

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Baishakhi Utsab

Organiser: Bangla Academy
Venue: Bangla Academy premises
Date: April 14-20
Time: 4:30 pm onwards



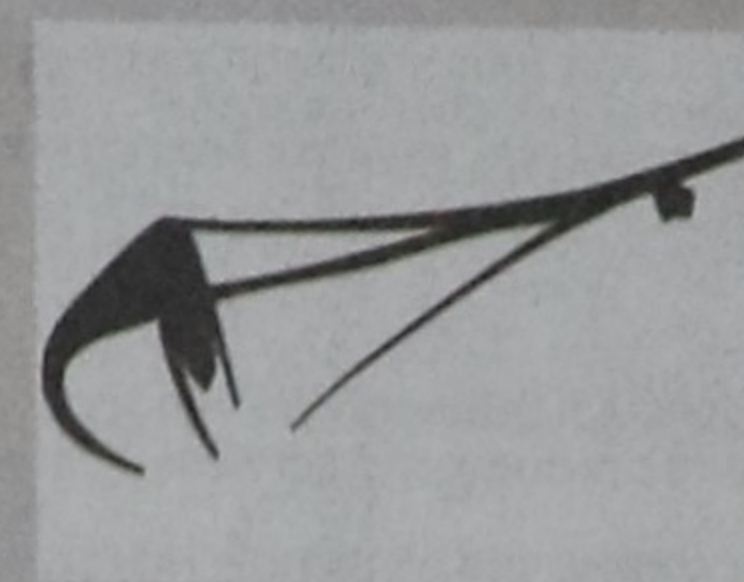
Film Screening

Title: 1st Jalyo Rongmistiri
Chalochchitra Utsab
Venue: Kresnachurnata premises, Institute of Fine Arts
April 18
7pm Khan, 8pm Amader Bondhu Tuth, 9:25pm Auti, 10pm Garam Bhat
Othoba Nichhak Bhuter Golpo



Barshoboron Utsab

Organiser: Bangladesh Loko Sangeet Parishad
Venue: Seminar Hall, Central Public Library, Shahbag
Date: April 18
Time: 4pm



Taste of Dhaka

Festival featuring famous Old Dhaka Food
Organiser: Dhaka Mahanagar Samiti, Dhaka Kendra
Venue: Kalabagan Sports Ground, Kalabagan
Date: April 17-19



Baishakhi Folk Festival

Baul songs at Bangla Academy



A baul artiste performs at the festival

NADIA SARWAT

Born in a Baishnab family in Gopalganj, Mamata Dasi was fascinated by kirtan and baul songs. "But I loved to sing more than I enjoyed listening to music," says Mamata, now a middle-aged baul artiste. Mamata Dasi and her husband Ranjit Das Baul are among the folk singers invited by Bangla Academy to perform at the ongoing folk festival on the occasion of the Bengali New Year.

On April 16, third day of the Baishakhi folk festival at the Bangla Academy premises, folk artists from different corners of the country presented baul songs.

Prior to the event, a discussion was held where Professor Biswajit Das presented his essay titled *Nabobarsho Utsab: Roop Roopantor* (Evolution in the New Year celebration). Mofidul Haque was present as a discussant while litterateur Selina Hossain presided over the session.

"If we take a glance at our cultural arena, we can easily recognise the

vibrant changes in the Bengali New Year celebration. Poets during the Middle Ages interpreted the New Year as a natural phenomena. Later, through the writings of Rabinranath and Nazrul, it comes across as a call to celebrate the new replacing the old. Secularism is the core of this festival," said Biswajit Das in his essay.

Mofidul Haque said, "Through the enormity of this festival, an elementary ethical value is being developed in our country. We are trying to participate with all our uniqueness even in different festivals outside the country.

All these will contribute to make our nation more unified."

In her speech Selina Hossain said, "At present, we are going through an economic depression. Even then, if we can nurture the cultural spirit within us, poverty will never be able to dishearten us. The New Year celebration is an inspiration for us."

The cultural programme started with folk artiste Anwar Hossain singing the Lalon song *Dash-er jogya noi choroney*. The artiste rendered another Lalon song *Karo kotha keu bolena*, delineating the love for Krishna among the womenfolk of Gokul. However, it is only Radha who is the victim of scandal.

Delwar Hossain Boyati rendered *Diner din gonar din tor shesh* and *Ki ghume ghumiye achhey*.

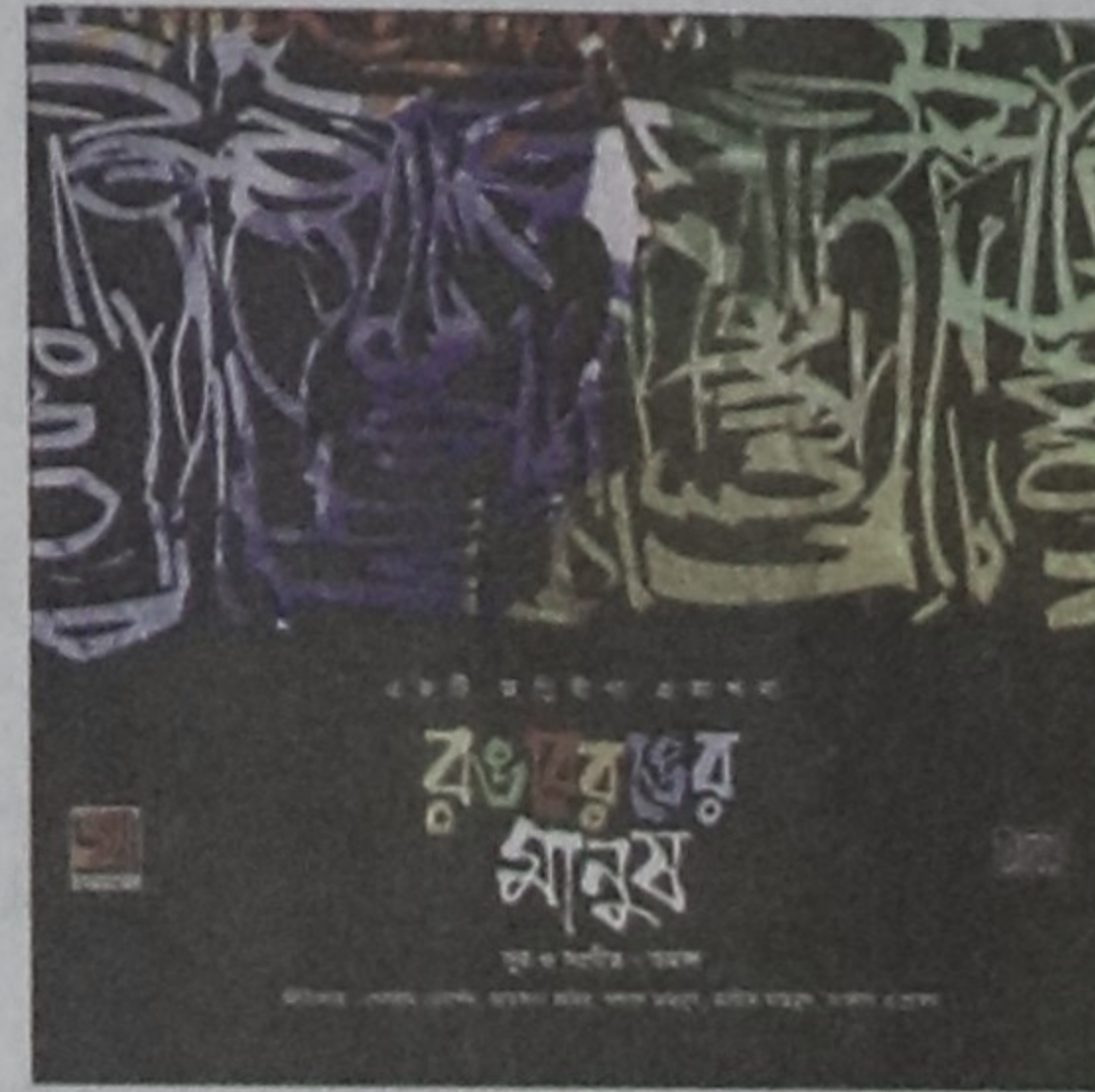
The husband and wife duo Mamata Dasi and Ranjit Das Baul performed Kanai Lal Sheel's *Amaye korti dewana* and the popular Lalon song *Kori mana kaam chharena*.

Other performers of the evening included Bakul Boyati, Alam Dewan, Asgar Dewan and Alam Sarker. Gautam Majumdar, Mohammad Faruque, Almas ali, Gazi Abdul Hakim, Abu Kamal and Ashtosh Sheel were on the instruments.

Yesterday, Zahid Mustafa, presented his essay titled *Bangladesher Adhunik Chitrakolaye Lokochitrer Probbab* (The influence of folk art in the contemporary Bangladeshi art). Mainuddin Khaled was the discussant and eminent artist Qayyum Chowdhury presided over the event.

Today, Adivasi leader Sanjib Drong will present his essay titled *Adivasider Nabobarsho Utsab* (New Year celebrations among the indigenous people). Professor Afsar Ahmed and Ajay Roy will be present at the event. A cultural programme will follow each discussion.

NEW RELEASES



Rong Berong-er Manush

A mixed album featuring Adhunik songs by the late Sanjib Chowdhury, Samina Chowdhury, Fahmida Nabi, Partha Barua. Source: AgniVeena (a sister concern of Geetanjali)



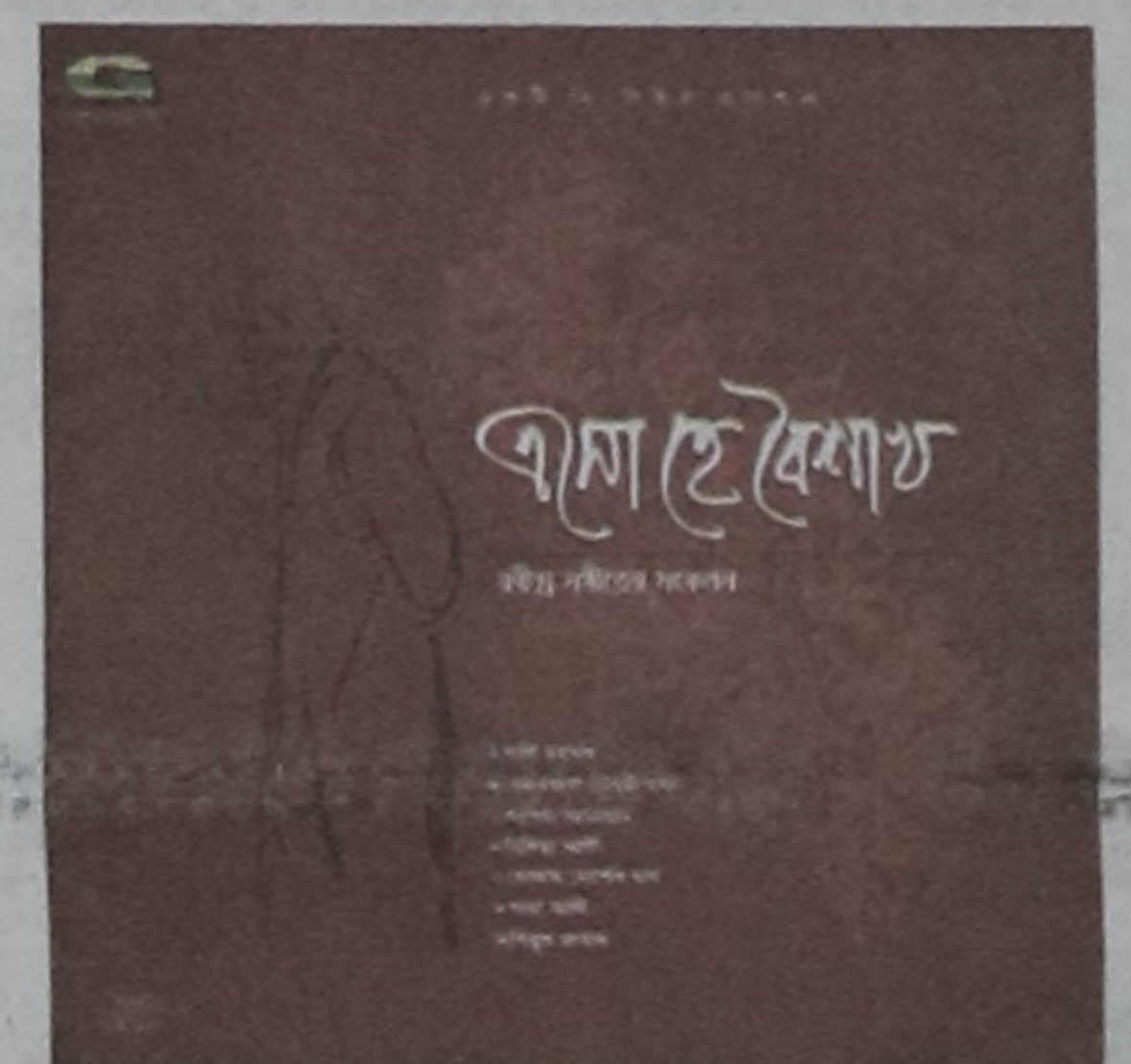
Doob

Third solo album of Shayan Chowdhury Ornob. Source: Bengal Music Company Ltd.



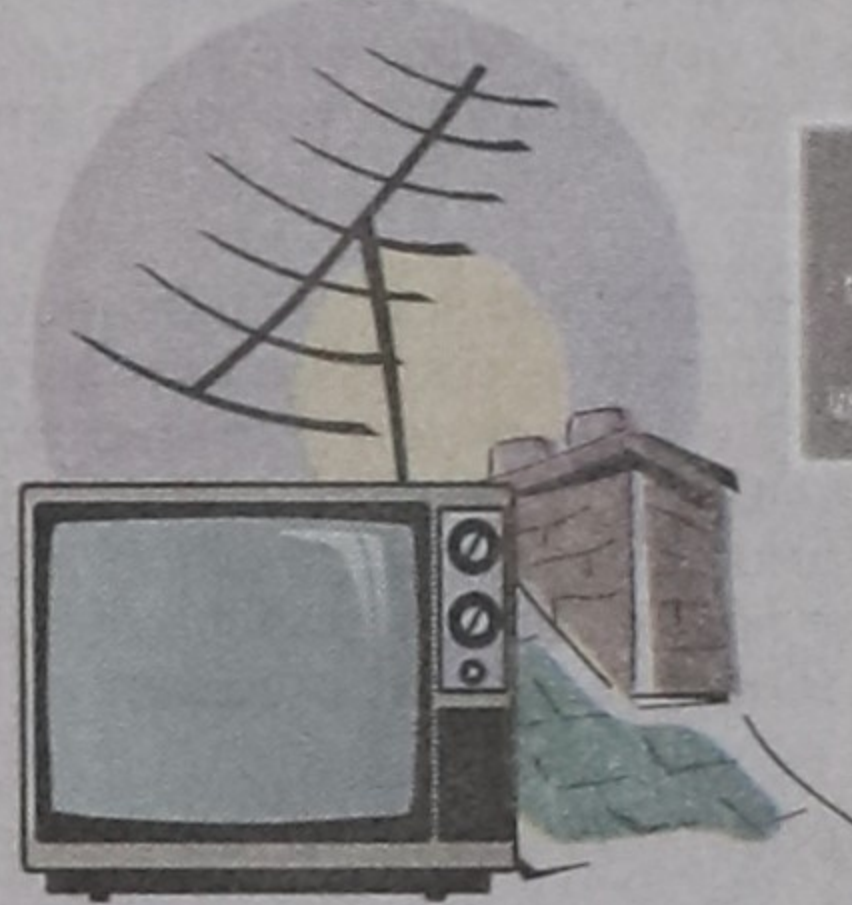
Megh Roddur

An album of Adhunik songs By Shahanaaz Rahmatullah And Samina Chowdhury. Source: Laser Vision



Esha Hey Baishakh

A mixed album featuring Rabintra Sangeet by Sadi Mohammad, Rezwana Chowdhury Banya, Papiya Sarwar, Milia Ali, Golam Morshed Khan, Shama Ali and Shimul Zaman. Source: G-Series



On Air

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

News Bulletin

BTV
News Headlines (Bangla) at 8:55 am, 12:10 pm, 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm.
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am, 1:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 8:00 pm.
News (English) at 3:00 pm, 10:00 pm.
Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).
CHANNEL-1
News (Bangla) at 7:15 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:15 am.
ATN BANGLA
News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11 pm. News (English) 8:20 am, 7:00 pm.
Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.
CHANNEL 1
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am, 12:00 pm, 2:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 7:30 pm, 10:00 pm, 12:30 am.
BANGLAVISION
News (Bangla) at 7:30 am, 1:30 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:15 pm, 10:30 pm.
News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00 am, 12:00 am, 4:00 pm.
News (English) at 6:00 pm.
Rtv
News (Bangla) at 10:15 pm, and 12:15 am.
ntv
News (Bangla) 7:30 am, 12:02 pm, 2:00 pm, 7:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 1:00 am.
ETV
News (Bangla) 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 11:00 pm.

BTV

08:20 Shuprobhat
08:45 Ei Shoptaher Bangladesh
09:05 Sisimpur
09:30 Esha Gaan Shikhi
10:05 Musical Programme
11:00 Debate
11:45 Musical Programme
12:00 Selected Programme
12:40 Mafi O Manush
01:30 Islamic Gaan
02:15 Bangla Feature Film
07:00 Apnar Doctor
07:30 Musical Programme: Hazar Taar-er Bina
08:30 Selected Programme
08:40 Drama Serial
10:30 Musical Programme

CHANNEL 1

09:30 Sharngbadpotrey Bangladesh
09:45 Public Reaction
09:50 Gramphone Trilomatra
10:30 Gramphone Tele Shomoy
11:30 Islamic Programme: Islam Ki Boley
12:05 Talk Show: Kora Alap
12:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma
01:30 Gramphone Trilomatray April
03:05 Tele-film: Dhuli Barley Tolpaar
05:30 Muktyjho Probidin
06:00 South Asian
06:20 Entertainment Show: Western Union Probasli
07:50 Channel-1 Shera Kontho
09:35 Drama Serial: Doinik Tolpaar
10:00 Drama Serial: Ochenia Neel Kontho
11:30 Selected Programme
12:00 Gramphone Aajker Shanbadpotro
Rtv
08:40 Musical Programme: Saangeet Ongon
09:00 Rtv Exclusive
09:05 Protidin
09:35 Musical Programme: Just Band

10:03 Drama Serial: Anondo Jatra
11:00 Taroka Alap
11:30 Drama Serial: Kala Koltor
12:15 Musical Programme: Swapno Din-er Gaan
12:30 Musical Programme: Sa Sa Dhin Tai
01:03 Islamic Programme
02:30 Bangla Feature Film
06:00 Protidin
08:00 Musical Programme: Indian Idol Concert
09:20 Hello Love
11:00 Drama Serial: Mukush Neel
11:30 Biz Event
12:00 Editor's Comment

ETV

08:30 Ekush-er Shokaal
09:15 Cartoon
10:00 Shonamoni Shukhey Oshukhey
10:30 Job Line
11:30 Ekush-er Chokh
12:00 Ekush-er Dupur
12:30 Shuraat Haal
01:30 Ei Shoptaho
02:00 Bangla Feature Film
03:30 Nobon Borshey Ekushey Sports Plus
05:15 Ekusher Shondhya
05:45 SMS Mania
06:15 Mukhto Khobor
06:30 Binodon-er Bishwa
07:45 Talk Show: Aaina Ghor
08:15 Drama Serial: Aziz Market, Shahbag, Dhaka 1000
09:30 Ekush-er Shomoy
11:40 Musical Programme: Live Studio Concert

Ntv

08:30 Aiker Shokaal
08:55 Ekanay Amar Desh
09:30 Shapikuri Protijogita
10:30 Apnar Jigyasha
11:30 Musical Programme: Amar o Gaitay Ichchha Holo
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
02:30 Tele-film: Onur Bikaal
04:25 Cookery Show: Siddiqua Kabir's Recipe
05:30 Pran Junior Tiffin -er Fakey
06:20 Shubho Shondha
08:15 Drama Serial: Swapno Jaal
09:00 Music Jam
11:30 Washington Bara
11:35 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
BANGLAVISION
08:30 Agricultural Programme: Shamol Bangla
09:00 Nodi O Jibon
09:30 Cookery Show: Confidence Salt
Amader Ranna Ghar
10:10 Bhalo Thakun
11:35 Islamic Programme: Jigyasha O Jobab



Channel i Shera Kontho '08
On Channel i at 7:50 pm
Talent hunt
Audition rounds in Chittagong



CHANNEL 1

08:40 Shuprobhat Bangladesh
10:30 Drama: Phil Dari
11:30 Islamic Programme: Alor Kaphila
01:00 Drama: Neel Rokto

Radio Foorti 88.0 FM

08:00am Hello Dhaka
12:00pm Hamd-Nath and Quran recital
1:45pm Foorti Unlimited
06:00pm Bumper to Bumper
10:00pm Back to Back music
Radio Today 89.6 FM
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
11:00am Post Box 9032
01:00pm Islami Gan
02:00pm Rupali Gan
07:00pm Today's World Music
12:00am Today's Happy Moments
12:10am Today's Dhun Tracks
02:00am Back to Back

02:00 Gollachhut
03:30 Drama: Utshob
04:30 Proshno Utto
05:15 Community radio
06:00 Saaj Bela
07:00 Shoptah Sheshey
08:15 Drama: Aaina
09:30 Shuk Tara
11:00 Desh
BOISHAKHI
08:05 Deen Protidin
08:30 Kobir Lorai
10:05 Debate
10:35 Drama Serial: Gyara Kol
12:05 Live telecast of Baishakhi Utsab from DU
06:00 Kobir Lorai
07:30 Dance Programme
08:10 Tele-film: Projapati Mon
10:30 Muchhey Jaak Glani

HBO
12:15 Solo
02:15 Harry Potter And The Chamber Of Secrets
05:30 The Making Of Monster-In-Law
05:45 Paintkiler Jane
07:30 Monster-In-Law
09:30 The Mask
11:30 The Hunt For Eagle One: Crash Point

STAR MOVIES

12:05 Sound Of Music, The Desperate Measures
04:45 Backdraft
07:00 Just My Luck
08:45 Sky High
10:30 They Are Among Us
12:15 Maneater
01:45 Vip Access: Horton

Phone O Live Studio Concert

On Ekushey TV at 11:40 pm
Musical programme featuring leading and upcoming bands
Tonight's band: Arbovirus

STAR WORLD

11:30 30 Rock
12:00 The Simpsons
01:30 Northern Exposure
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
03:30 The Bold And The Beautiful
04:30 General Hospital
05:00 Desperate Housewives
06:00 King-Of-The-Hill
06:30 The Simpsons
07:00 Rodney
07:30 Friends

08:00 Seinfeld
08:30 Live From Abbey Road
09:30 Invasion
10:30 Tna Wrestling
11:30 Most Daring

STAR PLUS

01:00 Baa Bahoo Aur Baby
01:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
02:30 Karam Apnaa Apnaa
03:00 Grahast
06:30 Shararat-Thoda Jaadu Thodi Naz
07:00 Grahast
07:30 Ab Takasafar
08:00 Aek Chabhi Hai Pados Mein
08:30 Kaho Na Yaar Hai
09:30 Prithviraj Chauhan
10:00 Baa Bahoo Aur Baby
10:30 Jo Jeeta Wohi Superstar
12:00 Karam Apnaa Apnaa

ZEE STUDIO

12:50 Bram Stoker's Dracula
03:30 Wish Master
05:30 Elnews
06:15 Heaven & Hell
08:15 The 6th Day

DISCOVERY CHANNEL

01:30 Bull Shark
02:30 I Shouldn't Be Alive
03:30 How Do They Do It?
04:00 Planet's Funniest Animals
04:30 Swimming Lions
05:30 Future weapons
06:30 Weapon Masters
07:30 Last Lions Of India
08:00 Million 2 One
09:30 Dirty Jobs
10:30 I Shouldn't Be Alive

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

12:30 Ancient Megastructures
01:30 Luthansa Nat Geo Genius
02:00 Magical Andes
02:30 A Life With Bears
03:30 I Am In Afghanistan
04:30 I Didn't Know That
05:00 Flying Snakes
05:30 Big Bang
06:30 Jaw Breakers
06:30 Human Ape
07:30 Living with Lions
08:30 I Am In Columbia
09:30 NG's Amazing Moments
10:30 Dubai's Dream Palace

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

12:15 Creative Vision
01:30 1968 Mustang
02:30 1975 Firebird
03:30 Lost Worlds
04:30 Ocean Liners
05:30 Presidential Trains
06:30 Helen of Troy
07:30 Carthage
09:30 Friday Film