Si Baat 3:30 2-1 4:00 Srimati Sharma Na Kehi Thi 4:30 Animal Adventure 5:00 WWF

Superstars 6:00 Small Wonder 6:30 Maal Hai To Taal Hai 7:00 Hit Ya Fit 7:25 The Trial Show: Film Trailer 7:30 Star News (Hindi) 8:00 I Love My India 8:30 Hera Pheri 9:00 Kora Kagaz 9:30 Star News 10:00 Rendezvous 10:30 Bombay Blue 11:00 Aaj Ki Baat 11:30 India Business Week 12:00 Star News 12:30 The Bold and the Beautiful 1:00 Newhart 1:30 Class Act 2:30 Tropical Heat 3:30 Snowy River McGregor Saga 4:30 Fashion TV 5:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 5:30 The Oprah Winfrey Show

STAR WORLD

6:00 Aerobics Oz Style 6:30 Hollywood Squares

7:00 Brittas Empire 7:30 Jack Hanna's Animal Adventure 8:00 Sorry! 8:30 Happy Days 9:00 That 70's Show 9:30 Dharma & Greg 10:00 Chicago Hope 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 Everybody Loves Raymond 12:30 Fraser 1:00 The Bold and the Beautiful 1:30 Media TV 2:30 Second Noah 3:00 Jack Hanna's Animal Adventure 3:30 Happy Days 4:00 Hollywood Squares 4:30 World News 5:00 Asia News Update 5:15 World Business Report 5:30 Home Improvement 6:00 JAG 6:45 Asia News Update 7:00 John Woo's Once A Thief 8:00 NYPD Blue 9:00 The Bold And The Beautiful 9:30 Home Improvement

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STAR MOVIES

7:30 Comedy: Short Time (15) 9:30 Family: Crazy Jungle Adventure (15) 11:30 Western: They Call Me Trinity 1:30 Comedy: Sister Act-2 (Pg) 3:30 Comedy: Heartbreak Hotel (15) 5:15 Action: Black Scorpion (15) 7:15 Action: Shoot To Kill 9:30 Extreme CU 10:00 Action Force: Set It Off 12:30

Comedy: Short Time (15) 2:30 Action: Shoot To Kill 4:30 El Cp: Andy Garcia 5:30 Comedy: Home Alone-3 (15)

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 Flinstone Kids 1:30 Riche Rich 11:00 Top Cat 11:30 Scooby Doo 12:30 The Cartoon Grand Pix 1:30 Fantastic Max 2:00 Crocadoo 2:30 The New Scooby Doo Moyle 3:30

Fantastic Four 4:00 Centurions 4:30 Swats Kats 5:00 Ninja Robots 5:30 Flinstones 6:00 Top & Jerry Kids 6:30 Crocadoo 7:00 The Mask 7:30 Desters Laboratory 7:45 What's a Cartoon I Show 8:00 The Addams Family 8:30 Scooby Doo Where Are You 9:00 The Popeye Show

AXN ACTION TV

7:30 Highlander-III #Ep-Leader of The Pack 8:30 Ninku 9:00 Grandeur Musashi 9:30 Extremists 10:00 Xtreme Sports-2 10:30 Water Rats-I #Ep-One Dead Rat 11:30 AXN The Series 12:00 Who Dares Wins 12:30 Highlander I#Ep- Double Eagle