

Can we save Dhaka City?

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NATURAL disasters like floods, droughts and cyclonic storms that battered different parts of the world including Bangladesh in 1988 awakened all conscious people especially environmental scientists to the need of preserving the "Mother Earth" without causing massive injury to the earth's environment. That prompted Preston Cloud, a geologist of international fame to write, "Mother Earth will never seem the same again. No more can thinking people take this little planet as an infinite theatre of action and provider of resources for man yielding new largesse to every demand without limit".

Hardly these prophecies have been listened to. Humanity is in war right now and it is not too draconian to call it a war for survival. It is a war in which all nations must be allies. Both the causes and effects of the problems that threaten the earth are global and they must be attacked globally. All nations are tied together as to their common fate", so said Peter Raven, director of the Missouri Botanical Garden in the early part of 1989.

Most important, as we people in the underdeveloped countries are into the next millennium, we find ourselves at a crucial turning point: the actions of those living now will determine the future, and possibly the very survival of the species that are still left. We do not have generations, we only have years, in which to attempt to turn things around. Every individual either here in Bangladesh, or the whole Asian region or any part of the planet must be made aware of its vulnerability and the need to preserve it. And surely no attempt to protect the environment will be successful in the long run unless ordinary people, say, a housewife in Dina, a peasant in Tekna, or a factory worker in Dhaka is willing to adjust his/her life style.

In the backdrop of such a gloomy scenario, the International Conference on Bangladesh Environment, jointly organized by "Poribesh Rokkha Shophor" (POROSH), Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (BUET), Bangladesh Environment Network (BEN), Coalition of Environmental NGOs (CEN) and other organisations on January 14 last covering both technical and general discussion, could not have been more timely.

The situation in Bangladesh is highly alarming. Poverty, oversized population, over-exploitation of the scanty natural resources, noxious emissions

and toxic effluents from the industries and smoke-belching vehicles coupled with recurrent natural disasters like floods, droughts and cyclonic storms are the major causes of environmental degradation in Bangladesh. Speakers from home and abroad in the two-day seminar mainly focused on the human factors responsible for deterioration of environmental quality in Bangladesh as well as other regions of the world. The human factors in the deterioration of Bangladesh environment, as the speakers pointed out, are: population growth incompatible with development of resources; lack of adequate environmental considerations in the development processes; poor management of waste generated through the production-consumption process; consumption of both renewable and non-renewable resources without substitution strategy; inability to adopt cleaner technology and processes.

Presided over by Mr. A. M. A. Mubith, Chairman POROSH, the inaugural session held on 14th January last at the Usmani Memorial Auditorium was addressed by Professor Jamilur Reza Chowdhury, Chairman of the Organising Committee, Professor Nooruddin Ahmed, Vice-Chancellor, BUET, Professor Nazrul Islam of Emory University, Atlanta, USA and Khushi Kabir, representing the NGO Forum in Bangladesh. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina attended the inaugural session as the chief-guest.

Dr. J. R. Chowdhury in his address spoke about the dire environmental degradation of Dhaka city that evidently manifests its decline. He expressed concern that encroachment of the river Buriganga, the life line of Dhaka city, traffic congestion, pollution and diseases are turning this once majestic capital city into a teeming-choking hell.

True, the river Buriganga has turned into a narrow polluted canal due to encroachment on its both sides and indiscriminate disposal of waste and effluent. Reports have it that the river receives an estimated 45,000 cubic metres of waste water per day only through three points namely the Hazaribagh tanneries, Dholakhal and Pagla sewage treatment plant. Shockingly true, the Buriganga has turned out to be the most polluted river in the country with Hazaribagh tannery causing the most pollution. The present dissolved oxygen level (BOD) is much lower than four milligram per litre, the minimum dissolved oxygen

required for the survival of fish and other aquatic lives. The waste water discharged through the above mentioned three sources consume 40 tons of dissolved oxygen per day from the river water", experts indicated. Experts some years back identified key sources of pollution load of Buriganga river as discharges from Rayerbazar sluice gate through Dholakhal, through Pagla sewage treatment plant, hanging latrines along the banks of the river, Hazaribagh tanneries and Tejaong industries. Buriganga's poisoned water now symbolizes not life but death.

Once sources of sweet and pure water for the bustling industrial cities like Dhaka and Narayanganj, Buriganga and Shitalakhya rivers are now lifeless receptacles of human wastes and toxic industrial effluents from the dyeing units, textile factories, sawmills, wood wholesale markets, dockyards, wholesale markets of fruits and vegetables, small scale manufacturing industries other than 113 illegal structures built on both sides and in some cases deep inside the riverbed from Mirpur to Pagla. Apart from them, there are waste recycling factories, slums, business houses established by land grabbers who are mostly politically influenced people. They did it in a planned way by dumping wastes on the riverbed and then raising unauthorised structures on the reclaimed land. Encroachment into the riverbed as well as construction of structures for use as dwellings or business establishments proves to be a very lucrative business. There is no need to buy the land nor any tax to be paid in any form either to the government or to any state owned authorities for acquiring or using the space. Lack of awareness about the environment and total apathy of the government and public to environmental imperatives have made situation so worse.

Professor Nooruddin Ahmed, Vice-Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology while expressing his concern about the liveability of the Dhaka city told the seminar that the city is now under assault on many fronts like land, water and air. Garbage in the Dhaka city has posed a major threat to health and sanitation of people in and around the city limits. In most cases, garbage is not picked up. In the teeming city suburbs, filthy water and human excreta along with other wastes in choked drains stagnate throughout the year till the rainy season washes a part of them out to the river Buriganga

and Shitalakhya. And so citizens using this water or even piped water which gets contaminated through leaky pipes are easy prey to diseases like diarrhoea, dysentery, jaundice and other water borne diseases like typhoid and skin diseases. On the other hand, city's garbage collection points, some of them steel frame bins provided by the Dhaka City Corporation are nothing more than rotting, open heaps of refuse. Only about one third of the Dhaka city has the luxury of underground sewer system and in other areas human excreta, poultry residue, polythene and all sorts of biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste clog the open surface drains.

Shockingly, as this capital city unfolds, population pressure increases and industrial concerns both domestic and larger ones expand and the society as a whole prospers, its trash, mainly hazardous plastics, metals and packaging materials, is growing exponentially. With the failure to reprocess waste, Dhaka city is running out of space to dump the growing mountains of garbage. "In the 80s the city generated about 500 tonnes of garbage that has skyrocketed to 4000 tonnes a day now. Mountain of garbage heaped up in dustbins, street corners and pathways near Azimpur New Market, Thatari Bazar, Fakirapool Bazar, Shantinagar Bazar and Kawran Bazar is not simply picked up. People only wish if the Mayor had ever any time and opportunity to visit the New Market Kucha Bazar and its annexe or Thatari Bazar he would have a bitter shock to see the appalling condition of the stewing excreta both human and animal and other rotten wastes piled up on pathways just close to the food shops, groceries, vegetable stalls and eateries.

Precisely speaking, people are being forced to buy, eat and consume disease-carrying bugs. It's a combination of slothful and corruption activities unyielding to change outdated waste disposal practices that can no longer keep up with population growth and near total apathy of the citizens. Mentionably, Calcutta, the world's worst city till 1997 has cleaned up its act. True, the left leaning government in West Bengal realized, "we could hardly expect investment when the roads were choked and the air smelled foul." Late in 1997, the Calcutta City Corporation authorities realized that growth and employment were closely linked to things like crowded sidewalks and garbage on the streets. Calcutta now serves as a promising example of how a "city of dread-

ful nights and nightmarish problems" can tidy up and turn around. Surely, if a place as bad off as Calcutta can awaken from its nightmare, the leaders of Bangladesh cities like Dhaka, Chittagong and Khulna will pay attention — and take notes.

Along with the garbage, heaps of polythene bags found in the dustbins, pathways and clogged drains in the city have become a major source of environmental and health hazard in the country. Experts indicated that much of the water-logging problem caused by the catastrophic 1998 flood was due to polythene bags as these bags clogged up the already stagnant and faulty drainage system of the capital. Reports gleaned from Dhaka WASA sources reveal that about 100 crore polythene bags are lying abandoned in the capital, causing a serious threat to city's drainage system. Shockingly, only about 20 per cent of the polythene are being recycled and the way recycling is done can in itself lead to serious health hazards.

Fortunately, the informal system of waste recycling works somewhat through rag pickers who are mostly destitute children and street urchins. But only about ten per cent of the waste could be recycled this way. And with the failure to reprocess waste, the capital city is running out of space to dump the growing mountains of garbage. Worse, the city's landfills are heeds of disease. Besides, innumerable poisonous like medical wastes, mostly toxic, are leaking into the surroundings and neighbourhood of the clinics and pathological laboratories in residential areas where most of these clinics have been set up. Speaking about the landfills, they are not really landfills but just stretches of land where garbage is dumped. Wastes putrefy in the open, inviting disease-carrying flies and rats while filthy poisonous leachate leaks out from below contaminating ground water as it happened in Rayerbazar and Hazaribagh tannery areas in the recent past.

Shockingly true, overcrowding, noxious fumes, diseases, litters, power shortage, water shortage and contaminated water have all played a part in turning this once growing paradise city into a choking hell now. But public reaction to all these human factors is most muted. And surely, unless the public takes a unanimous stand, Dhaka's decline will continue. If people showed their outrage together at what is going on here, it might galvanise the politicians and bureaucrats into real action.



Most important, as we people in the underdeveloped countries are into the next millennium, we find ourselves at a crucial turning point: the actions of those living now will determine the future, and possibly the very survival of the species that are still left. We do not have generations, we only have years, in which to attempt to turn things around. Every individual either here in Bangladesh, or the whole Asian region or any part of the planet must be made aware of its vulnerability and the need to preserve it. And surely no attempt to protect the environment will be successful in the long run unless ordinary people is willing to adjust his or her lifestyle.

TV Guide

Friday 28th January (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 HARDtalk 7:00 BBC World News & Asia Today Inc World Business 9:00 World News 9:30 Asia Today Inc World Business 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 HARDtalk 11:30 Earth Report 12:00 World News 12:30 Out of India 1:00 World News 1:30 HARDtalk 2:30 Panorama 3:00 World News 3:30 Hard Talk 4:00 BBC World News 4:30 World Living: Talking Movies 5:00 BBC World Today 6:30 Panorama 7:00 BBC World News 7:15 World Business Report 7:30 BBC World Today-Asia & Pacific 8:30 Talking Movies 9:00 BBC World News 9:30 Hard Talk 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 World Living: Quest in Time India Talk 11:00 World News 11:30 Top Gear 12:00 BBC World Today 12:30 This Week 12:45 World Sport 1:30 Hard Talk 2:30 Correspondent 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 World Living: 4:30 Europe Direct 5:00 BBC News Inc. World Business Report

CHANNEL V

7:30 [V] Hit Machine 9:30 Virtual [V] 10:00 [V] Hit Machine 11:30 [V] Video Preview 12:00 [V] Hit Music 1:00 [V] First Day First Show 1:30 [V] Line Lagao 2:00 [V] Hit Machine 2:30 [V] Oye 3:00 [V] Hit Machine 3:30 [V] O+N Campus 4:00 [V] Hit Machine 4:30 Tea With [V] 5:00 Virtual [V] 5:30 Tea With [V] 6:00 [V] Style Police 6:30 Tea With [V] 7:00 [V] Line Lagao 7:30 [V] Hit Machine 8:30 [V] The First Show 9:30 [V] Hit Machine 10:00 [V] Late Night [V] 12:30 [V] Hit Machine

STAR PLUS

6:30 Ninaad 7:30 Good

Morning India (News, Business & Entertainment) 9:15 The Trial Show - Film Trailer 9:30 TVC Shopping 10:00 Good Morning India - Rpt. (News, Business & Entertainment) 12:00 Shock TV #29 12:30 TVC Shopping 1:00 Film Based: Hit Ya Fit #179 1:30 Daily Sope: Sansar #90 2:00 Zindegi. Com #15 2:30 Daily Sope: Swabhiman #411 (N) 3:00 Antaraal #4 (Om Puri) 3:30 Friday Tea Time Cinema: Shantraj (*Rajendra Kumar, Esha Deo, Rishi Kapoor, Anand) 6:30 Daily Sope: Maal Hai To Taa Hai #80 7:00 Film Based: Hit Ya Fit #730 STAR News (Hindi) 8:00 Kuchha Paapad Pucca Paapad #30 (Anchore-Nasir) 8:30 Aur Phir Ek Din #30 (*Kiron Kumar, Soni Razdan) 9:00 Pal Chhina #42 (*Manohar Singh, Prabha Sinha, Arun Govil, Gaurpreet Singh, Shilpa Tuladikar) 9:30 STAR News (English) 10:00 Muster Card-Family Fortune 10:30 Star Talk #43 11:00 Aa Ki Baat 11:30 Kabhie Kabhie 12:00 Star News 12:30 Daily Sope: Swabhiman 1:00 Daily Sope: Sansar 1:30 Aaj Ki Baat 2:00 Daily Sope: Maal Hai To Taa Hai 2:30 Aur-Phir Ek Din (*Kiron Kumar, Soni Razdan) 3:00 Pal Chhina (*Manohar Singh, Prabha Sinha, Arun Govil, Gaurpreet Singh, Shilpa Tuladikar) 3:30 Muster Card-Family Fortune 4:00 STAR Talk 4:30 Kabhie Kabhie 5:00 Ninaad 6:00 Kuchha Paapad Pucca Paapad

STAR WORLD

7:00 Hollywood Squares 7:30 Martin Short Show 8:00 Home Improvement 8:30 Happy Days Ep: 9:00 Series: Walker Texas Ranger (*Chuk Norris) #Ep-Mean Street 10:00 Duce Show #67 Ep: Burning Down The House 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 World's Wildest Police Video 1:00 Ooh La La 1:30 The Bold And The Beautiful #2111 2:00 Martin Short Show 3:00 The New WKRP In Cincinnati 3:30 Happy Days Ep: 4:00 Hol-

Iywood Squares 4:30 Home Improvement 5:00 Star News Asia 5:05 Fox World Business Report 5:30 Daily Sope- Friends (*Jennifer Aniston, Courteney Cox, Lisa Kudrow, Matt LeBlanc, Matthew Perry, David Schwimmer) 6:00 Dr. Quinn Medicine Woman 6:55 Asian News Update (5 mins) 7:00 Strange Luck 8:00 Series: Murder Call Ep- Hide & Seek 9:00 Daily Sope- Friends (*Jennifer Aniston, Courteney Cox, Lisa Kudrow, Matt LeBlanc, Matthew Perry, David Schwimmer) 9:30 Dr. Quinn Medicine Woman 10:30 Strange Luck 11:30 Series: The Simpsons 12:00 3rd Rock From The Sun 12:30 Daily Sope-Friends (*Jennifer Aniston, Courteney Cox, Lisa Kudrow, Matt LeBlanc, Matthew Perry, David Schwimmer) 1:00 Series: Dr. Quinn Medicine Women # Ep: 2:00 Strange Luck 3:00 Jerry Saville Ministry 3:30 Exalted Word 4:00 Series: Creflo Dollar, Changing Your World 4:30 Sky World News 5:00 Lassie 5:30 Kid Says The Darndest Things 6:00 Batman

STAR MOVIES

7:30 Comedy: Money For Nothing (15) 9:30 Drama: Welcome To Sarajevo (15) 11:30 Comedy: Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure (PG) 1:15 E1 THS: Dennis Rodman 2:15 Action/Adventure: Super Mario Bros (12) 4:15 Action: Apocalypse Now (15) 7:15 Action: Total Recall (15) 9:30 Bhaskar Ghose Show 10:00 Friday Night-All Stars: Tin Men (15) 12:15 See Friday Fury: The Skyhawk 2:15 Action: Total Recall (15)

PTV-2

8:00 Tilawat Aur Tarjuma/Hamd/Naat 8:20 Bolta Haath 8:35 Sadaka-Kashmir 9:10 Dastarkhwaan 9:35 Karb (Serial) 11:00 Aap Ke Farmash Pop 11:30 Fakir-E-Alam Game Show 12:30 Sports Prog 2:02 Bismillah 2:15

Fehm-Ul-Quran 2:40 Natak Rang 3:25 Ek Raat Ek Kahani 4:40 Sehat Aur Sukoon 5:25 Biology for 10th 5:55 Uffaq 6:25 Aiou Course 7:20 Full House 7:45 English News 8:10 Fun Time Poppet Show 8:30 Fiffin 8:45 Paal Do Paal (Serial) 9:00 Break For Headlines News 10:00 Khabarnama & Commercial News 10:35 Lollywood Top Ten Countdown Film Music 11:35 Serial: Pinjira 12:00 Friday Night Classic Cinema & Khas Khabrain/Close Down

ZEE INDIA TV

7:00 Jagran 7:30 to 10:30 PM Every Half Hour - Zee News Hindi 11:00 Campaign Trail 11:30 Zee News Hindi 12:00 Zee News Hindi 12:57 News Headlines 1:00 TBA 1:30 to 05:30 PM Every Half Hour - Zee News Hindi

MTV INDIA

8:00 MTV Classic Vj Sarah / Rahul 11:00 MTV Non-Stop Hits 11:00 MTV Most Wanted Vj Shehbaz 12:00 MTV Non-Stop Hits 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV Housefull V Nafisa 1:30 MTV Cinemascope 2:30 MTV Non-Stop Hits 3:30 MTV Love Line Vj Malaka 4:00 MTV Bakra 4:30 MTV Select Vj Nikhil 5:30 MTV Most Wanted Vj Shehbaz 6:30 MTV Chill Out Vj Cyrus/Asif/Nikhil 7:30 MTV Kenwood Hit List 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 MTV House Full Vj Nafisa 10:30 MTV Non-Stop Hits 11:00 MTV Lovelife 11:30 The Grind (Beach Show) 12:00 MTV Chill Out Vj Cyrus/Asif/Nikhil 1:00 MTV Concerts

MUSIC ASIA

7:30 Aalaap 8:00 Ta Ra Rum 9:00 Brake Fall 10:00 Star's Day Out 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Coe gae Zig Zag Best Of The Day 11:30 Ponds All Time Romantic Hits 12:00 Baag Ga Ma Classic 1:00 Hu

mani Gold T. Jharokha 2:00 Popbustars 2:30 Ta Ra Rum 3:30 Brake Fall 4:30 Bajaj Music Box 5:00 1900 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Saare Ga Ma Classic 7:00 Ponds All Time Romantic Hits 7:30 Music Quiz 8:00 Music Zone 8:30 Samay Quartz Best of Best 9:30 Bajaj Music Box 10:00 Sizzlers 10:30 Himani Gold T. Jharokha 11:00 Disco Mein Kisko 11:30 Shabbad 12:00 Brake Fall 1:00 Colgate Zig Zag Best Of The Day 1:30 Himal Gold T. Jharokha 2:00 Bajaj Music Box 2:30 Nez Gen 3:00 Ta Ra Rum 4:00 Music Zone 4:30 Brake Fall 5:30 Super Vasmol Old Is Gold 6:00 Sizzlers

DD7 BANGLA

10:25 Janmadin 10:35 Daily Sope: Shree Ram Krishna 11:00 Daily Sope: Droupadi 11:15 Classical/Folk Songs 11:30 Parliament Hour/Musical 12:30 Daily Sope: Kunja Villa 1:00 Daily Sope: Aakash Chooa 1:30 Daily Sope: Rupkatha 2:00 Daily Sope: Kanakanjali 2:30 Daily Sope: Shree Ram Krishna 3:00 Daily Sope: Maha Prabhu 3:30 Daily Sope: Mohini 3:55 Daily Soap: Bhul Thikamay 4:20 E Sudhu Goner Din 4:45 Nepal Prog 5:05 Drama 5:30 News 5:40 Gaan 5:50 Palli Katha 6:10 Shilpi 6:40 Khas Khabar 6:50 Janmabhub 7:30 Bangla Sambad 8:00 Bela Abela 8:30 East Backland Road (Serial) 9:00 Daily Sope: Jannabhum 9:30 Daily Sope: Droupadi 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:10 Bengali Movie

DD CHANNEL-1

6:30 UGC Prog 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:45 The News 8:50 This Morning's Business 9:00 Suba Sabera 9:30 National Literary Mission Prog 10:00 UGC Prog 10:30 Serial: Tarang 11:30 Question Hour 12:30 Serial: Kamyajta 1:00 Serial: Aparajita

1:30 Serial: Inteezer Aur Sahi 1:30 Serial: Waqt Ki Raftar 2:30 News in Hindi 2:40 News in English 2:50 Serial: Rop Suhane / Deewaar 3:00 Serial: Aap Ki Shanti 3:30 Serial: Ujala 4:00 Tea Time Monoranjan 4:30 Sunehar Sapne 5:00 Series For Children 5:30 Music 6:00 Burjurgon Ke Live 6:30 Dilli Aitak 7:00 Punjabi Darpan 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Delhi Round Up 8:00 Fera Feri 8:25 Serial: Geet Bahar 9:00 Samachar 9:30 The News 10:00 Serial: Idhar Udhar 10:10 Hindi Film:

SONY TV

7:30 Aatma 8:00 Rushiprasad 8:30 Chartbusters 9:00 Ek Mahal Ho Sapna Ka 9:30 Music Mantra 10:00 Aadab Arz Hai 11:00 Dil Vil Pyar Vaar 11:30 Sparks 12:00 Movers & Shekars 12:30 Chartbusters 1:00 The Popadam Show 1:30 Music Mantra 2:00 Boogi Woogi 2:30 Ek Mahal Ho Sapna Ka 3:00 Aurat 3:30 Cine Mataani Film: Wo Jo Hasina 7:00 Junction 7:30 Music Mantra (Trailer Show) 8:00 Chartbusters (Trailer Show) 8:30 Star Year Kalkaar 9:35 Henna 10:05 Choti Si Asha 10:15 Movers & Shekars 11:15 Ek Mahal Ho Sapna Ka 11:45 Junction 12:15 Music Mantra 12:30 Boogi Woogi 1:00 Kanyadaan 1:30 Dekh Bhal Dekh 1:00 Love You 3:00 Aurat 3:30 Cine Mantra Show-Hindi Feature Film: Bewafa

ZEE TV

6:00 Yaadon Ki Pal-B/W Songs 6:30 Zee News (Repl) 6:50 Jhalak Trailer 7:30 Jagran 8:00 Guldasta 8:30 Zara Has Ke-Film Chakkar 9:30 Disney Hour (Cartoon) 10:30 Ek Nazar 11:00 Bajaj Super 7 Mugabla 11:30 Basera 12:00 Raahi 12:30 Khana Khazana 1:00 Bournvita Quiz Contest 1:30 Naye Nazrane 2:00 Daily Sope-Hum Panch 2:30 Saath Saath 3:00 Raahat 3:30 Cinema Hits- HF Film: Sindoor Ki Keemat

DD METRO

7:00 Anhad 7:15 Bhakti Sagar 7:45 Business Aaj Tak 8:00 Good Morning Today 9:00 Kashmir Ki Lok Kathayen 9:00 Serial: 9:30 Aja Hasaa Jaa 10:00 Serial: Raja Aur Rancho 10:30 Tele Shopping 11:00 Daily Sope-Nya 11:30 Daily Sope-Bhahi Maa 12:00 Daily sope-Kismat 12:30 Geet Gata Chal 1:00 TV Brand 1:30 Daawat 2:00 Baaje Prayal 2:30 Daily Sope-Bandhan 2 - 5 Samachar/News 3:00 Aada 3:30 Hindi Cinema Show 6:00 Madeline 6:30 Gummy Bears 7:00 Betaal Pachisi 7:30 Baar Baar Dekho 7:50 Entertainment Now / Cinema Cinema 8:00 Sargam 8:30 Naya (Serial) 9:00 Sher Mera Yaar 10:00 Champion (serial) 10:30 Aaj Tak (News Up-date) 10:50 Single Metro 11:00 Jharokha (Trailer Show) 11:05 Aaghat 11:10 Medivision 12:00 Derrick 12:30 Derrick 3:00 Hindi Film:

HOME TV

8:00 Club 700 8:30 High Five 9:00 Pahlil Nazari 9:15 Cartoons 10:00 Action Drama 10:45 Chal Chalthe 11:00 Hit-Hit Hurry 12:00 Hollywood Hangame 12:30 Satya 1:00 Tele Shopping Network 1:30 Tele Brands 2:00 Zuban Sambhalke 2:30 Ga Mere Man Ga 3:00 Duniya Gol Hai 4:00 Saaf 4:30 Matinee Show 5:00 Tele Shopping Network 5:30 Chalthe Chalthe 5:45 Cartoon 6:00 Action Drama 7:15 Chalthe Chalthe 8:30 Born Lucky 9:00 Popularly Yours 9:30 First Cut 10:00 Jaane Kya Tune Kahi 10:30 Duniya Gol Hai 11:30 Aamma & Family 12:00 Zuban Sambhalke 12:30 Panther 1:00 Bollywood Reporter 2:30 Kabhi Idhar

DD Int'l

9:30 Opening & News in English 9:45 Business Plus 10:00 Chittrahar (Meet the Film Star) 10:30 Asian AM 11:00 Light Music 11:15 Suravi (Renuka Sahani) 11:45 Gul Gulshan Gulshan 12:15 Bharat Samachar 12:30 TBA 1:00 Hindi Film: 10:00 Hindi Film (Rpt)

CARTOON NETWORK

6:30 Jetsons 7:00 Flintstones 7:30 The Popeye Show 8:00 Dexter's Laboratory 8:30 What A Cartoon Show? 9:00 The

Powerpuff Girls 9:30

Scoble & Scrapy Doo 10:00 Tom & Jerry Kids Lonely Planet 11:30 Discovery Profile Series 12:30 The Ultimate Guide 1:30 Seatek

National Geographic

7:00 NBC Nightly News 7:30 Birds of the Snow 8:00 Tribal Voice 9:00 Family Hour- 10:00 Wild 11:00 Science- 12:00 Ocean Worlds 1:00 People & Places 2:00 Tomorrow's World 2:30 The Third Planet 3:00 Find of the Century 3:30 Wild 4:00 Shark Feeders 4:30 Taming the Wild River 5:00 Family Hour 6:00 Wild 7:00 Science Adventures 8:00 Ocean Worlds 9:00 People & Places 10:00 Wild 11:00 Ocean Adventures 12:00 Ocean Worlds 1:00 People & Places 2:00 Tribal Voice 3:00 Family Hour 4:00 People & Places 5:00 Ocean Worlds 6:00 Today

ALPHA TV

6:00 Griha Laksh Eer Jinn 6:30 Aalap 7:00 Kee Darun Dreshow 7:30 Monihaar 8:00 Looko Choori 8:30 Dour 9:00 Blind Lane 9:30 Bangla Movie 11:30 Griha Laksh Eer Jinn 12:00 Ekusha Pa 12:30 Shyaola 1:00 Bahari Ahaar 1:30 Plabon 2:00 Griha Sajja 2:30 Bangla Movie- Paras Pathar 5:00 Bharat Bhromam 5:30 Kee Darun Dreshow 6:00 Amar Tumi 6:30 Reen 7:00 Ebar Jombe Mawja 7:30 Shesh Prashne 8:00 News in Bangali 8:30 Andolon 9:00 Nil Chander Alo 9:30 Bangla Movie- Baksabadal 12:00 News in Bangali 12:30 Bharat Bhromam 1:00 Griha Sajja 1:30 Bangla Movie- Golpo Heleo Satti 4:00 Looko Choori 4:30 Dour 5:00 Bhorer Alo 5:30 Ekusha Pa

ZEE CINEMA

6:30 Film Show- Apradhi (*Kiran Kumar, Yogita Bali) 9:30 Making of The Legend 10:00 Tarana 10:15 Movie Fare 10:30 Film Show- Akle Hum Akle Tum (*Amir

Khan, Monisha Koyrala, Tanvi Azmi, Aditya Narayan) 1:30 All Times Hits 1:45 Madhyantar 2:00 Film Show- Rukant (*Mithun, Anuradha) 5:30 Abhinav 6:00 Felha 6:45 Film Time 6:30 Film Show- Dosti (*Sushil Kumar, Sudhir Kumar) 10:20 Movie, Masti, Magic 10:25 Chehron 11:30 Film Show- Upkaar (*Monoj Kumar, Joya Bhaduri) 2:20 Moods Melody 2:30 Film Show-Ziddi

SONY MAX

6:30 Film Show- Aadat Se Majboor 9:30 Chartbusters 10:00 Under-19 Cricket World Cup-Final (Live) 6:00 Film Show-Mere Baad 8:30 Chartbusters 9:00 Music Mantra 9:30 Film Show-Khamoshi (*Amol Palekar, Shabana Azmi) 12:30 Film Show-Hum Dono 3:30 Film Show-Talaq

Star News

7:30 Breakfast News (Eng.) 8:00 Breakfast News (Hindi) 9:30 Star News (Eng.) 10:00 Star News (Hindi) (To 8 PM Every Hour Hindi News) 8:00 Sawaal Aap Ke 8:30 Nationwide 9:30 Star Samachar 10:00 Star Business News 10:20 Sports Update 10:30 Star News Hour 11:30 Star News (Eng.) 12:00 Star News (Hindi) 12:10 Star Business News (R) 1:00 Star News (Hindi) 6:30 Breakfast News (Eng.) 7:00 Smal Talk

ATN

6:00am Islamic Programme 7:30 Drama Serial 8:30 Drama Serial 9:00 Drama Serial 9:30 Musical Prog 10:00 Drama Serial 10:30 Bangla Film Zinar Badsha 12:00 Islamic Programme 12:30 Bangla Film Zinar Badsha 6:00 Film Songs 7:00 Islamic Programme 7:30 Viewers Prog 8:00 Drama Serial 8:30 Drama Serial 9:00 Drama Serial 9:30 Musical Prog 10:00 Musical Prog 10:30 Bangla Film Mowchor