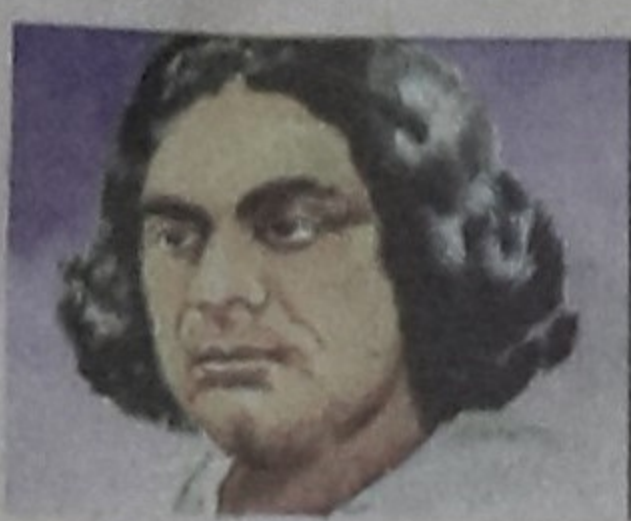


## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

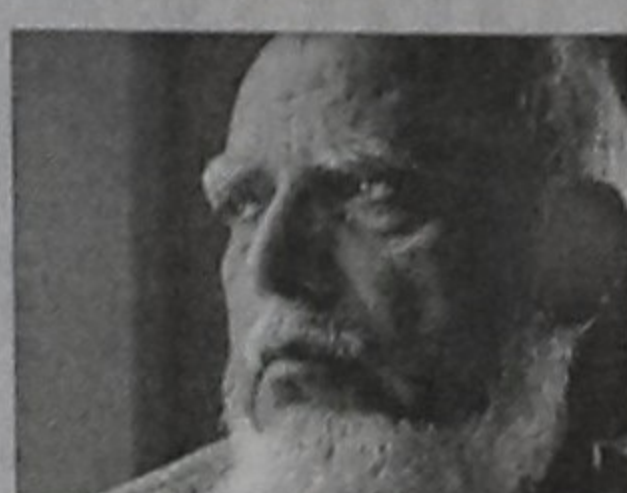
**Musical Programme**  
Nazrul Utshab' on Sufia Kamal's birth anniversary  
Organiser: Chhayanaut  
Venue: Chhayanaut Sangskriti Bhaban, Dhanmondi  
Date: June 19-20



**Solo Exhibition**  
Title: Inauspicious Time  
Artist: Alia Islam Anne  
Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, H 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi  
Date: June 12-23  
Time: 12-6pm



**Photo Exhibition**  
Title: The Art of Photography: Portraits  
Organiser: Pathshala, South Asian Institute of Photography  
Venue: Galerie Zoom, Alliance Française  
Date: June 11-24  
Time: 9am-12pm and 5pm-8pm (except Saturdays)



**Theatre**  
Play: A Man For All Seasons  
Troupe: Prachyanat  
Venue: National Theatre Hall, Shilpakala Academy  
Date: June 22  
Time: 7pm



## Aynal Boyati: The living voice of 'Bichar Gaan'

REZAUL KARIM, Faridpur

The octogenarian Aynal Boyati is a very popular name in the locality for his distinctive presentation of 'Bichar Gaan', a special kind of folk song. This sub-genre of 'Murshidi' or 'Bhab Gaan' usually has religious and spiritual themes and is sung by two competing groups of 'Boyati'. The subjects usually encompass the relationships between guru and his disciple, men-women, Shariyah-Marfat, creation and love, among others.

Following in the footsteps of renowned folk singer Abul Halim Boyati, today he is the senior most personality in the sub-genre. Born in Premtara village of Satoyar union in Faridpur district, his late parents were Golap Mia Al Chisti and Abedunnesa Khatun. Interestingly, at the age of 23 he started serving as a constable in the police department and continued for eight years. However, he got the sack for a dispute with a sub-inspector. Later Aynal devoted himself to 'Bichar Gaan' and sang with the troupes of noted folk singers Khaleq Dewan, Malek Dewan, Rajab Ali Dewan, Matal Razzak, Dalil Uddin and Marfat Ali Shaheb.

Aynal Boyati is married to Monowara Begum. The couple has five sons and three daughters. Aynal was in close contact with 'Polli Kobi' Jasimuddin, noted 'dotara' player Kanai Lal Shil and folk singer Kuti Monsur of Faridpur. Among Aynal's disciples are famed artists Kargalini Sufia and Momtaz.

Today, music lovers can access his songs through 286 cassettes, produced by Soundtek, Prova Audio and other such recording studios. Many of his fans go for volumes such as "Tui Amar Jibon,"



PHOTO: STAR

Aynal Boyati (right) on 'Sharinda' and his son Md. Harun on 'dhol.'

"Tatwa Ratna," "Bhab Manzur" and "Karbala." Aynal is also a well-known artiste of BTV, Bangladesh Betar and other private channels. In fact he had played the role of a Baul in Tareque and Catherine Masud's acclaimed film "Matir Moina."

Aynal has rendered 'Bichar Gaan' in all corners of Bangladesh, particularly Netrakona, Tangail, Khulna, Pabna, Bikrampur, Mymensingh, Dhaka, Manikganj, Rajbari, Faridpur, Gopalganj, Madaripur, Shariatpur and Barisal. His art has also taken him several times to various parts of India.

Aynal Boyati is accompanied by a five-member troupe comprising Md. Harun, Md. Farhad Mia, Md. Jamal Mia, Md. Ratan and Shamin. They perform on the 'dhol,' harmonium, 'banshi' and 'mondira.' Aynal himself plays his favor-

ite 'sharianda,' which he has done for the last 51 years.

Unfortunately, the renowned, elderly folk singer is deep in penury today, which this correspondent discovered during a visit to his home in Sadipur under Sadar upazila of Faridpur. His home is in close proximity to the rapidly eroding banks of the Padma river.

One of the incidents that stick in his memory is the case lodged against him for his song "Allah-r Chokhey Allah Dekhey." However, Aynal had the last laugh when he won the case.

Quoting Socrates, Aynal says "Know Thyself" -- the best route to self-discovery and an understanding of the cosmos. "Through my journey with 'Bichar Gaan,' I have discovered both," he asserts, while concluding that he is dead against the aggression of foreign cultures.

## Bangladeshi artist Imtiaz Shohag participates in Geneva exhibition

CULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

International Conference Centre of Geneva (ICCG) has organised a painting exhibition titled "Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction," starting from June 15 says a press release.

Painters from different countries are participating at the exposition. Imtiaz Shohag, a promising Paris-based Bangladeshi painter is participating at the festival. Shohag is known for his images that appear fragmented. His works usually depict perilous incidents in our surroundings. The artist is concerned about the chaos of manmade disasters and natural calamities such as cyclones, storms and road-accidents that extract a heavy price on lives and assets. His adroit hands depict sinking ships, smashed cars and wailing people. His forms and compositions are unique, and he has an affinity for shapes and compositions. Collages



and broken glasses have been frequently used in Shohag's works. His canvas is assembled of many fragments and each

piece refers to an untold story. The exhibition will continue till June 19.

## Shah Cement Nirman-er Taroka: Auditions held at Bogra

The Bogra auditions for "Shah Cement Nirman-er Taroka," a talent hunt for construction workers, started on June 15, says a press release. The programme aims at promoting talented construction workers, providing them with an opportunity to make a name for themselves. Primary selection round has started at the district level. Winners from the district level will compete at divisional round and then proceed to the national round. ATN Bangla is the media partner of the event.

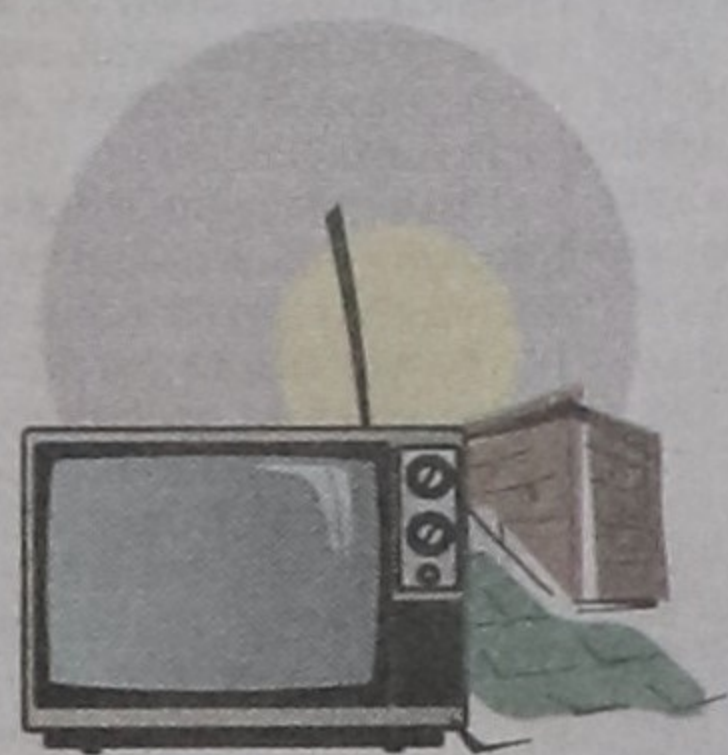
The Bogra audition was held at Titu Auditorium in the city. Humayun Kabir,



(From left) Dipan Kankan Chakrobarty, Md. Ayub Hossain, Humayun Kabir and Iqbal Morshed at the event.

Police superintendent of Bogra district, was the chief guest, while Mohammed Ayub Hossain, additional Deputy Commissioner of Bogra, was present as special guest. ATN Bangla local representative Iqbal Morshed Ripon and marketing manager of Shah Cement Industries Ltd., Dipan Kankan Chakrobarty were also present at the event. Artists Fakir Alamgir, Fakir Shahabuddin, Piaru Khan and Shyamol Biswas were the panel judges of the audition.

Earlier, on June 9, an audition was held in Habiganj.



### News Bulletin

**BTV**  
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 10:00am, 4:00 pm, 10:00 pm.  
Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).  
**CHANNEL-1**  
News (Bangla): 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am  
Jonopad-er Khabor: 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: 7:00am, 11:00am, 12:00pm, 01:00pm, 3:00pm, 04:00pm  
News (English): 9:00 am, 6:00 pm.  
Gram-Ganjor Khabor: 5:00 pm  
**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  
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**ntv**  
News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:30pm, 1:00am  
**ETV**  
News (Bangla): 9:00am, 11:00 am, 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, 7:30pm  
**RADIO TODAY**  
News: 08:45 am, 01:45pm, 06:45pm, 09:45pm, 11:45pm

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

### On Air

**BTV**

08:45 Selected Programme  
09:05 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha  
09:30 Bhraman  
10:05 Open University  
10:30 Matir Tane  
11:20 Quiz Quiz  
12:10 Aparajita  
12:30 Maa O Shishur Katha  
01:30 Hijol Tomaal  
02:15 Debate  
03:00 Cartoon: Bananas in Pyjamas  
03:30 Shukhi Poribar  
04:05 Sisim Phank  
04:30 Dolon Chapa  
05:05 Sisimpur  
05:35 Tathya Prajukti  
06:15 Nobo Anondey Jago  
07:00 Maati O Manush  
07:45 Documentary Programme: Phirey Dekha  
08:30 Documentary: Aamar Bangladesh  
08:35 Drama Serial: Pathar  
09:20 Drama Serial: Shubarno Rekha  
10:30 Talk Show

**ATN BANGLA**

08:15 Aiker Shanbadpotro  
08:30 Drama Serial: Jostnakal  
09:15 Asian City Vision 2020  
10:30 Hello Bangladesh  
11:05 Musical Programme: Gane Gane Galpo  
12:15 IT Zone  
01:25 Band View  
02:30 Undecided  
03:15 Drama Serial: Rupali Manush  
03:45 Children's Programme: Srishti Shukher Ullashey  
04:20 Islamic Programme  
05:10 Islamic Programme  
05:35 Talk Show: Proshongo  
06:15 Take Care  
08:00 Rexona Destination Unlimited  
08:40 Drama Serial: Ghar Jamal  
09:20 Drama Serial: Jyotsna Kaal  
11:30 Talking Point  
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News  
**CHANNEL-1**  
08:05 Tagore Song  
08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan  
08:50 Aiker Chakri  
09:30 Shangkbadpotrey Bangladesh  
09:45 Public Reaction  
09:50 Grameenphone Trinitomatra

11:05 Sports Time  
12:30 Citycell Taroka Katha  
01:05 Ebong Cinemaa Gaan  
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma  
02:35 Musical Programme: Hridoyer Gaan  
03:05 Channel i Shera Kantho '09  
04:30 Apnar Shushathyo  
05:30 Muktiuddho Probidin  
06:00 Mega Serial: Shath Goenda  
06:20 Arku Desh Bidesh Ranna  
07:50 Drama Serial: Tulir Telesmati  
08:25 Drama Serial: Chabbish Ghonta  
09:35 Drama Serial: Sufi  
10:00 Drama Serial: Nine Months in Brick Lane  
11:30 Drama Serial: Amader Chhoto Nodi  
12:00 Grameenphone Aiker Shanbadpotro  
**ETV**  
10:02 Ekushey Business

09:30 Frankly Speaking  
10:05 Drama Serial: House Full  
10:30 Musical Programme: Amaro Gaitey Ichchha Holo  
11:30 Glamour World  
12:10 Talk Show: El Shomoy  
01:05 Live Talk Show on T20 World Cup  
02:30 Drama Serial: Kachher Manush  
03:15 Drama Serial: Jhuth Jhamela  
04:10 Quiz Show: Janar Acchey  
05:30 Apnar Jiggasha  
06:45 Bajjo Ebong Bajao  
08:15 Siddiqua Kabir's Recipe  
09:00 Kichhu Katha Kichhu Gaan  
09:45 Drama Serial: Guide  
11:30 Talk Show: El Shomoy

**BANGLAVISION**

08:30 Drama Serial: Shada Megh  
Kalo Megh  
09:00 Mega Serial: The Family  
10:10 Talk Show Onno Nayan



Ishkool  
On Ekushey Television at 7:45pm  
Drama Serial  
Cast: Maznun Mizan, Shagota

**abc radio FM 89.2**  
06:00am Bhorer Janaloy  
09:00am Mukhorlo Jiboney  
12:00pm Darun Digorney  
03:00pm Duronto Bixley  
05:00pm Shoncho Taro  
07:00pm Shajer Maya  
09:00pm Raiker Akashay  
11:00pm Galper Shesh Nei  
**Radio Foorti 88.0 FM**  
07:30am Hello Dhaka  
10:00am Morning Express  
12:00pm No Tension  
04:00pm Dhaka Calling  
09:00pm Night Riders  
**Radio Today 89.6 FM**  
07:15am Good Morning Dhaka  
11:00am Must Unlimited  
01:00pm Today's Adda  
04:00pm U-Turn  
08:00pm Today Tai Hok  
11:00pm Raat Bhor Gaan  
12:00am Today's Happy Moments

EDWARD NORTON  
On Zee Studio at 9:30pm  
Genre: Crime/Drama  
**25th hour**  
Can you change your whole life in a day?

02:30 Drama Serial: Paan Bahar  
03:15 Ta Na Na Na  
03:30 O Bondhu Amar  
04:00 Drama Serial: Hitlu  
04:30 Desh Jurey Shanglaap  
05:30 Sports Plus  
06:30 Campus-ey Campus-ey  
07:45 Drama Serial: Ishkool  
09:30 Drama Serial: Hitlu  
10:10 Talk Show: Sangshader Bairey  
12:02 Ekusher Raat  
**ntv**  
08:30 Shasthya Proldin  
08:55 Drama Serial: 1920

10:35 Amader Rannaghar  
11:05 Bhalo Thakun  
12:30 Gaanapal  
01:30 Mega Serial: Gulshan Avenue  
02:40 Bangla Feature Film  
05:20 Shyamol Bangla  
06:00 Din-er Sheshey  
06:20 Media Bhuban  
06:50 Point of Order  
08:15 Drama Serial: Megh Bondhu  
09:05 Life in Metro  
09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue  
11:25 Telepress Business  
12:00 Shangkbad Proldin  
12:30 Bashudha Cinemar Gaan

06:02 Maanbona Bondhoney  
07:45 Ebaar Jombey Khela  
08:15 Kathay Kathay Raat Hoya Jay  
09:30 Drama Serial: Kuyashay  
Ondhokaar  
10:02 Drama Serial: Bindu Thekey  
Britto  
10:30 Total Sports  
11:45 Talk Show: Shoja Katha  
**DIGANTO TELEVISION**  
08:30 Dokhin Hawa  
09:05 Diganta Shanglaap  
03:05 Drama Serial: Gaon Geram-er

**BBC WORLD NEWS**  
09:30 Asia Business Report  
09:45 Asia Today (r)  
10:00 BBC World News  
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  
Sport Today  
01:00 BBC World News  
01:30 World Business Report  
01:45 Sport Today  
02:00 BBC World News

### STAR MOVIES

09:45 Warbirds  
11:35 T4xi  
01:25 Dragons Forever  
03:20 Road House  
05:25 Delta Force  
07:15 Zatoichi  
09:30 Species: The Awakening  
11:20 Armour Of God

### STAR WORLD

10:30 My Wife And Kids  
10:30 Hope And Faith  
11:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway?  
11:30 Ghost Hunters  
12:30 The Apprentice  
01:30 Prison Break  
02:30 The Ellen Degeneres Show  
03:30 Brother & Sisters  
04:30 Angela's Eyes  
05:30 Hope And Faith  
06:00 Whose Line Is It Anyway?  
06:30 Ghost Hunters  
07:30 Friends  
08:30 According To Jim  
09:00 My Wife And Kids  
09:30 The Apprentice  
10:30 Bones  
11:30 Ghost Hunters

### HBO

10:00 Hollywood Spotlight : Julia Roberts  
10:30 Renegade Justice  
12:30 Clockstoppers  
02:30 Mail Order Bride  
04:15 Trespass  
05:45 America's Sweethearts  
07:45 Balls Of Fury  
09:30 Flags Of Our Fathers  
12:00 Summer Catch  
**ZEE STUDIO**  
08:00 El news  
08:30 Don't Move  
11:05 Instinct  
02:55 Enemy of the State  
05:05 Meet the Robinsons  
07:10 Dick Tracy  
09:30 The 25th Hour