



PHOTOS: SHEIKH MEHEDI MORSHED

The relentless ACTRESS

the popular category.

In a candid conversation with The Daily Star, the beautiful actress opens up about her upcoming projects, movies, and more.

How does it feel after winning big at the Blender's Choice-The Daily Star

Tasnia Farin with her Best Actor (Female) Award at the Blender's Choice-The Daily Star OTT & Digital Content Awards 2021.

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OTT & Digital Content Awards 2021?

The feeling is surreal, and words can't fully express my emotions right now. It's an honour to be nominated for "Ladies & Gentlemen", as it's my first web series in OTT. The 'Best Actress' award means a lot to me, as audiences have watched my work and appreciated it wholeheartedly. I am truly blessed and honoured by the undying love of fans, as it proves that hard work always pays off in the end.

When will we get to see 'Karagar-2' in Hoichoi?

People have been constantly asking me this question since its release. Interestingly enough, when I was returning to Dhaka from Thailand for the OTT awards, my immigration officer asked me when 'Karagar-2' will come. He said he won't stamp my passport if I didn't reveal the date! Fortunately, I did get the seal without revealing too much. (laughs)

How challenging was it to learn sign language for "Karagar-2"? Your character hardly smiled in the series.

People will get to see different layers of my character in the second season. Both Chanchal bhai and I had an acting coach, who would teach us the art of sign language. We had a 7-8 days crash course, so that we can adapt the body language perfectly.

While I was being briefed about my role, Shawki bhai told me that 'Maha' is one of the most static characters in the whole series. She doesn't really express her true emotions. She had a lot of baggage, and thus a smile was not something that came to her naturally.

How was the experience of working in your Tollywood debut film "Aro Ek Prithibi"?

Atanu Da (Atanu Ghosh) is a brilliant filmmaker with an exceptional vision for storytelling. He is a wonderful human being from whom I got to learn a lot about philosophical perspectives. It was completely a new experience coming to the UK alone, and shooting with a whole new team.

The only difficult part was enacting the 'Kolkata' accent. However, I most of my lines were in English. Fortunately, I was able to fine-tune my Bangla dialogue during the dubbing process. So it wasn't really a big deal.

You will be seen as a terrorist in Raihan Rafi's web film 'Nishwas'.

When Rafi bhai was narrating the plot of 'Nishwas', I was wondering hard whether I would be able to enact it properly. This was the first time I got a character with whom I had zero similarities whatsoever. Usually, I would take inspiration from my close ones but for this role, I had to research a lot. It was really difficult for me to understand what made her choose this path.

I had to take special training for this role, for instance -- weapon training, hospital visits, and staying in character for a long time. This character added another unique dimension to my acting career.



SPECIAL ISSUE

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I want to surpass myself with each of my performances, and I plan to continue working till I die"

AFRAN NISHO
on winning the Best Actor in Negative role award at the Blender's Choice-The Daily Star OTT & Digital Content Awards 2021.




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STYLE STATEMENT

The sensuous Shirin Akter Shela looked absolutely dazzling in a short, golden coloured, sleeveless top at the Blender's choice- The Daily Star OTT and Digital Content Awards. She paired the top with a long pencil skirt. Both the skirt and the top were ornamented with crystals and stones.

Adding to the look, she also wore a multi-layered, silver necklace. For makeup, she chose to go with a bold red lipstick and smoky eyes. Her hair, put into a ponytail, made Shirin look like a Golden Goddess.

“Although I did only one OTT project, I'm glad that they invited me to the programme. All of my colleagues are doing great on OTT platforms and I wish them all the success in the future.”

SAID SHELA DURING THE EVENT

Shela continued to enchant audiences with her exotic dance moves, performing to the songs "Shada Shada Kala Kala" and "E Hawa". During her performance, she looked ravishing in her white glittery outfit and set the stage on fire with her graceful dance steps.

TRENDY STREAMS

NETFLIX
DELHI CRIME SEASON 2

HOICHOI
KARAGAR PART-1

CHORKI
SHONGSHAR UNLIMITED

AMAZON PRIME
THE LORD OF THE RINGS: THE RINGS OF POWER

HULU
TELL ME LIES

BIOSCOPE
MAKAL

WHAT'S PLAYING?

RUPKOTHAAR JOGOTE

Abanti Sithi and Rehaan Rasul

"Rupkothar Jogote" by Abanti Sithi and Rehaan Rasul is possibly one of the best melodic, romantic ballads in recent memory to be featured in a film. The song, along with the music video, was an immediate hit with viewers.

It wooed the Bangladeshi audience to such an extent, that on September 3, the singers took home the Best Singer Award at the Blender's Choice - The Daily Star OTT & Digital Content Award. The song was featured in the Chorki web-film, "Networker Baire".



A Chorki Original Film

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a hoichoi original series

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TV TALKIES

'Mohanagar'

"Mohanagar" is a Hoichoi original drama series starring Mosharraf Karim, Zakia Bari Mamo and Khairul Basar, among others. Created and directed by Ashfaque Nipun, the show follows the story of a few police officers who are trying to hunt down a wanted criminal.

The highlight of the show is no doubt Mosharraf Karim's character, OC Harun. The superior officer, Harun, is ready to do anything to fulfil his own personal agenda, and can be seen manipulating crime scenes further his own interests. However, the audience is not immediately privy to Harun's personal plans, and it's hard to tell whether he is a brilliant cop or a corrupt cop who knows exactly how to manipulate the system.

Unlike your average crime-thriller, "Mohanagar" does not centre around finding the criminal, rather, it focuses on solving the crime. As audiences navigate through the multiple sub-plots and consecutive twists and turns of the show, it is likely that "Mohanagar" will leave viewers sitting on the edge of their seats, biting their nails in anticipation.