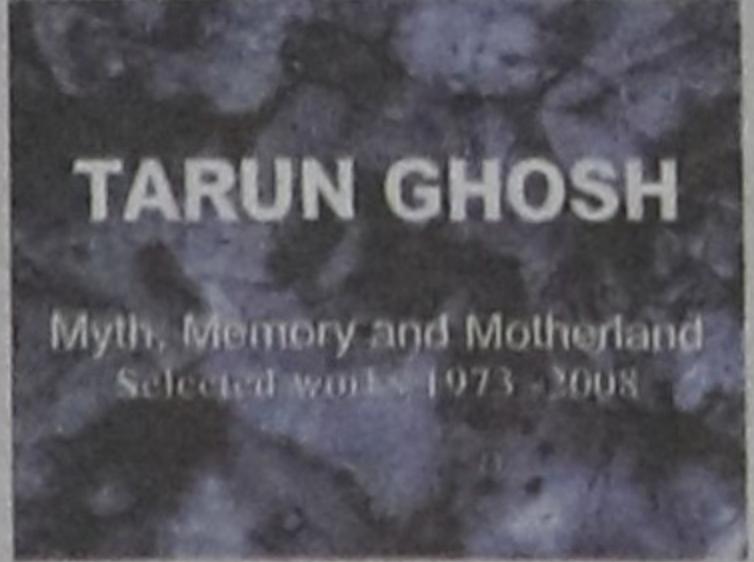


WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Solo Painting Exhibition
Title: Memories and Desire
Artist: Naima Akhter
Venue: Alliance Francaise de Dacca, 26 Mirpur Rd, Dharmundi
Date: October 17-29
Time: 9am-12pm, 5pm-8pm (Saturdays 5pm-8pm)



Solo Art Exhibition
Title: Myth, Memory and Motherland
Artist: Tarun Ghosh
Venue: Galleri Kaya, H 20, Rd 16, Sec 4, Uttara
Date: October 31-November 14
Time: 11am-8pm



Anniversary Programme
40th anniversary of Bangladesh Uddhi Shilpighost
Title: Myth, Memory and Motherland
Venue: National Theatre Hall, BSA
Date: October 29
Time: 4pm onwards



Cartoon, Painting and Photo Exhibition
Title: The right to health
Venue: Drif Gallery House 58, Road 15/A, Dharmundi
Date: October 30-November 12
Time: 3pm-8pm



Rivers, Dhaka, nature and more

Photo exhibition at Nitya Upahar

JAMIL MAHMUD

A group photography exhibition titled "Andherer Alo" ended at Gallery Nitya Upahar, Aziz Cooperative Super Market yesterday. Fashion house Nitya Upahar arranged the exhibition, which highlighted works by four young photographers -- Kamrul Hasan Mithon, Md. Farhad Rahman, Mahamudul Hasan and Syed Fayed Hassan.

The photographers focused on diverse topics, highlighting contemporary issues in their works.

Kamrul Hasan Mithon, a freelance photographer, has done a series on river and riverine life. Mithon's photos capture moments on and around the Ichhamoti and Dhaleswari rivers.

A photograph titled "Parapar" depicts people crossing a small waterway on boat. Mithon's other photographs titled "Ichhamoti-1," "Ichhamoti-2" and "Dhaleswari" highlight the socio-cultural activities centring the rivers.

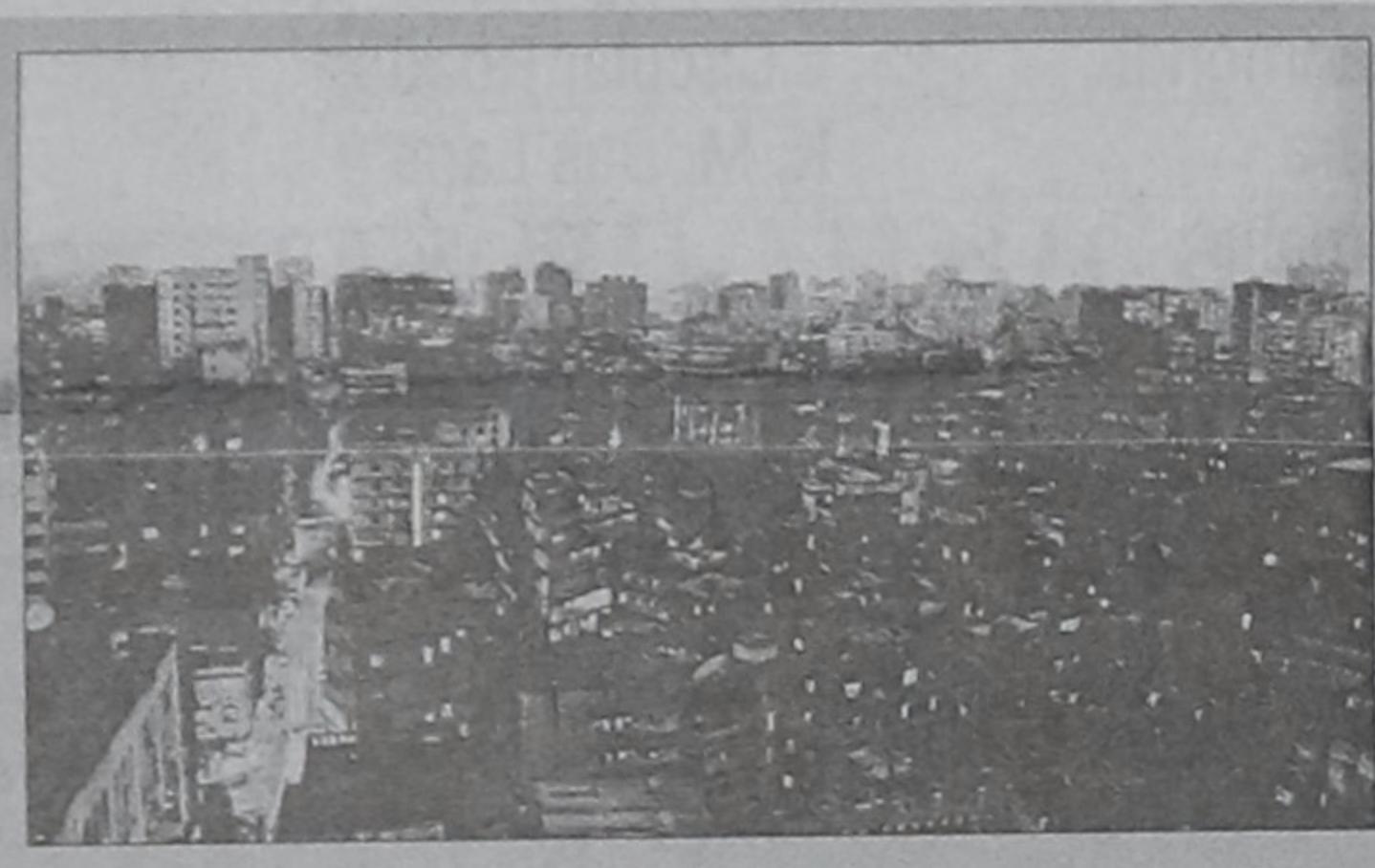
Md. Farhad Rahman, a student of leather technology, took photographs that address diverse contemporary issues. One of his photographs titled "Khelaghar" is a snap of the National Parliament building.

"Boka-Baksho" shows television in action. "Godhuli Belaye," another photograph by Rahman shows an aerial view of Dhaka city, probably taken during dusk.

Mahamudul Hasan, a graphic designer, has done some thematic works. One of Mahamudul's photos titled "Boys' Dheu" shows an elderly man sitting by



"Parapar" by Kamrul Hasan Mithon



"Boka-Baksho" by Md. Farhad Rahman

the water. Another photo on the theme 'age' by Mahamudul is "Boro Howa".

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Preity Zinta declared best actress at Chicago film fest

Preity Zinta, whose performance in Deepa Mehta's "Heaven on Earth," received warm reviews at the Toronto International Film Festival in September, has won the Silver Hugo Award for best actress at the 44th edition of Chicago International Film Festival.

The jury praised her for her strong yet subtle performance as a woman struggling to keep her dreams despite brutal realities.

The film, which will inaugurate the Mahindra Indo-American Arts Council Film Festival in New York on November 5, is the first film in which Mehta has explored the struggle of an immigrant bride in Canada and the choice she has to make to empower herself away from the abusive relationship in her new home. Married to an Indian resident in Canada, she has to use her imagination, wit and strength to keep her sanity and self-esteem.

At Chicago, the Gold Hugo for the Best Film was awarded to the British-Irish film "Hunger"

depicting an Irish Republican Army volunteer who starved himself to death in 1981 to protest English rule. The film also fetched a Silver Hugo for Best Actor for Michael Fassbender for his self-sacrificing performance exemplifying the ideal of "being" rather than "acting."

Like "Heaven on Earth," "Hunger" was also screened at the Toronto event.

Zinta had said at Toronto that when she is old, she would remember



Preity Zinta (right) in "Heaven on Earth"

her "Heaven on Earth" as her most accomplished film and the one that is closest to her heart. Though she shies away from darker films, she confessed, she took up "Heaven on Earth" because of the strength her character is endowed in the script. Besides, she had wanted to act in a Mehta film for a long time, she added.

The Chicago International Film Festival runs from October 16 to 29; it gives People's Choice Award on its last day.

Zinta will attend the MIAAC Film Festival along with Mehta. The festival is the biggest and most prestigious of Indian film events in America and Canada. The red carpet inauguration event will also see Shabana Azmi and Mira Nair (who will be co-chairing it), Salman Rushdie, Adoor Gopalakrishnan, Madhur Jaffrey, Konkona Sen Sharma and Ketan Mehta.

Source: Internet

Concert to generate awareness on substance abuse and corruption

AMANUR AMAN, Kushtia

A concert to generate awareness on substance abuse and corruption was held in Faridpur last Sunday.

The concert was held at the Faridpur stadium.

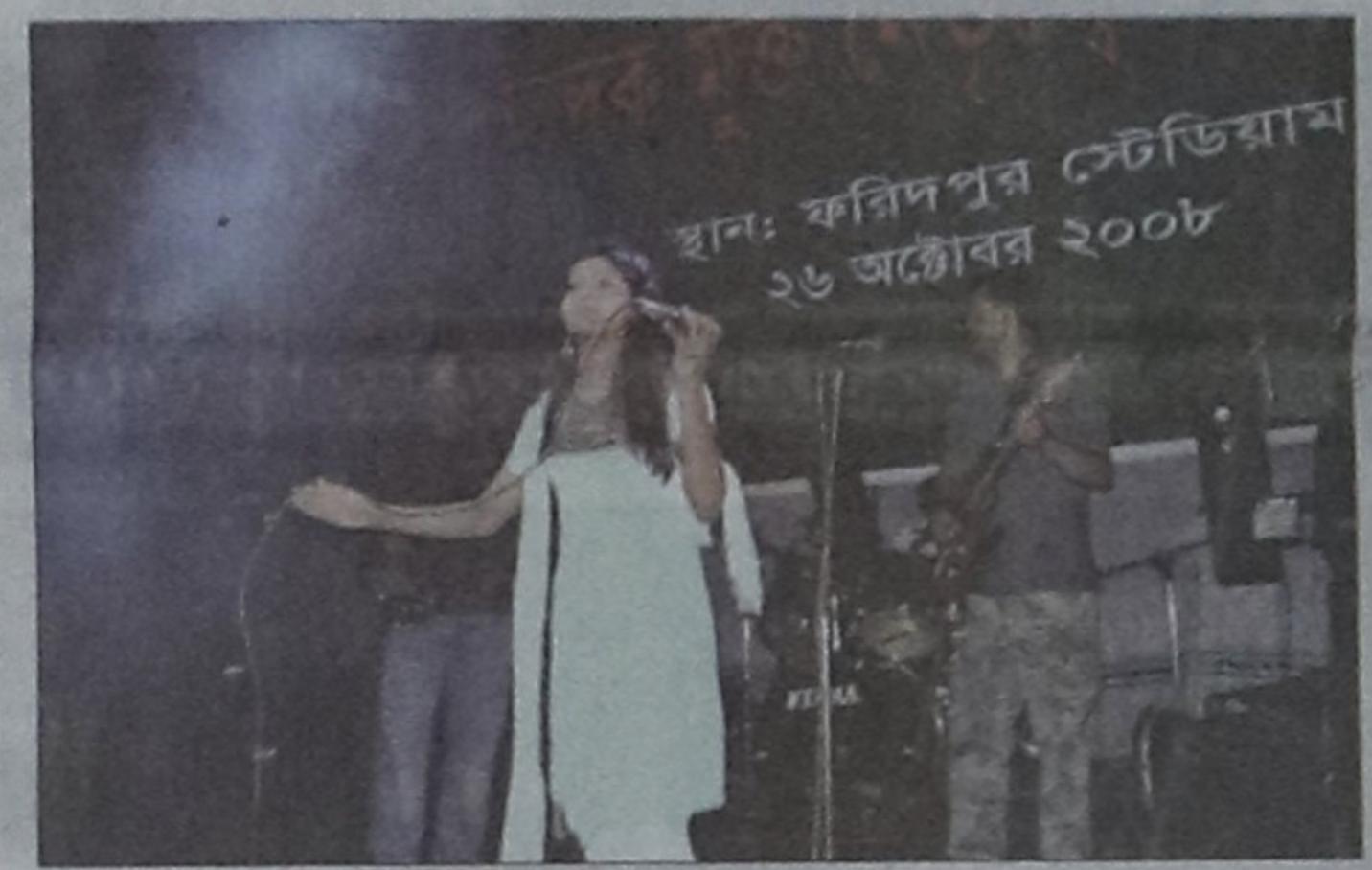
Bangladesh Sangbadik Samity, Faridpur district unit organised the event in association with 'Event Management' and 'DreamWeaver' Social Marketing Company (SMC) sponsored the concert.

Four bands from Dhaka -- Janmabhumi, Neela & Friends,

Symphony and Ebong Ekattur -- performed at the concert. Highlights of the show were renditions by popular artiste Hassan and "Close Up 1" star Salma.

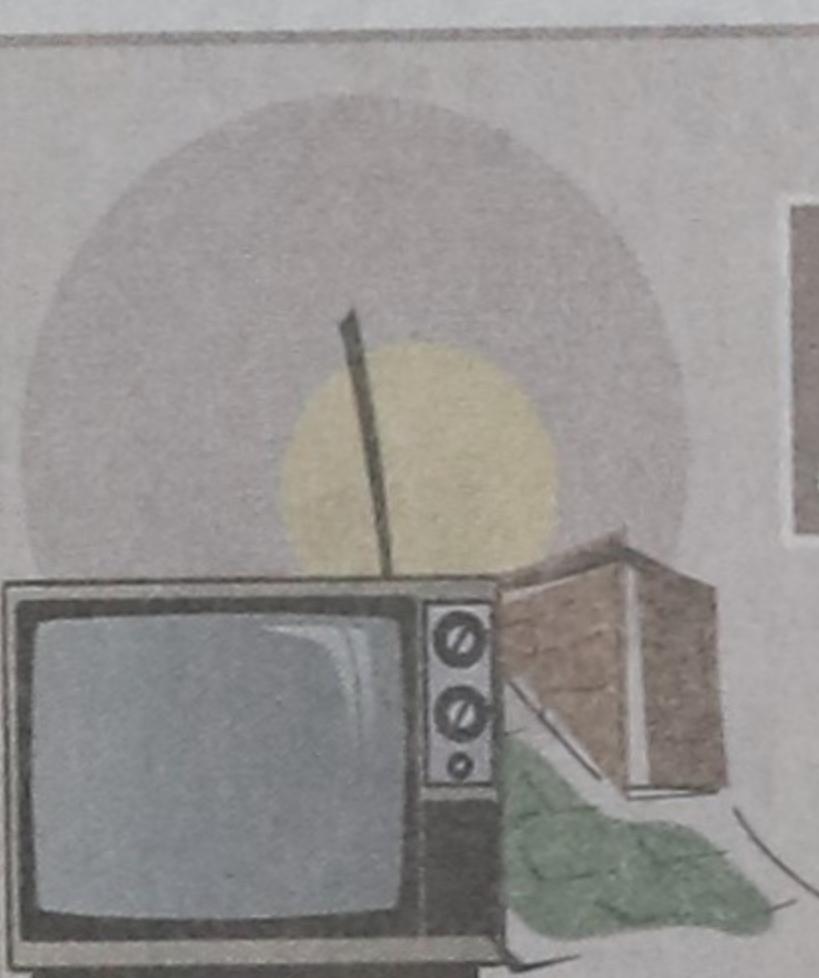
In his welcome speech, Munshi Harun-ur-Rahsid, president of Faridpur Sangbadik Samity, urged the youth to work towards a drug abuse and corruption free Bangladesh.

Ignoring the hostile weather, school and college students thronged the stadium during the concert.



"Close Up 1" star Salma sings at the concert.

PHOTO: STAR



On Air
BTV

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

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04:05 Apnaar Shushashtho
05:30 Mukhijudho Protidin
06:00 Shath Goenda
06:20 Cookery Show
07:50 Drama Serial: Prithibir Shob Roop Mekhey Achhey Ghashey
09:35 Lux-Channel-i Superstar '08
11:30 Drama Serial: Kobi
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro

08:00 Ajker Potrika
08:30 Ekush-er Shokal
09:30 Drama Serial: Alina Ghar

07:50 Campus Campus Drama Serial: Ekey Shunyo Dash
08:30 Ajker Shokal Drama Serial: Eit Kaath-er Khancha
08:55 Drama Serial: Tomtom Golpo Sholpo Gaan
10:05 Financial Bulletin
RTV
09:00 Talk Show: Shomoyer Dorpon Special Programme: Naari O Nokhyotro
12:10 Ei Shomoy
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