



(L) Roshan and Puja Chery, after a screening of "Psycho". (R) Barsha and Ananta Jalil -- the lead cast of "Din-The Day".



Trifecta of films, makers claim success

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Marking Eid-ul-Azha, 3 films released across the country – Ananta Jalil's "Din-The Day", Anonno Mamun's "Psycho" and Raihan Rafi's "Poran".

While it is difficult to say which came out ahead in only 2-3 days, the cast and crew of the film have said that they are happy with the turnout of their films.

"Poran", made on a budget of BDT 60 lakhs, only released in 11 halls across the country. The

Bidya Sinha Mim, Yash Rohan and Shariful Razz starrer has garnered a positive response from people around the country, owing to its star cast, direction and script.

The crew recently visited Mymensingh for their release there. "A houseful audience means the world to an actor," she said. "The people of Mymensingh are very welcoming and enthusiastic. Even when they badmouthed my character in the film, it felt great," laughed Mim.

"What makes our film different, is the fact

that the audience can walk out feeling that they have witnessed something substantial", said Yash Rohan.

Ananta Jalil was confident about his BDT 100 crore budget film. "Din-The Day" released in 117 halls across the country. "I myself have come to the halls after 8 years, and it feels fantastic. 'Din-The Day' is a film that everyone can watch with family. So far, everyone has given me positive feedback, and I am happy".

"I have personally supervised everything from the action to the script and choreography. People are getting their money's worth out of the film," he further said.

Puja Chery and Roshan starrer "Psycho" released in 17 halls. "I believe that this film is for those who like commercial cinema with good stories. The audience will watch the film with great joy. Though it will release in 17 theatres in the first week of Eid, I think it will be released in more theatres next week," said director Anonno Mamun to The Daily Star.

"Since it is Eid-ul-Azha, it is expected that people will be busy at work", said Puja. "However, the love that people have shown me – I am awestruck." The actress was also a part of two acclaimed films earlier this year, "Shaan" and "Golui".

While single-screen theatres are seeing some much-needed influx of people during this time, multiplexes like Star Cineplex and Jamuna's Blockbuster are reported to be doing exceptional business.

"Both 'Din-The Day' and 'Poran' are doing exceptionally in all branches of Star Cineplex", says Mesbah Uddin Ahmed, senior manager at the renowned multiplex chain. "It is a boon for Bangla cinema, and it proves that if you put out good content, people will show up and see your films."

Dhanush makes his Hollywood debut

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Tamil actor Dhanush will be making his Hollywood debut, starring alongside Chris Evans and Ryan Gosling, in Netflix's "The Gray Man" which is slated to be released on July 22.

Reviews from critics have started to roll in, with most of them giving a positive feedback to the film. "The Gray Man" is directed by the Russo Brothers, who took the world by storm with their work in the Marvel Cinematic Universe.

Monty Norman, composer of James Bond theme, dies

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Monty Norman, the composer of the iconic theme song for the "James Bond" franchise, passed away yesterday, July 11, at the age of 94.

Norman famously composed the soundtrack for "Dr No," the 1962 James Bond film which starred Sean Connery. The theme composed by Norman for the movie became the iconic James Bond theme-tune that we are all familiar with today.

Before working on films, Norman was a singer turned songwriter. He also enjoyed success in the West End with his hit "Irma La Douce". He is survived by his wife and a daughter.



Salman Khan breaks Eid tradition

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On Sunday during the occasion of Eid-ul-Azha, fans gathered near Salman Khan's residence, in hopes of catching a glimpse of the star. Public appearances by Salman during the occasion of Eid has been a tradition of the superstar for years now, but this time he strayed away from publicly greeting fans.

According to a report by ETimes, Salman avoided greeting fans due to security reasons. This is after the actor received death threats from gangster Lawrence Bishnoi. The report also stated that ten special force officers had been posted near the actor's residence.



Martin Scorsese restores Malayalam film Kummatty

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Academy Award winning filmmaker Martin Scorsese announced on Monday, that his film foundation will be screening the restored version of the classic Malayalam film "Kummatty" at The Film Foundation Restoration Screening Room from July 11.

Scorsese announced this via Instagram. Several fans in the comments section thanked Scorsese for picking the film and called it a proud moment for Malayalam cinema.

Starting from April, Scorsese's The Film Foundation started their Restoration Screening Room project to showcase films restored by the foundation for free. The first movie restored and screened was the 1945 romance "I Know Where I'm Going!"

RAKSHANDA RAHMAN MISHA

The 'goddess' of Dhallywood and Tollywood, Jaya Ahsan looked ethereal and sophisticated in her maroon two-piece suit paired with Multani earrings. The actress kept her makeup subtle and simple with simple kohl-lined eyes and dark nude lipstick.

Azmeri Haque Badhan, on the other hand, opted for matching leaf patterns along with her mother and daughter. The look was appreciated highly among her fans, as social media fawned over the adorable pictures.

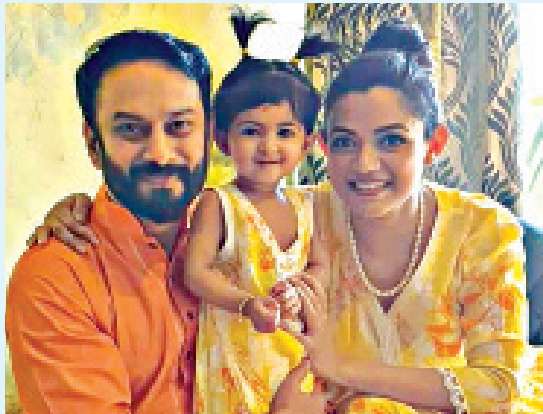
'Pataaka' Nusraat Faria opted for a pastel pink saree and grey blouse. The actress kept her whole look simple and earthy with just simple jhumka's and light kohl-lined eyes and 'teep'.

Bhabna looked elegant in a coral Pakistani suit paired with a huge pearl ring on her fingers. The actress kept her hair open and opted for a nude lipstick for the daytime look.

"Aynabaji" actress Nabila posted a cute picture with her husband and adorable daughter on social media. The mother-daughter duo wore bright yellow dresses, while her husband Reem looked handsome in bright orange Punjabi.



(L) Azmeri Haque Badhan with her family. (R) Bhabna in her coral green Pakistani salwar suit.



(L) Nusraat Faria looked gorgeous in pastel pink saree. (M) Nabila with her family. (R) Jaya Ahsan celebrated Eid along with her family.

EID-UL-AZHA 2022 Divas of silver screen prefer ETHNIC WEAR

As the scorching heat surfaces all over the Eid festivities, celebrities opted for more somber and pastel colours to make their Eid look super comfortable and summer-friendly. The popular faces of TV, music, and movies posted beautiful pictures with their family and friends to make this Eid-ul-Azha oh so special.