

STAR WEEKEND

in other news . . .

February 19, 2016



THE NEXT BIG CONTENDER

FAYEKA ZABEEN SIDDIQUA
PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

South Asian Games 2016 has been quite remarkable for Bangladeshi women athletes for a number of reasons. While our women swimmers and weightlifters have already clinched gold at the games, this year, for the first time, women boxers from Bangladesh are participating in an international sports meet. This year, three women boxers - Saki Akhter in the 60 kg category, Basona Khandakar in the 75 kg category and Shamima Aktar in the 51 kg category, are participating in the SA Games. Last month, while they were camping at the Bangladesh Amateur Boxing Federation in Dhaka as a part of their training for the SA Games, *Star Weekend* caught up with 19-year-old Shamima Aktar, Bangladesh's national champion and gold medalist at the National Women's Boxing Competition in the junior levels from 2013 and 2014, who also happens to be the youngest player in the SA Games women boxing team from Bangladesh. For more, check out this week's spotlight on pages 8-9.

3 THE PLAGUE IN THE OFFING

Looks at the causes of explosive pandemic of Zika virus and its threat on Bangladesh.

6 RESTORATION OF APU'S TRILOGY

Talks about the story of restoring famous Indian director Satyajit Ray's film series 'Apu's Trilogy'.

10 E FOR EVE, E FOR EVE-SPARATION

Is about famous activist, playwright, Tony Award winning performer Eve Ensler and her brainchild One Billion Rising (OBR).

13 A MONUMENT OF SOULS

Talks about the historical monument 'Shaheed Minar' set up in memory of the language martyrs of 1952.

INSIDE

The annual check-up.
It starts today.

With your HSBC ATM card, receive benefits at health service providers

20-25% off | Nabide HEALTH SERVICES

Visit www.hsbc.com.bd/weekly-offer
Call 16240

HSBC

Offer valid until 30 November 2016. Offer applicable on both cash and card payments. Issued by The HongKong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited in Bangladesh.