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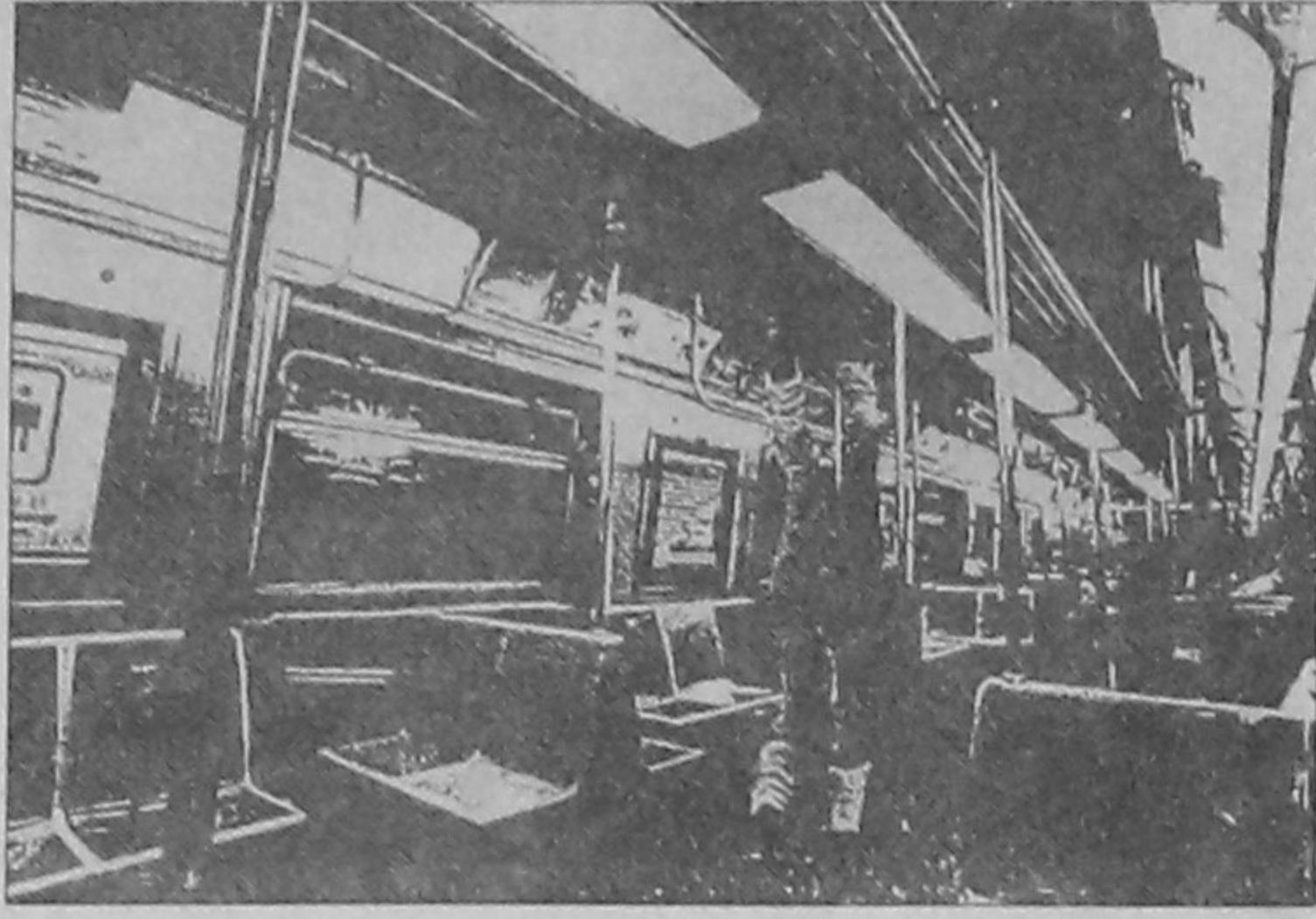
## A Dialogue between Two Cultures

1st Young Artists Exhibition of Japan-Bangladesh starts at Zainul Art gallery

By Nafid Imran Ahmed

We get the chance to see the artworks by our young artists at the annual national young exhibitions and at the shows held round the year at different galleries. But we hardly get to see the works by young foreign artists in Dhaka, except at the biennales organised by Shilpakala Academy. The 1st Young Artists Exhibition of Japan-Bangladesh, now being held at Zainul Art Gallery, has provided a splendid opportunity to see the works by young artists of two different cultures. The exhibition from Dhaka will travel to Tokyo for a show to be held on February 19 at the Gallery Art Point, Tokyo, Japan.

1st Young Artists Exhibition of Japan-Bangladesh features artworks by 14 artists, with equal number of contributors from the each country. The only thing that is common to the exhibition is that these artists have just completed their studies. The partici-



Subway - acrylic by Kentaro Hiramatsu

parting Japanese artists are Hiroo Kataoka, Junichi Igarashi, Kentaro Hiramatsu, Kuniko Satake, Rieko Yasuda, Sanae Watanabe, Takeshi Yamamoto and their Bangladeshi counterparts are Halimul Islam Khokon, Imran

Hossain, Khaled Mahmud, Miganur Rahman Milon, Nazia Misquat Toma, Tanvirul Islam Mithu and Zahid Hasan Rony.

The works showcased at the exhibition are unique in their own way and speaks of two separate cultures with long tradition in visual art. The works by the Japanese artists have captured the spirit of the new Japan. A painting titled Rhythm of Sea by Hiroo Kataoka, a 26-year-old Japanese artist is a brilliant representation in mixed media. The colours and layers used by this artist is exceptional. Hiroo did his Masters in Fine Arts in Oil Painting from Tokyo National University of Fine Arts & Music in 1999.

Most of art works featured in the are graphic prints. Igarashi of Japan has his wood cut, titled Opaque Yellow. This work is very



A Feeling of Gloom - lithograph by Rieko Yasuda



Loyal Citizen - paper by Imran Hossain

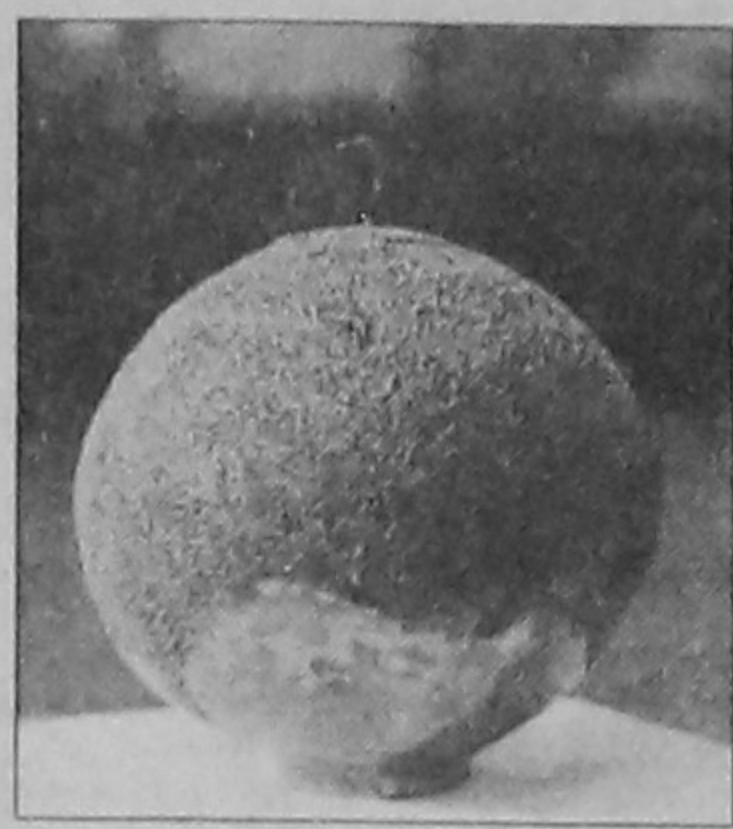
neat and the print is very dynamic. Junichi completed his MFA in Print Making from Musashino Art University in 1998. Thirty-three-year-old painter Kentaro Hiramatsu presents an authentic acrylic painting titled Subway. In this grayscale he drew the subway traveling. Wind Works, a beautiful wood lithograph is done by Kuniko Satake. This unique combination of red, opaque bright colours and textures is extraordinary. Kuniko finished her MFA in Print Making from Tama Art University in 1997. Another female Japanese artist Rieko Yasuda has a lithograph titled A Feeling of Gloom. In



Different View - oil by Nazia Misquat Toma

this authentic abstract formation, colour combination and textures are skillfully done. Rieko is presently studying in MFA 2nd year in Print Making at Woman's College of Fine Arts. The last printmaking, the Chair by Takeshi Yamamoto is done in wood cut and etching. This fine work is done in golden and is heavily detailed. Some details are like Islamic calligraphy and some are like ancient Egyptian calligraphy. Takeshi finished his printmaking studies in 1991 from the Soukei Academy of Fine Arts.

Female Japanese artist Sanae Watanabe did her abstract painting City in tempera. This unique



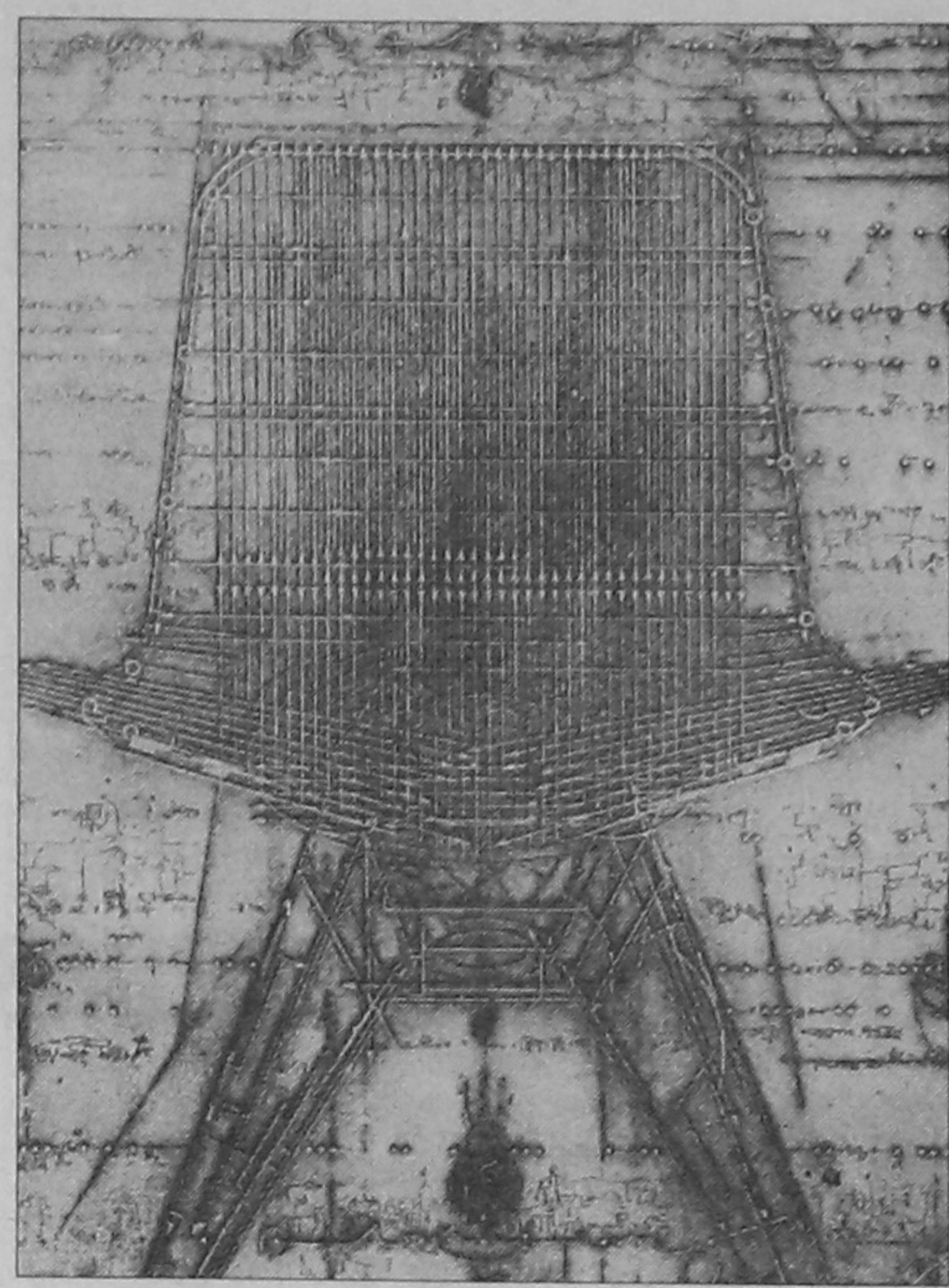
Dry Kadam - stoneware by Halimul Islam Khokon

and large painting is done in various shades of green. Sanae finished her MFA in oil painting from Aichi Prefectural University of Fine Arts and Music in 1996.

The 7 Bangladeshi artists did their work in different media. Halimul Islam Khokon has an outstanding stoneware titled Dry Kadam. Khokon finished his MFA in ceramics from the Institute of Fine Art University of Dhaka in 2000. This magnificent work is a representation of the popular kadam flower. Sculptor Imran Hossain has a paper sculpture titled Loyal Citizen. This human figure is very skillfully done. Imran is presently studying in MFA 1st Year in sculpture at the Institute of Fine Art University of Dhaka. Print Making student Khaled Mahmud has an exceptional inkjet print titled Transit. This work in blue creates a mystifying flavor. Khaled finished his BFA in printmaking from the Institute of Fine Art University of Dhaka in 2000. BFA final year student Miganur Rahman Milon did a magnificent woodcut titled Enjoyable Space. This abstract painting is done on red background and Milon has detailed on it with yellow, black, blue and purple.

Nazia Misquat Toma, the only female artist representing Bangladesh is also a BFA final year student of Institute of Fine Art University of Dhaka. Her oil painting Different View is quite different. The whole canvas is divided into two parts. The top part is in light green and the bottom part is done in purple. The total output is very catchy.

Tanvirul Islam Mithu's On Way is done in acrylic. This painting is done in red and black, the combination of which is very extraordinary. Tanvirul finished his MFA in Oil Painting from the Institute of Fine Art University of Dhaka in



Chair - woodcut & etching by Takeshi Yamamoto

2000. The concluding artist of the Bangladesh team is Zahid Hasan Rony. His painting titled Rhythm of Black is an exceptional work in mono-print. The brush strokes in

this work represents the rhythm of the black colour. Rony finished his BFA in printmaking from the Institute of Fine Art University of Dhaka in 2000.



Transit - inkjet print by Khaled Mahmud

### Recommendations

#### Mine, Yours, His/Her's

An exhibition titled Mine, Yours, His/Her's of creative interactive paintings by Omar Zafar was inaugurated at the Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts on December 20. The exhibition was jointly inaugurated by Abdus Samad Azad, Minister for Foreign Affairs and George Papandreou, Foreign Minister of Greece.

The exhibition has reopened after the Eid holidays on December 31 and will continue from 12 to 8p.m. till January 9.

#### Exhibition

Selected Indonesian exhibitions titled Images from Antara News Agency. The Children of Timore Lorosa'e and The Transfixed Spectator are being held at the Gallery Chitruk, House#21, Road#4, Dhanmondi.

The people of East Timore and the children of Timore Lorosa'e are subjected to severe poverty through ugly conflicts. East Timore became an image of total devastation after the militia, along with rogue elements in the Indonesian military, went on a rampage burning and destroying infrastructure in East Timore, when the announcement of the referendum results reflected that the people's will was for independence.

The exhibition will run till January 14 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. evryday.

#### Cancellation of Chobi Mela Events

Two exhibitions of Chobi Mela are being cancelled due to unavoidable circumstances. They are namely:

Hasan Saifuddin Chandan's My Photography scheduled to be held at Drik Gallery rooftop from January 6, 2001 and Pablo Bartholomew's Nagas: Marked by Beauty at Indian Cultural Centre gallery from January 7, 2001.

Further information on the new exhibition will be informed soon.

## TV GUIDE

### PICK OF THE DAY



Conspiracy Theory Tonight on HBO at 10

Superstar Julia Roberts and Academy Award-winner Mel Gibson team up for the first time in this taut thriller of a beautiful justice department attorney entangled in a paranoid cab driver's Conspiracy Theory. Starring: Mel Gibson, Julia Roberts, Patrick Stewart

Bahu Thi 11:30 Aaj Ki Baat 12:00 Shagun 12:30 Telebrands 1:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii 1:30 Star Movie Show: 4:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 5:00 Saans 5:30 Meri Saheli



Mork and Mindy on Star World at 4:30p.m.

7:00 BBC News/Asia Today Inc/Asia Business Report 8:00 BBC News 8:30 Asia Today/Reporters 9:00 BBC News 9:30 Asia Today/Asia Business Report 10:00 BBC News 10:30 Earth Report Ex World Review 11:00 BBC News 11:30 Jancis (1-4) Italian Feast (5-10) Rough Science (11-13) 12:00 BBC News 12:30 India Business Report 1:00 BBC News 1:30 Hardtalk 2:00 BBC News 2:30 Correspondent 3:00 BBC News 3:30 Hardtalk 4:00 BBC News 4:30 Top Gear 5:00 BBC News 5:30 Correspondent Ex World Review 6:00 BBC News 6:30 Face To Face 7:00 BBC News 7:15 World Business Report 7:30 Jancis Robinson's Wine Course 8:00 BBC News 8:30 Hardtalk 9:00 BBC News 9:30 Asia Today 10:00 BBC News 10:30 Mastermind India 11:00 BBC News 11:15 World Business Report 11:30 Click Online 12:00 BBC News 12:30 World Business Report 12:45 World Sport 1:00 BBC News 1:30 Hardtalk 2:00 BBC News 2:30 World Business Report 4:00 World News 4:30 Asia Business Report 5:00 CNN This Morning 5:30 Asia Business Report 6:00 CNN This Morning 6:15 Asia Business Morning 6:30 Asian Edition 6:45 Asia Business Morning 7:00 CNN This Morning 7:30 Business Unusual 8:00 CNN & Time 9:00 World News 9:30 World Sport 10:00 World News 10:30 This Week in the NBA 11:00 World News 11:30 Best of Q&A 12:00 World News 12:30 World Repot 1:00 World News 1:30 World Sport 2:00 World News 2:30 Best of Insight 3:00 CNN & Time 4:00 World News 4:30 Biz Asia 5:00 Asia Tonight 5:30 World Sport 6:00 World News 6:15 Asian Edition 6:30 Biz Asia 7:00 World News 7:30 Hotspots 8:00 Asia Tonight 8:30 World Sport 9:00 World News 9:30 CNNdotCOM 10:00 World News 10:30 Biz Asia 11:00 World News 11:30 Q&A South Asia 12:00 World News 1:00 CNN Indiadotcom 1:30 World Business Today 2:00 World News 2:30 Q&A 3:00 World News Europe 3:30 CNN Newsroom

### DISCOVERY CHANNEL

6:30 Animal Survivors 7:00 In Care Of Nature 7:30 Outer Bounds I & II 8:00 Lonely Planet 18:30 Without Warning



Saans on Star Plus at 9 pm.

IV 9:30 Beyond 2000 10:00 Next Step 10:30 Go for it! 11:30 Intimate Escapes 12:30 Wild Discovery 1:30 Medical Detectives I 2:00 Medical Detectives 12:30 Vital Break-throughs 3:30 Animal Survivors 4:00 In care of Nature 4:30 Outer Bounds I & II 5:00 Without Warning 15:30 Lonely Planet IV 6:30 Crocodile Hunter's



That's 70s Show Star World at 8:30 pm.

**BTV**  
3:00 Opening announcement 3:20 Open University 4:00 Khabar 4:05 Educational programme 4:30 Programme on Mother and child health 4:45



Drama Serial Andha Shikary on Ekushey TV at 3:05 pm. Starring Shami Kaiser, Zahid Hasan, Tarin, Shampa Kaiser, and Shahiduzzaman Selim.

Sports programme 5:20 Aaloy Bhuban Bhara 5:45 Facts about nutrition 6:00 Khabar 6:10 Mati-o-manush 6:30 Unmesh 7:00 Dolan Champa 7:25 Barta prabaha 8:00 New in Bangla 8:20 Drama: Chandrabora 10:00 News at Ten 10:20 Aanandalok: A programme on Rabindranath Tagore

The Perfect Nanny 3:00 Born to Ride 5:00 Milk Money 7:15 Terms of Endearment 10:00 Conspiracy Theory 12:45 Happy Gilmore 2:45 Police Academy 2 their First Assignment 4:45 Milk Money

**STAR GOLD**  
8:30 Beete Hue Din 9:00 Preet Na Jaane



Toyota World of Wild Life on Ekushey TV at 7:00 pm.

11:30 Khabar/The News 11:45 Closing

**HBO**  
6:30 Police Academy 2: Their First Assignment 8:30 Marathon Man 11:00 Mae West 1:00

**STAR WORLD**  
6:00 Keeneth Copeland Ministries 6:30 Life In The Word With Joyce Meyer 7:00 World News 7:30



Everybody Loves Raymond Star World at 9:00 pm.

12:00 STAR News 12:30 That 70's Show 1:30 Dharma & Greg 2:00 Everybody Loves Raymond 2:00 Frasier 2:30 Chicago's Hope 3:30 That's 70's Show 4:00 Dharma & Greg 4:30 Everybody Loves Raymond 5:00 Frasier

12:00 Geet Bahar 12:30 Ram Bharose 3:30 Geet Bahar 4:00 Deep Jalta Rahe 7:00 Geet Bahar 7:30 Monday Magic Patang 10:30 Bollywood News 11:00 Amanush 12:30 Amanush (Cont) 2:00 Geet Bahar 2:30 Deep Jalta Rahe 5:30 Amanush

**STAR MOVIES**  
8:30 Adventure: Shipwrecked PG 9:30 Family:Muppet Treasure Island 11:30 Action: Stranger On My Land 1:30 Middy Movie: The Rock 4:00 Thriller: Criminal Hearts 15 6:00 Adventure: Camp Nowhere 8:00 Romance: Au Pair G 10:00 Mysteries & Scandals 10:30 Monday Comedy : Oscar 1991 12:45 Night Of Laughter: The Truth About Juliet 1997 2:45 Western: One-eyed Jacks 5:15 Drama: Keys To Tulsa

**STAR PLUS (INDIA)**  
6:00 Tu Tu Main Main 6:30 Star Geetmala 7:30 Hit Ya Fit 8:00 Chhupa Rustam 8:30 Good Morning India 9:30 Star Morning Show 12:30 Hit Ya Fit 1:00 TSN 1:30 Tanha 2:00 Meri Saheli 2:30 Saans 3:00 Shagun ep 3:30 Kalash 4:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi 4:30 Cine Jharokha 5:00 Yit Ya Fit 5:30 Shrimati Sharma Na Kehti Thi 6:00 Small Wonder 6:30 Fox Kids 7:30 Kahani Char Ghar Ki 8:00 Tu Tu Main Main 8:30 Gharwali Uparwali 9:00 Saans 9:30 Kaun Banega Crorepati 10:30 Kahani Char Ghar Ki 11:00 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi

Quinn Medicine Woman 3:30 Grace Under Fire 4:00 The Bold & The Beautiful 4:30 Mork & Mindy 5:00 Happy Days 5:30 Baywatch 6:30 Hollywood Squares 7:00 Home Improvement 7:30 Star News Asia 8:00 Friends 8:30 That's 70's Show 9:00 Everybody Loves Raymond 9:25 STAR News Asia 9:30 Dharma & Greg 10:00 Frasier 10:30 Chicago Hope 11:30 Friends

5:30 Creflo Dollar Daily 6:00 Kenneth Copeland Ministries