

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

**Solo Printmaking Exhibition**  
Artist: Kamruzzaman  
Venue: Zainul Gallery, University of Dhaka  
Date: February 9-15  
Time: 12pm-8pm



**Solo Printmaking Exhibition**  
Artist: Sadek Ahmed  
Venue: Zainul Gallery, University of Dhaka  
Date: February 1-7  
Time: 12pm-8pm



**National Street Theatre Festival**  
Organiser: Bangladesh Group Theatre Federation  
Venue: Central Shaheed Minar premises  
Date: February 1-7  
Time: 4pm onwards



**Solo Drawing Exhibition**  
Title: Introspective Linearity  
Artist: Habibur Rahman  
Venue: Gallery Chitrag, H-21, R-4, Dhanmondi.  
Date: February 5-11  
Time: 10am-8pm



## A kaleidoscope of colours

### Cultural function marking inauguration of SA Games

ICQAL SIDDIQUEE, Sylhet  
A colourful cultural function, titled Ushu, was held on Wednesday night to mark the inauguration of the South Asian Games. Around 15,000 enthusiastic people turned up at the programme, held at the Sylhet Stadium.  
Noted singers Shakila Zafar and Subir Nandi participated in the three-hour presentation,

with the presentation of a group dance, accompanied with a patriotic song "Ranga mati makhbo bole Shohor theky niruddesh" by the artistes of Sylhet district Shilpakala Academy. Nilanjana Dass Jui directed the dances.  
Then came the vocals section, with "Surma nadir tiry amar thikana rey", "Ekti Bangladesh tumi jagroto janitar", "O amar desher mati", "Durgam

directed by L.Santana Devi.  
Subir Nandi presented his popular songs, "Tomar e jonney fosholer swapno", "Din jai Kotha thakey", "Tumi emon jal petchho sangsharey", "Pran kandey, man kandey rey", "O amar ural pankhrey" and more.  
Shakila Zafar went on the dias with her "Tomakey dekhley mounata bhuley jai", "Tumi amar prothom sakal" and "Jejon premer bhab janeyna".



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The cultural function began with the presentation of a group dance.

while artistes from Sylhet staged an attractive Manipuri dance, patriotic songs and more.  
After the formal inauguration and march-past by the participating teams from SA countries, young ones from the government-run Rainagar Girls' Orphanage and Bagbari Boys' Orphanage presented colourful programmes with patriotic songs.  
The cultural function began

giri" and "Teer hara ei dheuer sagar", among others. The singers then went on stage with Hason Rajas' "Matir pinjar majhe" and more. The group included, Himangshu Biswas, Lovely Dev, Liton Roy, Animesh Bijoy Chowdhury, Shamim Ahmed, Antara Biswas Pinki, Mitali Chakravarty and Sajia Binte Rahik.  
The Manipuri artistes presented a colourful group dance,

Anindia Dass Mom and Shehjin Wazha Hossain conducted the function.  
The Finance Minister formally inaugurated the Sylhet venue by releasing pigeons while State Minister for Sports-Ahad Ali Sarker, Chinese Ambassador to Bangladesh Zheng Qingdian and the Sylhet City Mayor Badaruddin Ahmed Kamran were the main speakers.

## Emotion in Black: Solo Print Exhibition of Sadek Ahmed

A CORRESPONDENT

"Image of Life", the first solo print exhibition of Sadek Ahmed, began on February 1 at Zainul Gallery, Faculty of Fine Arts.

Most of the paintings revolve around the ubiquitous rickshaws and the lives of the rickshaw-pullers.  
As Ahmed explains, "I will not, as an artist, sit in the luxury of a Dhanmondi or Gulshan residence and paint. I would rather endeavour to depict the lives, lifestyles and emotions of Pura Dhaka (Old City), or I will sit by a quiet river and paint, or maybe I will explore rural life and express it through my works."

This young artist has already received recognition for his remarkable use of shapes in his images and his distinct use of water colours. In this print exhibition, Sadek has also articulately expressed the more subtle and enclosed aspects of our surroundings. His work is a voice of all those people who have been forced into silence by society. In "Image of Nature-2" there is a feeling of such a forced silence, as if in any moment the images will speak out. Maybe they have been silenced by the restraints of poverty and social status.

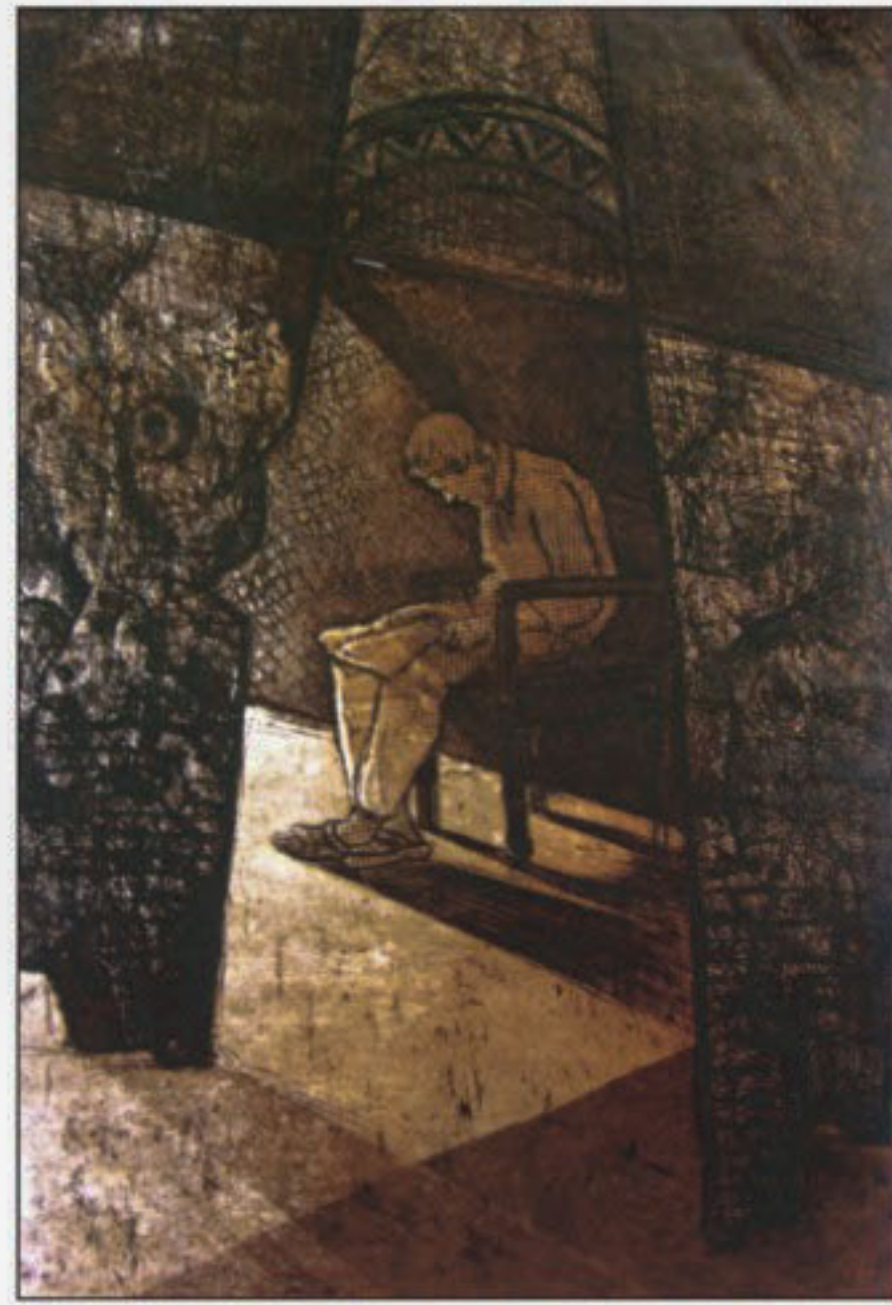
In "Rainy Day-2", the shades and reflections in the dark contrast have imbued the painting with a somewhat ghostly look, very similar to the gloomy, wet appearance of a rainy day. The work also demonstrates a typical scene of the Old City.

"To me black is the best medium. This colour has the ability to create the most expressions and emotions," he says. This explains the use of darkness in his paintings, that sometimes reflect a golden glow, as in the painting "Morning Light".

"These people who live hard lives do not also have colourful dreams. They dwell in the dark as well, with only a hope of survival."

Sadek says that the lives of the common people appeal to him. What they do, how they live, all these inspire his creativity.

Patterns and shapes, features have all taken up special meaning when put together. For example in the painting "Lyric of still life" each



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Interestingly most of the paintings have the same lurking feeling of hope and despondence mixed in harmony. The artist relates this paradoxical phenomenon to the lives of rickshaw-pullers that are also a mixture of hope and disappointment.

Sadek has recently finished his academics. So after studies, what will he do next? "I will work as a freelance print-maker."

Although this was the artist's first solo exhibition, he has participated in numerous group exhibitions from 2001. The artist has also won Best Award in Water Colour, Best Award in Print Making and "Rembrandt-400" honourable award. He has also taken part in many workshops.

Today is the last day of the exhibition.

## Mina Day observed

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna

With the theme 'Build Child-Friendly Education', 'Mina Day' was observed in Pabna last Thursday. The District Primary Education Office (DPEO) organised day long programmes which included a discussion, rally, children's competition and a cultural programme at Pabna PTI premises.

District Primary Education Officer, Dilruba Begum, chaired the discussion while Deputy Commissioner, Pabna, Dr. AFM Monjur Kadir was the chief guest. Among the special guests, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Mohammad Saidur Rahman; UNICEF official Shanjit Kumar Das; PTI superintendent Abdus Salam Sikder spoke on the occasion.

"Primary school students are innocent. If ill treated in educational institutions, they will be scared. On the other hand with child friendly education, their learning will be deep rooted," said the speakers, going on to add that education of the girl child, is imperative. Focusing on the role of 'Mina', they said that the character would spur other female students as well as primary education in general. Earlier, a colourful rally was brought out from Pabna PTI premises and paraded the main streets of the district headquarter. The rally was brought out with the participation of teachers, primary education government officials and children of primary schools.

A painting competition and essay writing competition were the other sidelights of 'Mina Day'. At least 100 children from various primary schools of the district participated in the competitions.

This was followed by a cultural programme. A play titled "Tunir Bhubon" was staged with the theme of the importance of primary education and the role of education in society.

Ichamati Shanga, a theater organisation, staged the drama, directed by dramatist Bhaskar Chowdhuri. A musical recital by young children also drew attention.



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

## On Air

### ATN BANGLA

10:30 Hello Bangladesh  
11:15 Shath Din  
11:40 Boimela Protidin  
12:10 Shur-er Madhuri  
01:30 SA Games T-20 Cricket Tournament  
09:20 Drama Serial: Jolkona  
11:30 Drama Serial: Ma Tui Kemon Aachhish  
12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

### CHANNEL i

08:30 Shokaal-er Gaan  
08:40 Ajker Chakri  
09:30 Shangbadpotrey Bangladesh Public Reaction  
09:50 Grameenphone Tritio Matra  
11:05 Tele Prescription  
11:30 Hridoye Mati O Manush  
12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathan  
01:05 Musical Programme: Ebong Cinemar Gaan  
01:30 Musical Programme: Sa Re Ga Ma  
04:05 Selected Programme  
05:30 Musical Programme: Shur Doria Bagha Gayen  
07:50 Drama Serial: Sakin Sharishuri  
09:35 Drama Serial: Moneybag Fantasy  
10:00 Drama Serial: Alo Chhaya  
11:30 Drama Serial: Khujey Phiri  
12:00 Grameenphone Ajker Shangbadpotro

### ntv

08:30 Swasthyo Protidin  
08:55 Bangla Feature Film  
12:10 Talk Show: Ei Shomoy  
01:05 Japan Video Topic  
02:30 Drama Serial: Chokkor  
03:10 Drama: Bibor  
04:10 Quiz Show: Janar Achhey Bolaar Achhey  
05:30 Apnaar Jigyasha  
06:45 Joto Mudhur Bhuguli  
08:15 Drama Serial: Graduate  
09:00 Game Show: The Challenge

09:45 Drama Serial: FnF  
11:30 Boi Boshontley  
11:40 Shomporko

### ETV

08:30 Ekusheyer Shokal  
09:30 Drama Serial: Bhabi  
10:00 Uttaradhikari  
10:50 Financial Bulletin  
11:30 Ekushey Business  
02:02 Market Trend  
02:30 Ekusher Business  
03:30 Shonamoni Shukhey Oshukey  
04:30 Best of Dhum Ta Na  
05:25 Sports Plus  
05:45 Ei Shoptaher Bishwa  
06:30 Desh Jurey Oporadh Porikroma  
07:50 Ta Na Na  
08:20 Drama Serial: Ghorar Dim

### BANGLAVISION

08:30 Drama Serial: Babar Hotel  
09:00 Drama Serial: Rang-er Dunia  
10:30 SA Hockey Tournament  
12:30 Shyamol Bangla  
01:30 Drama Serial: Patiganit  
02:30 Bangla Feature Film  
06:05 Positive Bangladesh  
08:15 Drama: Fifty Fifty  
09:05 Lizan Mehedi Amar Ami  
09:45 Drama Serial: Khonj  
12:00 Shangbad Protidin

### DESH TV

12:15 Dur Path  
06:02 Boimela  
07:45 Celebrity Show  
08:15 Drama Serial: Shimanto  
09:45 Drama Serial: Jao Pakhi  
10:30 Total Sports

11:30 America's Sweethearts  
01:30 Cadillac Records  
03:30 15 Minutes  
05:30 Scooby-Doo  
07:15 Hollywood One On One 72  
07:45 The Little Rascals  
09:30 Collateral Damage  
11:45 21

### STAR MOVIES

07:35 Happy, Texas  
09:35 Igor  
11:25 Conan The Destroyer  
01:25 Jingle All The Way  
03:15 The Terminator  
05:20 Transporter 3  
07:25 Starsky & Hutch  
09:30 Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull  
11:55 The Man In The Iron Mask I

01:00 BBC World News  
01:30 Spirit Of Yachting (r) Rolex Sydney Hobart  
02:00 BBC World News  
02:10 E24 (r)  
02:30 Dateline London (r)  
03:00 BBC World News  
03:10 UK Report (r)  
03:30 Saudi Goes To Market (r)  
04:00 BBC World News  
04:10 This Week (r)  
04:30 Newsnight (r)  
05:00 BBC World News  
05:10 Reporters (r)  
05:30 Simpson's World (r)  
06:00 BBC World News  
06:30 Click (r)  
07:00 BBC World News (r)  
07:15 Sport Today  
07:30 Extra Time (r) Marcello Lippi

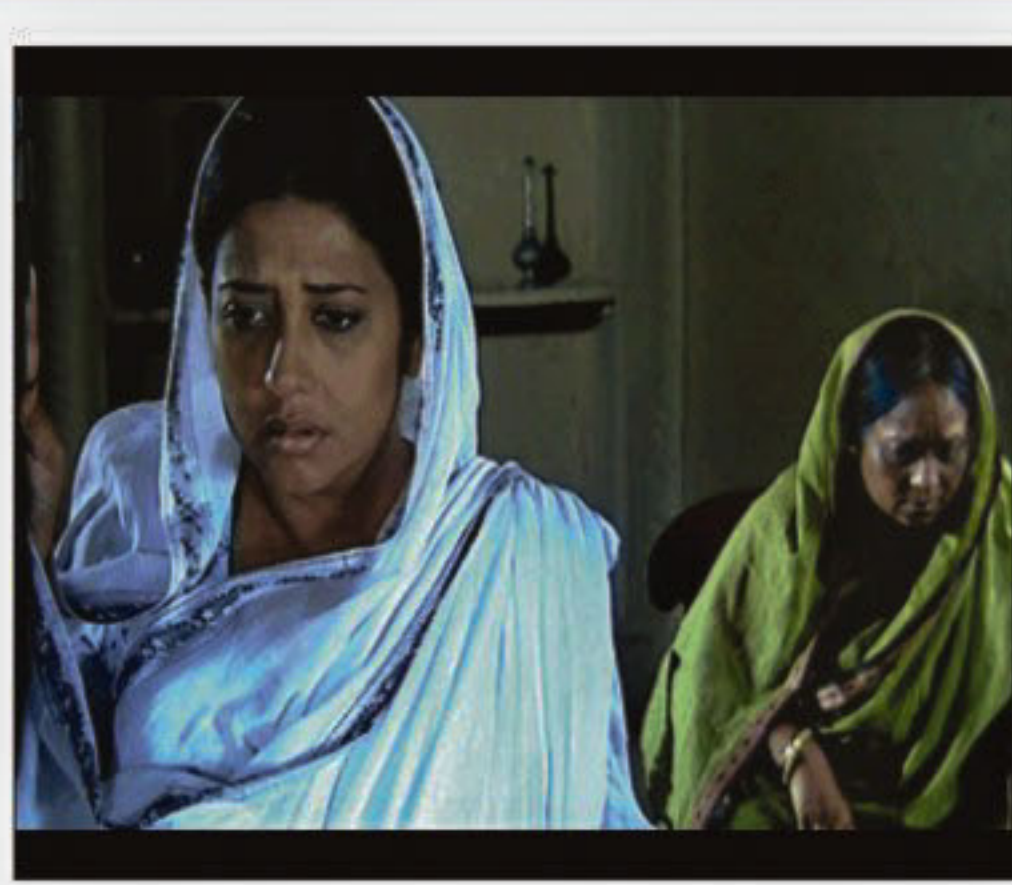
Legends 10  
10:00 Torino 2006 : Stories Of Olympic Glory  
12:00 Hitz 09/10  
12:30 Global Football  
01:00 EPL Masters Football Malaysia Cup 2009  
05:30 Sportscenter Week In Review  
05:00 World Sport 2010  
05:30 Sportcenter Weekend  
07:00 Super Sunday  
07:25 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Birmingham City vs. Wolverhampton Wanderers  
09:30 Super Sunday  
10:55 Barclays Premier League 2009/10 Match: Chelsea vs. Arsenal  
12:00 Final Score

### STAR SPORTS

09:00 Almost Anything Goes  
09:30 SA Tennis Open  
11:00 SA Tennis Open  
12:30 Australian Open 2010, Presented By KIA Motors  
02:00 Game  
02:30 TNA Impact 09/10  
04:00 Ace 2010  
04:30 Maxis Football Extra  
05:30 Australian Open 2010, Presented By KIA Motors  
07:00 SA Tennis Open  
10:00 Hitz 09/10  
10:30 2009/10 GP 2 Asia Series

### AXN

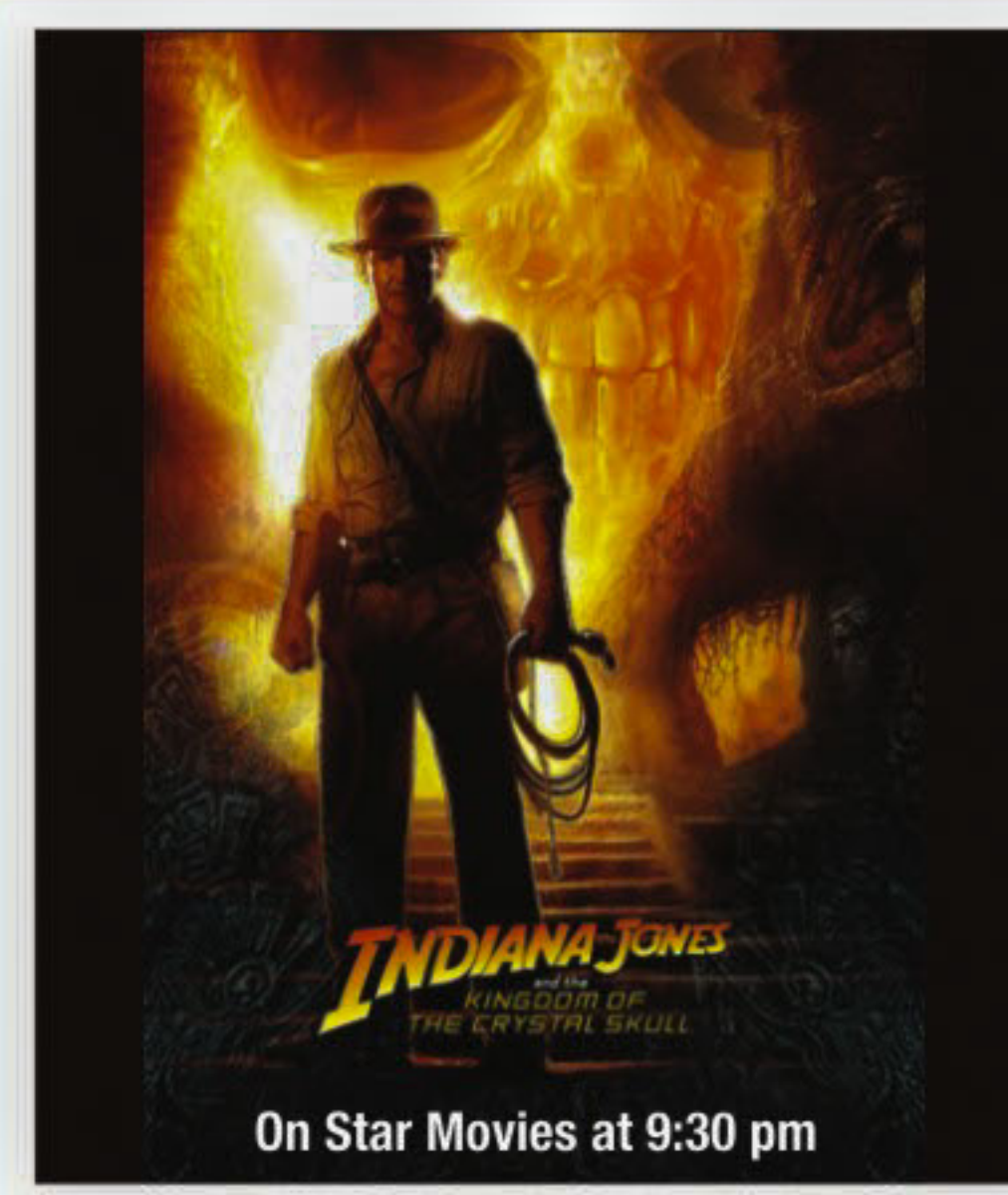
08:30 Csi: Miami  
09:30 Mondo Magic Singapore  
11:30 Numb3rs  
12:30 Csi: Miami  
01:30 Guinness World Records Smashed  
02:30 Top Chef  
03:30 Wipeout  
04:30 So You Think You Can Dance  
05:30 World Most Amazing Videos  
06:30 Criss Angel Mindfreak  
07:30 Caught On Tape  
08:30 Master Of Disguise, The  
10:30 Buzz  
11:00 Magic Asia: India  
11:30 Criss Angel Mindfreak  
12:30 So You Think You Can Dance



**Shimanto**  
On Desh TV at 8:15 pm  
Drama Serial  
Cast: Subarna Mustafa, Mamunur Rashid



**abc radio FM 89.2**  
06:00 Bhorer Janalay  
09:00 Mukhorto Jiboney  
12:00 Darun Dupurey  
03:00 Duranto Bikeley  
05:00 Shondhatara  
07:00 Shajer Maya  
08:00 Raat-er Akashay  
11:00 Golper Shesh Nei  
**RADIO FOORTI 88.0 FM**  
07:30 Hello Dhaka  
10:00 Morning Express  
12:00 My Time  
01:00 No Tension  
04:00 Dhaka Calling  
09:00 Night Rider  
01:00 Back to Back music  
**RADIO TODAY 89.6 FM**  
07:15 Good Morning Dhaka  
11:00 Musti Unlimited  
01:00 Today's Adda  
04:00 U Turn  
08:00 Tobey Tai Hok  
11:00 Raat Bhor Gaan  
12:00 Today's Happy Moments



**On Star Movies at 9:30 pm**

09:30 Drama Serial: Lolita  
10:10 Media Gossip

### Rtv

10:00 Drama Serial: Dorakata  
10:45 Tarokakalap  
11:30 Share Update  
12:30 Drama Serial: FDC  
02:03 Bangla Feature Film  
06:03 Protidin  
06:45 R Ranna  
07:45 Road To Democracy  
10:10 Drama Serial: FDC  
11:30 Trade Talk

11:45 Shoja Katha

### ZEE STUDIO

08:30 Spaced Invaders  
10:45 I Do, They Don't  
01:30 Vicky Christina Barcelona  
03:30 The Wrestler  
06:00 Get shorty on Campus  
07:30 The Pink Panther  
09:30 Capote  
12:00 Scoop

### HBO

09:00 Tmz 165  
10:30 Drillbit Taylor

### BBC WORLD

08:10 The World Debate (r) Will the Real Africa Stand Up  
09:00 BBC World News  
09:30 Our World: Mandela - 20 years of freedom (r)  
10:00 BBC World News  
10:30 Newsnight (r)  
11:00 BBC World News  
11:30 India Business Report  
12:00 BBC World News  
12:10 UK Report (r)  
12:30 Fast Track (r)

08:00 BBC World News  
08:30 Kill Or Cure? (r) At A Stroke  
09:00 BBC World News  
09:10 The World Debate (r) Will the Real Africa Stand Up  
10:00 BBC World News  
10:30 India Business Report (r)  
11:00 BBC World News  
11:30 Our World: Mandela - 20 years of freedom (r)

### ESPN

08:30 Final Score  
09:00 BBC Archives 2005-06 India