

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Kheyal and Thumri
 Artiste: Shubhra Guha
 Organiser: Shadhona
 Venue: Radius Centre, 5th floor, Bay's Galleria, 57, Gulshan Avenue
 Date: March 25
 Time: 7pm



Private Collection of Prints
 Organiser: Gallery Winners
 Venue: House-10-Ka, Road-10, Baridhara
 Date: March 27
 Time: 6pm



Rong Tulley Muktiyuddho
 Noted artists will paint on the theme 'Liberation War'
 Organiser: Liberation War Museum and Channel i
 Venue: LWM premises in Agargaon
 Date: March 26
 Time: 2:30pm



Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: Saga of the Padma
 Artist: Monsur Uj Karim
 Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi
 Date: March 20-31
 Time: 12-8pm



Book reading festival in Sylhet concludes



Finance Minister AMA Muhith hands over a set of books to Nibir Ranjan Talukder, adjudged best reader at the book reading festival in Sylhet.

IQBAL SIDDIQUEE, Sylhet

"Our aim is to bring about major changes in society so as to ensure good governance and enlightenment," said Finance Minister AMA Muhith. "We need the cooperation of all our countrymen, including the civil society," he added.

Stressing the need to spread the reading habit, the minister said events such as the ongoing book festival should be held regularly to enrich the knowledge base of students.

Muhith was speaking as chief guest at the prize and certificate giving function of the three-month long book reading festival. Titled -2008 Muktiyuddho Boi Pora Utsab, the event was held at the M Saifur Rahman Auditorium in Sylhet.

Swajon Samabesh, Sylhet (a forum of Daily Jugantor readers) and a local organisation, Innovator jointly organised the event. The aim was to spread the reading habit as well as to generate awareness on the history of the Liberation War among the new generation.

Sylhet divisional coordinator of Swajon Samabesh, Pranab Kanti Dev chaired the festival, while city mayor Badaruddin Ahmed Kamran, lawmakers Hafiz Ahmed Mazumder and Shofiqur Rahman Chowdhury; deputy editor, Daily Jugantor, Rashid un Nabi; bureau chief Rezwan Ahmed; executive editor, Amader Arthaniti, Pir Habibur Rahman; cultural activist Shamima Chowdhury and Abdul Majid Parvez also spoke on the occasion.

The speakers said, the new generation should be accurately acquainted with the country's Liberation War and the leaders of the time. We need to end the distortion of the history of 1971 at any cost, the speakers added.

Nibir Ranjan Talukder of Shahjalal University was adjudged the best reader in the contest. Kamronnihar Zebin, Devjani Dass, Sujon Chandra Paul, Romana Akhtar Chowdhury, Fahmida Nasrin Rumi, Sakiba Mahbub, Latika Das, Pili Kanti Das and Mohammad Abul Hasan Russel were awarded at the function. Ishrat Kabir Anya and Shamsun Nahar Jessy conducted the function.

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On the occasion of the 13th founding anniversary of Liberation War Museum and Independence Day, LWM organised a seven day long festival titled "Shadinota Utshob" which began on March 22. A book fair is also going on at the premises of Liberation War Museum. On March 23, a certificate-giving ceremony on the workshop, "Documentary on Liberation War", was held at Liberation War Museum. At the programme, the welcome speech was delivered by Rabiul Hussain as a trustee of Liberation War Museum. Renowned writer Syed Shamsul Haque, Dr. M A Hasan and course director and filmmaker Manzare Hassin Murad spoke at the programme.

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Federation Mela '09 held in Thakurgaon

QUAMRUL ISLAM RUBAIYAT, Thakurgaon

Amidst much festivity, a two-day long Federation Mela with a call to 'Empower the poor through federation' concluded recently at Bhuli College Ground under Sadar upazila in Thakurgaon.

RDRS Bangladesh organised the event with the assistance of the European Commission, DCA, SCA and NCA.

In the course of the mela, an aggregate of 18-selected Federation members from Thakurgaon, Panchagarh, Dinajpur and Nilphamari districts participated in diverse cultural programmes, including folk songs and theatre.

Hundreds of people from different villages thronged the mela grounds every day and it became a much needed recreation centre for the villagers.

Eighteen stalls were set up by different federations and gave a close view of their programmes, such as sanitation; generating awareness against dowry and repression of women; ensuring indigenous people's rights, quality education and other rights-based programmes.

They also displayed and sold their handmade apparel and handicrafts, which came under the banner of Income Generating Activities (IGA) of RDRS beneficiary groups.



Artistes perform at the 'mela'.

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Deputy Commissioner of Thakurgaon, Miah Abdullah Mamun inaugurated the Federation Mela last Tuesday, while director of RDRS (Programme Coordination), Azizul Karim was special guest and RDRS and Thakurgaon programme coordinator Mohammed Al Muntazir was in the chair.

Balpara Federation in Nilphamari performed a 'pata-gaan' on 'quality education'. Amjankhor Federation staged a play "Sadhinatar Shurjo."

During the interval, theatre artistes from various federations performed folk songs, humorous interludes and recitation.

On the second day of the mela, Thakurgaon Gobindanagar Adibasi Federation staged a play titled, "Muktir Gaan."

On Wednesday evening, a discussion and prize giving ceremony were held where deputy director of Thakurgaon Social Welfare Directorate, Aleya Begum was present as chief guest.

Hafizabad Federation from Panchagarh, Baragan Union Federation from Thakurgaon and Balpara Union Federation from Nilphamari were awarded first, second and third prize respectively.

The organisers had reasons to be happy with the large turnout at the mela. In addition, through the riveting programmes, the masses were acquainted with various burning social issues of the day and how to deal with them.

On Air

BTV
 08:20 Selected Programme
 08:45 Selected Programme
 09:05 Talk Show
 09:30 Musical Programme: Shaswata Sur
 10:05 Open University
 10:30 Lok Lokaay
 11:20 Desher Gaan
 11:30 Drama Serial: Shomoy Ashomoy
 01:00 Matri Basha
 01:30 Hijol Tomaal
 02:15 Debate
 03:05 Cartoon
 03:30 Shukhi Poribaar
 05:05 Sisimpur
 05:30 Computer
 06:10 Nobo Anondey Jago
 06:45 Swadhinota Amar Swadhinota
 07:00 Mati O Manush
 08:35 Drama Serial: Oronyey Adhar
 09:05 Drama Serial: Shubarno Rekha
 09:30 Dance Programme: Tarana
 10:30 Selected Programme

ATN BANGLA
 News (Bangla) at 7:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11pm.
 News (English) 8:20am, 7:00pm
 Latest News (Bangla) at 9:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm.

CHANNEL 1
 News (Bangla) at 8:00am, 12:00pm, 2:30pm, 6:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm, 12:30am

BANGLAVISION
 News (Bangla) at 7:30am, 1:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:15pm, 10:30pm.
 News Headlines (Bangla) at 10:00am, 12:00am, 4:00pm

News (English) at 6:00pm

Rtv
 News (Bangla): 2:30 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am

ntv
 News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:30pm, 1:00am

ETV
 News (Bangla): 1:00pm, 3:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm

abc radio
 News: 08:00 am, 12:00 pm, 03:00 pm, 06:00 pm, 09:00 pm, 12:00 am; English Bulletin: 1:30pm

<p>09:45 Public Reaction 09:50 Grameenphone Trilomatra 11:05 Sports Time 11:30 Medha Bikash 12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathan 01:05 Ebong Cinemaar Gaan 01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma 02:30 Nine Months To Freedom 03:30 Channel i Abitii Chhondey Chhondey 04:30 Apnaader Shushathyo 05:30 Muktiyuddho Protidin 06:00 Mega Serial: Shath Goenda 06:20 Amar Chhobi 07:50 Jodi Partan Judhdhey Jetam 09:35 Ekattur-er Bir Jananai 11:30 Selected Programme 12:00 Grameenphone Aiker Shanbadpotro</p> <p>ETV 10:02 Ekushey Business</p>	<p>11:45 Krishno Pokhker Raat ntv 08:30 Aiker Shokaal 08:55 Drama Serial: Eil Kaancher Khancha 09:30 Frankly Speaking 10:05 Drama Serial: House Full 10:30 Music Express 11:30 Glamour World 12:10 Drama 01:05 Japan Video Topic 02:30 Drama Serial: Swapno Jatra 03:15 Drama Serial: Jhuthamela 04:10 Quiz Show: Ispahani Janar Acchey Bolar Achhey 05:25 Ilihasher Ei Din-ey 05:30 Apnaar Jigyasha 06:15 Shubha Shandhya 06:45 Bajo Ebong Bajao 08:15 Cookery Show: Siddiqua Kabir's Recipe 09:00 Kichho Katha Kichhu Gaan</p>	<p>05:20 Utial March 06:00 Citycell Din-er Sheshey 06:20 Cinebit 06:50 Media Bhubaan 08:15 Drama Serial: Swapney Boshobash 09:05 Home Care 09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue 11:15 Shapludur Gaan 12:30 Bashedha Cinemar Gaan</p> <p>DIGANTO TELEVISION 08:05 Ekti Phool-ey bachabo Boley 09:05 Diganta Shangleap 12:30 Ekti Phool-ey Bachabo Boley 01:30 Das Diganta 02:30 Desh Mohadesh 03:00 Gaon Geram-er Manush 03:30 Selected Programme 04:30 Tom and Jerry 05:30 Khet Khamar 06:00 Diganta Anushondhan 08:05 Shomporko Shankaat</p>	<p>07:30 Road to Democracy 09:30 Jiboney Ano Alo 11:00 Business Block</p> <p>ZEE STUDIO 08:30 Don't Move 11:00 Intermission 01:20 House Guest 03:30 The Last Shot 05:30 Hollywood's 10 Best 06:00 Pretty Woman 08:40 Last Dance 11:30 Mona Lisa Smile</p> <p>BBC WORLD NEWS 08:00 World News Today 09:00 BBC World News 09:30 HARDtalk (r) 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 TBA 11:00 BBC World News 11:30 Middle East Business Report 12:00 BBC World News 12:30 Click (r)</p>	<p>07:15 Sport Today 07:30 Talking Movies 08:00 BBC World News 08:10 The Forgotten Refugees 09:00 BBC World News 09:10 The World Debate (r) 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 Final Score 11:00 BBC World News</p> <p>HBO 09:00 Ghost Voyage 10:45 Flushed Away 12:30 John Carpenter's Escape from LA 02:30 Mother 04:30 The Making of The Pursuit of Happiness 04:35 Pay it Forward 07:15 The Making of Bee Movie 07:30 Bee Movie 09:30 The Pursuit of Happiness 11:45 The Saint</p>
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On HBO at 7:30 pm
Animation
Cast: Jerry Seinfeld, Renée Zellweger

STAR MOVIES
 09:10 The Mighty
 11:10 Prelude To A Kiss
 01:15 Infernal Affairs III
 03:30 Bad Company
 05:45 Swingers
 07:40 The Simpsons Movie
 09:30 The Darjeeling Limited
 11:25 Stormbreaker

STAR WORLD
 08:30 Friends
 09:30 According To Jim
 10:00 Scrubs
 10:30 La Femme Nikita
 11:30 Eureka
 12:30 The Moment Of Truth Of Truth
 01:30 Heroes
 02:30 The Ellen Degeneres
 03:30 Desperate Housewives
 04:30 Ghost Whisperer
 05:30 La Femme Nikita
 06:30 Are You Smarter Than A 5th Grader?
 07:30 Friends
 08:30 According To Jim
 09:00 Scrubs
 09:30 The Moment Of Truth
 10:30 Shark
 11:30 Most Daring

Tomtom
 On Ekushey Television at 9:30 pm
Drama Serial
 Cast: Litu Anam, Lara Lotus

02:30 Drama Serial: Akey Shunyoo
 Dash
 03:15 Ta Na Na Na
 03:30 O Bondhu Amar
 04:02 Drama Serial: Tomtom
 04:30 Deshjurey Shanglaap
 05:30 Sports Plus
 05:45 Ekusher Shondha
 06:30 Campus Campus
 07:45 Cine Hits
 08:30 Drama Serial: Akey Shukhyoo
 Dash
 09:30 Drama Serial: Tom Tom
 Financial Bulletin

09:45 Drama Serial: Trinar Golpo
 11:35 Drama: Pechhoney Tokhon
 12:30 Pechhoney Tokhon

BANGLAVISION
 08:30 Drama Serial: Shada Megh Kalo Megh
 09:00 Drama Serial: Swapno Chura
 09:30 Bangla Feature Film
 12:30 Ebong Class-er Bairey
 01:30 Musical Programme: Gaanalap
 02:40 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney Anyonyan
 03:20 Anyonyan
 04:10 Selected Programme

08:30 Prio Gaan Prio Shur
 09:30 Pathay Pranlorey
 10:00 Diganta Prime Time
 11:05 Shobaar Agey Desh

RTV
 09:00 Very Filmy
 11:03 Lata Herbal Tarokalap
 11:30 Drama Serial: Naiyor
 01:03 Nari O Nokhyotro
 02:03 Bangla Feature Film
 05:30 Selected Programme
 06:03 Protidin
 07:00 Look at Me

01:00 BBC World News
 01:10 The World Debate
 02:00 BBC World News
 02:30 Newsnight
 03:00 BBC World News
 03:30 Meet The Immigrants
 04:00 BBC World News
 04:30 Our World (r)
 05:00 BBC World News
 05:30 Middle East Business Report (r)
 06:00 BBC World News
 06:30 Dateline London
 07:00 BBC World News