

WHAT'S
ON THIS
WEEK

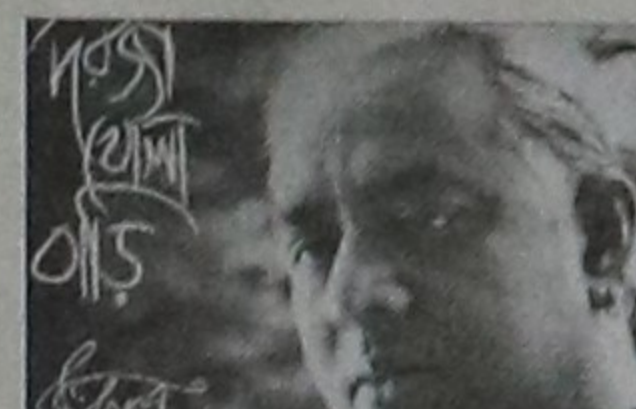
World Museum Day
Organiser: Liberation War Museum
Venue: LWM premises, 5 Shegun Bagicha
Date: May 20
Time: 4pm



Photo Exhibition
Title: Ballads of...the Agonised Souls
Photographer: Noor Alam
Venue: Zainul Gallery 1, FFA, Dhaka University
Date: May 16-22
Time: 10am-8pm



Album Launch
Title: Dorja Khola Bari
Artist: Hasan Abidur Reza Jewel
Venue: Bengal Shilpalaya, H 275/F, R 27 (old), Dhanmondi
Date: May 18
Time: 5pm



Exhibition
Title: Recycled Magic
Artist: Bruno Ruhl
Venue: Alliance Francaise, 26, Mirpur Road, Dhanmondi
Date: May 8-21
Time: 9am-12pm and 5pm-8pm



Ballads of the Agonised Souls

Photo exhibition on thalassaemia at Zainul Gallery

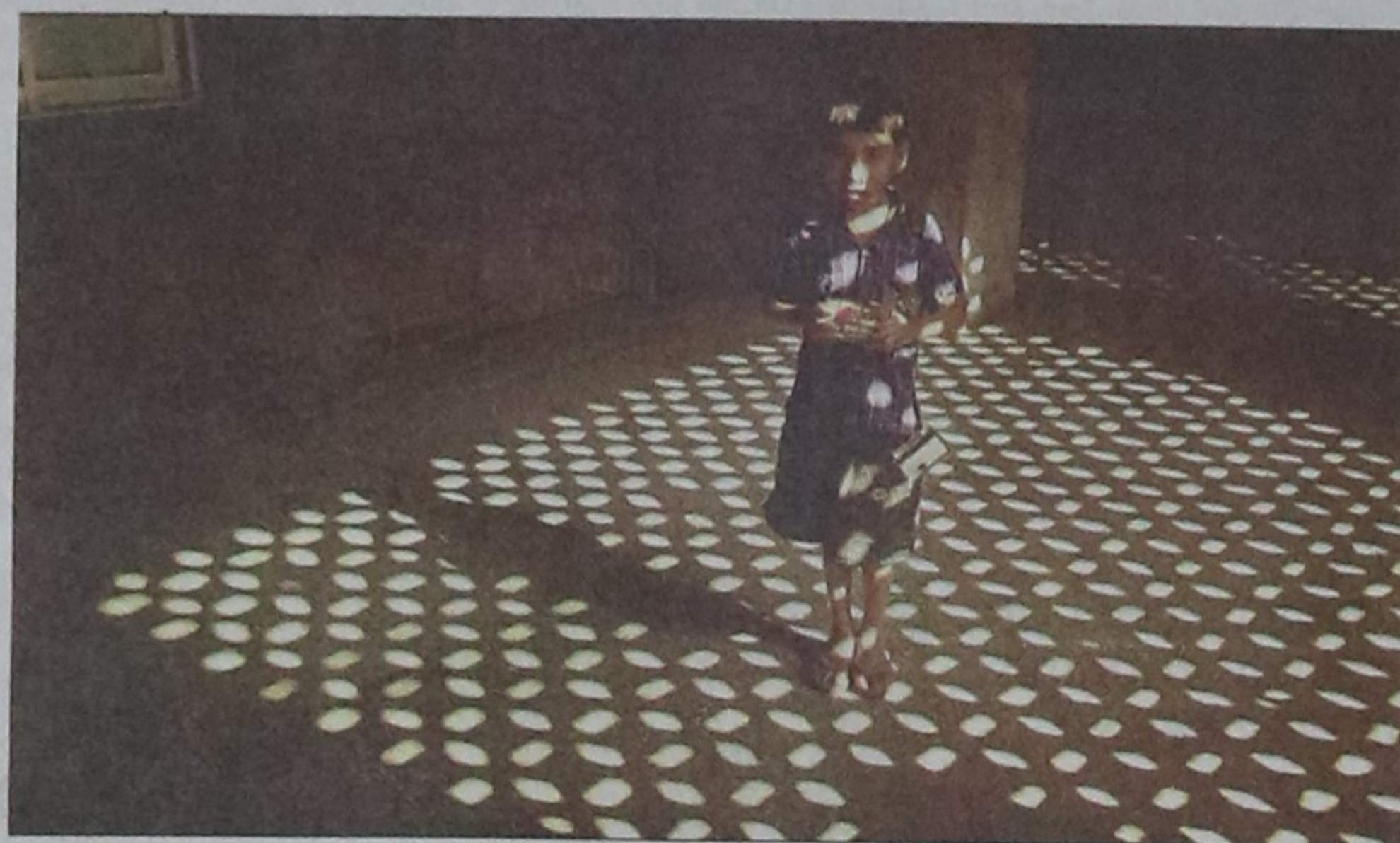
CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

Images at the exhibition, titled "Ballads of the Agonised Souls," are quite expressive with smiling faces of children, but a strange silence pervades on the whole. The photographs explore the lives -- little joys and agonies -- of thalassaemia patients in our country.

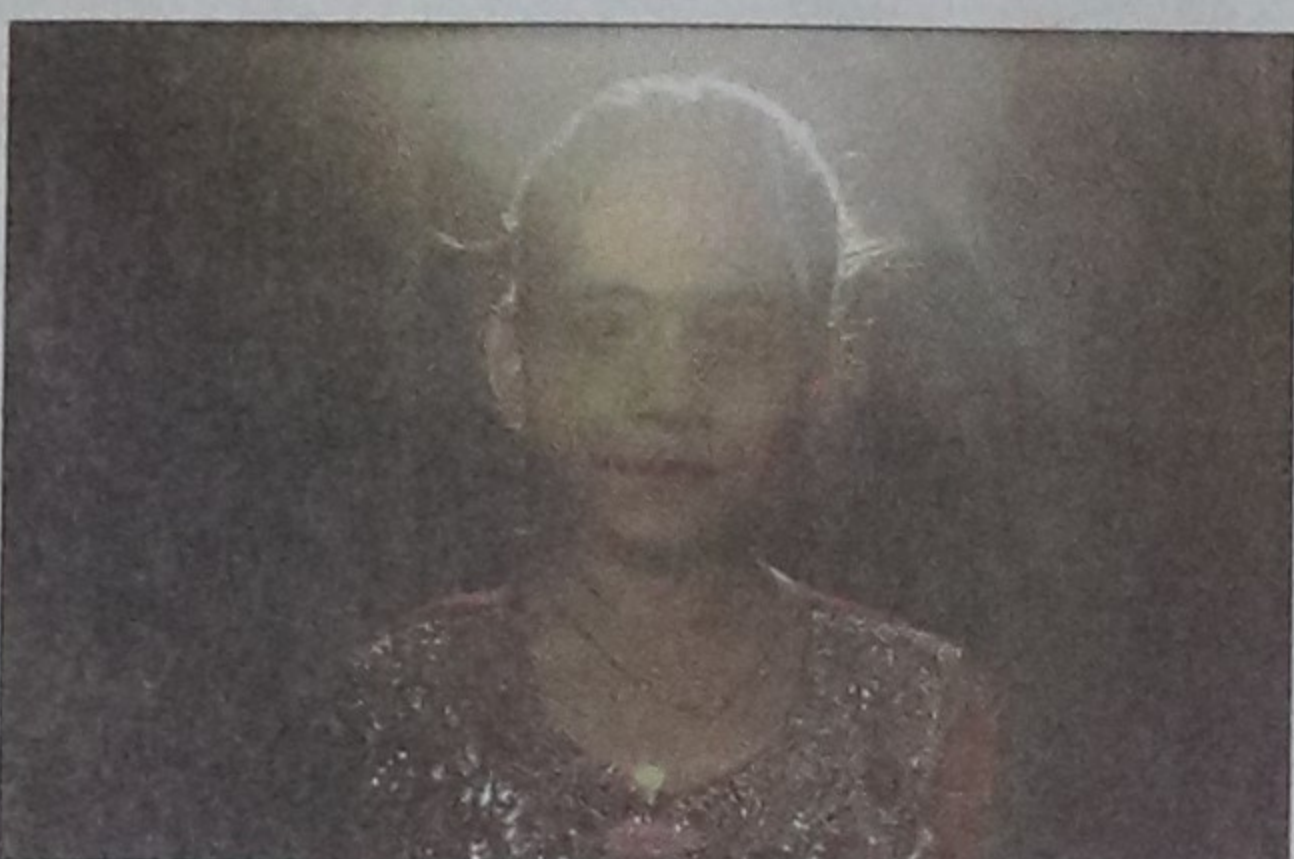
Thalassaemia is an inherited blood disorder by which the body is unable to produce adequate haemoglobin in red cells of blood. Normally red cells survive for 120 days. But thalassaemia-affected red cells survive less than that. If parents are thalassaemia carriers their children may become diseased. Persons born with thalassaemia suffer from chronic anaemia. As a result their growth is stunted and without any treatment they usually die by the age of 5.

Thalassaemia is not seen everywhere in the world. It is concentrated in south-east Asia and Mediterranean region. Every year over 250 millions people are affected by thalassaemia and 100,000 thalassaemia majors (carriers) are born across the world. According to a publication of World Health Organization (WHO) roughly 11.2 million people are thalassaemia carriers and 7,483 children are born with the disease every year with expected 374,154 living patients.

Photographer Noor Alam has been documenting young thalassaemia patients for the last two years. The collection is



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a combination of some portraits and still life images of the young ones. The children, seemingly full of life, are put in settings that indicate an ominous circumstance -- most photographs show the subjects alone.

Noor Alam's intension was to explore the real scenario. According to him, "The battle against thalassaemia cannot be fought alone. A social movement is required to uproot the disease, involving the government, media, and physicians,

along with the parents of the patients. My effort is just to be a part of this cohesive battle."

In one photograph, a little boy, looking coy, carries something. The image employs the play of light and shade. Another image shows a little girl's smiling face, light illuminates her forehead. Another photo features a four/five year old girl laughing with one of her knuckles in her mouth. They are all thalassaemia patients. The images are reminders of how precious these smiles are.

"Ballads of the Agonised Souls" is now on at the Zainul Gallery, Faculty of Fine Arts, Dhaka University. The exhibition ends on May 22.

Norwegian wins Eurovision Song Contest

AP, Moscow

A boyish, fiddle-wielding Norwegian singer won the Eurovision Song Contest in Moscow on Saturday night, his bouncy ditty was the highlight of the musical bonanza, studded with pyrotechnic artistry and stunning electronic visuals on an epic scale. Twenty-five performers from across Europe competed in Moscow in a musical talent hunt that is one of the most watched annual television events in the world, despite being written off by some as European kitsch.

"Fairytale," penned and performed by 23-year-old fiddler Alexander Rybak, blew away competition from Iceland's Yohanna, who finished second, and Azerbaijan's AySel & Arash, who were third, with a folksy melody to the accompaniment of an acrobatic dance routine and two blonde female support singers.

The elfin-faced Rybak, the winning graduate of a Norwegian television talent show in 2006, accrued the most points in Eurovision's 53-year history, outstripping Finland's Lordi in 2006.

"Thank you so much, Russia. You are just great, thank you," an emotional Rybak, said, speaking in Russian from the stage after the result was announced. "You are the greatest public in the world," he proclaimed, before launching into a repeat performance of the winning entry.

Russia was trying to capitalise on the prestigious event to showcase the nation's hospitality and growing role in modern society, but those efforts were undermined several hours earlier when riot police attacked gay pride rallies in the capital.



Norway's Alexander Rybak holds the trophy after winning the Eurovision Song Contest in Moscow on May 16.

Rybak criticised the protesters for choosing the same day as the contest to vent their frustrations.

Minsk-born Rybak, who left Belarus when he was four years old with his musician parents, earned the maximum number of points from several of the participating former Soviet satellite countries.

His performance was greeted by rapturous applause from the spectators thronging the Olimpiyskiy Sports Complex in central Moscow. The crowd heard a wide array of songs, ranging

from traditional cheesy pop to tear-jerking ballads and ear-piercing operatic melodies.

Norway last won the competition in 1995 and as winner will host the show next year.

Russia was pinning its hopes on "Mamo," an overwrought ballad composed by a Georgian songwriter and partially performed in Ukrainian by a Ukrainian-born artiste Anastasia Prikhodko, but she could only muster 11th place.

U.S. burlesque artiste Dita Von Teese, ex-wife of rocker Marilyn Manson, spiced up Germany's act by straddling a shiny lip-shaped black plastic sofa.

The winner of the competition was picked by a combination of telephone voting and official juries from national broadcasters in the 42 nations that originally took part.

Britain had been billed as a favourite for the contest, but its entry, singer Jade, could only manage fifth place, despite composer Andrew Lloyd Webber writing her song.

Bookmakers had also favoured Greece, which was pinning its hopes on an elaborately choreographed stage performance involving a giant flashing treadmill.

Israel made an appeal for peace and harmony with "There Must Be Another Way," sung in Arabic, Hebrew and English by Arab-Jewish duo Noa and Mira.

In a Eurovision first, crew members of the International Space Station gave the command to start telephone voting in a video message from the orbiting science laboratory.

Moscow authorities splashed out 24 million euros (\$32.5 million) on the show and a weeklong series of decadent parties.



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

On Air

ATN BANGLA

- 08:15 Aiker Shanbadpotro
- 08:30 Drama Serial: Naksha
- 09:15 Asian City Top Spin 2020
- 10:30 Hello Bangladesh
- 11:15 Cinema Based Programme: Notun Chhobir Gaan
- 12:15 Motamot
- 01:25 Cholo-chittr Golpo
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Ghar Jamai
- 03:15 Drama Serial: O Amar
- 03:45 Chokhkhui Nai
- 04:35 Children's Programme: Chhotoder Prithibi
- 04:20 Agricultural Programme
- 05:10 Ainaar Shamney
- 05:40 Business Week
- 06:20 TV Series: The Lost World
- 06:45 Special Programme: Kaandey Amar Maa
- 08:00 Drama Serial: Shadakalo Mon
- 08:45 Drama: Tobou Neel
- 11:30 Jey Katha Keu Boleni
- 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News
- 12:30 Hello Bangladesh

CHANNEL i

- 08:05 Tagore Song
- 09:30 Shangbadpotrey Bangladesh
- 09:45 Public Reaction
- 09:50 Grameenphone Trilomatra
- 11:05 Education Programme
- 11:30 Amar Chhobi
- 12:30 Citycell Taroka Katha
- 01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
- 01:30 Sa Re Ga Ma
- 02:30 Hridoyer Gaan
- 03:30 Banijyo O Othoniti
- 04:05 Study @ UK
- 04:30 FCT Business Talk
- 05:30 Mukti Judhyo Protidin
- 06:00 Selected Programme
- 06:20 Drama Serial: Teen Goenda
- 07:50 BBC Bangladesh Shangleap
- 09:35 Drama Serial: Shobkicchu
- 09:45 Bhengey Porey
- 10:00 Drama Serial: Monorama

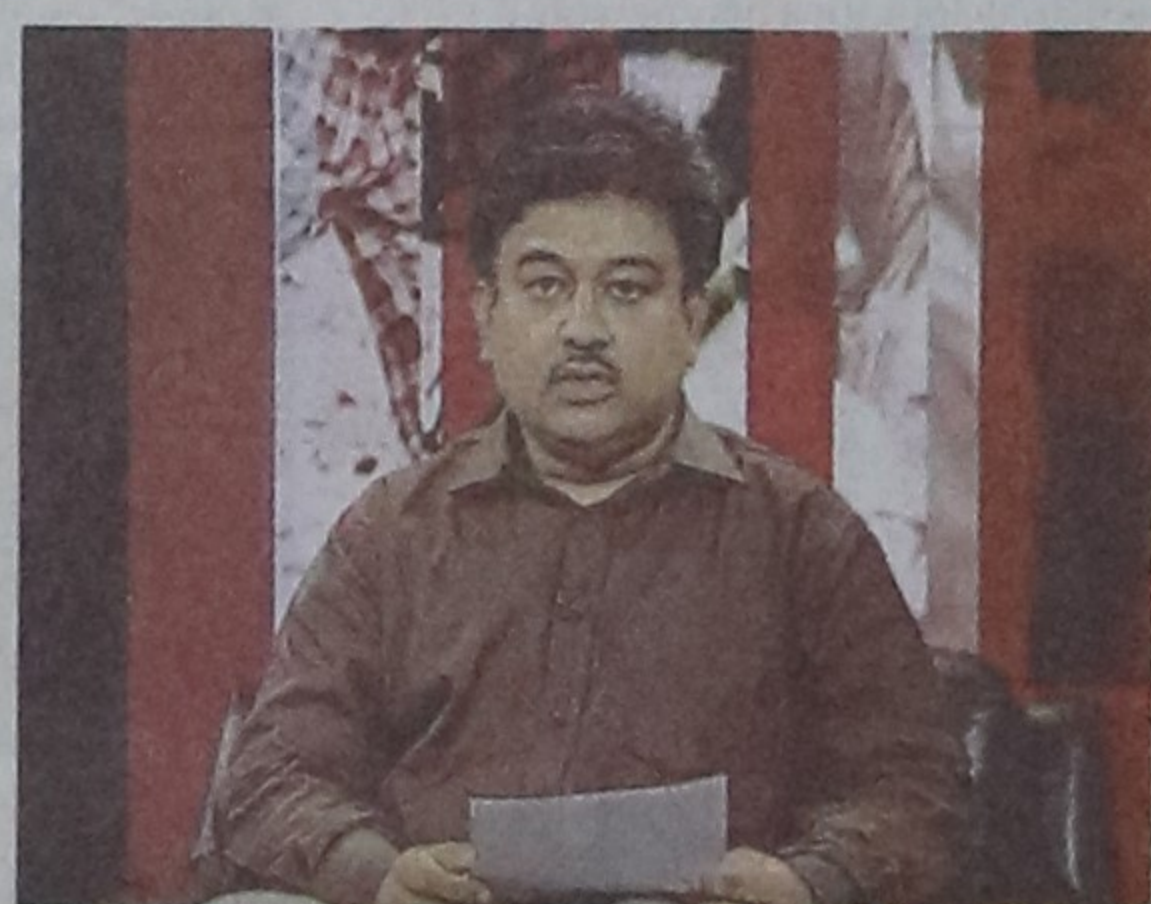
- Aorgyo Niketon
- 11:30 Drama Serial: Bishakha Resort
- 12:00 Grameenphone Aiker
- Shangbadpotro

ETV

- 08:30 Ekush-er Shokal
- 09:55 Ekusher Business
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Dur-er Manush
- 03:10 Ei Shoptaher Bishwa
- 03:30 Spandan
- 04:05 Drama Serial: Lolita
- 04:30 Desh Jurey Oporadh
- 05:30 Sports Plus
- 05:45 Ekush-er Shondha
- 06:30 Street Magic
- 07:45 Cookery Show
- 08:30 Drama Serial: Dur-er Manush
- 09:30 Drama Serial: Lolita

RTV

- 09:00 Jegey Achhchho Ki
- 10:03 Drama Serial: Mon Kara
- 10:50 Lata Harbaal Taroka Alap
- 11:30 Just Band
- 01:03 Heart Beat
- 02:03 Bangla Feature Film
- 05:30 Cinema Ar Gaan



Road to Democracy
On Rtv at 7:30 pm
Talk Show
Host: Abduin Noor Tushar

- 10:10 Family Game Show: Baari
- Baari Jombey Khela

ntv

- 08:30 Aiker Shokaal
- 08:55 Drama Serial: Bari Bari Shari
- Shari
- 09:30 Shomporko
- 10:30 Nokla Take Four Quiz Show
- 11:00 Shangskriti Ei Shoptaho
- 11:30 Tiffin-er Phakey
- 12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy
- 01:05 Japan Video Topic

BANGLAVISION

- 08:00 Shubho Shokaal
- 08:30 Drama Serial: Anyonikhyo
- 09:00 Bhalo Thakun
- 10:10 Telepress Business
- 10:35 Rana Rang-er Dinguli

- 11:05 Jonotar Mukhomukhi
- 12:30 X Crime
- 01:30 Talk Show: Lizan Mehedi
- Amaar Ami

- 02:40 Drama Serial: Lucky Thirteen
- 03:20 Drama Serial: Shomudro Jol
- 04:10 Kemon Budget Chai
- 05:20 Selected Programme
- 06:00 Citycell Din-er Sheshey
- 06:20 Sports Vision
- 06:50 Shamol Bangla
- 08:15 Drama Serial: Mama Bhagney
- 09:05 Cookery Show: Amader Rannaghar

- 09:45 Mega Serial: The Family
- 11:25 Talk Show: Anyo Nayan
- 12:00 Shangbad Protidin

CHANNEL 1

- 08:40 Shuprobhaat Bangladesh

- 09:45 Events of the Day
- 11:00 Stop n Rock

STAR MOVIES

- 09:20 The Crossing Guard
- 11:25 The Touch
- 01:30 1408
- 03:45 Kate And Leopold
- 05:55 Antonia & Jane
- 07:25 Delirious
- 09:30 Office Space
- 11:20 Keeping The Faith

BBC WORLD NEWS

- 08:00 BBC World News
- 08:30 Asia Business Report
- 08:45 Asia Today (r)
- 09:00 BBC World News
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- 09:45 Asia Today (r)
- 10:00 BBC World News

- 04:00 BBC World News
- 04:30 World Business Report
- 04:45 Sport Today
- 05:00 World News Today
- 06:00 BBC World News
- 06:30 World Business Report
- 06:45 Sport Today
- 07:00 World News Today
- 08:00 BBC World News
- 08:30 HARDtalk (r)
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:30 Click (r)
- 10:00 World News Today
- 11:00 BBC World News
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 11:45 Sport Today

HBO

- 10:00 Twelve Monkeys
- 12:30 The Cable Guy
- 02:30 Soccer Mom
- 04:30 Reno 911: Miami
- 06:00 Road House 2: Last Call
- 07:45 Water
- 09:30 The Game
- 12:00 Dragonheart

STAR WORLD

- 08:30 Friends
- 09:30 Kath & Kim
- 10:00 How I Met Your Mother
- 10:30 Hope And Faith
- 11:00 My Wife And Kids
- 11:30 90210
- 12:30 Boston Legal
- 02:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show
- 03:30 Brothers & Sisters
- 04:30 Ugly Betty
- 05:30 Hope And Faith
- 06:00 My Wife And Kids
- 06:30 Cops
- 07:30 Friends
- 08:30 According To Jim
- 09:00 My Name Is Earl
- 09:30 Beauty And The Geek
- 10:30 Reaper
- 11:30 Crisis Point

ZEE STUDIO

- 08:45 My Favourite Martian
- 11:05 She's The Man
- 01:45 The 25th Hour
- 04:50 Dick Tracy
- 07:1028 Days
- 09:30 The Rock

News Bulletin

- BTB**
News Headlines (Bangla) at 9:00 am.
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am 2:00 pm 5:00 pm 8:00 pm.
News (English) at 10:00 am, 4:00 pm, 10:00 pm.
Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).
- CHANNEL-i**
News (Bangla): 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am
Jonopad-er Khobor: 5:15 pm
- ATN BANGLA**
NEWS (Bangla): 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 2:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm, 1:00 am, 4:00 am
News Every Hour: 7:00 am, 11:00 am, 12:00 pm, 01:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 04:00 pm
News (English): 9:00 am, 6:00 pm
Gram-Ganjer Khobor: 5:00 pm
- 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): 2:30 pm, 4:30 pm, 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 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): 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 11:00 pm
- abc radio**
News: 08:00 am, 12:00 pm, 03:00 pm, 06:00 pm, 09:00 pm, 12:00 am
English Bulletin: 1:30 pm, 7:30 pm
- RADIO TODAY**
News: 08:45 am, 01:45 pm, 06:45 pm, 09:45 pm, 11:45 pm



- abc radio FM 89.2**
09:00am Mukhorito Jiboney
12:00pm Duran Dupurey
03:00pm Duranto Bikoley
05:00pm Shondha Tara
07:00pm Shajer Maya
09:00pm Rastler Akashay
11:00pm Golpor Shesh Nei
- Radio Forrti 88.0 FM**
10:00am Morning Express
12:00pm My Time
01:00pm No Tension
04:00pm Dhaka Calling
09:00pm Night Rider
01:00am Back to Back music
- Radio Today 89.6 FM**
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka
11:00am Must Listening
01:00pm Today's Adda
04:00pm U Tum
09:00pm Tobey Tai Hok
11:00pm Rast Bhor Gaan
12:00am Today's Happy Moments

Office Space



Work sucks.
On Star Movies at 9:30 pm
Cast: Ron Livingston, Jennifer Aniston

- 09:15 Events of the Day
- 10:30 Drama Serial: Moyur Bahon
- 11:00 Bangla Feature Film
- 03:30 Drama Serial: Maa Baba Bhair
- Bon
- 04:00 Drama Serial: Moyur Bhaon
- 04:30 Gaaner Khanta
- 05:15 Gaanwala
- 06:00 Saajbela
- 07:00 Premey Premey Gaanet
- Gaaney
- 08:15 Drama: Probniti

- 10:30 World Business Report
- 11:00 BBC World News
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 12:00 BBC World News
- 12:30 World Business Report
- 12:45 Sport Today
- 01:00 BBC World News
- 01:30 World Business Report
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- 02:00 BBC World News
- 02:30 HARDtalk (r)
- 03:00 BBC World News