

# Arnob's new album "Ondho Shohor" released

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When Arnob broke out in the country's music scene with 2005's "Chaina Bhabishi" as a rapper and a half. The eclectic musical arrangements, coupled with soulful, sometimes psychedelic lyrics and his silky smooth voice. It paved the way for him to become one of the top musicians of his generations, be it with solo album "Hok Kolorob" or collaborative projects like Prayer Hall or Arnob & Friends Live. His best albums – "Doob", "Roud Boleche Hobe", and Rabindra Sangeet album "Adheko Ghume" reflected his journey as a musician, as Arnob continued to do music for films, jingles and more. His last full album was a limited-release box set titled "Khoob Doob" in 2015, as a fundraising effort for a school in the Chittagong Hill Tracts.

And now, his fans can rejoice as a brand new album of the singer-composer just dropped, on the smartphone-based music streaming service Yonder Music (by telecom operators Robi and Airtel). The album, "Ondho Shohor", features 17 tracks, and seems to be his most varied yet. Arnob shared on Facebook that the album has songs dating back from 2003, (the third track from the album, "Keu Ki Jane") and even songs in English.

The album opens with "Ei Shohor Amar", the soundtrack from last year's blockbuster "Aynabaji", and includes new tracks such as the title track "Ondho



Shohor", "Chader Hashi", "E Poth O Poth", "Chatok Pakhi", "Ei Achi Ei Nai", Rabindra Sangeet "Amare Tumi Oshesh"; English titles "Rain Dance", "Calling God", "Say Your Prayers" and "Slow Dark Killer"; previously heard tracks like Rabindra Sangeet "Tomaye Gaan Shonaboi" from the soundtrack of film "Under Construction" for which he collaborated with former wife and long-

time musical ally Sahana Bajpaie and "Tui Bolle" which was released from India in 2015, and an electro instrumental of "Hok Kolorob", a throwback to the hit from his second album. In an era where album releases have somewhat lost its charm and digital single releases seem to be a more common practice among musicians, Arnob still commands a fair bit of attention when he releases new music. There is no word yet of the album's physical release, but he had Arnob fans will surely wait on it, and dive right into the album wherever they can access it from.

## NEWS bytes

### Jay Z announces new album "4:44"

Hip-hop icon Jay Z has shared details on a new album, "4:44", but fans won't be able to buy it or stream it just anywhere. The album will drop June 30 for subscribers of Spotify or Jay Z's Tidal platform through what's pitched as a first-of-its-kind partnership between both companies.

Chatter on a new LP heated up in recent weeks, and the entrepreneur and music man threw fuel on that fire last week with a mysterious campaign which saw the numbers "4:44" and the date "6.30.17" dished up on posters and online. The plot thickened in the hours before midnight when a teaser video appeared on Tidal. Then the big reveal happened as the clock struck twelve.

News on the surprise album release caps an eventful week during which Jay Z and his wife Beyonce welcomed twins and the artist was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame, becoming the first rapper to achieve that honour. The new LP is the follow-up to 2013's "Magna Carta... Holy Grail", which peaked at No. 1 on the Billboard 200.



### "DHAKA ATTACK" set of October release

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Police thrillers are one of the most popular genres of Bollywood films worldwide, and even neighboring countries have been churning them out with great success in recent years. "Dhaka Attack", the much-anticipated cop thriller that has been in the making for about two years now, has finally landed a release date. The film's director, Dipankar Dipun revealed that the multi-starrer action thriller will start in theatres in October 6, and a wider unit in the film, while Mahi essays the role of a journalist.

The film stars Arifin Shuvo and Mahiya Mahi in the leading roles, and boasts a heavyweight cast including Syed Hasan Imam, Alamgir, Afzal Hossain, Laila Hasan, ABM Suman, Shatabdi Wadud and Nawshaba, among others.

Shuvo plays a dastardly cop with the bomb disposal unit in the film, while Mahi essays the role of a journalist.

Azal Hossain, returning to the big screen after a long time, plays the Police Commissioner, while Shatabdi Wadud portrays another police high-up.

After its countryside release in the first week of October, the film will also see a fairly elaborate international release on October 20, including four cities in Canada, six each in the USA and UAE, four in Oman, as well as in Qatar, Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei.

The film's first look teaser was released last October. The fast-paced teaser didn't have any dialogues, but the rapid-cut sequences promised an edge-of-the-seat thriller. Action and chase sequences galore, and a bit of mystery thrown in helps add to the excitement that "Dhaka Attack" is looking to deliver.



### Mosharraf Karim's "Obhinondon" this Eid

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Television is looking to bank on Mosharraf Karim's star power on the entertainment bonanza this Eid, with five different plays of the vastly popular actor set to air on the channel. The plays will air at 8:45pm every day from Eid day to the fifth day of Eid.

On the final day of the programmes, single-episode comedy play "Obhinondon" will be aired. Written by Masud Shahriar and directed by Mursalin Shuvo, the plays also casts Jannatul Peta and Shahidullah Sabui, among others. "I have done a lot of plays this Eid, but this one particularly was a lot of fun," Mosharraf said about the play.

## SRIDEVI AND ANIL KAPOOR to return for "Mr India" sequel?

It has been 20 years since Bollywood cult classic "Mr India" was released, and now a sequel, starring the same lead actors, may be in the offing.

Hindustan Times quoted from a Deccan Chronicle report quoting a source close to the sequel's production: "The idea is to take the story forward, but not just for the heck of it. We wanted a solid plot, and we have got it."

However, Sridevi and Anil Kapoor wouldn't be the only important actors working in the sequel. The film, which will be helmed by a new director, will also feature two fresh faces in the lead roles.

Currently, both Sridevi and Anil Kapoor are busy with their upcoming projects. While Kapoor is busy with his next home-production film, Sridevi is promoting "Momm" which is due to release in July.

Shekhar Kapoor directed the original "Mr India", and the film is probably most-remembered for its villain Mogambo, played by Amrish Puri.

Source: **Hindustan Times**



## Chris McQuarrie reveals the women of "MI: 6"

It's been a slow trickle thus far for the diehards about "Mission Impossible 6", the hotly anticipated second installment of the storied franchise to be directed by Christopher McQuarrie. Only recently was the first look at franchise star Tom Cruise and Henry Cavill as Tom Cruise on the set was shared, and now the director has revealed who the women of the film will be in a new photo.

beyond Cruise's physical daring and charisma, and that is its cast. Simon Pegg is returning, as is "Rogue Nation" breakout Rebecca Ferguson, on top of Cavill and Cruise. Alec Baldwin, Sean Harris, Ving Rhames, and Michelle Monaghan will also be coming back.

McQuarrie took to Twitter on Saturday to post a new image of four of the five actresses, seemingly in character roles from MI6. Angela Bassett, Vanessa Kirby, Ferguson and Monaghan grouped

together amongst what looks like desert rocks. This is first official-ish looks at Kirby and Bassett in the movie, though not much is known about either characters. McQuarrie gave a few details recently about Kirby's character, but the project and its menagerie of spies and spy antics remains largely a mystery.

"Mission: Impossible 6" is set to release on July 27, 2018.

Source: **Collider**

## GP MUSIC adds international artistes to catalogue

Digital music streaming platform GP Music has added three globally renowned musical artists to their library, says a press release. The music of Justin Bieber, Bryan Adams and AR Rahman will now be available to subscribers of the streaming service. The collection also includes popular tracks of other international musicians on the music platform.

The music store also supports young and promising local talents. With the emerging user base of social media and video streaming websites, international music is gaining wide-

spread popularity in Bangladesh. "GP Music is one of the largest digital collections of music in Bangladesh, and we are continuously working to enrich the platform further," says Sayed Talat Kamal, Head of External Communications at Grameenphone. "The following is increasing rapidly which is why we are including songs by currently popular and legendary international musicians in our library. We hope our surging number of subscribers will appreciate the effort."

