# Culture

exhibition

### Environment on Canvas

An art exhibition on environmental degradation presented by Bashati O Paribesh

By Shahana Parbeen

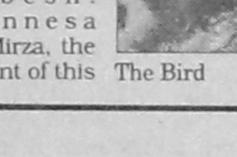
HE stories that are heard about the ancient Dhaka L city which grew up on the banks of the river Buriganga, now sound like fables. Who among you would believe that this was once a city renowned for its scenic beauty? Bangladesh in general and Dhaka city in particular is facing acute environmental problems. These problems are multivariate and have been caused by multiple factors, which reinforced each other and gave rise to this calamity. The population boom, the sewerage problems, the garbage disposal problems, the acute shortage of water



A Passerby

supply, the unplanned expansion of the city, the indiscriminate rise of buildings, shopping centers and bazaars, the steady stream of migration from rural areas, the intolerable power failures etc have all given rise to a desperate alarming situation. This is a matter of concern not only for the policy makers and city planners but also for the people who live here, the residents of Dhaka city. It's high time the

people sit up and take notice of the disaster looming on the horizon and do something about it. These are the views of Bashati O Paribesh Zebunnesa Rana Mirza, the president of this The Bird



organisation feels that it's the responsibility of the people of Dhaka to prevent it from becoming yet another lost

Bashati O Paribesh is a social welfare organisation aiming at envi-

people through publications,

seminars, painting exhibitions

and art classes and competitions

for children. It's a hopeful and

reassuring sign that over the last

fifty years, the mediums of art,

especially paintings have been

showing a strong inclination

towards social awareness. The

paintings depict political unrest,

abuse of power, degradation of

social values, empowerment of

women and other burning issues

that keep socially aware and

concerned people on tenterhooks

these days. Its also heartwarm-

ing, Bashati notes, to see the

acceptability and appreciation of

such art by common people.

Since they feel it is the responsi-

bility of artists to make people

aware of the terrible predicament

that is in store for Dhaka, they

have arranged for a painting and

sculpture exhibition at the Arial

Center at Dhanmondi. When

there is large scale awareness

among the people about the

environmental danger that

Dhaka is in, a mass movement for

saving Dhaka can be taken up.

This small movement will con-

tribute to the greater cause of

making the world a better place to

There are beautiful paintings

ber. Some of

these paintings

show the mag-

nificent beauty

of nature.

Among these

are Balok O

Prakriti (boy

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on display at the gallery, which is

open to the public from 2p.m to 8

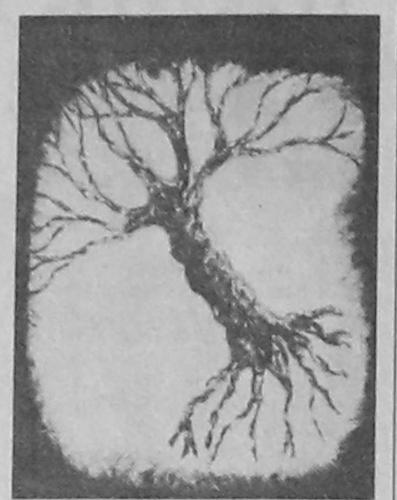
p.m. every day up to 25th Novem-

live in.

6:10 Mati O' Manush:

hunter) shows a poacher selling migratory birds in a busy city road (a common site at Elephant Rd). Then there is Ashroy (shelter) by Shahabuddin Ahmed showing a homeless and hapronmental and Rhythm of Nature less person taking cultural development. They are trying to create awareness among the general

refuge under the shade of a tree. There are some beautiful abstract paintings too. Some of these paintings are for sale and their prices range from a mere few thousand to Tk 25000. Most of the proceeds of the sales will go to the artists while a small portion of it will go to 'Urbi', a training progamme run by this organisation for destitute handi-



The paintings are a real eye opener to the problems this mega city is faced with. They are lovely pieces of art too. Since the exhibition is open for all and entrance is free, everybody who has time to spare could go in and have a look at the display.

Bashati O Paribesh's chair person is architect Mazharul Quader. Its chief advisor is artist Abdur Razzak and executive director is architect Jebnunnesa Rana Mirza. The exhibition is dedicated to the late artist Rashid and nature). Chowdhury, the pioneer of this Madhyanner organisation and Bir shaheed Bonobhumi Muktijoddha Captain Aftabul (forest at noon). Quader Bir Uttam and Bir shaheed Muktijoddha Ahsanul Chhanda (The Quader.

sky entertainment

## More Blockbusters at Your Livingroom

HBO November menu closes in style

By Cultural Correspondent

Rosewood

Pakhi Shikari (bird

rhythm of nature).

November 20th at 5 pm After watching this film, you'd be quite literally shaking sickened by the unflinching horrors of the events portrayed and at the same time, elated at auteur, John Singleton brilliant directing skills. Based on a true incident that took place in 1923, Singleton's heart wrenching drama tells the story of the racially-charged lynching and eventual massacre of a well-off African-American community of Rosewood by an angry white mob. This happens after a white woman falsely accuses a black man of rape. Out of the senseless killings arises an unexpected alliance between a white shopkeeper (Jon Voight) and a black World War I veteran (Ving Rhames). Together, they try The Mirror Has Two Faces on to save innocent people who were Nov 25 at 10p.m. forced to run for their lives. With its almost Spielbergian feel, Rosewood may bring to mind the epic. 'Saving Private Ryan' for its brutal honesty and for being another visual reminder of a country's tragic history. Starring: Jon Voight, Ving Rhames

Oxford Blues

November 21st 10 pm Nick DiAngelo (Rob Lowe) is a brash, handsome and athletic young American whose life-long dream is to meet and conquer the lovely lady Victoria (Amanda Pays). When Nick finds out that she is attending the prestigious Oxford University, he hustles his way in, determined to win her



Tommy Boy on Nov 21 at 8 p.m.

heart. As soon as he arrives, Nick Starring: Leslie Nielsen, Steven process they have to lead a bunch begins to work on his plan. In an Weber attempt to impress her, Nick



snatches a rowing scull for an impromptu race against her boyfriend, Collin (Julian Sands). In doing so, Nick unexpectedly wins himself a place on the school's championship "crew" team. He also attracts the attention of Rona (Ally Sheedy), an American girl, instead of his original target, Victoria. Though Nick is apparently on a collision course with the school's age old sensibilities of order and propriety from the moment the arrives, Oxford Blues tells a story of his transformation into a young man who understands the meaning of fellowship, honour and love. Starring: Rob Lowe, Ally Sheedy, Amanda Pays, Julian Sands

#### Dracula Dead And Loving

November 22nd at 8:15 pm The king of satire is back. Mel Brooks the comedic genius who has lampooned virtually every genre of filmmaking in movies turns his sights on the Dracula legend. Playing Dracula is another veteran of lampoons, Leslie Nielsen. He is in fine form as he mercilessly parodies every famous portrayal of Dracula from Bela Lugosi's to Gary Oldman's. The movie is filled with a hilarious array of supernatural magic, including hanging upside down, long-distance hypnosis and turning into a bumbling bat. A comedy of terrors, this sidesplitting quest for fresh blood is satiric filmmaking at its finest.

Maverick

November 22nd at 10 pm Some of the slickest card sharks and con men (and women!) that ever rode the Old West lock horns in his hit western comedy. Mel Gibson is heading for a high stake poker game that he intends to win. But not only is a bunch of bad guys determined to keep him from getting there, southern belle Jodie Foster is trying to seduce him out of every dime he has. James Garner, star of the original Maverick TV series is cast here as the Marshall. Richard Donner directs. Starring: Mel Gibson, Jodie Foster, James Garner

Junior

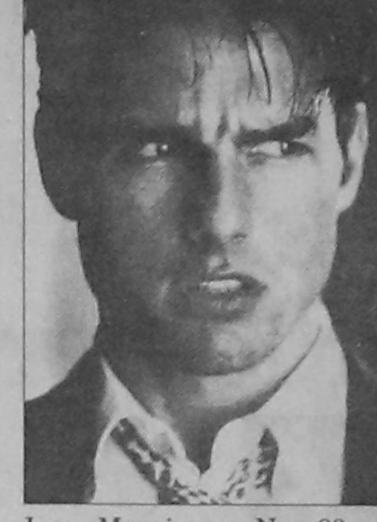
November 23rd at 7:45 pm Arnold Schwarzenegger trades the war room for the delivery room to experience the miracle of birth, as scientists Danny Devito and he take a dip in the gene pool to test an anti-miscarriage drug. Emma Thompson provides the egg and some surprisingly good physical comedy as the klutzy cryogenics expert who moves into their university. Every pregnancy cliche is explored as the duo, brings the concept to term. Starring: Arnold Schwarzenegger, Danny DeVito, Emma Thompson Our Mother's Murder

November 24th at 6 pm A high-society woman finds herself the target of a much younger man's charms and affection. Though friends and family hold deep suspicions about his true intentions, she's lost in the whirlwind romance. But shortly after their wedding, the relationship takes a dark turn. Based on the 1989 scandalous true story of publishing heiress. Anne Scripps Douglas. Starring: Holly Marie Combs, Roxanne Hart

Almost Heroes

November 24th at 10 pm What do you get when you pair a funnyman from Saturday Night Live and a most endearing Friend together? Madcap comedy! It's 18th Century America, and veteran tracker and drunkard Bartholomew Hunt (Chris Farley) and foppish blowhard Leslie Edwards (Matthew Perry) are on the trail of the great outdoors to beat Lewis and Clark in getting to the Pacific Ocean first. In the

of bickering, brawling and bumbling misfits and lowlifes across uncharted territory, through roaring rapids and the rocky Rockies as they attempt to go into historical ... oblivion. This is a sidesplitting saga of how the West was lost, aided by the contrasts in characters of the scruffy Farley

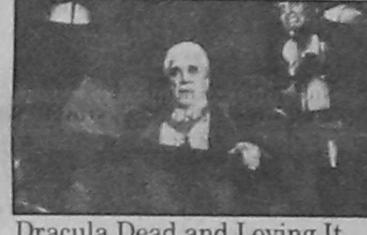


Jerry Maguire on Nov 23 at 10p.m.

and the smooth and refined Perry. Starring: Chris Farely. Matthew Perry

Stand and Deliver November 27th at 4 pm

Nominated for Best Film and Best Screenplay. Math teacher Jaime Escalante stalks the aisles of his high school classroom brandishing a meat cleaver. He delivers a karate chop to a guy giving the wrong answer. The result? He turns disgruntled teens into academic champions. Best Actor nominee Edward James Olmo is the dedicated educator in this comedy/drama. "A superb, inspirational true story with a wonderful performance from Olmos." Starring: Edward James Olmos. Also stars Lou Diamond Philips and Andy Garcia.



Dracula Dead and Loving It

Sportscenter: Interna-

2:00 UEFA Champions

League Highlights:

2000/01 Weekly 3:00

ATP Tennis Masters

Series: Paris 5:00 Asian

Bowling Tour 2000:

Hong Kong Masters

cup LIVE 8:00 Italian

Tootball Hilites: Italian

Serie A 2000/2001

Highlights 9:00 ATP

Tennis Masters Series:

Paris 11:00 ATP Tennis

Masters Series: Paris

DISCOVERY

Recommendations Artists of the

New Millennium

Gallery 21 celebrates its 3rd founding anniversary with the group exhibition titled Artists of the New Millennium. The inaugural ceremony of the exhibition started on November 17. The exhibition will bring together the works of all our exciting younger painters.

Shamsuzzaman Khan, director general Bangladesh National Museum will inaugurated the exhibition as chief guest while Professor Rafigun Nabi and Dr Hossain Zillur Rahman were also be present as special

The exhibition will remain open from 10:00a.m 8:00p.m. till November 27. Nattyakarmi

**Padak** 1999

The yearly award giving ceremony by Loko Nattyadal 'Nattyakarmi Padak 1999' will be held at the Mahila Shamity auditorium on November 20 at 6:45p.m. This year the awarded personalities will be Abul Hayat and Humayun Faridi.

The awards will be presented by National Professor Kabir Chowdhury and Shamsuzzaman Khan, Director General Bangladesh National Museum.

Monochromic Rainbow

The 5th solo exhibition by Md. Shaiful Islam titled Monochromic Rainbow has started at the Zainul Gallery, Institute of Fine Art, University of Dhaka. The artist will be exhibiting his oil paintings, photo paintings, sculptures, ceramics, photography and poems in the exhibi-

The exhibition will remain open everyday from 2 - 8 p.m. everyday till November

Exhibition

A photography exhibition; in commemoration of poet Sufia Kamal, will be held today at the National Museum at 10:00 a.m. Nurjahan Begum will inaugurate the show.

#### BTV

Morning Session 9:00 Opening Announcement 9:45 Live telecast of the question and answer session of the 20th session of the 7th National Parliament Evening Session

3:00 Opening Announcement 3:20



Drama Keyar Kanta will be aired in commemoration of late poet Sufia Kamal on channel I. Starring Ilias Kanchan and

Open University 4:00 Spacial programme to Khabar 4:05 Animation mark the Armed Film: Animal Show Forces Day 9:00 4:30 Nutrition Facts Drama: Shey Ek 4:45 Sports Samaya 10:00 News at



Cousin Bette Tonight at 10 pm. Based on Honore de Balzac's timeless novel, this film is a comic romp through love and revenge. The story is set on the eve of the Revolution of 1848, amidst a Paris in turmoil. At the center of it all is Cousin Bette, the calculating spinster who takes on the treacherous, passionate and ambitious world of the Hulot family with a cunning

sense of fair play. Starring: Jessica Lange, Elisabeth Shue, Bob Hoskins, Hugh Laurie and Kelly Macdonald

programme 5:10 Ten 10:20 Murchhna Bhroman 1:00 Surer Ei Uparwali 9:00 Saans Health Info 5:20 Anu 11:30 Khabar/ The Jharna Dhara 1:30 9:30 Kaun Banega Paramanu 5:45 Nutri- News 11:45 Closing tion Facts 6:00 News

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Agricultural develop- 12:00 Ekushey News ment programme 6:30 Headlines 12:05 Ajker Unmesh 7:00 Dolan Potrikay 12:15 Bangla Chanpa:session of Movie: Shilpi 2:40 Nazrul songs 7:25 Drishti 3:00 Ekushey Special programme on News Headlines 3:05 late Sufia Kamal 8:00 Andha Shikari 3:30 News in Bengali 8:20 Pother Paychali 4:00 Pryo Gaan 4:30 Circus Circus 5:00 Expedition to the Animal Kingdom 5:30 Drishti 5:50 Ajker Potrikay 6:00 Ekushey News Headlines 6:05 Classic Cartoons 6:30 Charidike 7:00 Toyota World of Wildlife 7:25 Ekushey Test Special 7:30 Ekushey News 8:00 Bangla Movie: Onutopto 10:00 BTV News 10:20 Bangla Movie: Onutopto 11:00 Ekushey Nightly News

ALPHA BANGLA

6:00 Alaap 7:00 Grihosajja 7:30 News Bulletin 7:35 Arghya 8:00 Serial: Din Protidin 9:00 News Bulletin 9:05 Bharat Bhroman 9:30 Bhahari Aahar 10:00 Grihosajja 10:30 Cine News 11:00 Serial: Jemon Bolben Sir 11:30 Kichu Smriti Kichu Gaan 12:00 Bhahari Aahar 12:30 Amra Probasi 1:00 Serial: Shyaola 1.30 Serial: Ek Akasher Niche 2.00 Nayantara 2.30 Bangla Movie-Parabat Priya 5:00 Football 5:30 Mojar Khela Kobitae 6:00 Arghya 6:30 Serial: Din Protidin 7:30 News In Bangali 8:00 Serial: Nayantara 8:30 Serial: Ek Akasher Niche 9:00 Serial: Mon Niye 9:30 Jibaan Rekha 10:00 News In Bangali 10:05 Serial: Shyaola 10:30

Serial: Football 11:00

Din Pratidin 12:00

Arghya 12:30 Bharat

Bangla Movie- Parabat Crorepati 10:30 Kahani

CHANNEL [V]

(INDIA) 7:30 [V] So Long Gone 9:30 Virtual [V] 9:45 Wonder 1:30 Saans 2:00 [V] Hit Machine 12:30 [V] Jungli Jukebox 1:00 [V] First Day First Show 1:30 [V] Hit Machine 2:30 [V] Face Off 3:00 [V] Hit Machine 4:30 Tea With [V] 5.00 Virtual [V] 5:15 Tea With [V] 8:00 [V] Hit Machine 8:30 [V] Oye 9:00 [V] Jungli Jukebox 9:30 [V] First Day First Show 10:00 [V] Hit Machine 10:30 [V] Late Night 12:30 [V] Hit

STARPLUS 7:30 Good Morning India 8:30 Cine

Ghar Ghar Ki 11:00 Kyonki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 11:30 Aaj Ki Baat 12:00 Tanha 12:30 Hit Ya Fit 1:00 Small Meri Saheli 2:30 Tanha 3:00 Tu Tu Main Main 3:30 Kahani Ghar Ghar Ki 4:00 Gharwali Uparwali

STAR WORLD

8:30 Happy Days 9:00 French and Saunders 9:30 Blackadder Goes Forth 10:00 Murder Cell 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show 12:00 Dr Quinn Medicine Woman 1:00 Fashion TV 1:30 The Bold & The Beautiful 2:00 Mork & Mindy 2:30 Happy Days 3:00 Baywatch 4:00 Hollywood

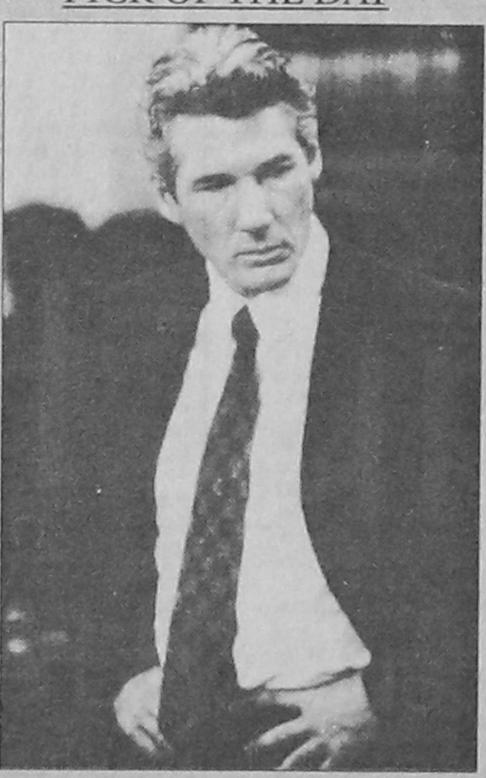


Bangla movie Anutapta on Ekushey TV at 8 pm. Directed by Shibli Sadik, the central characters of the film are portrayed by Shabnaz, Naim and Humayun Faridi.

Jharokha 9:00 Hit Ya Fit Squares 4:30 Home 9:30 STAR Morning Improvement 5:00 Star Show: Haar Jeet 12:30 News Asia 5:30 Friends Hit Ya Fit 1:00 TSN 1:30 6:00 That 70's Show Tanha 2:00 Meri 6:30 Star News Asia Saheli 2:30 Saans 3:00 7:00 Dharma & Greg Kalash 3:30 Small 7:30 Frasier 8:00 Chi-Wonder 4:00 Kyunki cago Hope 9:00 Friends Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu 9:30 Star News10:00 Thi 4:30 Cine Jharokha That 70's Show 10:30 5:00 Hit Ya Fit 5:30 Dharma & Greg 11:00 Shrimati Sharma Na Everybody Loves Kehti Thi 6:00 Small Raymond 11:30 Frasier Wonder 6:30 Fox Kids 12:00 Chicago Hope 7:30 Kahani Ghar Ghar 1:00 That 70s Show 1:30

Ki 8:00 Tu Tu Main Dharma & Greg 2:00 Main 8:30 Charwali Everybody Loves

#### PICK OF THE DAY



Primal Fear on HBO tonight at 10

Richard Gere, Laura Linney A headline-grabbing lawyer gets the Action: Mob Story 12 South Africa Cricketcase of a lifetime: an altar boy accused 5:30 Action: Speed 15 New Zealand Tour of of brutally murdering the Archbishop of Chicago.

Richard Gere (Autumn in New York) CID 12:00 Geet Bahar Show 5:00 South Africa stars as the attorney whose young 12:30 Sasural 3:30 Cricket-New Zealand client's confusion and seeming inno- Geet Bahar 4:00 Sant Tour of South Africa cence mask a deadly secret. Laura Linney (Lush) plays the prosecuting attorney, whose past relation-ship with Gere complicates their courtroom clash. With Alfre Love and Basketball), Frances McDomand (Oscar 2:00 Geet Bahar 2:30 Indies vs. Western winner for Fargo) and Edward Norton Sant Tukaram 5:30 (Keeping The Faith).



Dharma & Greg on Star World tonight at 10:30

Raymond 2:30 Frasier Movie

3:00 Creflo Dollar ZEE CINEMA Daily 3:30 Kenneth Copeland Ministries 2:30 Aakhri Kasam 4:00 Life In The Word With 4:30 World News 5:00 The Things People Do 5:30 Mork & Mindy Najaayaz 6:00 Hollywood Squares 6:30 the New

Wintrey Show **STAR MOVIES** 7:30 Family: Eknest 7:30 Comedy: Honey

7:00 The Fugitive 9:30

"Prince of the City"

6:30 Dastan-e-Laila Manju 10:30 Basant Bihar 2:00 Agent Vinod 6:30 Anokha Pyar 10:30

WKRP in Cincinnati 7:00 The Oprah

Goes To Camp PG Sports India 4:30 9:30 Thriller: Scam 15 Macau Grand Prix-11:30 Drama: Ulti- Macau Grand Prix mate deception 12 2000 7:30 Sportsline 1:30 Midday Movie: Today LIVE 7:45 101 Dalmatians G Sportsline Today LIVE 3:30 Action: Speed 15 8:00 Spotsline Today 5:30 Western: I'm For 8:15 Spotsline Today The Hippopotamus 8:30 Spanish Football I Blew Up the Kid 9:30 Sports Unlimited 11:30 Mysteries & Scandals WTA Tour-Chase 10:00 Monday Com- Championships of The edy: Cousin Bette 15 WTA Tour 1:30 South 12:00 Night of Laugh- Africa Cricket-New ter: Mr Wrong PG Zealand Tour of South 2:00 Comedy: Hone I Africa New Zealand vs Blew Up The Kid 4:00 South Africa 2:25 STAR GOLD

Bahar 7:30 Monday Africa LIVE 9:30 Trans Magic: Baharen Phir Bhi 'Ayengi 10:30 Bollywood News LIVE 11:00 Australian 11:00 Trilok Sundari Trilok Sundari

7:28 Pakistan Cicket: 1:00 The Advocate's England tour of Paki-Devil 2:45 Why Do stan England vs Paki-Fools Fall In Love stan 1:30 The IRB's 5:00 Rosewood 7:45 World of Rugby 2:00 Twilight Zone The English Premier Foot-Movie 10:00 Primal ball League Manches-Fear 12:30 Holly- ter United vs. Manwood Confidential chester City 4:00 2:30 Why Do Fools English Premier Foot-Fall In Love 4:45 ball League 6:00 Twilight Zone The Sportscenter: Interna-

League-2000/01 LIVE

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STAR SPORTS 12:30 Spanish Football

2:30 Asian PGA Tour-Davidoff Tour: Star Alliance Open 3:30 Futbol Mundial 4:00 League-2000/01 10:30 South Africa New Zealand vs South 8:30 Jubliee Plus 9:00 Africa 4:30 Asia Sport Tukaram 7:00 Geet New Zealand vs South

World Sport 10:30

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Australia 12:00

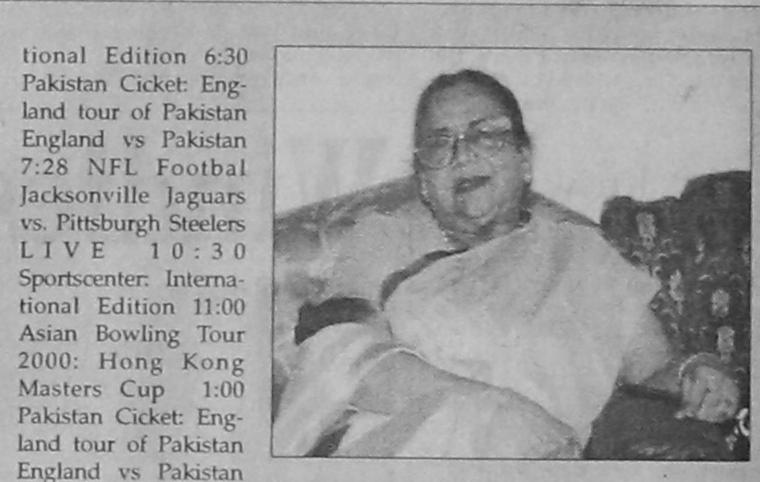
Sportsline Tonight

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Ushuaia 8:30 Lonely Planet 19:30 Animal in Survivors 10:00 Eywitness 10:30 Danger Zone 11:00 Outer Bounds 11:30 Shark Files 12:30 Wild Dis-



Chicago Hope on Star World tonight at 8



Popular novelist Rabeya Khatun will be featured in Close Up on ETV Bangla at

covery 1:30 Medical Series 5:30 Discover

Detectives II 2:00

10:30 Amazing Worlds

11:30 Discovery Profile

Series Files 12:30 Wild

Discovery 1:30 Wild

Asia 2:30 Medical

Detectives II 3:00

Ultrascience II 3:30

Amazing Worlds 4:30

Magazine Medical Detectives I ATNBANGLA 2:30 Discover Maga-5:30 Islamic Program zine 3:30 Go For It 4:30 Ushuaia 5:30 Lonely 7:00 Film Songs 7:30 Magazine Prog 8:00 Planet 6:30 Crocodile Drama Serial 8:30 Hunter's Croc Files Band Show 9:00 Musi-7:00 Bonehead Deteccal Prog 9:35 Comedy tives of the Paleoworld 7:30 Wild Discovery Serial 10:10 Drama Serial 10:45 Bangla 8:30 Wild Asia 9:30 Film Shontan Medical Detectives III EVENING 10:00 Ultrascience II

6:32 Children Prog 7:10 Musical Prog 8:25 Drama Serial 9:00 Documentary Prog 9:35 Islamic Prog 10:10 Drama Serial 10:45 Bangla Film Beyadob

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Drama Everyday: Joar

Vhata-episode-49 7:40

Jukti Tarko 8:00 Din

Protidin 8:25 Job Line 8:50 Akattorer Dinguli 9.00 Amar Chobbi 10:00 India vs Zimbabwe 1st Test Match EVENING 6:00 Reciting from Holy Quran 6:10 Poet Sufia Kamal Sarone Srodhanjoli 6:40 Addar Table 7:15 Drama: Shesh Khothi 8:00 Drama Everyday: Joar Vhata-episode-50 8:40

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