

music

A Milestone in Miles' Life

Front-ranking band celebrates its 20 years in music firmament with their new album 'Prabaha'

By Ziaul Karim

TWENTY years in the life of a music band definitely calls for celebration and what better ways to do it but to put the emotions to music: 'Prabaha', the title for Miles' latest album meaning continuation, metaphorically suggests the band's non-stop odyssey into the music world.

Prabaha is the band's seventh offering to the country's music lovers and the first since 1997. 'Interestingly enough', Asaduzzaman Noor, who released the album at an informal gathering at a city restaurant on the 14th of this month, said 'all their (miles) albums begin with a prefix pa, for example their first one was Prattishrute followed by Prattasha. The third one was Prattay and then the 'fourth' one was titled Prayash.'

Responding to a question from the press Hamin Ahmed, vocalist, said that the time space between two albums was not so great considering our music market. 'To promote and market an album, we need more or less three years time plus we always keep in mind the expectation from our fans. The last thing we would like to compromise is the quality of the music. We always try to give our best and Prabaha is the continuation of the standard we have



set for ourselves with our debut album Prattishrute.'

The latest album is significant for another reason for it has brought out the vocalists in Manam Ahmed and Iqbal Asif Jewel.

Featuring 12 songs, the album retains Miles' heart for melody and firmly conveys the band's allegiance to the mainstream Bengali music which is fundamentally melodious. In other words, though the concept of band music originated in the west and has been imported through the local bands, Miles

has always been true to the Bengali origin while composing their numbers.

'Band music is synonymous with exuberance, flamboyance and youth', said Noor adding that, '20 years in a band's life is a significant event in our music world where band music has just beginning to reach the mass.'

The opening number of the volume *Piyasi mon* was played at the programme much to the appreciation of the guests present.

Basically when an album is

released we try to sing the numbers of the album for the following days and months to popularise the album', said Hamin and disclosed that they would bring the songs of the new album to a forthcoming live concert on the 27th of this month to be held at Army Stadium.

The band's present body is formed with Hamin Ahmed (guitar and vocal), Shafin Ahmed (bass and vocal), Manam Ahmed (keyboard and vocal), Ziaur Rahman Turja (drums and percussion) and Iqbal Asif Jewel (guitar and vocal).

Miles was formed in 1979 in Dhaka with a group of like-minded friends. Between 1979 and 1982, they played regularly at the Chamel Supper Club of the Hotel Intercontinental now Hotel Sheraton. Their first public concert and first TV programme were held in 1982.

Their first album in Bangla was brought out in 1991 after two albums in English. And then the first international concert they played for was in 1992 at Bangalore before a crowd of 7 thousand.

The CD lifted Best of Miles was released in America in 1994. This is the largest selling CD by any band in Bangladesh.

They embark on their second international music tour also in 1994 and played in India, Abu Dhabi and Dubai. Music channels MTV and V brought them on screen for the first time.

1996 was a year to be remembered for the band. This year their fifth album was released and proved to be a smashing hit. They went for their most successful tour beginning with Calcutta and then on a two months long tour of USA and Canada. They played in important cities like New York, Dallas, Chicago and Florida with every show drawing over 2500 crowd.

In preview

Bhorer Kothamala

By Cultural Correspondent

THE second and third episodes of the drama series Bhorer Kothamala will be aired on channel 1 tonight and on March 22 at 7.15pm. Based on a novel by renowned author Rabeya Khatun the screenplay for the drama is written by Gias Uddin Selim and directed by Sheikh Niyamat Ali. Starring Shams Shuman, Tania Ahmed, Shirajul Islam, Minu Rahman, and Shima Dasgupta.

Episode 2: Mishti, who has grown up fatherless, is to run family. She works in a Bihari firm and falls in love with her colleague Ayan. Mishti's younger sister falls in love with their cousin Jami who used to be her house tutor. When the war breaks Mishti's boss wants to leave the country. He wants to take Ayan with him. Ayan wants to marry Mishti, but she says requires time to decide upon. On the other hand one Sekandar, son of a Bihari, is in love with Mishti.

Episode 3: While Jami returning from Mishti's home Sekandar attacks him. After March 25 the Biharis unleash reign of terror on the poor

Bagalis. Sekandar begins to frequent Mishti's house. Mishti's boss packs up his business and leaves for Pakistan. Ayan accompanies him.

Ekti Premier Jonnya
The 4th episode of the drama series Ekti Premier Jonnya will be aired on March 22 at 8.00pm. Written by Hsan Jamil the screenplay for the drama is prepared by Lelin Hasan. The drama is directed by Bulbul Ahmed. Starring Bulbul Ahmed, Faria Chowdhury, Jahanara Ahmed, Daisy Ahmed, Shaheen Chowdhury, Liton, Javed, Kulsum Kibria Koli, and Bulbul Ahmed.

Synopsis: In a rainy day Laila and Jamil go for a long drive to have a quiet moment. Jamil goes to Hasan's place. He wants to get married before leaving for America. And would like to make a formal proposal to the Laila. Laila falls in love with Jamil. Jamil conveys his untidy about his choice. Jamil's Khala take up the proposal with Laila's father. Her father gives his consent and they fix up a date for their marriage. Till then laila's mother is absolutely in dark about the marriage.



A scene from the drama Ekti Premier Jonnya

RECOMMENDATIONS

Second in a month

Photographer Anwar Hossain just finished his solo photography exhibition titled 'Bangladesh 2000' on March 8 at the Designer's Den Gallery. And within a space of two weeks his second solo photography exhibition is about to start at the French cultural centre Alliance Francaise de Dhaka. The opening ceremony of his ten-day long exhibition will be held at the cultural centre's cafeteria tomorrow at 5.00pm.



Anwar Hossain
Courtesy: Enam Ul Haque

Born in 1948, his career as a photographer, cinematographer and architect started in 1967. Now settled in Paris, Anwar has won about 60 international awards in photography. One of his most acclaimed work is the colour photography book: *A Journey through Bangladesh* published in 1989. He also served as the editor of photo albums: *Bangladesh: Land and People & Life and Culture* by DFP, Govt. of Bangladesh. His major collections include the European Museum of photography in Paris.

Exhibition by Eckart Muthesius

A twelve-day long exhibition by Architect, Designer and Photographer - Eckart Muthesius is going on at the German Cultural Centre, Goethe-Institut, Dhaka. The exhibition will remain open everyday from 3.00pm till 8.00pm.

Born in 1904 in Berlin Nikolassee, Eckart Muthesius of Father, Hermann Muthesius, Dr., Ing., privy council at the Prussian Department of Commerce and of Mother Anna Muthesius (singer), founded the Studio Muthesius with Klemens Weigel and in the following year designed a residence of his own.

From 1929 he planned for Yeshwant Rao Holker Bahadur, Maharaja of Indore, India and till 1931 was mainly planning and designing for the Maharaja. 1933 onwards he was increasingly engaged in photography and experimental film making. He was then appointed to the head of city planning and redevelopment department of the state of Indore. With the outbreak of war in 1939, he returned to Germany and carried on with the studio of Berlin-Nikolassee. He was then commissioned for the American Military Government buildings, clinical complexes, furnishing of the private residences of General Eisenhower. Exhibitions stands for the Frankfurt Automobile Trade Fair, Free-way facilities for German transport department etc. He died in the year 1989.



Earth!

An interactive exhibition at the Bangladesh National Museum titled 'Earth!' will start on March 24. The exhibition is jointly organised by Ministry of Youth, Sports and Cultural Affairs, The Bangladesh National Museum, The French Embassy, The Alliance Francaise de Dhaka and The French Ministry for Foreign Affairs. The inaugural ceremony of the exhibition will be held at the Sofia Kamal auditorium, Bangladesh National Museum on March 23 at 10.00am.

Dr. Mohiuddin Khan Alamgir, State Minister for Planning will be present as chief guest at the inaugural function. Professor A K Azad Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, University of Dhaka and Jean-Guy de Wagny, Charge d' Affaires of Embassy of France will also be present as special guests on the occasion.

The exhibition will remain open everyday from 10.00am to 5.00pm till April 12 barring on Thursday and Friday when it will be closed till 3.00pm.

TV Guide

Tuesday 21st March

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

BBC WORLD

6:00 World News Headlines 6:05
USA Direct 6:30 HARDtalk 7:00
BBC World News Inc. World
Business Report/Asia Today/24
Hours 8:30 Asia Today 8:45
World Business Report 2:00
World News 9:30 Asia Today
10:00 BBC World News 10:30
HARDtalk 11:30 Holiday 12:00
BBC World News 12:30 Master-
mind India 1:30 HARDtalk
2:00 World News 2:30 World Fo-
cus: Science World 3:00 BBC
World News 3:30 HARDtalk 4:00
BBC The World Today 4:30
Earth Report- Lifting The Lid
6:30 World Focus: Science
World 7:15 World Business Re-
port 7:30 BBC The World Today
8:30 World Living- Holiday 9:00
BBC World News 9:30
HARDtalk: 10:00 World News
10:30 Wheels 11:00 BBC World
News 11:30 World Living: Making
It 12:00 The World Today 12:30
World Business Report 12:45
World Sport 1:30 Hard
Talk 2:00 BBC News 2:30 Talk-
ing Movies 3:00 BBC World
News 3:30 World Business Re-
port 4:30 Europe Direct 5:00
BBC Newsdesk Inc. World Busi-
ness Report/24 Hours

CHANNEL [V]

7:30 [V] Hit Machine 9:30 Virtual [V] 10:00 [V] Hit Machine 12:30 [V] Jungle Jukebox 1:00 [V] First Day First Show 1:30 [V] Line Lagao 2:00 [V] Hit Machine 3:30 [V] Gone India 4:00 [V] Hit Machine 4:30 Tea With [V] 5:00 Virtual [V] Tea With [V] 5:30 Tea With [V] 6:00 [V] Job Show 6:30 Tea With [V] 7:00 [V] Line Lagao 7:30 [V] Hit Machine 9:00 [V] Jungle Jukebox 9:30 [V] First Day First Show 10:00 [V] Hit Machine 10:30 [V] Late Night 11:00 Top of the Pops 11:30 [V] Late Night 12:30 [V] Hit Machine

STAR PLUS

6:30 Ninaad 7:30 Good Morning India 9:15 The Trial Show-Film Trialer 9:30 Tvc Shopping-Film Good Morning India-Rpt. 12:00 This Week That Year 12:30 Tvc Shopping 1:00 Film Based Prog-Hit Ya Fit 1:30 Daily Soap-Saahil 2:00 Hindi Serial: Chhoti Saahil 2:30 Daily Soap: Swabhimani 3:00 Serial: Pal Chhin 3:30 Star Talk 4:00 Srimati Sharma Na Kehi Thi 4:30 Ninja Turtles 5:00 Wwf Superstars 6:00 Small Wonders 6:30 Daily Soap- Maal Hai To Taal



Friends on Star World



Flashpoint on
Star Movies at 12.00pm

Hai 7:00 Film Based Prog- Hit Ya Fit 7:25 The Trail Show-Film Trailer 7:30 Star News (Hindi) 8:00 I Love My India 8:30 Hera Feri 9:00 Kora Kagaz 9:30 Star News (English) 10:00 Serial: Antaraal 10:30 3-2-1 11:00 Aaj Ki Baat 11:30 Daily Soap- Kabhi Kabhie 12:00 Star News 12:30 Daily Soap: Swabhimani 1:00 Daily Soap- Saahil 1:30 Aaj Ki Baat 2:00 Daily Soap- Maal Hai To Taal Hai 2:30 Hera Feri 3:00 Zindagi 3:30 Antaraal 4:00 3-2-1 4:30 Daily Soap- Kabhi Kabhie 5:00 Ninaad 6:00 I Love My India

STAR WORLD

6:30 Hollywood Squares 7:00 Martin Short Show 8:00 Home Improvement 8:30 Happy Days 9:00 Series: That 70's Show 9:30 Whose Line Is It Anyway 10:00 Series: Chicago Hope 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 Series: Everybody's Loves Remond 12:30 Series: Frasier 1:00 The Things People Do 1:30 The Bold And The Beautiful 2:00 Martin Short Show 3:00 The New WKRP In Cincinnati 3:30 Happy Days 4:00 Hollywood Squares 4:30 Home Improvement 5:00 Star News Asia 5:30 Daily Soap- Friends 6:00 Series- Jag 7:00 John Woo's Once A Thief 8:00 Series-Millennium 11:30 John Woo's Once A Thief 12:30 Daily Soap-Friends 1:00 Series-Jag 2:00 Series-Millennium 3:00 Series-Creolo Dollar 3:30 Kenneth Copland Ministries 4:00 Life In The World With Joyce Meyer 4:30 Sky World News 5:00 Media TV 5:30 The New WKRP In Cincinnati 6:00 Aerobics Oz Style 6:30 Hollywood Squares

STAR MOVIES

7:30 Adventure/ Romance: Free Willy-2 (PG) 9:30 Thriller: An-

other Stakeout (15) 11:30 Comedy: The Full Monty (15) 1:30 Comedy: Man With One Red Shoe (PG) 3:30 Drama: The Winner Guest (15) 5:30 Thriller: Another Stakeout (15) 7:30 Drama: The Outsiders (15) 9:30 Extreme CU 10:00 Hollywood Action Night: Money Talks (12) 12:00 Movies With Style: Flashpoint (15) 2:00 Drama: The Poseidon Adventure (12)

ZEE INDIA TV

7:00 Jagran 7:30 To 10:30 PM Every Half Hour - Zee News Hindi 11:00 Campaign Trail/Ru-Ba-Ru 11:30 Zee News-Hindi 12:57 News Headlines 1:00 Zee Sports Show 1:30 To 6:30 Every Half Hour - Zee News Hindi

MTV INDIA

8:00 Mtv Classic 9:00 Non-Stop Hits 10:30 Mtv Most Wanted Vj Shehnaz 11:30 Mtv Non-Stop Hits 12:00 Mtv Hit Film Music 12:30 Mtv Housefull Vj Nafisa 2:30 Non-Stop Hits 3:30 Love Line Vj Malaika 4:00 Mtv Bakra 4:15 Non-Stop Hits 4:30 Mtv Select Vj Nikhil 5:30 Mtv Most Wanted Vj Shehnaz 6:30 Mtv Chill Out Vj Cyrus/Asif/Nikhil 7:30 MTV Ek Do Teen Vj Raageshwari 8:30 Non-Stop Hits 9:30 Mtv Hit Film Music 10:00 MTV House Full Vj Nafisa 11:00 Mtv Lovelife 11:30 The Grind (Beach Show) 12:00 Mtv Chill Out Vj Cyrus/Asif/Nikhil 1:00 MTV Biorhythm 1:30 MTV Celebrity Death Match 2:00 Non-Stop Hits



Money Talks on Star Movies at 10.00pm

MUSIC ASIA

7:30 Aalaap 8:00 Ta Ra Rum 9:00 Brake Fall 10:00 Pop Busters 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Colgate Zig Zag Best Of The Day 11:30 Ponds All Time Romantic Hits 12:00 Bajaj Music Box 12:30 Saare Ga Ma Classic 1:00 Himani Gold T. Jharokha 2:00 Music Mags 2:30 Ta Ra Rum 3:30 Brake Fall 4:30 Bajaj Music Box 5:00 Artist of The Fortnight 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Saare Ga Ma Classic 7:00 Ponds All Time Romantic Hits 7:30 Total Recall 8:00 Music Zone 8:30 Dil Se 9:00 Super Vasmol Old is Gold 9:30 Bajaj Music Box 10:00 Sizzlers 10:30 Himani Gold T. Jharokha 11:00 Jhakaas 11:30 Shabab 12:00 Brake Fall 1:00 Colgate Zig Zag Best Of The Day 1:30 Himani Gold T. Jharokha 2:00 Bajaj Music Box 2:30 Teen Talk 3:00 Ta Ra Rum 4:00 Music Zone 4:30 Brake Fall 5:00 Music Mag 6:00 Sizzlers

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10:30 Janmadin 10:30 Gane Gane 10:35 Shree Ram Krishna 11:00 Dropadi 11:15 Classi-

cal/Folk Songs 11:30 Parliament Hour/Musical 12:30 Kunja Villa 1:00 Aakash Chooa 1:30 Rupkatha 2:00 Kanakanjali 2:30 Aastorah 3:00 Maha Prabhu 3:30 Mohini 3:55 Bhul Thikanay 4:20 Nepali Programme 5:05 Chichin Fak/Harekaramba 5:30 Sambad 5:40 Employment News/Modern Songs/Lalitkala 5:50 Sushastha/Gaan 6:10 Chitro Giti 6:40 Khas Khabar 6:50 Jannabhum 7:30 Bangla Sambad 7:55 Dinidin 8:00 Manasi 8:30 Aee Norodahabo 9:00 Jannabhum 9:30 Dropadi 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:10 Bengali Movie

DD CHANNEL-1

(National)

5:55 Vande Mataram 6:15 CIET Programme 6:30 UGC Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 9:15 The News 9:32

Imaging Science 10:00 World Book Fair- TV Report 10:32 Tarang 11:00 ETV Programme 11:30 Serial: Ardhangini 12:00 Serial: Kamyabi 12:30 Serial: Intezar Aur Sahi 12:55 Serial: Kiran 1:00 Serial-Tulsi 1:25 Serial: Aapki Saheli 1:32 Serial: Agni 2:00 Serial: Deewar 2:30 Samachar 2:40 The News 2:50 Serial: Aaina 3:00 Serial: Jagte Raho 3:32 Serial: Aparajita 4:00 Serial: Mitti Ke Rang 4:32 Serial: Aur Kisan Jaag Utha 5:00 Series: Kal Kotahi 6:00 Prppgramme On Women 6:15 Kala Parikrama 6:32 Krishi Darshan 7:00 Live Show 7:45



Money Talks on Star Movies at 10.00pm

Career Hunt 8:00 Serial: Kanyakumari Ki Kahaniyan 8:32 Serial: Antaraal 9:00 Samachar 9:15 The News 9:30 Serial: Sargam 10:02 Serial: Om Namah Shivay 11:00 Serial: Raja Ka Raja 11:32 Ghoomta Aaina 12:00 National Programme of Music 12:30 News Headline 12:32 Serial: Ardhangini (Underrun Closed)

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

6:30 Ushuaia 7:30 Travelers 8:30 Lonely Planet 9:30 Eyewitness 10:30 ESPU 11:00 Blue Water Dreaming 11:30 In Care of Nature 12:00 Animal Survivors 12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Medical Detectives 2:30 Discover Magazine 3:30 Travelers 4:30 Ushuaia 5:30 Lonely Planet 6:30 Movie Magic 7:00 Popular Mechanics for Kids 7:30 Wild Discovery 8:30 Wild Asia 9:30 Extreme Machines 10:30 Without Warning 11:00 What Went Wrong? 11:30 Discovery Profile Series 12:30 Wild Asia 1:30 Extreme Machines



Antaraal on Star Plus at 10.00pm

CARTOON NETWORK

5:30 World Famous Toons 6:30 Tom & Jerry Kids 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 Scooby & Scrappy Doo 10:00 Sylvester & Tweety Mysteries 10:30 Garfield & Friends 11:00 Timeless Tales 11:30 New Add 12:00 Tiny Toon Adventures 12:30 The New Scooby Doo Movies 1:30 The Road Runner Show 2:00 Tom & Jerry Kids 2:30 Garfield & Friends 3:00 The Smurfs- Toon Tamasha 3:30 Flintstones 4:00 The Mask 4:30 Swat Kats 5:00 Scooby & Scrappy Doo 5:30 Dexter's Laboratory 6:00 Johnny Bravo 6:30 The Powerpuff Girls 7:00 The Popeye Show 7:30 Scooby Doo Where Are You? 8:00 Sylvester & Tweety Mysteries 8:30 Garfield & Friends 9:00 Tiny Toon Adventures

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

7:00 NBC Nightly News 7:30 Horses That Build And Empire 8:00 The Jason Project 9:00 Family Hour 10:00 Wild 11:00 Our Living World 12:00 National Geographic Special 1:00 People & Places 2:00 Our Living World 3:00 Wild 4:00 The New Chimpanzees 5:00 Family Hour 6:00 Wild 7:00 Dinosaur Fever 8:00 Emmy Winning National Geographic Special 9:00 People & Places 10:00 Wild 11:00 Our Living World 12:00 Emmy Winning National Geographic Special 1:00 People & Places

ZEE TV

6:00 Yeadon Ki Pal (B/W Songs) 6:30 Zee News & Business (Rpt) 7:00 Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagran 8:00 Guldasta 8:30 Zara Haske-Hai Zindegi 9:00 Zara Haske-Filmi Chakkar 9:30 Disney Hour Cartoons 10:30 Ek Nazar 11:00 Chota Muh Aur Badi Baat 11:30 Chhilo Cinema 12:00 Kasak 12:30 Khubsoorat 1:00 Waaris 1:30 Naye Nazrane 2:00 Daily Soap-Hum Panch 2:30 La-keeren 3:00 Kartavya 3:30 Cinema Hits-Hi Film: Janwar (Shammi Kapoor, Rajshree) 6:30 Ek Nazar 7:00 Disney Hou 8:00 Vijay Jyoti 8:30 Hum Paanch 9:00 Mere Apne 9:30 Basera 10:00 Raahein 10:30 Agnichakra 11:00 Daily Soap-Aangan 11:30 Daily Soap-Kartavya 11:55 Jhalak-Trailler 12:00 Ashirwad 12:30 Tvs Sa-Re-Ga-Ma 1:30 India's Most Wanted 2:00 Zee News 2:30 Janam 3:00 Feature Film: Maut Juari (Shammi Kapoor, Nanda)



Jag on Star World