

music

# A Performer Par Excellence

A classical music evening presented by Sarathi Chatterjee

By Nafid Imran Ahmed

RAIN perhaps adds something special to music. The May 24 evening witnessed the spontaneous flow of the mellifluous gayaki of Sarathi Chatterjee, a rising star in the domain of Indian Classical Music at the National Museum auditorium.

In the tradition of the sub-continent music runs deeply from one generation to the other through gharanas. Music in this part of the world is viewed more as an spiritual encounter rather than something, which is only a matter of skill and excellence.

Sarathi Chatterjee's father, Professor Arun Kumar Chatterjee, was also a talented musician and highly respected representative of the Kirana Gharana. He received his initial training on classical music from him and also from his mother Shafali Chatterjee. Sarathi Chatterjee further receives his lessons from Pandits Rajan and Sajan Mishra of Banaras gharana. The duo is specialised in Khayal.

The interesting part of Sarathi Chatterjee's music is that he has created his own style blending elements of Banaras gharana into the Kirana 'gayaki' of his original training. This blending of the two great classical traditions has certainly given a new musical expression.

Sarathi Chatterjee is a regular performer in major music festivals in India. He has also performed in UK, Europe and Middle East. Apart from his music career Sarathi Chatterjee is a rubber and plastic technologist from Calcutta University. Prasun Chatterjee, a reputed tabla player accompanied Sarathi Chatterjee at the programme. Also born in a musical family Prasun received training in tabla from his father Shri Amarnath Chatterjee, a



Sarathi rendering songs at the National Museum auditorium.

renowned AIR Calcutta artist. He is also a devoted disciple of Ustad Allah Rakha. Other co-artists at the programme were Pulk Gupta in harmonium and Shaila Tasmeen in Tanpura. The auditorium of the National Museum was full despite inclement weather. Sarathi Chatterjee took some time to tune up with his co-artists. He started off with Raga

Puriya Dhanesree. He performed it in Bilombit Ek Taal Madhalay and then moved to Drut Teen Taal. With a low voice he started the recital. Creating a nice pattern as he sang Sarathi was joined by Prasun in tabla. Together they transported the audience with their marvelous music to a transcendental world. Pa Ma..Pa Ma.. he circled

through the sargams. The sargams were highly complex sometimes, but Sarathi structured them pretty well and also sang them with perfection. Re Ga Ma Pa... quickly but clearly he sang.

One thing was clear from Sarathi's performance that he is a perfectionist. He firmly believes in perfection and wanted to present the audience with some intricate and pure classical presentation.

Playing the Bina in one hand, Sarathi sang, Le Chalo.. Apne Desh. With some prolonged humming tonal expressions he really exhibited the control and power of his voice. These taans perfectly portrayed the emotional content of the raga.

His performance can be characterised by the depth of expression and purity of tone. During his performance he switched between the taals and presented the audience with some delicate tonal vibration in different scales, which certainly points at the capability of this young and talented artist.

Priya Samzhata O' Samzhe Nahin, he sang with passion, as if he spoke the inner language and the tale of joy and pain of everyone present. And silence prevailed in the auditorium.

Raga 'Gavati' was next. This time Sarathi performed it in Madhalay Rupak first and then in Madhalay Bandis. Once again the audience continued their journey through the wondrous world of classical music. Before the programme came to an end Sarathi enlightened the audience with some light classical compositions in different ragas.

The programme was organised by the High Commission of India.

new book

# Victory Flag

Publication of the book titled 'Bijoy Pataka: Kualalampur theke England' by Shahidul Azam

By Cultural Correspondent

THE publication ceremony of Shahidul Azam's book *Bijoy Pataka: Kualalampur theke England* will be held at the National Sports Council on May 27 at 11.00am. The first issue will be officially released by 8 national team players: Shamim Kabir, Rakibul Hasan, Shafiqul Haq Hira, Gazi Ashraf Hossain Lipu, Faruk Ahmed, Minhajul Abedin Nannu, Akram Khan and Aminul Islam Bulbul.

Obaidul Quader, State Minis-



ter for Youth, Sports and Cultural Affairs will be present at the publication ceremony as chief guest, while Saber Hossain Chowdhury, president Bangladesh Cricket Board and Matir Rahman Chowdhury, editor The Daily Manabjain will also be present as special guests. The publication ceremony will be presided over by M M Shahin, chairman, Thikana Group of Publications. Singer Shuvra Dev will present his new song on Cricket at the programme.

event



May 28, 2000 is the Safe Motherhood Day. Every year since 1997 this day is being celebrated in Bangladesh. But this year the event stands special because this very day a national communication and social awareness programme titled 'Matrimritu O' Nari Nirjatan Rodhe' will be inaugurated. As a part of this programme the drama *Guddu* will be aired on BTV after the News at Ten. Written and directed by Mamunur Rashid the drama stars Ferdousi Mojumdar, Subarna Mustafa, Aijul Hakim, Taru Mustafa and many more.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

### Musical Extravaganza

The High Commission of India will be presenting 'Bangla Gaan' from May 27 to 29, 2000 at the Indian Cultural Center auditorium at 754 Satmasjid Road. The programme will start on May 27 with Rabindra Sangeet by Mita Haq followed by Folk songs by Farida Parveen. On 28th May, there will be Rabindra Sangeet by Sharna Rahman and Nazrul Geeti by Nashid Kamal Waiz. The programme will conclude on 29th may with Rabindra Sangeet by Rezwana Chowdhury 'Banya' followed by Nazrul Geeti & Kirtan by Nilofar Yasmin.

The programme will start at 6:30 pm everyday and will be held at 754 Satmasjid Road auditorium.

### French Musical Night

Alliance Francaise de Dhaka will be organising a 'French Musical Evening' dedicated to the famous French composer of classical music Claude Debussy on Saturday, May 27 at 7.00 pm. There will also be visual display of French classical music over the century.



### Folk Art Exhibition

A month-long exhibition on traditional folk art and crafts began at the National Museum, Shahbagh. State Minister for Information Prof Abu Sayeed inaugurated the exhibition on May 21. Prof Tojaef Ahmed and Dr. Henry Glassic was also present as special guest on the occasion.

### Discussion on Zainul

To mark the 24th death anniversary of one of the central figure of art movement in this part of the world, artist Zainul Abedin — who was also instrumental in setting up the Institute of Fine Arts in Dhaka — the Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy will hold a discussion reflecting upon his work from a contemporary perspective on May 28 at the academy gallery at 5 pm. The key-note paper will be presented by Prof Abul Mansur. The widowed wife of the late artist Jahanara Abedin will be present as special guest which will be chaired by Prof Anisuzzaman.

### Contemporary Iranian films

Venue: German Cultural Centre, Dhanmondi Organized by Zahir Raihan Film Society, this festival showcases a selection of some of the finest films made and produced by Iranian film makers. Everyday beginning at 4:30pm, the festival also features two retrospective shows by Mahmalbaf and Abbas Kiarostami.

### The contemporary Iranian Film Festival: Part Four The Mahmalbaf Retrospective

Date	Time	Film
28.05.2000	4:30 PM	The Apple
	5:55 PM	The Peddler
	7:30 PM	The Cyclist
29.05.2000	5:00 PM	Once Upon A Time, Cinema Gabbeh
	6:45 PM	

### The Contemporary Iranian Film Festival: Part Five The Abbas Kiarostami Retrospective

Date	Time	Film
30.05.2000	4:30 PM	The Bread and Alley
	4:40 PM	The Traveller
	6:00 PM	Where is my Friend's home?
31.05.2000	4:30 PM	The Chorus
	4:47 PM	And Life Goes on
	6:15 PM	Through the Olive Trees
01.06.2000	4:30 PM	Close Up
	6:15 PM	The Taste of Cherry

### Solo Exhibition

A solo exhibition by Rashid Amin is being held at the Goethe Institut. Exhibition hall from May 19-June 1, 2000. Every day from 2 pm till 8 pm (Friday and Saturday closed).

## TV Guide

**Saturday 27th**  
(All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)

### BTV

#### Morning Prog.

9:00 Opening Announcement, Recitation From The Holy Quran And Programme Outline 9:05 Patriotic Song 9:10 Khela Dhula 9:40 English Debating 10:05 Sastho Tatho: Serial: Sukher Joy #8 (\*Nazma Aannar, Joy, Bannay, Shamim Shahed) 10:35 Dripto Uchcharon (Prog. For Poem) 10:50 Movie of The Week: Cleopatra Pt-2 (\*Elizabeth Taylor, Richard Burton, Rex Harrison) 12:35 A) Programme Outline For 2nd Session B) National Song 12:40 Closing

#### Evening Prog.

3:00 Opening Announcement, Recitation From The Holy Quran And Programme Outline 3:15 Patriotic Song 3:20 Serial: Durer Akash #9 (\*Toni Dayes, Mitunor, Shams Suman) / Tele Film: 4:00 Sambad (Bangla News) 4:05 Nabagato (New Artist Audition Live Coverage) 5:25 Uttaron (Prog. For Developing) 6:00 Sambad (Bangla News) 6:05 Nibedan 6:30 Transmission From Chittagong Center 7:00 News 7:05 Weather 7:05 Geetimalyo (Song of Robinrantha) 7:25 Serial: Mowgli (Bangla Dub) 8:00 Bangla News At 8 8:30 Weekly Drama: (Rept.) 10:00 News At Ten (English) 10:30 Mini Series: 11:30 Sambad (Bangla News) 11:35 English News 11:40 A) Programme Outline For Sunday B) National Song 11:45 Closing

### BBC

06:00 BBC World News 06:30 Click Online (Pres. Stephen Cole) 07:00 BBC News 07:30 Asia Today 08:00 BBC News 08:30 Asia Today 09:00 BBC World News 09:30 Asia Today 09:45

World Business Report 10:00 BBC News 10:30 World Living: Talking Movies (Pres. Tom Brook) 11:00 World News 11:30 Australia Direct 12:00 World News 12:30 World Living: Question Time India Talk (Presenter: Dr. Pradyot Roy) 01:30 BBC World News 01:30 Correspondent 02:00 BBC World News 02:10 Horizon: 03:10 Full Circle 09:10-04:30 World Living: The Travel Show 05:00 BBC News 05:30 This Week 06:00 World



From left Nilufar Yasmin, Dr Muhammad Zafar Iqbal and host Laila Barua in the magazine show 'Ayojon' on ATN Bangla at 9:30pm

Headlines 06:10 Horizon: 07:00 BBC World News 07:30 Life An Act of Faith: 08:05 Weekend World 08:10 Under The Sun-09:00 BBC World News 09:10 Full Circle 09:10-10:00 World News 10:30 Face To Face India (Presenter: Karan Thapar) 11:00 BBC World News 11:30 This Week 12:00 World News 12:30 Earth Report-01:00 World News Headlines 01:10 Horizon: 02:00 BBC World News 02:30 Talking Movies (Presenter: Tom Brook) 03:00 BBC World News 03:10 Under The Sun-04:00 BBC News 04:30 Australia Direct (Compiled: SATVIEW Cable News -404129)

### ZEE ENGLISH

8:00 Late Show With David Letterman 9:00 Candido Camera 9:30 Remarkable 20th Century 10:00 Music Zone 10:30 The Roseanne Show 11:30 OST 12:00 Touched By An Angel 1:00 The Roseanne Show 2:00 Music Zone 2:30 Kate And Allie 3:00 Candido Camera 3:30 Touched By An Angel 4:30 The Roseanne Show 5:30 Music Zone 6:00 OST

### Computers

6:10 Sunheri Yeadoon 7:00 English News 7:20 PTV Music Library 7:30 Virsa Pakistan 7:55 Ghazal Uss Naye Sairee 8:25 Andaz Apna Apna (Fashion Tips) 8:45 Serial: Nido Bachaa Parly 9:00 Break For Headlines News 9:05 Drama: Sila 10:00 Khabarnama & Commercial News 10:05 Haqeeqat 10:45 Drama: Sophia 11:45 Do Sitaree 1:15 Urdu Feature Film: Khas Khabar-Close Down

### ZEE NEWS INDIA TV

7:30 Zee News: Hindi 8:00 Morning Zee 9:00 Namaste Zee 10:30 Ru-Ba-Ru 11:00 Guffagu 12:00 Ru-Ba-Ru 6:30 The Health Show 7:00 Business News 7:30 The Premier Show 8:00 Zee News: Hindi 8:30 IT Trail 9:00 News In English 9:30 Zee News: Hindi 10:00 Zee Prime Time Show 11:00 NR Eyes 11:30 News In English 12:00 Zee News: Hindi 12:30 to 6:30 Every Half Hour - Zee News: Hindi

### MTV INDIA

7:00 Non Stop Hits 8:00 MTV Party Zone Vj Sonia 8:15 MTV Classic 9:00 MTV Hungout 9:30 Pop Indonesia 10:00 MTV Non Stop Hits 11:30 MTV Music Baby 12:00 Made In India 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV HouseFull V Nafisa 1:30 MTV Non Stop Hits 4:00 MTV Bakra 4:15 Non-Stop Hits 5:00 MTV Best of Both Worlds 5:30 MTV Most Wanted Vj Shehnaz 7:30 MTV Fresh Vj Cyra/Asif/Nikhil 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 House Full Vj Nafisa 10:30 Non-Stop Hits 11:00 MTV Loveline Vj Malaika 11:30 The Grind 12:00 MTV Unplugged 1:00 Non-Stop Hits Continue

### MUSIC ASIA

7:30 Aalaap 8:00 Ta Ra Rum 9:00 Brake Fail 10:00 Di Se 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Brake Fail 11:30 Artist of the Fortnight 12:00 Bajaj Music Box 12:30 Saare Ga Ma Classic 1:00 Himani Gold T Jharokha 2:00 Music Quiz 2:30 Samay Quazet Best of The Best 3:30 Brake Fail 4:30 Bajaj Music Box 5:00 Inu Pop Ka Baap Kaur 5:30 Hit Mix 6:00 Saare Ga Ma Classic 7:00 Brake Fail 8:00 Jhakaas 8:30 Stars Day Out 9:00 Pop Busters 9:30 Bajaj Music Box 10:00 DSP Sizzlers 10:30 Jharokha 11:00 Music Asia Live 11:30 Shabab 12:00 Music Zone 1:00 Brake Fail 1:30 Himani Gold T Jharokha 2:00 Bajaj Music Box 2:30 Jhakaas 3:00 Ta Ra Rum 4:00 Music Quiz 4:30 Brake Fail

### DD CHANNEL-1

5:55 Vande Mataram 6:15 CIET Program 7:30 UGC Programmes 7:50 IGNOU Programmes 7:50 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:30 The News 9:32 News Magazine 10:00 Serial: Drishtant 10:32 Serial: Daya Sagar 11:00 Serial: Mayavi Nagari 11:32 Serial: Wilayete Babu 12:00 Serial: Drishtant 12:32 Serial: Swaraj 01:00 Regional Film Show 2:30 Samachar 2:40 The News 3:32 Sports World 6:00 Series: Animal Ark 6:32 Turning Point 7:30 Samachar 8:00 Aap Ki Pasand 8:30 The News 9:00 Samachar 9:32 Sangharsh- Mile Sur Mere Tum Hare 9:55 Sanskritinama 10:05 Serial: Jai Hanuman 11:00 Feature Film In Hindi

### DD-7

8:40 Khas Khabar 9:30 Movie Club Film (Last Monday's Rpt) 12:30 Movie Club Film (Last Tuesday's Rpt) 3:35 Movie Club Film (Last Wednesday's Rpt) 5:30 Sambad 6:40 Khas Khabar 7:00 Saptahiki 7:30 Bangla Sambad 8:00 Sikarokti (Tapas Pal, Sonia, Soma Mukharjee, Arindam) 8:30 Jaisaghar-Barnali 9:00 Special Prog/Katha O Kahini 9:25 Serial: Bangla Aamar 10:20 Mokho Mukhi 10:50 News & Bengali Sambad 11:20 Shatantik 11:40 Shoni Basor & Closed

### ALPHA TV

6:30 Aalaap 7:00 Monihar 8:00 Serial: Bhavanepurer Chattugge 8:30 Serial: Mittir Bari 9:00 Plabon 9:30 Bahari Aahar 10:00 Grijhosajia 10:30 Serial: Jhara Samayer Upkatha 11:00 Serial: Daag 11:30 Serial: Sanghaat 12:00 Serial: Sapanil 12:30 Jigisha 1:00 Aapnader Jannye 1:30 Bahari Aahar 2:00 Serial: Aamra Probashi#12 2:30 Bangla Movie: 5:00 Bharat Bhromon 5:30 Asian Sky Shop 6:00 Manabi 6:30 Zee Jalsa 7:00 Aapnader Jannye 7:30 News In Bangali 8:00 Serial: Shoni-Robi Mogar Chobi #11 8:30 Ek Palak 9:00 Serial: Majar Khala Kabitay 9:30 Serial: Halh Chocolate 10:00 News In Bangali 10:30 Serial: Jiban Jeban 11:00 Serial: Annay Bhuban 11:30 Serial: Hiyaar Majhe 12:00 Daag 12:30 Bharat Bhromon 1:00 Grijhosajia 1:30 Bangla Movie: 4:00 Serial: Reen 4:30 Serial: Shoni-Robi Mogar Chobi #11

### SONY TV

7:30 Aatma 8:00 Sant Asaram Wani 8:30 Ramayan #59 9:30 Music Mantra (Trailer show) 10:00 Chantabusters 10:30 Star

Yaar Kalakar 11:30 Archana Talkies 12:30 TBA 1:00 TBA 1:30 The Good Home Show 2:00 Cook It Up With Tarla Dalal 2:30 Cine Matinee Hindi Film: Chori Chori (\*Raj Kapoor, Nargis) 6:00 Heena #74 (\*Rakhi Bhjian, Siman Singh, Rahul Bhatt, Nina Kulkarni) 6:30 Kanyadaan #31 (\*Kiran Kher, Poonam Narula) 7:00 Saaya #77 (\*Achintya Kaur, Anup Soni, Aar Mahadev, Monisha) 7:30 C.I.D. Files Ep- 8:30 Special Event- Lata Mangeshkar s



Star Box Office: Hu Tu Tu on Star Plus at 8:30 pm.

Shraddhanjali Pt-2 12:30 Midnight Hours: CATS #14 Ep- Three Blind Mice 1:30 Aahat #220 Ep- 2:00 Missing #47 Ep- Ramaben Bhatt Pt-1 (Pre-Jacky Shroff) 2:30 CID #115 Ep- 3:00 The Poppadum Show 3:30 Cine Nite-Film: Gehra Zakham

### ZEE TV

6:00 Yeadoon Ki Pal (B/W Songs) 6:30 Zee News & Business 7:00 Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagran 7:55 Fitness Plus 8:05 Guldasta 8:30 TVS Sa Re Ga Ma 9:30 Disney Hour (Cartoon) 10:30 Ek Nazar 11:00 Koshish 11:30 Yeh Hai Mere Apne 12:00 Raahin 12:30 Naye Nazrane 1:00 Nestle- Jhatpat Kazana 1:30 Vijay Jyoti 2:00 Hum Paanch 2:30 Daayee #4 (\*Mostafa Siraj) 3:00 Khushoorat (Fashion Tips Show) 3:30 Cinema Hits-Hindi Film: 6:30 Gaane Anjane 7:00 Disney Hour (Cartoon) 8:00 Special: Madhuri Dixit Show 8:30 Madly Madhuri Hindi Film: Hum Aapke Hai Kaun (\*Salman Khan, Madhuri Dixit, Ranuka Sahani, Monish Behel) 11:30 Alvada Darling 12:00 Basera 12:30 Janam 1:00 Mrityudand #45 1:30 Hotel Hindustan #13 (\*Salish Koushik, Sudher Panda, Soma Anand, Ramon Singh) 2:00 Lakeerein 2:30 Gaane Anjane 3:00 Hindi Feature Film (B/W):

### DD METRO

7:00 Anhad/Bhakti Sagar 7:30 Saturday Wake Up Show 8:00 Business Mantra 8:30

Cinema Scene 9:00 The First Edition 9:30 The Millennium Journey 10:00 IT Digest 10:30 Top Job 11:00 Serial: We Love You 11:30 Serial: Rehne Ko Ghar Nahi 12:00 TV Brand 12:30 Serial: Bajaj Payal 1:00 Be Happy 1:30 Fun In The Kitchen 2:00 Vividha 2:30 Hindi Feature Film: 2:55 News In Urdu 5:00 Circus 6:00 Dennis The Menace 6:30 Mickey & Donald 7:00 Rich For A Rainbow 7:30 Dum Dum Diga Diga 8:00 Beauty 2000 8:30 Savera 9:00



Star Box Office: Hu Tu Tu on Star Plus at 8:30 pm.

Manzelein 9:30 Captain House 10:00 Serial: Alf Laila 10:30 Aaj Tak 10:50 Single Metro: Sandese Aate Hain 11:00 Aardaan 11:30 Celebrity Saturday 12:00 One Cube 1:00 Hindi Films

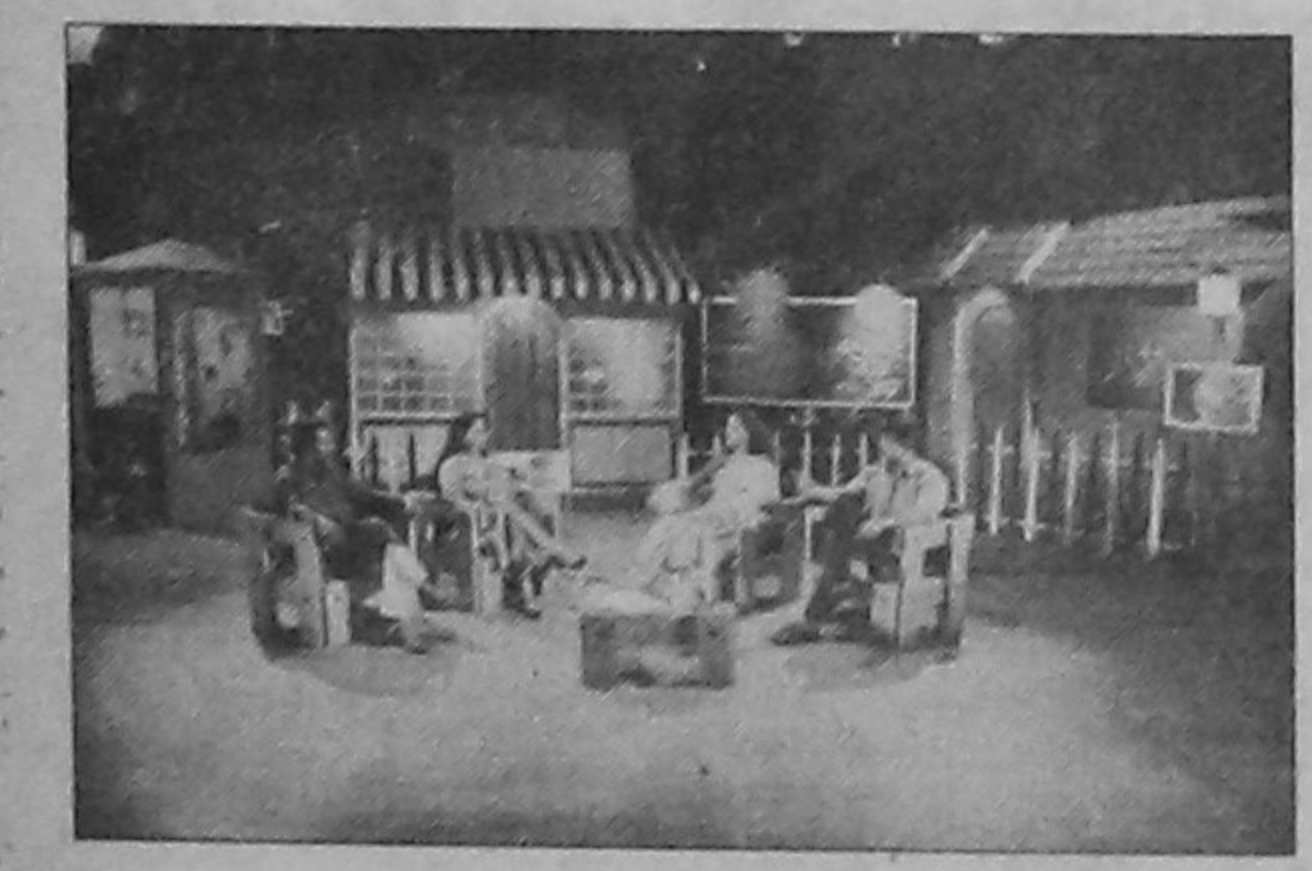
### DISCOVERY

#### CHANNEL

6:30 Ushuaia 7:30 Travelers- 8:30 Lonely Planet- 9:30 Eyewitness- 10:30 Without Warning 11:00 Earth Quark- 12:00 Grizli 12:30 New Sanctuaries- 1:00 Oceans of Mystery- 1:30 Rulers of The Deep 2:30 The Elephant 3:30 Return of The Dooma 4:30 Beyond 2000- 5:00 Discovery News- 5:30 Ultimate Guide- 6:30 Going Wild With Left Corwin 7:00 So You Want To



Wasik and Olivia in a scene from the movie *Sheeshnaag* on Ekushey television at 3:00pm



Nima Rahman's *Bhalobasha Kare Koy* on Ekushey television at 8:30pm