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Alifia Dance Squad give a captivating performance to kick-off the night.

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Blender's **Choice-The** Daily Star OTT & Digital Content Awards 2021 Conferred **Amidst Festivities**



To further develop the entertainment industry of Bangladesh and recognise artistes, content and content creators on over-the-top (OTT) and other digital platforms, The Daily Star and Ispahani Tea Limited organised the "Blender's Choice-The Daily Star OTT & Digital Content Awards 2021".

The gala event was held at the 'Hall of Fame' of Bangabandhu International Conference Center (BICC) on September 3, 2022. This award programme aims to honour artistes, content creators, and people who are contributing to the entertainment industry.

Tipu Munshi, MP, Honourable Minister, Ministry of Commerce, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. The inauguration speech of the event was given by Mirza Salman Ispahani, Chairman of Ispahani Tea Limited and Mahfuz Anam, Editor and Publisher of The Daily Star.

In 31 categories, the award programme recognised and acknowledged the most deserving artistes, content and content creators. The awards were conferred after combining the judgement of an expert jury panel, with votes from hundreds of thousands of fans.

The first half of the programme was hosted by Rafsan Sabab and Sunerah Binte Kamal, with the remainder being hosted by Yash Rohan and Naziba Basher. Stars, Safa Kabir and Shirin Akhtar Shela presented an energetic dance number, while Khayam Sanu Sandhi serenaded the audience with his melodious voice.

In addition to Amin and Ashik's outstandingly witty performance, Shuvashish Bhowmik and Rituraj, the famous 'Baap Ka Beta' duo, sang their hearts out.

The complete list of winners in 31 categories, under 3 broad categories-Popular, Critics, and Individual Digital Content Section—is given below.

SL.	BROAD CATEGORY	CATEGORY	WINNER	PRODUCTION
1	Popular	Best Actor (Male)	Chanchal Chowdhury	Taqdeer
2	Popular	Best Actor (Female)	Tasnia Farin	Ladies & Gentlemen
3	Popular	Best Actor in a Negative Role	Afran Nisho	Morichika
4	Popular	Best Supporting Actor, Series (Male)	Shohel Mondol	Taqdeer
5	Popular	Best Supporting Actor, Series (Female)	Aparna Ghose	Lights, Camera Objection Jaago Bahey
6	Popular	Best Director, Series	Ashfaque Nipun	Mohanagar
7	Popular	Best Director, Film	Ashfaque Nipun	Koshtoneer
8	Popular	Best Cinematographer	Barkat Hossain Polash	Taqdeer
9	Popular	Best Drama/Series	Taqdeer	Taqdeer
10	Popular	Best Film	Khachar Bhitor Ochin Pakhi	Khachar Bhitor Ochin Pakhi
11	Popular	Best Costume	Edila Farid Turin	Taqdeer
12	Popular	Best Editing	Saleh Sobhan Auneem	Lights, Camera Objection Jaago Bahey
13	Popular	Best Script Writer (Story)	Raihan Rafi	Khachar Bhitor Ochin Pakhi
14	Critics	Best Actor, Male	Mosharraf Karim	Mohanagar
15	Critics	Best Actor, Female	Tama Mirza	Khachar Bhitor Ochin Pakhi
16	Critics	Best Director	Sukorno Shahed Dhiman	Bunker Boy Jaago Bahey
17	Critics	Best Film/Drama/Series	Mohanagar	Mohanagar
18	Music/Song	Best Music Composer	Sajid Sarker	Rupkothar Jogote Networker Baire
19	Music/Song	Best Singer	Abanti Sithi & Rehaan Rasul	Rupkothar Jogote Networker Baire
20	Music/Song	Best Background Score	Sajid Sarker	Networker Baire
21	Music/Song	Best Lyricist	Shomeshwar Oli	Rupkothar Jogote Networker Baire
22	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Documentary)	Mohsin Ul Hakim	Shundorboner Dossumuktir Golpo
23	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Education)	Ayman Sadiq	Jebhabe Mobile diye Graphics Design Korben
24	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Entertainment / Comedy)	Shehwar & Maria	Bouke Kichu Kotha Shunalam
25	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Sports)	Cricket Gurukul	Rickshachalok Jokhon Peshadar Cricketer
26	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Health & Wellbeing)	The Big Content Ltd.	Fresh Bangladesh
27	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Kids)	Baap Ka Beta	Mojar School e Ekdin
28	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Travel Vlog)	Nadir On The Go - Bangla	Marattok Hangor Macher Shathe Shatar
29	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Animation)	Samima Sraboni	Tyson
30	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Food & Recipe)	Rafsan TheChotoBhai	So I got challenged to a cooking competition
31	Individual Content	Best Content Creator (Social Cause)	Free Motion By Firoz Hasan	Jibon Shongram Boyosher Dik Bibechona kore ashe na
32	Special Recognition	People's Choice for Popular Digital Media Drama	Team - Bachelor Point	Bachelor Point



Sunehra Binte Kamal takes a snap on the red carpet.



Peya Jannatul



Shireen Akhter Shela hits the red carpet with a sensational look.





(L) The dazzling Tasnia Farin receives the Best Actor (Female) award. (R) Chanchal Chowdhury bags the Best Actor (Male) award.







(L) Afran Nisho captures the Best Actor in Negative Role award. (M) Shohel Mondol receives the Best Supporting Actor award. (R) Ashfaque Nipun receives the Best Director award.