



# RAMADAN CHRONICLES

## "I LOVE COOKING IFTAR" ... Samina



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

In her long career span, she has won the hearts of millions with her mellifluous renditions. Popular singer Samina Chowdhury, spoke about iftar and sehri in a recent conversation with The Daily Star. Excerpts:

**What are your favourites on the Iftar table?**  
**Samina:** Chhola, dates, beguni, doibora, jilapi and sherbet. Besides, I cannot imagine iftar without fruits, beguni and peyajju.  
**Do you head to the kitchen yourself to make iftar?**  
**Samina:** Usually an hour before iftar. I love cooking a wide variety of iftar.  
**Any change in your iftar menu this time around?**  
**Samina:** Last year, I chose to cook exotic delicacies, but this time such dishes are rarely seen on my iftar table. We tried out a few chicken-based recipes though, which everyone enjoyed.  
**Do you enjoy going out for sehri?**  
**Samina:** Usually, I don't, but I did join a sehri party this year. I am more comfortable eating sehri at home.  
**What are your views on Ramadan?**  
**Samina:** During the month of fasting we should be more disciplined and refrain from violence, anger, envy, greed and lust. We should also make an effort to get along better with each other.

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# Krishoker Eid Ananda on second day of Eid

## Farmers' Game Show shot in Rajshahi's Poba this year

A CORRESPONDENT

Farmers' game show "Krishoker Eid Ananda" (KEA), a popular entertainment TV programme during Eid, will return to the screens of Channel i like every year on the second day of Eid. The initiative of popular agro-documentary "Hridoye Mati O Manush" is the brainchild of Shykh Seraj, Director and Head of News of

Channel i and noted development journalist.

This year's show features the heritage of the Rajshahi region, mangoes being an integral part of them. Like other years, seven interesting games will be featured on the show, in which farmers and their family members will take part. The show will air at 4:30pm on the second day of Eid on Channel i.

## NEWS bytes

### Shia LaBeouf hospitalised after head Injury

Shia LaBeouf was hospitalised and has since been released following a minor head injury on the North Dakota set of indie "American Honey".

The actor was supposed to put his head through a glass window in one scene, but a mishap caused his



head to be cut, along with his index finger. Sources close to the production said he received stitches to his head and his hand accordingly.

"Shia LaBeouf sustained minimal injuries late last night on the set of his current film, 'American Honey'," said the film's producers in a statement. "As protocol, production sought out medical attention, and Shia received stitches on his hand and for a laceration on his head. He is due back on set tomorrow."

LaBeouf was sent home after a brief hospital visit. According to TMZ, which first reported the news, he received 20 stitches and 13 staples. The actor is scheduled to return to shooting the film on Thursday.

Source: Internet

# Emma Watson joins Tom Hanks in "The Circle"

Emma Watson will star alongside Tom Hanks in James Ponsoldt's upcoming feature adaptation of Dave Eggers' novel "The Circle".

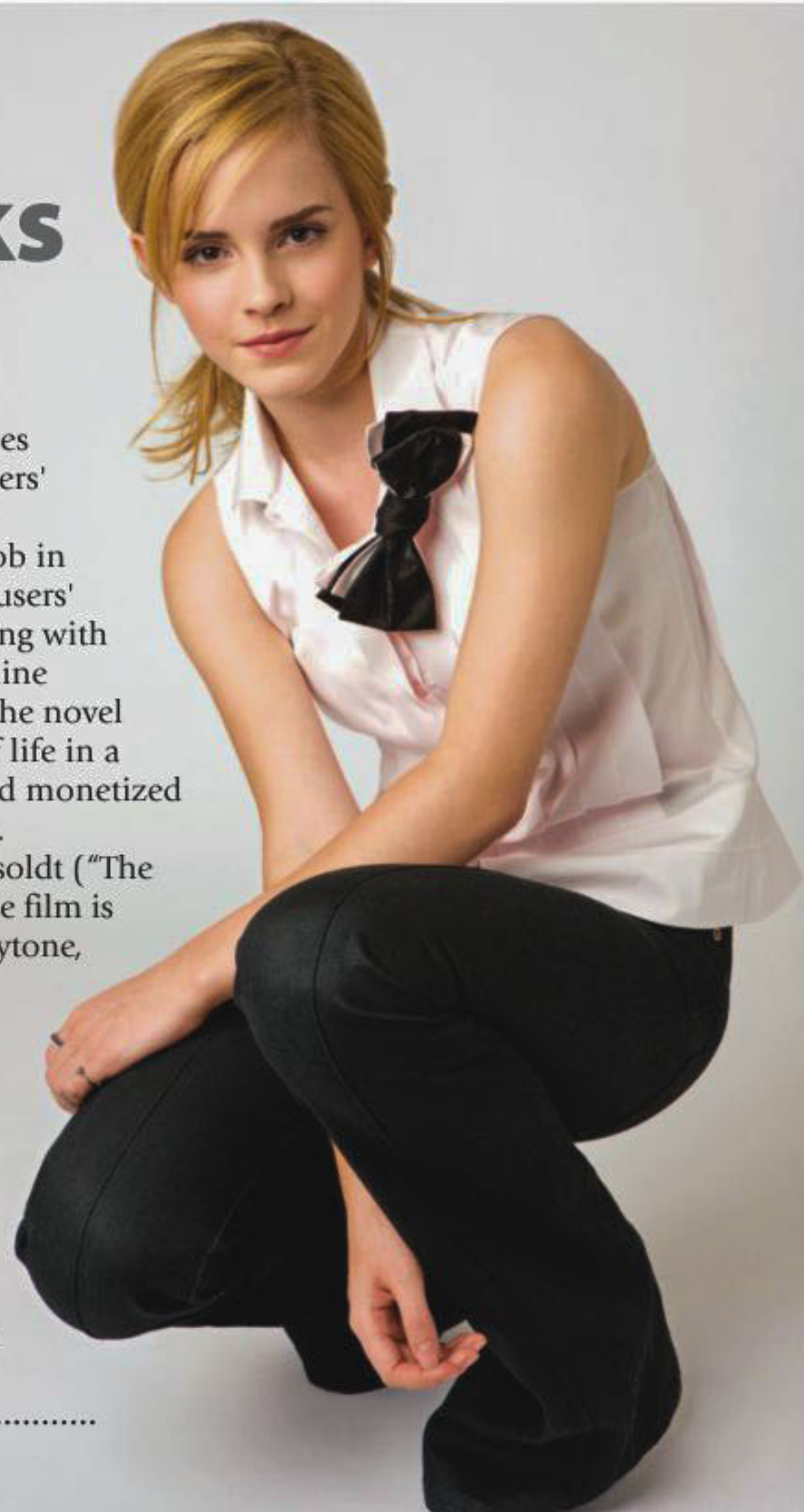
Watson will portray an employee hired for a big job in an Internet monopoly called the Circle, which links users' personal emails, social media, banking and purchasing with their universal operating system, resulting in one online identity and a new age of civility and transparency. The novel turns into a contemporary thriller about the perils of life in a digital age where personal data is collected, sifted and monetized and used for surveillance, rendering privacy obsolete.

Shooting will start in September in California. Ponsoldt ("The Spectacular Now") is directing from his own script. The film is being produced by Hanks and Gary Goetzman for Playtone, Anthony Bregman for Likely Story, and Ponsoldt.

Alicia Vikander had been attached to star in "The Circle" when the film was being sold at Cannes but has left the project.

Post-"Harry Potter", Watson has starred in "The Perks of Being a Wallflower", "The Bling Ring" and "Noah" and is set to appear in the live-action "Beauty and the Beast" for Disney. "Emma Watson is one of my favorite actors, and her incredible talent, sensitivity and deep intelligence will bring an electric energy to 'The Circle'," Ponsoldt said.

Source: Variety



# Alia, Fawad to sing a duet



Dharma Productions' upcoming project "Kapoor & Sons" whose cast is currently busy shooting for the movie in Coonoor, has been in news for a while and for all the good reasons. While the star cast that includes Sidharth Malhotra, Fawad Khan and Alia Bhatt in the lead roles looks to give the film a boost, there is now further good news for fans of the stars.

Apparently, Alia and Fawad are going to be recording a song for the movie together. Fawad was the lead singer of a renowned Pakistani rock band Entity Paradigm, and Alia has surprised audiences with her lovely singing in "Humpty Sharma ki Dulhania". With both of them coming together to sing, this one promises to be a big hit.

Source: Filmfare



NAHIN TAHER

Siddiqur Rahman, a popular actor, came into the limelight around 2006 when he performed in "Rudro Rodela Kabbo." Initially he was an assistant of Tarik Anam Khan for six years. In an interview with the Daily Star, he said:

"I wrote a TV play while I was working under Anam, 'Kobi Bolechhen,' that became a hit. Then I decided to act as well. I got

real exposure in the series 'Houseful' and ever since I was recognised as 'Siddiqur Rahman.' People mainly acknowledge me for my role as a comedian."

"Recently, I have been working in a TV play, directed by Zahid Hassan 'Ura Mon'. Of course, there is my own serial 'Gafur er biye' and some other plays for Eid."

"Some of my favourite roles are for 'Chhaiya Chhaiya' and 'Houseful.' Many thought that I was an

inspiration for people and brought joy in their lives."

"People, who actually encouraged me to be here, are my close friends and family. I will not forget their advice to me. As they said, "You enlighten us and our surroundings by your cheerfulness, why don't you spread this innermost quality of yours. Let people know who you are. The world doesn't need monotony; they need humour to add a spark to their mundane lives.."

# I never dreamt of being here

--- Siddiqur Rahman

## IT'S TRUE!

The image termed as "the most recognised photograph" in the history of the National Geographic magazine was taken by Steve McCurry, titled "Afghan Girl", in a refugee camp near Peshawar, Pakistan. Her face became famous as the cover photograph on the June 1985 issue, and has been widely used on Amnesty International brochures, posters, and calendars.



The identity of the "Afghan Girl" remained unknown for over 17 years until McCurry and a National Geographic team located the woman, Sharbat Gula, in 2002.

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Inside Out is a 2015 American 3D computer-animated fantasy comedy-drama film produced by Pixar Animation Studios and released by Walt Disney Pictures. Directed by Pete Docter, the film is set in the mind of a young girl, Riley Anderson, where five personified emotions Joy, Anger, Disgust, Fear, and Sadness try to lead her through life as she moves with her parents to a new city.

The Daily Star together with Star Cineplex will host a quiz for the animation lovers in the Arts & Entertainment section. So keep your eyes open.

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### INSIDE OUT QUIZ CONTEST