

The poet at close quarters



Kiam Uddin of Kasba village.



Mohammed Jhoru Pramanik of Patisar village.

Mondal who was the only Muslim cook among the staff," said Pramanik. Apparently Tagore was greatly impressed when he learnt that his raiyat (subject) Akbar Akhand had bought an elephant. "I have no elephant but my raiyat has one; it's very interesting," remarked the poet who accepted an invitation from Akbar Akhand to see the elephant.

"I can still remember that many people came from both sides of the Chhato River in Patisar came to see off the Jomidar on July 26, 1937 for the last time," said a nostalgic Pramanik, adding that the poet and all his raiyats (estate??) were in tears that day.

In a similar vein, 97-year-old Kiam Uddin of Kasba village (Kushtia district) said that the poet was very kind and usually wrote off the taxes of his poor raiyats. "I saw him when he was going to his Kachhari Bari, crossing the Padma river," he said. While he said that he had seen Tagore several times, he was unable to give the date or year of the poet's visit.

Relatives of the 118-year-old one Amir Sheikh of the same village claimed that the old man saw Tagore closely several times, but could not give details because of his memory loss.



The Tagore Kuthibari in Shilaidaha.

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HASIBUR RAHMAN BILU, Bogra
"I have never seen a more kind-hearted man than our Jomidar (landlord) Rabindranath Tagore," said Mohammed Jhoru Pramanik. Over 106 years old,

Pramanik is only living person in Patisar village (Naogaon district) who had seen the Noble laureate poet at close quarters during his last visit to the area in 1937.

"I had the chance to ride on the poet's boat with my brother-in-law Kobiz Ali

Special TV programmes on Tagore Birth Anniversary

"Amar Hiyar Majhey" on Channel i

A CORRESPONDENT

Apart from being a Nobel Prize winning poet, Rabindranath Tagore was also an ardent admirer of dance. On the 149th birth anniversary of the poet, Channel i meets with Preeti Bhowmik, the only surviving dance student of Rabindranath Tagore to explore an unfamiliar side of the maestro.

In the half-hour long programme, "Amar Hiyar Majhey", Bhowmik will share her memories of Tagore, her thoughts and more. Hosted by Amy Rahman, the programme will be aired at 11:30 pm tonight.



Preeti Bhowmik (left) with the host Amy Rahman.

"Aparichita" on Rtv

A CORRESPONDENT

Single-episode TV play "Aparichita" will be aired on Rtv at 9pm. Adapted from a story by Tagore, with the same title, the play has been directed by Ahmed Sushmoy.

The story revolves around two young individuals Narayan and Kalyani. After the death of his lawyer father, Narayan was raised under the guidance of his maternal uncle, who is a shrewd man. Narayan's uncle wants him to marry Kalyani, who comes from a rich family. But because of his uncle's greed, the wedding is cancelled at the eleventh hour.

Since then Narayan starts to think more fondly about Kalyani. A year later, one day Narayan meets Kalyani and her father during a train journey. He apologises to Kalyani's father for his uncle's behaviour and once again proposes to marry her. But her father shows reluctance. Narayan begins to wait for Kalyani.

The cast of the play includes Oni, Ruhii, Khaleda Akhtar Kalpona, Sharfuddin Biplab and Ahsan Khan.



A scene from the play.

TV play "Nishithey" on Banglavisision



Shashi and Tauquir Ahmed in the play.

A CORRESPONDENT

On the occasion of Tagore's 149th birth anniversary, single-episode TV play "Nishithey" will be aired on Banglavisision at 9:05pm. Kawnain Shourav has written and directed the adaptation of a short story by Tagore.

Zaminder Dakkhinacharon is critically ill. His doctor has given up on him and has said that he would die within a few days. Dakkhinacharon's wife, however, manages to nurse him back to life through tireless efforts. But she succumbs to illness soon afterwards. After his first wife's death, the Zaminder marries Manorama, daughter of the doctor. Dakkhinacharon cannot cope with his new wife as she is always in gloom. He misses his former wife badly.

Tauquir Ahmed, Tanvin Sweetie and Shashi play the lead roles in "Nishithey".

"Ogo Shono Ke Bajaye" on ntv



A scene from the programme.

A CORRESPONDENT

On the occasion of Rabindranath Tagore's 149th birth anniversary, special programme "Ogo Shono Ke Bajaye" will be aired on ntv tonight at 8:20 am.

The programme will feature the reference of banshi (bamboo flute) in Tagore's poetry, music and dance-drama. Seasoned artiste Subarna Mustafa will recite; noted Tagore singer Mita Haque and her troupe will render Rabindra Sangeet while Sharmila Bandyopadhyay with her troupe will perform dance at the programme.

Compiled by Lubna Mariam, the programme has been directed by Kaushik Shankar Das.



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

BTV

01:00 Special Programme on Tagore Birth Anniversary
01:30 Nijerey Koro Joy
02:15 Potishore Rabindranath
02:45 Bangla Feature Film: Kabuliwala
06:10 Geetanjalir Shoto Barsho
07:10 Apurup Tomar Bani
08:30 Musical Programme: E Shudhu Olosh Maya
09:00 Shapmochon
10:30 Akash Bhora Tara
11:20 ICC T 20 World Cup 2010: England Vs South Africa

ATN BANGLA

01:25 Ek Tuku Chhoya Lagey
02:45 Tele-film: Maanbhonjon
05:10 Chhotoder Rabindranath
05:45 Musical Programme
07:50 Mon-ei Ki Didha
10:45 Documentary Programme: Bihanga Katha
11:30 Shapmochon
12:00 Gramephone Lead News
11:05 Channel i Rabindra Mela
05:30 Cute-Channel i Abritti
06:20 Desh Bideshey Ranna

CHANNEL i

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05:30 Cute-Channel i Abritti
06:20 Desh Bideshey Ranna

07:50 Musical Programme: Tahar Tahara
09:35 Hridoy Mati O Manush
11:30 Special Programme: Amar Hiyar Majhey
12:00 Gramephone Ajker Shangbadpotro

ntv

12:10 Roshey Boshey
Rabindranath Swastho Protidin
02:30 Esho Chiro Shundor
05:30 Protidin-er Shurjo
06:40 Amra Shobai Raja
07:20 Sholo Ana Bangali Ana
11:40 Dance Programme: Anondey Jagao Ontorey Shokti

ETV

01:30 Dance Programme: Shama
04:30 Bhalobashi Bhalobashi
05:25 Anondolokey Mongalalokey
05:45 Sports Plus
06:30 Rabindra Band Mix
07:50 Nari Bhuboney Rabindranath
09:30 Drama Serial: Bhabi

10:10 Galpo Shalpo Gaan

RTV

02:30 Cine Gungun
03:02 Hridoy Paney Hridoy Taaney
05:30 Mon-er Anandorey
06:02 Amar Mukti Aloye Aloye
07:45 Amar Ei Path Chaoatei Anondo
11:10 Jegey Achho Ki

DESH TV

01:02 Phul Khelbar Din Noy Addo
03:00 Bangla Feature Film: Ekho-i Shomoy
04:00 Desh Janopad
06:02 Jiboner Gaan
07:45 Pratul Mukhopadhyay-er Gaan
10:30 Total Sports

BANGLAVISION

02:30 Tele-film: Dui Bigha Jomi
06:05 Documentary: Poti Shorey Rabindranath
06:40 Dance Programme: Hridoy Amar Nacheyre
08:15 Musical Programme: Ektuku

11:25 Chhoya Laagey
Live Musical Programme: Hridoyer Katha Bolitey Byakul
Baishakhi TV
07:45 Musical Programme: Jodi Taarey Nai Chini Go
08:20 Recitation Programme: Kalantorer Dhoni
09:50 Musical Programme: Tumi Kemon Korey Gaan Koro Hey
11:45 Anonto Anondodhara

ZEE STUDIO

10:45 Miracle
01:30 Art School Confidential
04:20 Dead Poets Society
07:30 No Where in Sight
09:30 Suburban Girl
11:45 Chicago

HBO

11:00 Collateral Damage
01:15 The Making Of Hellboy II: The Golden Army
01:45 Hellboy II: The Golden Army
04:15 Tmz 229

04:45 Nutty Professor II: The Klumps
06:45 Monster Ark
08:30 Tmz 230
09:30 Hellboy II: The Golden Army
12:00 Pitch Black
ESPN
01:32 ICC World T20 2010 - H/Is Match: TBC vs. TBC
02:30 ICC World T20 2010 - H/Is Match: West Indies vs. Ireland
03:30 T20 Superstars ICC W T20
04:00 ICC World T20 2010 - H/Is Match: TBC vs. TBC
05:02 ICC World T20 2010 - H/Is Match: TBC vs. TBC
06:00 ICC Cricket Crazy (Pre Show)
07:15 ICC World T20 2010 Match: TBC vs. TBC
08:50 ICC World T20 2010 (Mid Inning)
09:10 ICC World T20 2010 Match: TBC vs. TBC
10:45 ICC Cricket Crazy (Link Show)

Talk show

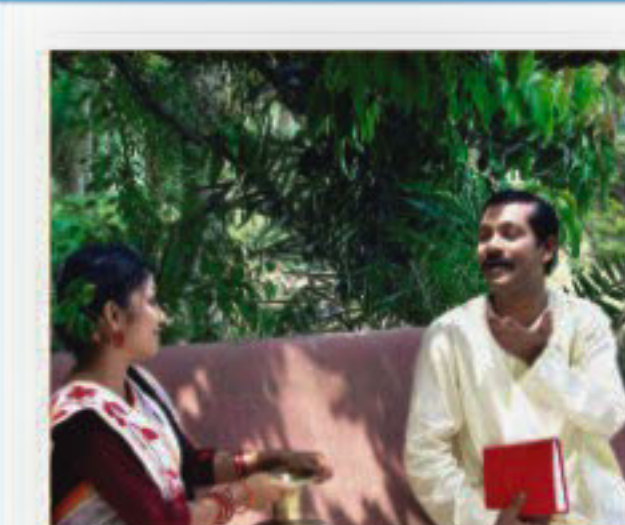
ATN BANGLA
12:30am Hello Bangladesh
Channel i
09:50am Gramephone Tritomatra
ntv
12:10am Talk Show: Ei Shomoy

TV plays

ATN BANGLA
08:50pm Chorai Dhon
ntv
09:00pm Antor Dahan
ETV
07:50pm Robibaar
Rtv
09:00pm Aparichita
DESH TV
09:45pm Joy Porajoy
BANGLAVISION
09:05pm Nishithey

News Bulletin

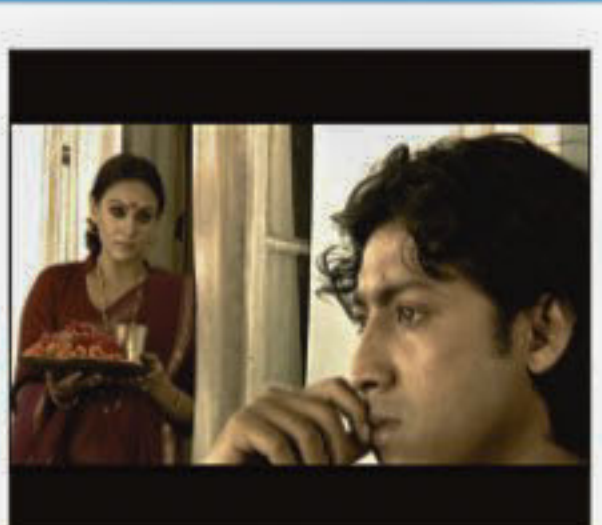
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News Headlines (Bangla) at 9:00 am.
News (Bangla) at 8:00 am
2:00 pm. 5:00 pm. 8:00 pm.
News (English) at 10:00am, 4:00 pm, 10:00 pm.
Late Night News (Bangla and English) 11:30 pm. (To be telecast on all Bangla channels).
CHANNEL-i
News (Bangla): 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 2:00 pm, 9:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 12:30 am
ATN BANGLA
News (Bangla): 7:00 pm, 10:00 pm, 11:00 pm, 1:00 am, 4:00 am
News (English) at 6:00pm
Rtv
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English Bulletin: 1:30pm, 7:30pm
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News (Bangla): 7:30am, 12:02pm, 2:00pm, 7:30pm



Joy Porajoy
On Desh TV at 9:45 pm
Single Episode TV play
Cast: Shagota, Amol Bose



Tumi Kemon Korey Gaan
Koro Hey
On Baishakhi TV at 9:50 pm
Musical programme
on Tagore Birth Anniversary



Robibaar
On Ekushey TV at 7:50 pm
Single Episode TV play
Cast: Raunak Hassan, Bindu



abc radio fm 89.2
06:00 Bhorer Janalay
09:00 Mukhorito Jiboney
12:25 Standard Chartered-The Daily Star
Jiboner Joygaan
03:00 Duranto Bikeley
05:00 Shondhatara
07:00 Shajer Maya
09:00 Raat-er Akashey
11:00 Golper Shesh Nei
RADIO FOORTI
08:00 Addabazi
12:00 Boier Poka
02:00 Foorti Unlimited
06:00 Bumper to Bumper
10:00 Club Foorti
01:00 Back to Back music
RADIO TODAY
07:15 Good Morning Dhaka
11:00 Musti Unlimited
01:00 Today's World Music
04:00 U Turn
08:00 Tobey Tai Hok
11:00 Raat Bhor Gaan