

WHAT'S ON

Memorial Programme
On Sudhin Das and Karunamaya Goswami
Organiser: Bengal Foundation
Venue: Chhyanaut
Date: July 11
Time: 7pm



Solo Art Exhibition
Mangrove Portal
Artist: Avi Shankar Ain
Venue: La Galerie, AFD
Date: July 7-19
Time: 3-9pm (weekdays)
5-8pm (weekends)



Group Art Exhibition
Perspective
Venue: Spotlight Art Gallery, Uttara
Date: July 4-14
Time: 3-8pm



Photography Exhibition
Chittagong Hill Tracts: People and Nature
Organiser: Ministry of CHT Affairs
Venue: Dril Gallery
Date: July 16-18
3-8pm



Theatre
Crutch'er Colonel
Troupe: BotTala
Venue: Mohila Samity Auditorium
Date: July 14
Time: 7pm



ASK ME ANYTHING

Fazlur Rahman Babu coming to TDS Facebook Live

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Fazlur Rahman Babu is a household name for the country's TV audience, along with the occasional but incredible big screen presence, in films like "Shonkhonaad" (for which he won the National Film Award) to last year's "Oggatonama". The seasoned theatre artiste has also made a name as a singer, be it for playback or his own albums in his sonorous, soulful voice.

The veteran actor most recently created a stir among the audience with his heart-wrenching performance of a struggling middle-class father in Adnan Al Rajeev's "Bikal Bela'r Pakhi", which gained heaps of praise for him on the social media.

To bring him closer to the Facebook followers of The Daily Star, we are bringing Fazlur Rahman Babu to this month's episode of "Ask Me Anything", The Daily Star's monthly Facebook Live Session. The veteran actor will be Live on facebook.com/dailystarnews on Thursday, July 13 from 6:30pm, talking to you all about his journey as an actor and his role in "Bikal Bela'r Pakhi".

Anyone connected to The Daily Star's Facebook page can join in on the conversation and talk to him directly.



A still from the film.

GOHIN BALUCHOR receives 'uncut' censor clearance

NAZIBA BASHER

"Gohin Baluchor", directed by Badrul Anam Saud, passed through the censor board without any cuts on July 9.

The film, a recipient of the national film grant 2016, began filming last year. It casts Suborna Mustafa, Raisul Islam Asad, Afroza Banu, Runa Khan, Shahadat Hossain, Jitu Ahsan, and Shormy Mala, along with newcomers Tanvir, Moon and Neelanjona Neela.

"Within exactly six months and eight days, Gohin Baluchor has not only wrapped up shooting, it has finished post-production and music and has received the censor certificate, which is a huge deal," says Suborna Mustafa. According to her, the biggest appeal to the audience will be the portrayal of Bangladesh.

On his first film, Badrul Anam Saud says he was uncompromising. "As a person I am very impatient. I needed the perfect weather - misty winter mornings - so it was crucial for me to finish within that time frame or my film would get delayed by around a year."

Emon Shaha has done the music for the film; Uttam Guha was the set designer, while Naziba Basher has done the choreography. A release date is yet to be announced.

Joint venture film productions suspended

Government to formulate new policy



STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The information ministry on Sunday suspended all work on joint venture films until a new policy about it is formulated. The decision was made at a ministry meeting between Information Minister Hasanul Haq Inu and members of the film fraternity on Sunday, report The Daily Prothom Alo.

Information Secretary Mortuza Ahmed chaired the meeting, where representatives of film fraternity associations, Misha Sawdagar and Faruq made a number of recommendations.

The decisions taken at the meeting were: formulation of a new, complete and current policy for joint venture films ensuring the interest of the

country's film industry, suspension of all joint venture films' activities until the policy is formulated, and purchase of 50 HD projectors under BFDC supervision to add to the projection of cinema theatres. The disclosures were made in a press brief of the ministry.

The decision comes after a stand-off between organisations of artistes and crew members, all under the umbrella organisation of 'film family' and Jaaz Multimedia regarding censor clearance and release of two joint venture films this Eid. The organisations have repeatedly claimed that the films did not fulfill the criteria for joint venture films, and have made demands for a revamp of the policy for joint venture films.

NEWS bytes

DJ Khaled retains Billboard top spot

DJ Khaled's "Grateful" notched a second week at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 albums chart -- the first album to spend more than one week at the top in two months. In the week ending July 6, "Grateful" earned 70,000 equivalent



album units (down 53 percent), according to Nielsen Music. Traditional album sales comprised 16,000 (down 68 percent) of that sum.

The Billboard 200 chart ranks the most popular albums of the week in the US based on multi-metric consumption, which includes traditional album sales, track equivalent albums (TEA) and streaming equivalent albums (SEA).

Debating at the second spot is Calvin Harris' "Funk Wav Bounces Vol. 1", earning the superstar DJ/producer his highest charting album yet. It was followed by Kendrick Lamar's "DAMN", Imagine Dragons' "Evolve" and Ed Sheeran's "+" in the top five.

Source: **Billboard**



PURNIMA'S birthday plans

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

National award winning actor Purnima's journey in the film industry began in 1998. She is also a regular in TV plays and recently decided to cut back on her film appearances. This year she became an executive member of the Film Actor's Guild. On occasion of her birthday today, the noted actor spoke to The Daily Star.

"It's on birthdays that we receive unconditional love from fans. People close to you will make it a special day. My fans make it even more special. Even unknown people come and wish me. These are what I really enjoy on my birthdays. If I was not an artiste, or was not well-known, I don't know whether I would get the same attention."

"This year's birthday plans are not too extravagant. I'm going to celebrate the day at home. I only ask for everyone's prayers for me and my family. I want to get everyone's love and support for the rest of my days."

"During my birthdays, I often fondly remember my childhood. I really miss my childhood birthdays. Even though I know those days will never return, thinking about them during my birthday makes it even more special. I guess everyone misses their childhood birthdays."

BHOYONGKOR SUNDOR to release August 4


A CORRESPONDENT

Animesh Aich's upcoming film "Bhoyongkor Sundor", starring Parambrata Chatterjee and Ashna Habib Bhabna in the lead roles, just announced its release date to be August 4. A Facebook post on the film's official social media channel confirmed the date.

The film, which went into production in 2015, received censor clearance in March this year. The psychological thriller is adapted from Kolkata-based author Moti Nandi's story "Joler Ghumi O Bokbok Shobdo", and also stars Syed Hasan Imam, Khairul Alam Sobuj, Lutfar Rahman George, Farhana Mithu, Faruq Ahmed, Allen Shubro and Shilpi Sarkar Opu.

"Bhoyongkor Sundor" is produced by Square Film Company, for which Emon Shaha has done music.





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QUIZ - 03
Who did the cinematography in Spider-Man: Homecoming movie?

Winners list of QUIZ-02

1. Sheikh Machum Ahmed Saif, Jurain
2. Intiser Farid, Dhanmondi
3. Saima Zaman, Mohammadpur
4. Nasim Bin Jasim, Paltan
5. Nasif Chowdhury, Mirpur 1
6. Adil Tamid, Mohammadpur
7. Rumaisa Mehnaz, Uttara
8. Arafat Ahmed, Jatrabari
9. Farid Reza, Mirpur
10. Seuli Afroje, Banani