

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: A Shifting Weave of Memory
 Artist: Dipali Bhattacharya (India)
 Venue: Bengal Gallery of Fine Arts, 275/F, Rd 27 (old), Dhanmondi
 Date: March 5-16
 Time: 12-8pm



Solo Art Exhibition
 Title: Staring Women
 Artist: Nazia Andaleeb
 Venue: Radius Centre-Bay's Galleria, 57, Gulshan, Dhaka
 Date: March 5 to March 19
 Time: 10am-8pm (Friday 3pm-8pm)



Dance Drama
 Title: Valmiki Prothiha
 Organisers: Shurolok & Nityanchal
 Venue: National Theatre Hall, Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy
 Date: March 12
 Time: 7pm
 Invitees only



Group Photography Exhibition
 Title: Nari
 Venue: Drik Gallery, H-58, R-15A (New), Dhanmondi
 Date: March 7-11
 Time: 3-8pm



International Women's Day observed with fanfare



Group performance at the programme in Chapainawabganj.

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GOLAM MOSTAFA JIBON, Sirajganj

To mark International Women's Day, the Sirajganj district administration chalked out several programmes on March 8. The programmes included a procession, discussion and cultural function. Hundreds of people, including women from different organisations, brought out a colourful procession from the premises of the DC Office. The procession ended in front of the Shaheed Mansur Ali Auditorium. A discussion was also held at the auditorium with Hafiza Khanom, District Women's Affairs Officer, in the chair. Deputy Commissioner Humayun Kabir attended the meeting as chief guest. Speakers at the event said that, women are now contributing greatly to economic development. They also stressed the need for parents to send their daughters to school. Later, a cultural function was held, where local artistes performed songs and a play.

AHMED HUMAYUN KABIR TOPU, Pabna

The 100th International Women's Day was observed in Pabna with several programmes. District Women's Directorate organised a daylong programme

including a discussion, rally, cultural programme and debate at the district headquarters. A colourful rally was brought out from Pabna Town Hall premises on March 8, marking the day. Different NGOs, government organisations, cultural activists and a cross section of society participated in the rally, which paraded the main streets of the district headquarters. A discussion was held at Pabna Zila Parishad auditorium. District Women's Directorate Officer Shahnaz Begum chaired the discussion while the Deputy Commissioner (DC) of Pabna Dr. AFM Monjur Kadir spoke as the chief guest. Other prominent personalities spoke on the occasion. The speakers focused on the rampant discrimination of women in society and demanded that women get their rights. Later, a debate on establishment of rights of women was held at Pabna Town Hall. A cultural show was held in Pabna Town Hall on Monday night. Artistes from Pabna Shishu Academy and Banichte Chai Unnayan Samiti participated in the cultural programme. Later folk artistes of the organisation performed a *panchali* highlighting the need to establish the rights of women at the level of the family and society. Ustad

Abdul Malek Sarkar, a noted folk artiste of the district, conducted the programme.

RABIUL HASAN, Chapainawabganj

A discussion on 'Jago Manush, Narir Khomotayan-e Jago' and a cultural programme were held at Shaheed Satu Hall premises in Chapainawabganj town on the occasion of 100th International Women's Day. Sachetan Nagorik Committee, Chapainawabganj, a unit of Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB), organised the programme. The event was presided over by the organisation's convener Advocate Saiful Islam Reza. Among others, District Women's Affairs Officer Selina Begum, Vice Chairman of Sadar Upazila Parishad Shantana Haque, educationist Marzina Haque and SNC member N.S.M. Mahabubur Rahman spoke on the occasion. Speakers said that democracy is not effective unless women's rights are fully ensured in the country. They said that as women account for half of the population, the overall development of the country would not be possible if they lag behind. After the discussion a cultural programme was held at the venue. Art-

istes of Mahananda Sangeet Niketan performed at the programme.

QUAMRUL ISLAM RUBAIYAT, Thakurgaon

To observe International Women's Day, a play "Amader Sheuli" was staged on Monday at Thakurgaon District Women's Affairs office premises to generate public awareness against eve teasing, early marriage and dowry. The Thakurgaon District Administration and Thakurgaon District Women's Affairs Office jointly organised other programmes, including a procession and discussion here with the assistance of Thakurgaon NGO Cell, a forum of Thakurgaon NGOs, Eco-Social Development Organisation (ESDO) and RDRS Bangladesh. Nishchintapur Theatre Thakurgaon performed the play under the management of NGO Cell. The play reveals how girls fall victim to eve teasing, early marriage, dowry and meet with a tragic end. The cast included Ujjal, Manik, Dipali, Shishir, Rana, Antar, Smrity and Iti. Earlier a discussion was held with Deputy Commissioner of Thakurgaon Munshi Shahabuddin Ahmed as chief guest. District Women's Affairs Officer Habiba Khatun was in the chair.

In Panchagarh, District Administration, District Women's Affairs Office and different non-government organisations observed the day with a discussion and cultural programme.

MIRZA SHAKIL, Tangail

International Women's Day was observed in Tangail district in due manners. Different government and non-governmental as well as socio-cultural organisations in the district arranged various programmes to mark the day. The programmes included rallies, discussions, documentary screenings etc. To mark the day, District Administration and District Women's Affairs Officer, with the help of Tangail Unit of Durbar Network, organised a discussion at the Bhasani Hall in the town. With the District Women's Affairs Officer, Selina Khanom in the chair, Tangail Deputy Commissioner (DC) M Bazul Karim Chowdhury addressed the discussion as the chief guest. Emphasising on ensuring equal opportunities and rights between men and women, the DC, in his speech, said that not only the women but also the society would profit if the women get their rights. Later, the guests distributed prizes

among the winner of competitions on different subjects from schools and colleges of the district town.

A documentary film on International Women's Day was also screened at the event.

Russian Centre of Science & Culture in Dhaka

celebrated the International Women's Day with much gusto. The programme was organised jointly by Women's Chapter, Russian Alumni Association and Russian compatriots permanently residing in Bangladesh, says a press release. Immediately after the Liberation War, Russia started admitting Bangladeshis for higher studies on scholarship basis. By now more than 7000 people have benefited. Among them are women who now constitute the cream of the nation, like Dr. Dil Afroza Begum, professor and head of the Chemical Engineering department, BUET; Madhabi Islam, former director, Atomic Energy Research Establishment; Dr. Begum Rokeya, professor and chief research officer, Pharmacology Department, BIRDEM and many others. The participants of the programme were treated with famous Russian *pirozhi* (a variety of pies). Russian Federation was featured as a modern democratic country with equal rights for both men and women.



Actors stage a play at Shaheed Mansur Ali Auditorium in Sirajganj.



Discussants at the Russian Centre of Science & Culture in Dhaka.



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

On Air

ATN Bangla

- 09:10 Kandey Amar Maa
- 09:20 EBL National Cricket League 2009-10
- 11:35 Asian City Top Spin
- 12:10 EBL National Cricket League 2009-10
- 04:25 Special Debate Programme
- 05:15 Kaandey Amar Maa
- 05:20 Islamic Programme
- 06:15 Take Care
- 08:00 Travel Show: Rexona Destination Unlimited
- 08:40 Drama Serial: Ghorjamai
- 09:20 Drama Serial: Kothay Pabo Tarey
- 11:30 Talk Show: Talking Point
- 12:00 Grameenphone Lead News

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- 08:05 Tagore Song
- 08:40 Ajker Chakri
- 09:30 Shangapotrety Bangladesh
- 09:45 Public Reaction
- 11:05 Sports Time
- 11:30 Surdora Baghagayen
- 12:30 Citycell Taroka Kathon
- 01:05 Ebong Cinemar Gaan
- 01:30 Special Programme
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Janak
- 03:30 Meridian Channel i Khudey Gaanraj
- 04:05 Muktijudhyo Protidin
- 04:30 Apnar Shuswashta
- 05:30 Drama Serial: Bhunush
- 06:00 Drama Serial: Kosto Shudhu-i Amar
- 06:20 Cookery Show
- 07:50 Drama Serial: Tulir Telesmati
- 08:25 Drama Serial: Chhayabithi
- 09:35 Drama Serial: Swapnabazar
- 11:30 E Bhora Badar Mah Bhadar
- 12:00 Grameenphone Aajker Shongbadpatra

ETV

- 09:30 Drama Serial: Jahur Ali Jahuri
- 10:02 Galpo Shalpo Gaan
- 11:30 Ekushey Business
- 02:02 Desh Jurey Oporadh
- Porikroma
- 03:30 DW Global 3000
- 04:02 Drama Serial: Bishkata

- 04:30 Drama Serial: Haka Robyn
- 05:25 TV South Asia Munmun Moments
- 05:45 Sports Plus
- 06:00 Ekusher Shondhya
- 06:30 Campus-e Campus-e
- 07:45 Fashion and Tune
- 08:20 Drama Serial: Poster
- 09:30 Drama Serial: Jahur Ali Jahuri
- 10:10 Cine Hits
- 12:02 Ekusher Raat
- 08:30 Shasthya Protidin
- 08:55 Drama Serial: Mamuli Ekta Manush
- 09:30 Frankly Speaking
- 10:05 Drama Serial: Ekta Kinley Ekla Free
- 12:10 Ei Shomoy
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Kachher Manush

- 01:30 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue Pakhi
- 02:30 Drama Serial: Fifty Fifty
- 03:05 Drama Serial: Diba Raatri Khola Thakey
- 05:25 Musical Programme: Projapotr
- Chhoya
- 06:05 Telepress Business
- 06:40 Point of Order
- 08:15 Drama Serial: Megh Bondhu
- 09:05 Shoundarja Kotha
- 09:45 Drama Serial: Gulshan Avenue
- 12:00 Shangbaad Protidin
- 04:30 Dur-path
- 04:30 Dur-er Janala
- 05:02 Cartoon
- 06:30 Shangbaad Shondhya
- 07:45 Desh Galpo
- 08:15 Drama Serial: Jolpori
- 09:45 Cookery Show
- 10:30 Total Sports

- Diganta TV**
- 08:05 Shubarno Shokal
- 12:30 Score Card
- 08:05 I-Tech
- 09:25 Diganta Anoushondhan
- 10:00 Prime Time
- 11:05 Dig Diganta
- 11:30 Musical Programme: Shur Shurobhi
- BBC World**
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:30 Asia Business Report
- 09:45 Asia Today
- 10:00 BBC World News
- 10:30 HARDtalk
- 11:00 BBC World News
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 11:45 BBC World News
- 12:00 BBC World News
- 12:30 World Business Report

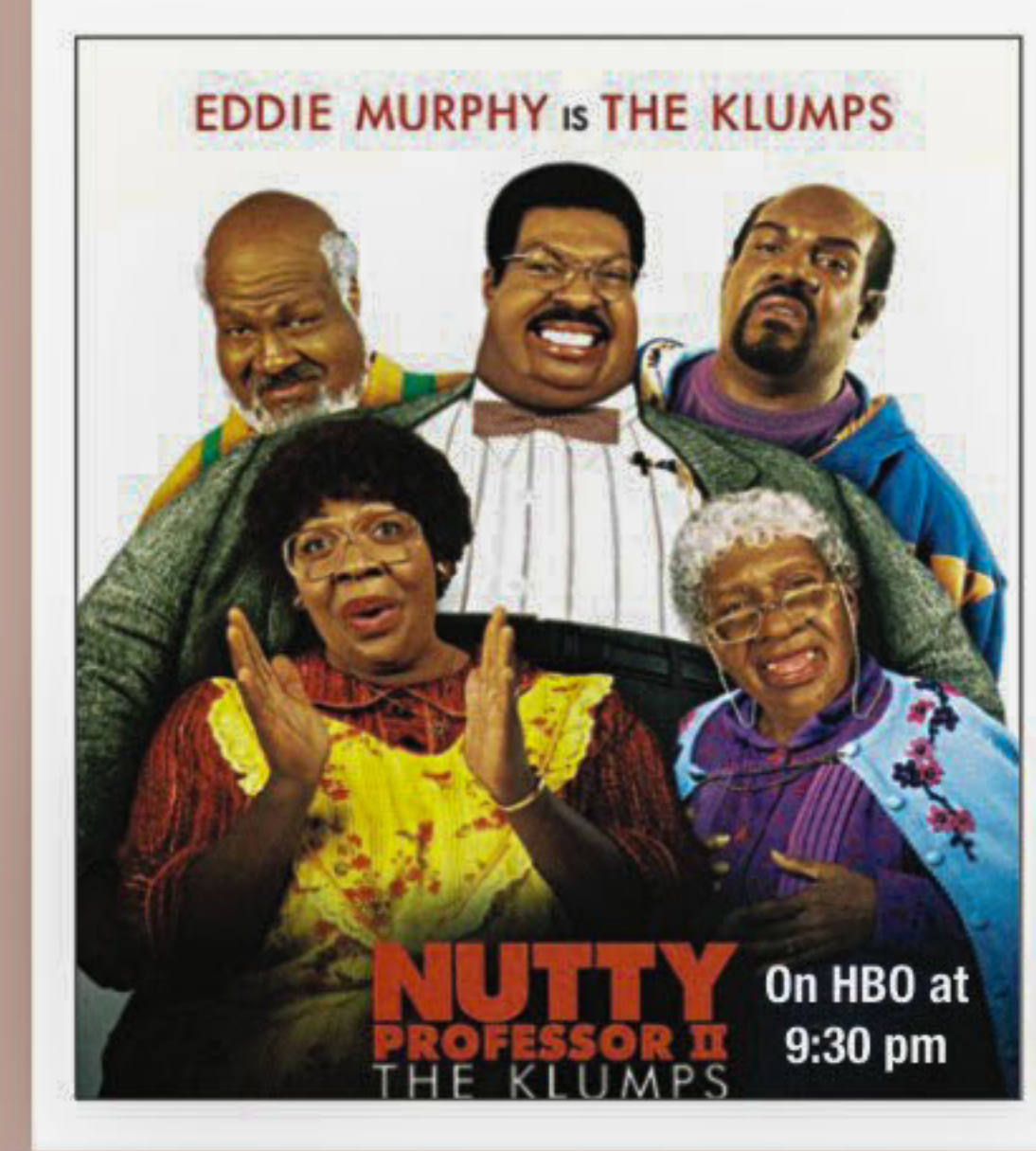
- 08:30 World Business Report
- 08:45 Sport Today
- 09:00 BBC World News
- 09:30 HARDtalk
- 10:00 The Hub with Nik Gowing
- 11:30 World Business Report
- 11:45 Sport Today
- 12:00 BBC World News
- ZEE STUDIO**
- 08:30 The Wedding Date
- 10:40 Spiderman
- 01:30 Fireflies in the Garden
- 03:35 Samoan Wedding
- 06:50 First Kid
- 09:30 Dirty Pretty Things
- 11:40 Alice
- HBO**
- 09:15 Harry Potter And The Goblet Of Fire
- 12:30 Mercury Rising
- 02:45 Be Kind Rewind

- 05:30 Slamball
- 06:30 Date My Ex
- 07:30 Breaking The Magician
- 08:30 VIDEO ZONKERS
- 09:30 Criss Angel Mindfreak (Season 5)
- 10:30 Guinness World Records Smashed
- 11:30 Breaking The Magician's Code
- 12:30 Numb3rs
- STAR SPORTS**
- 09:00 TNA Impact 09/10
- 11:00 FIM Mx3 World Championship 2009 - Highlights
- 12:30 KFC Malaysia World Band Competition 2009 - Highlights
- 01:30 FIM Mx1 Motocross World C'ship 2009 - Highlights
- 02:30 Golf Focus 2010
- 03:00 Hannspree Sbk Superbike World Championship 2010 - HI
- 03:30 TNA Impact 09/10
- 05:30 Game
- 06:00 Glitch
- 06:30 K1 World Grand Prix 2009 - Yokohama - Final 8
- 08:30 Simply The Best
- 09:00 Almost Anything Goes
- 09:30 Score Tonight
- 10:00 Nike Football Locker Room 2009/10
- 10:30 Mobil 1 The Grid
- 11:00 K1 World Grand Prix 2009 - Yokohama - Final 8



Shey Amar Ekla Pakhi
 On RTV at 10:10 pm
 Drama Serial
 Cast: Afroza Banu, Apurba, Kushum Shikdar

- abc radio FM 89.2**
- 06:00 Bhorer Janalay
- 09:00 Mukhorto Jiboney
- 12:00 Darun Dupurey
- 03:00 Duranto Bikelley
- 05:00 Shondha Tara
- 07:00 Shaj-er Maya
- 09:00 Raat-er Akashay
- 11:00 Galper Shesh Nei
- RADIO FOORTI 88.0 FM**
- 07:30 Hello Dhaka
- 10:00 Morning Express
- 12:00 No Tension
- 04:00 Dhaka Calling
- 09:00 Knight Riders
- RADIO TODAY 89.6 FM**
- 07:15 Good Morning Dhaka
- 11:00 Masti Unlimited
- 01:00 Today's Adda
- 04:00 U-turn
- 08:00 Tobe Tai Hok
- 11:00 Raat Vor Gan
- 02:00 Back to Back



- 04:45 Tmz 186
- 05:15 Rails & Ties
- 07:15 Copperhead
- 09:00 Tmz 187
- 09:30 Nutty Professor II: The Klumps
- 11:30 Harry Potter And The Goblet Of Fire
- AXN**
- 11:30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (Season 10)
- 12:30 Caught On Tape
- 01:30 So You Think You Can Dance (Season 5)
- 03:30 Ultimate Guinness World

ESPN

- 09:00 PBA All STAR Shootout
- 09:30 Vancouver 2010 - Day 2 - Morning H/L
- 10:30 US Figure Skating Championships: Men's Long
- 12:30 Barclays Premier League 2009/10
- Match: Portsmouth vs. Birmingham City
- 02:30 Sec Women's Gymnastics Match: Georgia vs. Alabama
- 04:00 Uca National High School Cheerleading Championship
- 05:00 Bwf Super Series - Malaysian Open
- 06:00 NBA Action 2009/10
- 06:30 Gravity Games
- 07:00 Football Focus With John Dykes
- 08:30 Sportscenter India
- 09:30 2008 World Cup Of Trick Shots
- 10:30 Sportscenter India
- 11:30 Hitz 09/10