exhibition

Mysteries of Black

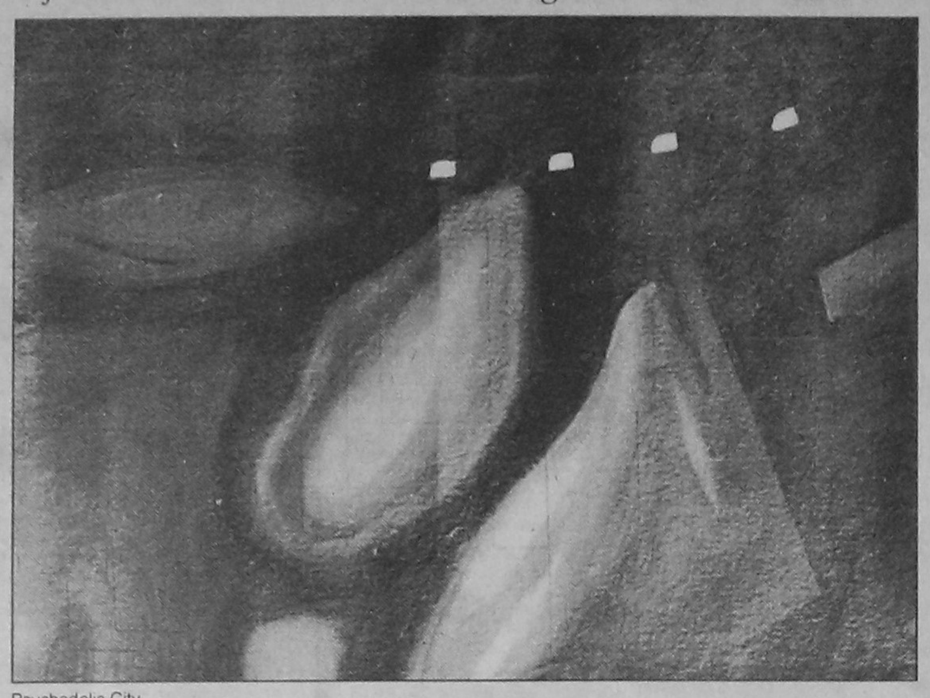
Debasis Samajpati's first solo art exhibition in Bangladesh

Debasis Samajpati

By Cultural Correspondent

DEBASIS Samajpati, a young Indian artist has come with his array of works, at the behest of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka for the first time in Bangladesh.

The title of his exhibition, 'Through Black', is a series of graphical paintings, inspired by psychedelic music and focuses on the vast, untouched world of the subconscious. He tried to capture the form and style of the graphic art in his paintings, consciously avoiding the traditional drawing styles. "Graphic design has always attracted me and I tried to capture the emotion of the traditional paintings using graphic styles", says the artist about his fascination for graphic painting.



Psychedelic City

Indeed the artist has avoided even an extra line in his work, which gives his works a certain strength and immediacy. Black takes up a lot of space in his works, be it the back ground or the main focus. 'Black', to Debasis presents a void, a zero but at the same time a certain mystery of life and beyond.

'Flame' is a work that shows an unmoving flame of fire at the vast laid black background only creating a line of blue light. The calmness of the painting attracts everyone's attention. The whole series, to the artist is a psychedelic experience of one's subconscious mind. As if trying to feel the engulfing darkness and mysticism that creates an almost tangible feeling, which most of us experience but never try to express.

'Evening', shows the yellow, orange, red and blue lines shimmering on the black background. The piece evokes the beauty and serenity of the evening that we all know but without the familiar sights and scenes of the evening, that is to say, the artist has only used the lines, tones and shades of the evening and nothing else. The blackness seems to push the light of the evening, slowly taking over the evening shades.

'Shine', is a breathtaking piece. The canvas is divided into two - the sky is kept dark blue and the ground is left black. In the vast laid emptiness a small house is placed, yellow light is coming out from the windows of the house, a single light post beside the house almost pouring bright yellow light and creating an almost surrealistic atmosphere. The piece evokes the ultimate feeling of seclusion of man in the universe.

'Eternal Power' shows a bright ray of light cutting through the black, through this simple expression, Debasis tried to find the answer to the eternal power that we know exists but never see. The process of living in itself is a part of that eternal power but we do not know where it began and where lies its end and that's why the artist did not use any frame to focus on the infinite quality of his subject.

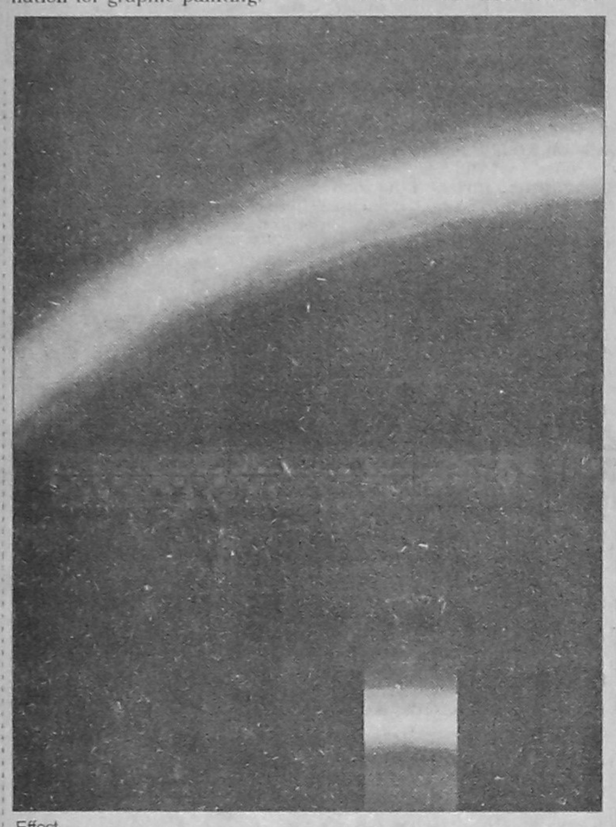
In fact Debasis consciously avoided using any frame in the total series as he is focusing on the mystery and mysticism of the subconscious that has no boundary and in any case he cannot focus on the whole aspect of the subject as it is so vast and that is also why he avoids using frames.

'Windows' present an image of a skyscraper with many windows and each window is painted in different colour as if trying to express the unique, untold story of each house in that building. Many themes are captured in the same frame. Thus the artist has transferred his psychedelic tension to man's eternal tension of existence.

Debasis has used acrylic colour and sometimes pen. His geometric lines on his canvas open up a world of dazzling vagueness.

Debasis graduated in Arts from the Calcutta University. He did his graphic design course from Birala Institute of Liberal Art and went on to do fashion and clothing and textile design from the National Institute of Fashion Technology.

The exhibition will remain open till May 31. Debasis will hold the same exhibition in Chittagong from June 4 to 8.



Effect

Eternal Power

tv preview

Bismriti Ends

An exciting series comes to an end

By Cultural Correspondent

THE thirteen episode drama series *Bismriti* has come to an end. Creating a lot of suspicion, climax and complexity the last episode of the drama will be aired in Ekushey television on May 28 at 8.00pm.

In this episode it will be shown, how Khaled Rahman was murdered? Who is the killer? And what is the role of Munmun Rahman? All these questions will be answered in this last episode of *Bismriti*. Not only the answers, the psychiatrist has mentioned another complex and dangerous probability. And that probability turns to be true. Through this *Bismriti* goes towards its end.

The drama is written and directed by Moloy Bhattacarjee and stars Tariq Anam, Abul Hayat, Indrani Haldar, Shimul and others.

A scene from the drama *Bismriti*

Shahab Sattar on Sharashari

Ali Zaker will talk to eminent businessman Shahab Sattar on tonight's Sharashari. Shahab Sattar is not only a successful businessman, he has made his individual mark with his multi-dimensional tallents. He is the Managing Director of Bangladesh's private Airlines GMG. He is also a pilot.

Though Shahab was born in Karachi, he spent all of his life in Bangladesh. Extremely meritorious Shahab always topped the merit list. He obtained second place in the combined merit list in the HSC exam. He stood first in Accounting from Dhaka University. Then he completed MBA from America.

Though GMG is only two years old, fifty years of experience, backs them. Shahab Sattar discussed how he is maintaining the business of a private airlines. How he gained courage to start? He gave his view on the potential as well as the downside of the business. He also expressed how being Pakistani by birth, he and his whole family was deeply involved with our glorious liberation war.

One can learn about all these and more from this programme. The programme will be aired on May 28 at 10:30 pm on Ekushey TV.

Aly Zaker talks to Shahab Sattar in *Sharashari* on Ekushey television

RECOMMENDATIONS

Vocal classical recital at Alliance Francaise de Dhaka

To discover up and coming artists, Alliance Francaise de Dhaka is launching a serie of cultural evenings from 2nd till 30th June 2000. The programme includes Rabindra sangect by Ilma & Folk songs by Kanak on 2nd June. Then on 16th June 2000 Classical songs by Kohili Islam & Folk songs by Liza and on 30th June 2000 Nazrul geeti by Mofizul Islam & Rabindra sangeet by Pigush.

The programme will begin at 7 pm everyday & will be held in the auditorium of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka. For further information, please contact the reception of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka from 09:00-12:00 & from 17:00-20:00.

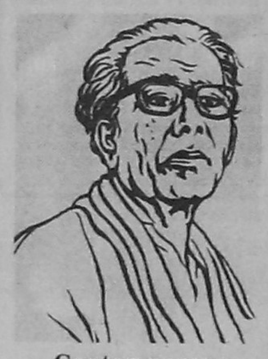
Musical Extravaganza

The High Commission of India began a presentation of 'Bangla Gaan' from May 27 to 29, 2000 at the Indian Cultural Centre auditorium at 754, Satmasjid Road. The programme began on May 27 with Rabindra Sangeet by Mita Haq followed by Folk songs by Farida Parveen. Today 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 Nilofer Yasmin.

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

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 today at the academy gallery at 5 pm. The keynote 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 Makhmalbaf and Abbas Kiarostami.

The contemporary Iranian Film Festival: Part Four The Makhmalbaf Retrospective

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

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

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

Sunday 28th May

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

BTV

1:45 Opening Announcement, Recitation From The Holy Quran And Programme Outline **2:00** 7th Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Cricket Bangladesh vs Sri Lanka from Bangabandhu National Stadium live relay **4:00** Bangla News **6:00** Bangla News **7:00** News For Weather **8:00** News At 8 (Bangla) **10:00** News At Ten (English) **10:20** Special programme in memory of Artist Joinul Abedin **10:45** Samahar (Magazine) **11:30** Bangla News / the News **11:45** Closing

Ekushey

7:00 Classic Cartoons **7:20** Jana Ajana **7:45** Ekushey News **8:00** Bismriti-Final Episode Written & Directed by : Moloy Bhattacherji **8:30** Roar **9:30** Priyo Gaan Artist: Fatematuz Zohra **10:00** BTV News **10:30** Sharashari Hosted By: Aly Zaker

ATN Bangla

06-00 Islamic Program **06-32** Child Prog **07-10** Film Songs **07-50** Drama **08-25** Musical Prog **09-00** Drama Serial **09-35** Magazine Prog **10-10** Drama Serial **10-45** Bangla Film: Neel Akasher Niche **06-32** Film Songs **07-10** Magazine Prog **07-50** Drama Serial **08-25** Magazine Prog **09-00** Drama Serial **09-35** Musical Prog **10-10** Drama Serial **10-45** Bangla Film: Bazigar

ESPN

7:50 Live- Nhl Hockey Post Game Report **8:00** Spanish League Highlights 1999/00 **8:30** West Indies Cricket 2000 Cable & Wireless TestSeries ANTIGUA- Pakistan Vs West Indies 3rd Test Day 3 Highlights **09:30** Tennis Masters Series By Mercedes-Benz Tennis Masters Series Hamburg Pres. By Eurocard Hamburg GERMANY Highlights **10:30** Atp Tennis Show **11:00** Sportscenter: International Edition **11:30** Lpga Golf Corning Classic Corning NY U.S.A. Second Round **2:00** Cart Nazareth 200(Abc) Nazareth PA USA **4:00** Nba In The 90'S 1997: Nba 1997 - A Look Back **4:30** Nba Playoffs Conference Finals Game #3 **7:00** West Indies Cricket 2000 Cable & Wireless TestSeries ANTIGUA- Pakistan Vs West Indies 3rd Test Day 3 Highlights **07:55 Live- West Indies Cricket 2000 Cable & Wireless TestSeries ANTIGUA- Pakistan Vs West Indies 3rd Test Day 4 1st Session 10:10** Sportscenter: International Edition

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

6:30 Ushuaia **7:30** Travelers **8:30** Firetorm **9:30** On The Inside **10:30** Liquial Highways **11:00** Dingo French **11:30** Wet Byets-**12:00** Going Up-**12:30** Blue Reef **1:00** Two Worlds **1:30** Discovery Profile-Series **7:30** India Hour: Gulsitan **8:30** Wild Discovery **9:30** Science Frontiers **10:30** Discovery Showcase **11:30** Discovery Profile-Series **12:30** Wild discovery **1:30** Science Frontiers

Star Sport

7:00 Asia Sport Show **7:30** Nba Inside Stuff 99/2000 **8:00** Wta Tour Italian Open Rome ITALY Final **9:30** Asian Basketball Show **10:00** World Wrestling Federation Live Wire **11:00** Asian Football Show **12:00** Sports India **12:30** Asia Cup Road To The Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Dhaka BANGLADESH **1:30** Live- Asia Cup Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Dhaka BANGLADESH- Sri Lanka Vs Bangladesh 1st Odi Preview **2:00** Live- Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Dhaka BANGLADESH- Sri Lanka Vs Bangladesh 1st Odi1st Session **5:30** Live- Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Dhaka BANGLADESH- Sri Lanka Vs Bangladesh 1st Odi - Lunchtime Show **6:15** Live- Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Dhaka BANGLADESH- Sri Lanka Vs Bangladesh 1st Odi 2nd Session **9:45** Live- Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Dhaka BANGLADESH- Sri Lanka Vs Bangladesh 1st Odi Review **10:15** Cricket Up Close **10:30** Fim World Motorcycle Championship 2000 MotogpMugello ITALY 250cc(L); 500cc(L); 125cc(S) **1:00** Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Dhaka BANGLADESH- Sri Lanka Vs Bangladesh 1st Odi Highlights

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6:30 Rangeela Re **7:00** Chartbusters **7:30** Music Mantra **8:00** Film Show: **11:00** Chartbusters **11:30** Music Mantra **12:00** India Down Under **1:00** Film Show: **4:00** Chartbusters **4:30** Music Mantra **5:00** Film Show: **8:00** Chartbusters **8:30** Music Mantra **9:00** Harmony **9:30** Film Show: **12:30** Film Show: **3:30** Film Show:

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5:55 Vande Mataram **6:15** CIFT Programme **6:30** UGC Programme **7:00** IGNOU Programme **7:30** Samachar **7:45** Rangoli **8:45** The News **9:00** Sanjhi Bani (Regional) **9:32** Betaal Pachchisi (Series) **10:32** Meethe Meethe Bathen (Series) **11:00** Serial: Swati **11:32** Picnic Antakshari **12:00** School Days (Serial) **12:32** Serial: Shaktiman **1:32** Curent Affairs Programme **2:30** Samachar **2:40** News in English **3:05** News For Hearing Impaired **3:20** News In Sanskrit **3:30** Samachar **3:32** Serial: Mahatma **4:00** Sunday Business Time **4:32** Feature Film in Hindi **8:00** Series: Jai Mata Ki (Hema Malini) **9:00** Samachar **9:15** The News **9:30** Surabhi (Cultural Magazine) **10:00** Nehla Pe Dehla **11:00** Curent Affairs Programme **11:32** Buisiness Magazine **12:00** National Programme of Dance **12:32** Fugitive The Most Wanted **1:00** Geet Ateet **1:30** Picnic Antakshari **2:00** School Days (Serial)

SONY TV

7:30 Aatma **8:00** Sant Asaram Wani **8:30** Ramayan #60 **9:30** Hum Sab Ek Hain #94 Ep- Mast Mast Masti **10:00** Family No. 1 #82 (*Kanwaljeet, Tanvi Azmi, Kabir, Aporna) **10:30** I Love You #25 Ep- (*Anup Soni, Shruty Ulfa) **11:00** Dil Vil Pyar Vyar #47 Ep- Best Couple (*Rushali, Pooja Ghai, Sonali, Kareena, Vishal, Rakesh, Ali Asagar) **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- Super Hit Film: Dil **6:00** Musicc Mantra **6:30** Chartbusters **7:00** Bajaj Ki Lehren **7:30** C.A.T.S. #13 Ep- Terror In Home For The Aged **8:30** Film: Muqaddar Ka Sikandar (*Amitabh, Vinod Khanna, Rekha, Rakhee) **2:00** Midnight Hours: Aahat # Ep- **1:00** Archana Talkies **2:00** Chuartbusters (Trailer Show) **3:00** The Popadum Show **3:30** Cine- Nite Hindi Feature Film: Aakhri Badla

Khandaker Ibrahim Khaled, deputy governor Bangladesh Bank appears in Job Online on Channel i at 9.15pm

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** Guldasta **8:30** Disney Hour Cartoons **9.30** Shree Krishna #48 **10:30** Vishnu Puran #18 **11:30** Alvida Darling #13 (*Farque Shak, Brasha Usgaoker, Shobha Khota, Bharty Achreker) **12:00** Hotel Hindustan #13 (*Salish Koushik, Sudher Panda, Soma Anand, Ramon Singh) **12:30** Bourta Quiz Contest **1:00** Saare Janvihan Se Achcha (*Semon Singh) **1:30** Top of The Tops / First Take- (Film Preview) **2:00** Hum Panche (Comedy Serial *Rakhi Vijan, Soma Anand) **2:30** Tejaswini #41 **3:00** Zee For U **3.30** Cinema Hits Hindi Film: **6:30** Ek Nazar **7:00** Disney Hour Cartoons **8:00** Saheb Biwi Aur TV **8:30** Oh! Daddy #11 (*Rohan Kapoor, Achintay Kaur, Natasha Singh) **9:00** Rishtey- **10:00** Kashak #13 (*Sharmila Tagore, Surash Oberoy, Nasir) **10:30** Agnichakra **11:00** Zee Horror- Anhonee **11:30** Hip Hip Hurray #83 **12:00** Mehendi Tere Nam Ki #14 (*Shangita Ghosh, Aruna Irani, Sanjeev Shetty) **12:30** X-Zone

ALPHA TV

6:30 Aalap **7:00** Kee Darun Dreshow **7:30** Monihaar **8:00** Serial: Amaar Tumi **8:30** Serial: Reen **9:00** Shyaola **9:30** Serial: Ekushe Pa **10:30** Serial: Sanghaat **11:00** Serial: Aamra Probashi **11:30** Zee Jalsa **12:00** Serial: Shoni-Robi Mojar Chobi **12:30** Serial: Half Chocolate **1:00** Serial: Nil Chander Alo **1:30** Khana Khazana **2:00** Serial: Guest House **2:30** Bangla Movie **5:00** Bharat Bhroman **5:30** Asian Sky Shop **6:00** Mukhosher Antoraly (Mrinal Kulkarni, Shachin Khodkar) **6:30** Serial: Memsaheb **7:00** Serial: Gugli **7:30** News In Bengali **8:00** Serial: Shoni-Robi Mojar Chobi **8:30** Kichu Smriti Kichu Gaan **9:00** Serial: Agni Yuger Padatik **9:30** Serial: Iskabonar Bibi (Indrani, Shila Dittay) **10:00** News In Bangali **10:30** Serial: Ekushe Pa **11:00** Serial: Shyaola (Kushal Banergee, Pallob, Sabbosachi, Biplob Chatargee) **11:30** Sanghaat **12:00** Serial: Aamra Probashi **12:30** Bharat Bhroman **1:00** Grihosajja **1:30** Bangla Movie **4:00** Serial: Memsaheb **4:30** Serial: Shoni-Robi Mojar Chobi

BBC

6:00 BBC World News Headlines **6:30** World Living: The Travel Show **7:00** BBC World News **7:30** Australia Direct **8:00** BBC World News **8:30** Correspondent **9:00** BBC World News **9:30** This Week **10:00** BBC World News **10:30** Wheels **11:00** BBC World News **11:30** India Business Report **12:00** BBC World News **12:30** Wild World: Face To Face India (Presenter- Karan Thapar) **1:00** BBC World News **1:30** Moneywise (Presenter- Sucharita Ghosh) **2:00** BBC World News **2:30** This Week **3:00** BBC World News **3:10** Under The Sun- **4:00** BBC World News **4:30** Click Online (Pres.-Stephen Cole) **5:00** BBC World News **5:30** Australia Direct **6:00** BBC World News Headlines- **6:10** Full Circle #8/10- **7:00** BBC World News **7:30** Top Gear **8:00** BBC World Headlines **8:10** Dateline London **9:00** BBC World Headlines **9:10** Horizon: **10:00** BBC World News **10:30** India Bussines Report **11:00** BBC World News **11:10** Under The Sun- **12:00** BBC World News Headlines **12:30** Australia Direct **1:00** BBC World News **1:10** Full Circle #9/10- **2:00** World News **2:30** Top Gear **3:00** World News **3:30** Dateline London **4:00** BBC World Newsdesk inc. World Report / 24 Hours

ZEE News TV

7:30 The Health Show **8:00** Zee News: Hindi **8:30** Namaste Zee **9:00** News Outlook **9:30** Zee News: Hindi **10:30** Guftagu **11:00** The Premier Show **11:30** Zee News: Hindi **12:00** Guftagu **12:30** Zee News: Hindi **1:00** N.R. Eyes **1:30** Zee News: Hindi **5:00** IT Trail **7:00** Business News **7:30** Zee News: Hindi **9:00** News In English **11:30** News In English **12:00** Business News **12:30** AM to 06:30 AM Every Half Hour - Zee News: Hindi

MTV INDIA

7:00 MTV Non Stop Hits **8:00** MTV Unplage — George Michael **8:15** Classic MTV **9:00** MTV Boom **9:30** Pop Indonesia **10:00** MTV Non Stop Hits **10:30** MTV Chito Chato **11:30** MTV Top 2000 **12:30** MTV Hit Film Music **1:00** MTV Housefull V Nafisa **1:30** MTV Hafta VJ Shenaz **2:00** MTV Staing Alive — AIDS Special **2:30** MTV Non Stop Hits **3:30** MTV Cinemascope **4:00** MTV Bakra **4:15** MTV Non Stop Hits **4:30** MTV Ek Do Teen VJ Raageshwari **5:30** MTV Most Wanted VJ Shehnaz **6:30** MTV Kenwood Hit List **7:30** MTV Loaded **8:00** MTV Troolife AIDS Special **8:30** MTV Top 2000 **9:30** MTV Hit Film Music **10:00** Housefull VJ Nafisa **10:30** MTV Fresh VJ Cyrus/Asif/Nikhil **11:00** Non Stop Hits **11:30** Destination Dance - The Grind - Beach Show **12:00** MTV Chil Out VJ Cyrus/Asif/Nikhil **1:00** MTV Non Stop Hits

MUSIC ASIA

7:30 Aalaap **8:00** Ta Ra Rum **9:00** Brake Fail **10:00** 1900 **10:30** Hit Mix **11:00** Brake Fail **11:30** Teen Talk **12:00** Bajaj Music Box **12:30** Saare Ga Ma Classic **1:00** Himani Gold T Jharokha **2:00** Stars Day Out **2:30** Old is Gold **3:00** Music Mag **3:30** Brake Fail **4:30** Bajaj Music Box **5:00** Dil Se **5:30** Hit Mix **6:00** Saare Ga Ma Classic **7:00** Kumar Ajay Saree Prs Rangeen Tarane **7:30** Dial M **8:30** Nexgen/ Events/Just Jasmmin **9:30** Bajaj Music Box **10:00** DSP Sizzlers **10:30** Himani Gold T Jharokha **11:00** Artist of The Fortnight **11:30** Shabab **12:00** Music Zone **1:00** Brake Fail **1:30** Himani Gold T Jharokha **2:00** Bajaj Music Box **2:30** Dil Se **3:00** Ta Ra Rum **4:00** Music Zone **5:00** Brake Fail

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7:15 Sambad **8:40** Khas Khabar **9:00** Gane O Kothai **9:30** Movie Club Film **12:00** Barnali **12:30** Movie Club Film (Last Friday's Film Rpt) **1:30** Sananda Quiz **2:00** Hada Bhodar Kandkarkhana **2:30** Continue...Movie Club Film (Last Friday's Film Rpt) **3:30** Geet Sangeet **4:30** Sunday Bangla Film **5:30** Sambad **6:40** Khas Khabar **7:20** Binodon (Magazine Show) **7:30** Bangla Sambad **8:00** Serial: Sonargaon **8:30** Special Prog - — Sur Sadhak **9:00** Special Prog **9:30** Serial: Sidhanta

Zee Movies

8:30 OST **9:00** Film: **11:00** Frank Sinatra **11:30** Film: **1:30** OST **2:00** Film: Gleaming The Cube (*Christan Slater, Steven Bauer) **4:00** Total Recall **4:30** Film: **6:30** Frank Sinatra **7:00** Film: **9:00** Hollywood Remembers **9:30 The 9O`clock Show: Gleaming The Cube 11:30** Film: **Leon 1:30** Film: