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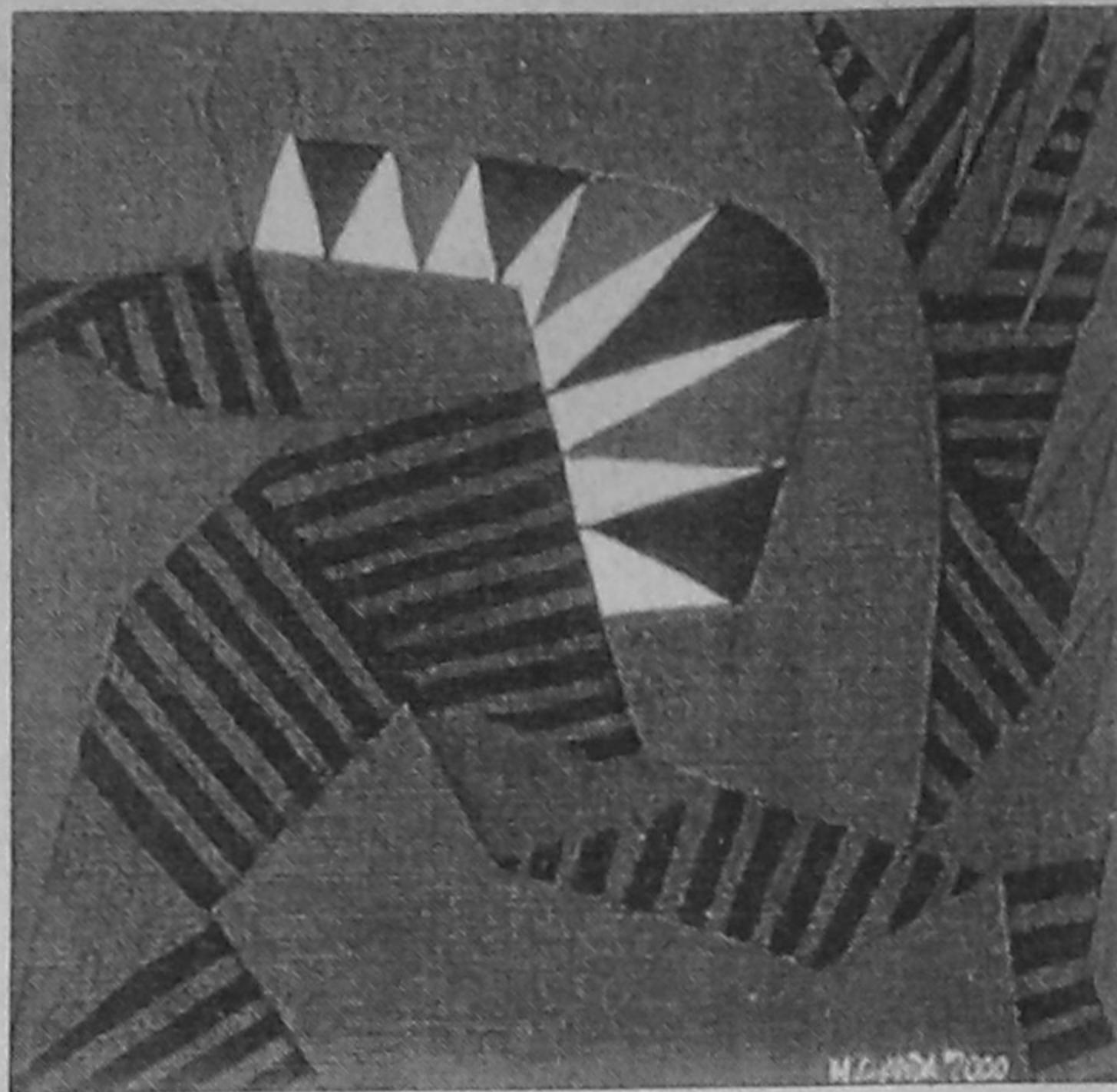
Experimental but Excellent

Solo show of Hiranmay Chanda's 'decorative' works

By Fayza Haq

NOT going by the promising sale at Alliance Francaise, but studying his work and speaking to him, one realizes only full well that here are paintings of a young man who studies life around him, and portrays the portion that he likes with suavity and perseverance.

Having obtained his MA in fine Arts from DU, he has entered the main stream of young painters with an eye for detail and careful consideration for his choice of colours and compositions. He has left out the ugly elements of internal political situation of the country that he detests and the ugliness of the environment in the Dhaka city that only depresses and angers one. Working in his room, which serves a studio, and having a five year old son to inspire him, he works relentlessly to present the pristine paintings on clay slabs. Pottery has been seen replete in the city but here are delectable pieces that would win the hearts of not only the average viewers, and



Horse 2000, Gouache
buyers, both local and foreign, of paintings at Dhaka, but also the teachers at the Fine Arts

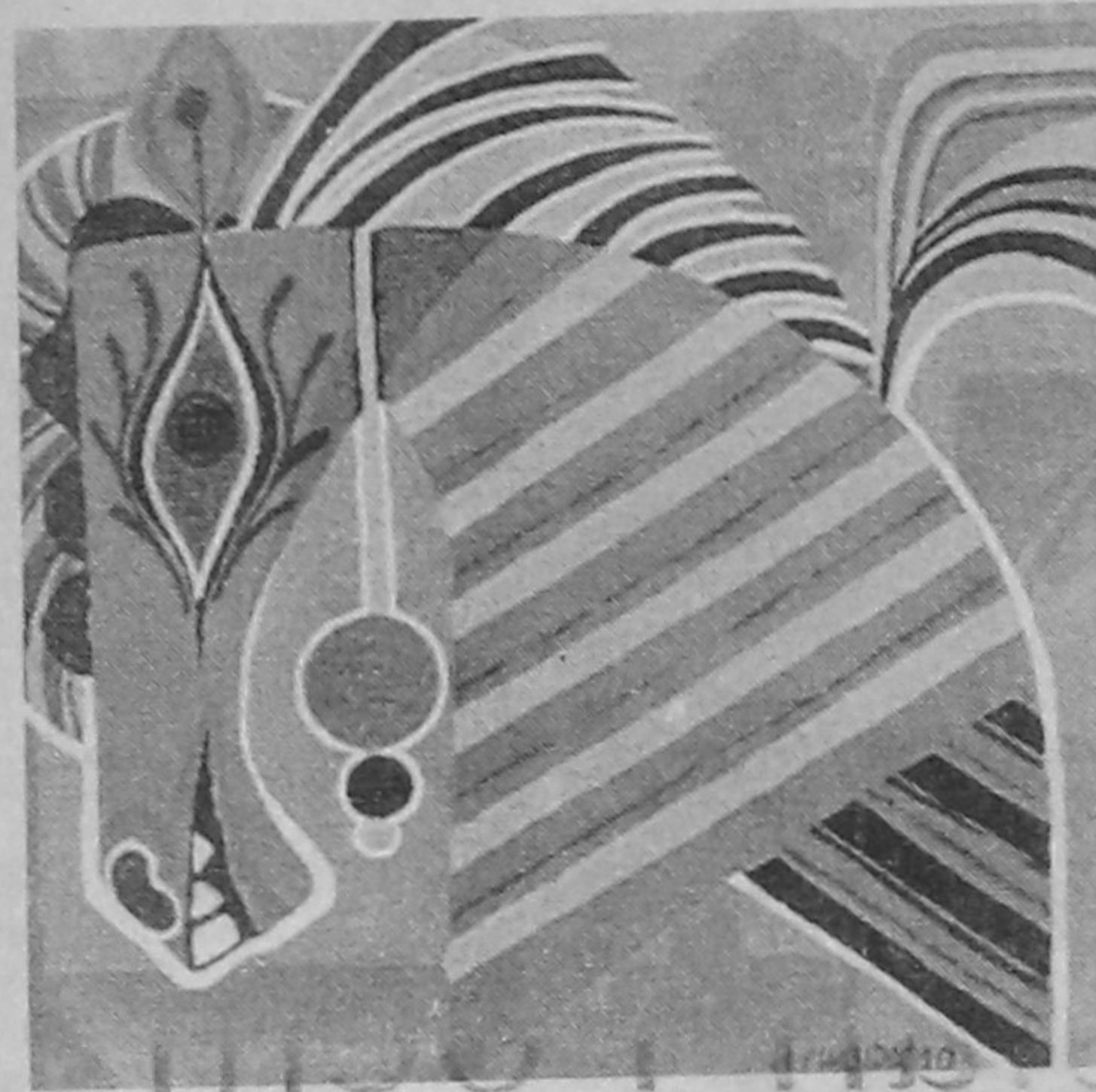


Cock 2000, Gouache



Owl 1995, Gouache
has "the time to stand and stare", one detects a woman's face complete with eyes, lips and waving tresses.

The "Cat and Butterfly" crea-



King's Horse 2000, Gouache

Dept. DU and other connoisseurs.

This piece has been painted by gouache on burnt clay and contains subjects like fish, birds, plants, horses, tigers and human beings. These have been taken from what he has seen in his childhood and what he sees today on TV and other news media. The forms intertwine with each other so that you see two objects blending and merging into one another. Chanda has also subtly combined elements like the "dheki" in the Bangladeshi urban world such as chicken. He brings in bicycles and musical instruments with finesse. Chanda does not limit himself to the visual world. As he is an enthusiast of "Rabindrasangeet", there is a smooth blending of his figures, almost like some gentle lyrical manner emanating from his love for music.

Chanda's exhibit, his first solo, called "Decorative Fantasy" includes a kingfisher diving down to search for a gray

fish, with a face as gorgeous as an Indian goddess. This is offset by colourful fleshy leaves. The surrounding river and the sky are also brought into the composition with carefully balanced colours, which keeps our heritage in mind, and is yet something which would easily appeal to the western eyes.

The painter's "Elephant and the Birds" is once again a mind-boggling and buoyant creation with bold sweeps of colours and lines of which Chanda is absolutely confident of having a command over. The swirls and twirls of the brilliant yellow ochre is combined with vibrant blue and offset by careful outlines, seen in all the exhibits. They are presented on a background of soothing sea green, flecked with emeralds spots which bring in the jungle background of the blue elephant placed upside down, and the birds flying from two different directions.

Another vibrant painting at the display was "Fantasy 5" which depicts a clay vase placed

on a table with a mauve table-cloth and bars of curtains in purple and peacock blue. As the heart shaped leaves hang down gently on the container, if one



Cat & Butterfly 2000, Gouache

ation is once again a carefully created composition, with the simple but eye-catching painting of a black cat with purple ears and nose and a kite-like butterfly with flaring wings and a gray body. Semi-circles, triangles, bars and zig-zags, along with flecks and scallops complete this amazing picture of pristine nature.

Hiranmay Chanda, born at Jessor on '64, has had 14 local joint exhibits earlier in Dhaka. Besides these, his works have been shown at Germany '98, the 6th Asian Art Biennales, Bangladesh '93, the 5th Asian Art Biennale, Bangladesh '93, a solo exhibit at Moscow, USSR '82. He has won three awards: one from UNO, Dhaka in '84, the second from UNO, Dhaka in '84, and the one earlier for the best water-colour exhibit at the annual art exhibition at the Fine Arts Institute, DU, in '82.

Chanda works at Spectrum Graphics, Dhaka; is an instructor for differently-abled children at the Bangladesh Shishu Academy, and is the brains behind "Charupith" at Jessor.



Benson & Hedges Star Search 2000

The live audition of the final 15 contenders of Benson & Hedges Star Search 2000 will take place at 3:30 in the evening at Sheraton. This is the only competition in the country that is aimed at giving the aspiring young musicians of the country the exposure that they deserve. Star Search was introduced by Benson & Hedges last year when the rock band Viking won the contest over a thousand other participants.



World Music Day 2000

Various artists and musicians will perform in the premises of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka on the occasion of World Music Day 2000 to be held on June 23 from 3pm to 7pm.

At 5.00pm France Lasnier, director Alliance Francaise de Dhaka and Alain Delaune deputy director Alliance Francaise de Dhaka will bid farewell to their friends and colleagues.

Studio Pottery Exhibition

The inaugural ceremony of the 7th solo Studio Pottery exhibition by Sayeed Talukder will be held on June 16 at the Galler 21.

Professor Anisuzzaman will inaugurate the exhibition as chief guest. Professor Bulbul Osman will preside over the function.

The exhibition will remain open from 10.00am to 8.00pm till June 25.

French Musical Evening

After the soothng evening dedicated to the famous French composer Claude Debussy, Alliance Francaise de Dhaka will organise its 2nd French Musical Evening on 1st July 2000 from 19.00 dedicating to Maurice Ravel. All are welcome to attend the evening. Come and discover Maurice Ravel and his famous Bolero.

Music Workshop

Beginning from Saturday, 1st July 2000. Renowned National Flutist Bari Siddique will be taking music classes on flute & vocal training of Folk & Classical songs at Alliance Francaise de Dhaka. Interested participants are requested to contact the reception of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka.

Dress exhibition

Altamira will present their collection of fashion apparels for men and women in the Gallery of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka from 30th June till 6th July 2000. The exhibition is scheduled to remain open daily from 15.00 till 20.00.

Painting Exhibition

Artist Hiranmay Chanda will be holding a painting exhibition in the Gallery of Alliance Francaise de Dhaka from 13th till 29th June 2000. The exhibition is scheduled to remain open daily from 15.00 till 20.00.

TV Guide

Saturday 17th June
(All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)

BTW

Morning Prog.
9:00 Opening Announcement, Recitation From The Holy Quran And Programme Outline 9:05 Patriotic Song 9:10 Khela Dhula 9:40 Ummesh: New Talent Artist Programme 10:05 Sastho Tatho: Serial 10:35 Angona 10:50 Movie of The Week: Bionic Breakdown 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 Aakash #12 ("Toni Dayes, Mitanur, Shamsa Suman) / Tele Film: 4:00 45 Nabagato (New Artist Audition Live Coverage) 5:25 Sukhi Paribar 6:00 Sambad (Bangla News) 6:05 Nibedan 6:30 Transmission From Chittagong Center 7:00 News For Weather 7:05 Geetimallyo (Song of Robindranath) 7:25 Series: Moguli (Bangla Dub) 8:00 Bangla News At 8 8:30 Weekly Drama: 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

ETV

2:00 Ekushey News 2:05 Shampa Rezar Boithok 3:00 Shoni Barer Matinee Show 5:15 European Football Show 6:15 Mon Mon Re Amar 6:45 Wildlife on One, "Prani Jagat" 7:20 Ei Shptaho 7:35 Ekushey News 8:00 Adventure Bangladesh 8:30 Bhalobasha Kare Koy 9:00 Swift Justice 10:00 BTV News 10:20 UEFA European Championships - 2000 Live from Amben Romania vs Portugal

ATN

5:30 Islamic Program 6:32 Child Prog 7:10 Viewers Prog 7:50 Magazine Prog 8:25 Drama Serial 9:00 Special Prog 9:35 Musical Prog 10:10 Magazine Prog 10:45 Bangla Film-Nitibon 6:32



Documentary on the life and works of Ferdousi Majumder on Channel i, tonight at 10.

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ZEE News TV

AM (Every Half Hour - Zee News: Hindi & Every Hour In English) 7:30 Zee News: Hindi 8:00 Morning Zee 10:00 Zee News: Hindi 6:30

A Date With The Doctor 7:00 Zee News: Hindi 7:30 The Premier Show 8:00 Zee News: Hindi 8:30 IT Trail 9:00 News In English 9:30 Zee News: Hindi 11:00 NR Eyes 11:30 News In English 12:00 Zee News: Hindi 12:30 Am to 6:30 AM Every Half Hour - Zee News: Hindi

11:35 Janan 12:55 Quran-E-Hakeem 1:02 Bismillah 1:15 Grind 2:05 Drama Serial: 2:55 Husool-E-Insaf & Sports Coaching 3:20 TV Encyclopedia 3:40 Sports Time 4:05 Serial: 5:05 Medicine 5:25 Computers 6:10 Sunheri Yeedoon 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 Party 9:00 Break For Headlines News 9:05 Drama-Sila 10:00 Khabarnama & Commercial News 10:05 Haqeqat 10:45 Drama: Sophiya 11:45 Do Sitare 1:15 Urdu Feature Film: 1:15 /Khas Khabrain - Close Down.

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 Indonias 10:00 MTV Non-Stop Hits 11:30 MTV Gao Baby Gao 12:00 Made In India 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV House Full 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 Cyrus/Asif/Nikhil 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 House Full Vj Nafisa 10:30 Non-Stop Hits 11:00 MTV Loveline Vj Malika 11:30 Samachar 9:32 Serial: House 9:55 Sanskritinama 10:05 Serial-Jai Hanuman 11:00 Feature Film In Hindi: 12:00

DD-1 (National) 5:55 Vande Mataram 6:15 CIET Programme 6:30 UGC Programmes 7:00 IGNOU Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:30 The News 9:32 News Magazine 10:00 Serial: Drishtrant 10:32 Serial: DayaSagar 11:00 Serial: Mayavi Nagari 11:32 Serial: Wilaytee Babu 12:00 Serial: Drishtrant 12:32 Serial: Swaraj 1:00 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 Serial: House 9:55 Sanskritinama 10:05 Serial-Jai Hanuman 11:00 Feature Film In Hindi:

DD 7 (Bangla)

8:40 Khas Khabar 9:05 Amrit Katha 9:30 Movie Club

Film (Last Monday's Repet): 12:30 Movie Club Film (Last Tuesday's Repet): Aagoo

(*Victor Benaree) 3:35 Movie Club Film (Last Wednesday's Repet): 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 Jalsaghar- Barnali 9:00 Special Prog. / Katha O Kahini 9:25 Serial: Bangla Aamar Bangla 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:20 Mokho Mukhi 10:50 News & Bengali Sambad 11:20 Shatantik 11:40 Shoni Basor & Closed

ZEE TV

6:15 Yeadon Ki Pal (B/W Songs) 6:45 Chehra 7:00

Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagran 7:55

Fitness Plus 8:05 Guldasta

8:30 TSV Sa Re Ga Ma 9:30

Disney Hour (Cartoon)

9:00 The First Edition 9:30 The Millennium Journey 10:00 I.T. 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:

Baje 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 Sareva 9:00 Manzelein 9:30 Captain House 10:00 Serial: Alif Laila 10:30 Aaj Tak 10:50 Single Metro-Sandese Aarohan 11:30 Celebrity 12:00 Cinema Hits-Hindi 3:30 Cinema Hits-Hindi 6:20 Gaane Anjane

7:00 Ekushey TV, this evening at 6:15.

STAR Sports

7:30 Ecb International Cricket Cornhill Insurance Test Match Birmingham ENGLAND- West Indies Vs England 1st Test Day 2

Highlights 08:30 Pepsi Asia Cup 2000 Best Wickets

Dhaka BANGLADESH 09:00 Cricket Up Close- Sakinda Bakht 09:30 Wimbledon Library Films 10:00 Gaane Anjane 3:10 Hindi Feature Film (B. W): (

Canadian Grand Prix Qualifying

12:00 Sanzar Home Tests

Rugby Union International

Test Match Birmingham

ENGLAND- West Indies Vs South Africa

ESPN

7:00 Live- Nba Finals Game

#5 (If Necessary) 9:30