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- Shakib Khan

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Superstar Shakib Khan has been the number one actor for quite some time now, and it looks as though there is no slowing him down. The National Film Award winning actor has recently returned from a filming stint abroad, only to hit the sets again. In a recent interview with The Daily Star, Shakib Khan reveals more about what's keeping him busy.

You've been away for quite some time. How did filming go?

SK: It went quite well. We were filming for Bhaijan Elo Re in London, and shot parts of the movie in India before that. West Bengal actress Srabonti is working with me as the female lead. The rains in London gave us some trouble, but other than that it went without a hitch. I have high hopes regarding the film, and I am sure it will appeal to the audience. It will be ready for release on Eid.

What film have you been working on since your return?

SK: We have been filming the final lot for the film Superhero. It won't be much of a surprise, because of the title! I will be appearing as a super hero in the film. What made your enduring stardom possible?

SK: It really is the grace of God that I am still here, and the kindness of my fans to be so loyal. I could never imagine that so many people would possess such love and admiration for me. The most important thing is, you should be passionate

about your job, and not be afraid to work harder.

Chalbaaz has proved to become a success- what are your thoughts on the

SK: I believe that people will watch a film if it is well made, and "Chalbaaz" was able to deliver.

You are also a producer- could you elaborate more on this venture? SK: My first production project was Hero: The Superstar and back then it was made with the largest budget in our local industry. Now we are working on Priyotoma, which will star Bubly. We hope to begin filming in October.

What do you think will attract viewers to Priyotoma?

SK: Of course there will be interesting surprises in store, after all, I am the producer! But you shall have to wait and see. What are your hopes for cinema? SK: I want to help the industry reach new heights. I would like for our films to reach worldwide status and be appreciated across the globe.

## LUX SUPER STAR GRAND FINALE

## Battle of the beauties: WHO DO YOU THINK WILL WIN?



Samia Othoi, Mim Mantasha, Sarwat Azad Bristi, Ishrat Zaheen and Nabila Afrose are the top five contests of the Grand Finale. Live broadcast of the Grand Finale of Lux Super Star will be aired today on Channel i at 7:30 PM. For the very first time three judges, Sadia Islam Mou, Tahsan Khan, and Arifin Shuvoo will be performing together on the same stage at the event. The nation awaits to see who wins the crown today!

## NAUMI

AFSANA AZIZ NITOL

Having a dislike towards favouritism, singer Naumi thinks everyone should be treated equally. The singer attained nationwide fame through Channel i Khude Gaanraj. However, this is not her first reality show. Naumi first appeared in Bangladesh Television's Nutan Kuri as a child and now she is a winner of both national and international awards in music.

A place you want to visit before you die? Luxembourg. There is a hundred percent literacy rate there and I want to visit University of Luxembourg.

Tea or Coffee? Coffee

Song that cheers you up?

There are so many, but I would say songs of Goo Goo Dolls cheer me up.

Any singer that you admired in your childhood? I admire any artiste that leaves a mark on people's lives. It will be very difficult to name one.

What is the meaning of your name?

It's actually very weird because the meaning of my name is sleep. And I'm insomniac!

One quality that you think every human should have? Honesty is a must. I also think people should not be biased. Where do you see yourself in ten years?

I don't plan things. I like to live in the moment. In the future, I want to learn more and enlighten myself. Ten years from now, I want to see myself as a better human being.

Chanchal Chowdhury's Exciting Eid Projects!

SHAH ALAM SHAZU

Popular film and television actor Chanchal Chowdhury is excited for his many different projects airing this Eid. In addition to acting in some special hour-long Eid dramas, he will be seen in six different Eid TV serials.

The actor has already completed shooting for two out of the six TV serials. As of now, he is shooting for one of the serials in Pubail, Gazipur. The serial titled, Heart Fail Faiz, is about a man who keeps on having troubles of the heart. Chowdhury plays the titular character in this one. It has been written by

Brindaban Das and directed by Milon

Bhattacharya. Chowdhury states that the serial is very humorous, and it has been a pleasure working on it.

Further to this, Chowdhury has completed shooting for a ten-episode serial directed by Sagar Jahan called Nosu Villain. The serial is about the daily life of the villain of the Jatra -- Nosu -- the character played by Chowdhury. It will be aired on ATN Bangla during Eid.

Chowdhury will soon begin shooting for four other Eid TV serials. These serials will be directed by Abu Hayat Mahmud, Golam Sohrab Dodul, Imraul Rafat, and Masud Shehzan. Chowdhury says, "I play different roles in each of these Eid projects. Audiences will not find any similarities between the characters I play, which is always great."

With such a wide range of Eid offerings from the actor, his fans are surely in for a treat. "Eid is a time for quality entertainment. I hope audiences find my work to be good," concludes Chowdhury.





A still from Tritiyo Bishwer Magic - Magic of Third World.

PRIYANKA CHOWDHURY

The Premiere Show of Tritiyo Bishwer Magic -Magic of Third World, a short film by Anwar Hossain Pintu, was held at National Art Gallery auditorium of Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy today at 6:30pm.Chalachitram Film Society organised the premier show of the film.

Anwar Hossain Pintu, a journalist, film researcher and film critic, began his journey as a filmmaker with

this 20 minute short film. The film has been adapted from a 14 line short story by the famous Bengali short storywriter Swapnomoy Chakraborty. The entire film has been shot outdoors. The screenplay, dialogue, costumes and poster of the film has been also written by the director. The main character of the film is played by actor and head of theatre group Nandika, Alok Ghosh. It is the first film produced by Chottogram Satyajit Charcha Kendra. The film was dedicated to the master filmmaker Satyajit Ray and a prime name in the Bangladesh short film movement,

Mohammed Khasru.

Third World

premiered at

Magic of

It has a touch of magic realism. The main character is a homeless man who earns his living by selling objects he finds in the wasteland. His ordinary life is magically changed when he looks through a pipe that he finds in the waste dump. The film presents a critic of effects of capitalism and imperialism of the developed nations over the underdeveloped countries in a metaphorical way.

The film show was followed by a short view

exchange session.