

## PICK OF THE WEEK



### Our Choice

**Dark Water (IMDb rating 7.3)**  
On HBO, November 26 at 9:30 pm  
**Genre: Horror/Mystery/Thriller**

**Hitomi Kuroki, Rio Kanno, Mirei Oguchi**  
After winning custody for her daughter Hitomi tries to make a new start. The apartment she moves into seems perfect at first. Soon though, strange things begin happening. Huge water stains appear on the ceiling and drip constantly, more liquid oozing into the rooms every day. She calls the landlord but he refuses to do anything about it. A child's red bag shows up in odd places and soon the child herself starts appearing. Hitomi then discovers the origin of the ghost...



### The Sport

**West Indies Tour of Zimbabwe**

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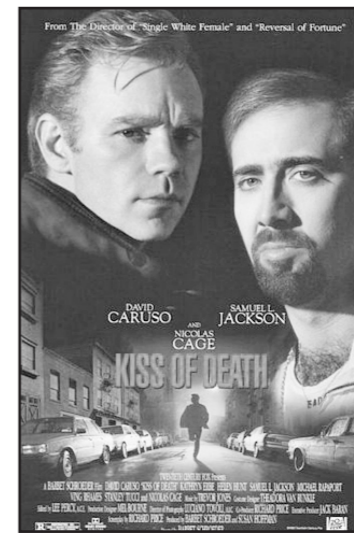
Live from Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

On ESPN, November 22 at 01:25 pm

Zimbabwe

Vs

West Indies



### The Movie

**Kiss of Death (IMDb rating 5.8)**  
On Star Movies, November 22 at 7:00 pm

**Genre: Crime/Drama/Thriller**

**Samuel L. Jackson, Nicolas Cage, Helen Hunt**  
Jimmy Kilmartin's an ex-con who's trying to go straight, but can't say no to a quick driving job. The job is for Little Junior Brown, a violent and powerful villain. When things go wrong, Jimmy is left to do the time, and his whole life is turned upside-down, but if that wasn't enough, the cops won't leave Jimmy alone when he gets out... they want 'Little Junior'.

## Satellite TV



**Leaving Las Vegas (IMDb rating 7.5)**  
On Star Movies, November 26 at 8:50 pm

**Genre: Drama/Romance**  
**Nicolas Cage, Elisabeth Shue, Julian Sands**  
Ben Sanderson, a hard-core alcoholic, drives to Las Vegas after being fired from his film production job and divesting himself of all possessions. He plans to drink himself to death within four weeks. He meets Sera, a prostitute; they fall in love and he moves in with her. Each pledges not to try to change the other's chosen destiny, and they carry on a romance over Ben's last weeks.



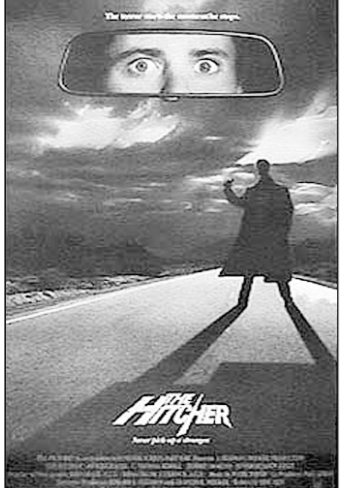
**Big Trouble (IMDb rating 6.5)**  
On Star Movies, November 23 at 7:00 pm

**Genre: Comedy**  
**Tim Allen, Rene Russo, Stanley Tucci, Tom Sizemore**  
From the creative mind of Pulitzer winner Dave Barry, comes a film following a chain of events inspired by the arrival of a mysterious suitcase in Miami. Arthur Herk, a corrupt business owner, wants to get his hands on the case. At the same time, two hitmen want get him wacked. Tired of his constant fixation on drinking and television, Herk's wife Anna and daughter Jenny decide to find new love interests in divorced dad Eliot Arnold and his son Matt. Just to add more complication to this already complicated plot, two thieves decide to steal the case and lead a Miami police team and two FBI agents on a wild goose chase that ends inside the airport terminal.



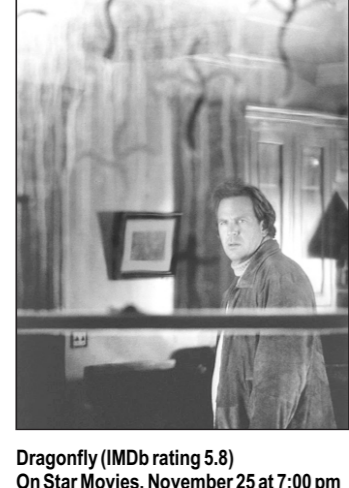
**Spy Game (IMDb rating 7.0)**  
On HBO, November 22 at 11:30 pm

**Genre: Action/Drama/Thriller**  
**Robert Redford, Brad Pitt, Catherine McCormack**  
CIA operative Nathan Muir is on the brink of retirement when he finds out that his protégé Tom Bishop has been arrested in China for espionage. No stranger to the machinations of the CIA's top echelon, Muir hones all his skills and irreverent manner in order to find a way to free Bishop. As he embarks on his mission to free Bishop, Muir recalls how he recruited and trained the young rookie, at that time a sergeant in Vietnam, their turbulent times together as operatives and the woman who threatened their friendship.



**The Hitcher (IMDb rating 6.8)**  
On Star Movies, November 24 at 11:15 pm

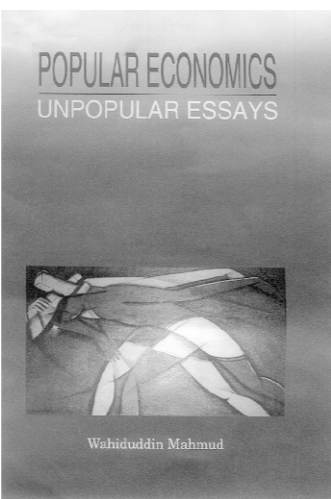
**Genre: Action/Horror/Thriller**  
**C. Thomas Howell, Rutger Hauer, Jennifer Jason Leigh**  
A young man transporting a car to another state is stalked along the road by a cunning and relentless serial killer who eventually frames the driver for a string of murders. Chased by police and shadowed by the killer, the driver's only help comes from a truck stop waitress.



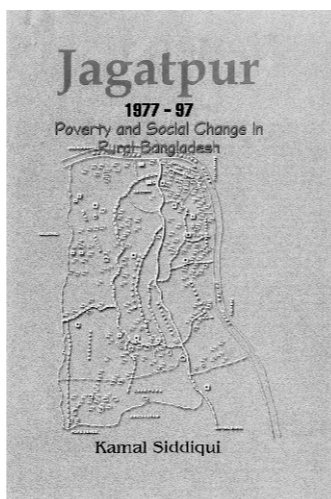
**Dragonfly (IMDb rating 5.8)**  
On Star Movies, November 25 at 7:00 pm

**Genre: Sci-Fi/Thriller/Drama**  
**Kevin Costner, Susanna Thompson**  
As head of emergency services for Chicago Memorial Hospital, Dr. Joe Darrow (Kevin Costner) is a respected expert in trauma and triage. But his professional knowledge provides little comfort when tragedy claims the life of his wife. A doctor herself, Emily Darrow was on a medical mercy mission when she died in a bus accident on a remote mountain road in Venezuela. Joe had argued against her taking that trip and now can only imagine the worst when he thinks of her final moments.

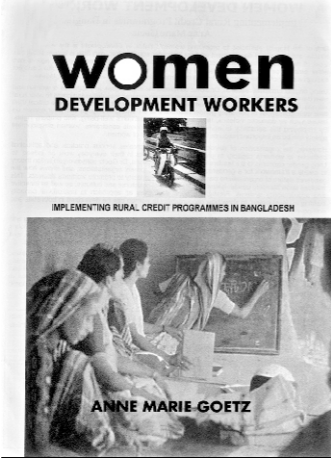
## Books



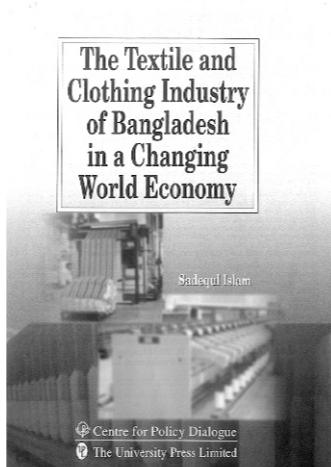
**Popular Economics Unpopular Essays**  
Wahiduddin Mahmud  
Price: Tk. 275.00  
It is frustrating for people to find debates on economic policies too technical and inaccessible, since it is their lives that are affected by these policies. The essays in this volume have arisen out of the author's belief that economists owe it to the society to try to bridge the gap between expert and lay opinion on economic policy issues and that, in spite of the complexities of economic problems, a minimum level of economic literacy among educated people is both possible and highly desirable. The book comprises an assortment of articles and commentaries written by the author for newspapers and occasional lectures delivered in popular forums.



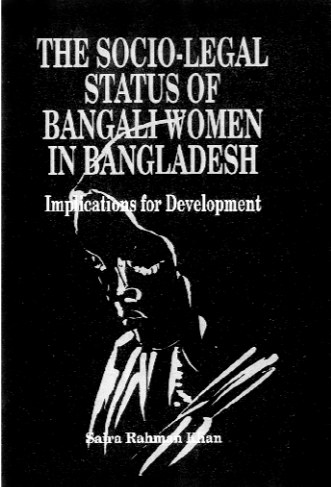
**Jagatpur: 1977-97**  
Poverty and Social Change in Rural Bangladesh  
Kamal Siddiqui, Price: Tk. 550.00  
This is a longitudinal study seeking to explain poverty in rural Bangladesh during the two decades between 1977 and 1997. More explicitly, the objective has been to delineate the processes within rural society, which caused, aggravated, maintained and reduced poverty in a typical Bangladesh village during the above period. On both occasions, long drawn and painstaking fieldwork was undertaken within a holistic framework of analysis. Development of the physical infrastructure by the government, the provision of micro-credit by the NGOs and the supply and dissemination of modern agricultural inputs by the private sector are, by themselves quite inadequate to address the problems of rural poverty in Bangladesh.



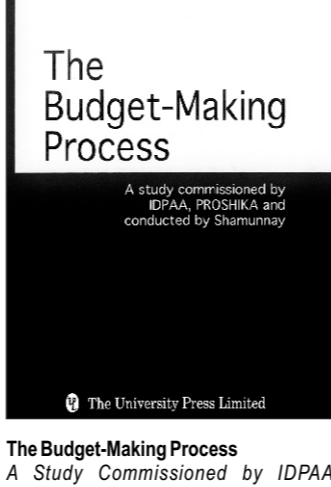
**Women Development Workers**  
Implementing Rural Credit Programmes in Bangladesh  
Anne Marie Goetz  
Price: Tk. 575.00  
One of the biggest obstacles to promoting women's rights in development is the resistance of middle- and lower-level development workers to gender equality. Yet, very little is known about this facet of the development process or about the practical ways in which development agents can either promote or subvert gender equality goals. Anne Marie Goetz tackles this important subject through a study of development workers in their interactions with poor women in Bangladesh. Using original empirical research, Dr Goetz compares the experiences and attitudes of women and men development agents in several major micro-finance programmes delivering credit to poor rural women.



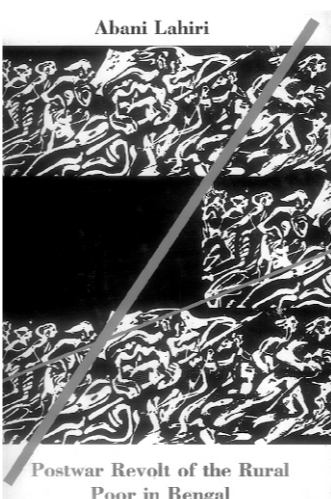
**The Textile and Clothing Industry of Bangladesh in a Changing World Economy**  
Sadequ Islam  
Price: Tk. 250.00  
Liberalisation of trade and investment in the post-Uruguay Round period presents opportunities as well as challenges for the textiles and clothing industry of Bangladesh. This study covers several aspects of the textiles and clothing industry of Bangladesh in the context of a changing world economy. The book discusses the implications of the international trade policy regimes governed by the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC) and trade policy instruments of the major trade blocs such as the European Union and the North American Free Trade Agreement for international trade in textiles and clothing.



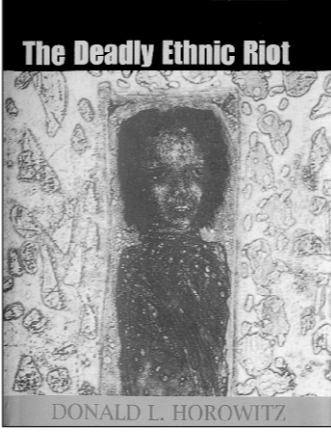
**The Socio-Legal Status of Banglali Women in Bangladesh**  
Implications for Development  
Saira Rahman Khan  
Price: Tk. 425.00  
This book focuses on the status of women in the social and legal context of Bangladesh and has made an effort to highlight both the situation of rural and urban Banglali women and the discrimination and violence they face almost on a day-to-day basis. The study upholds that even though Bangladesh is a signatory to various international instruments regarding women and children, trafficking and other cruel and degrading actions against women, the state has largely failed to uphold such obligations. There has been very little change in the social and legal status of women.



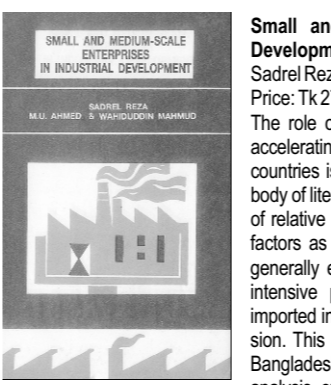
**The Budget-Making Process**  
A Study Commissioned by IDPAA, PROSHIKA and Conducted by Shamunay  
Price: Tk. 450.00  
This is the second book in the series of a longitudinal study, using both quantitative and qualitative techniques, undertaken by a group of proactive researchers on the budget-making process in Bangladesh with a particular focus on the allocations for the poor. The study was conducted for IDPAA, PROSHIKA by Shamunay. Besides developing a conceptual framework for 'going to the people' while preparing national budget, the book covers a number of other building blocks related to this important topic, such as: opinions of ex-finance ministers, role of bureaucracy, role of Members of the Parliament, perception of different social groups, update on the public expenditure focussing particularly on health sector, assessment of poverty etc.



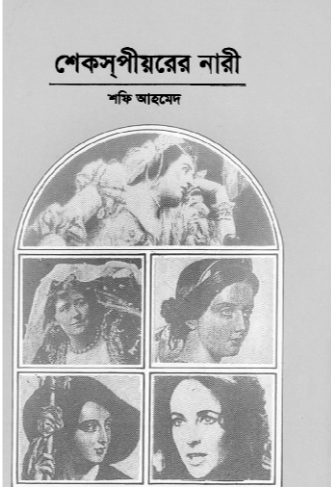
**Postwar Revolt of the Rural Poor in Bengal**  
Memoirs of a Communist Activist  
Abani Lahiri (Interviewed by Ranajit Dasgupta, Translated by Subrata Banerjee)  
Price: Tk. 855.00  
This is the English translation of the memoirs of Abani Lahiri, a dedicated Communist and one of the foremost leaders of the Tebhaga uprising of 1946-47, a movement of sharecroppers and the rural poor. It takes the form of an extended interview conducted by the late Ranajit Dasgupta—Communist activist and well-known labour historian—whose discreet yet highly perceptive questioning raises it much above the level of most memoirs.



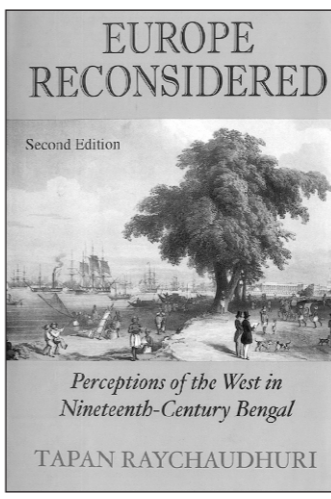
**The Deadly Ethnic Riot**  
Donald L. Horowitz, Price: Tk. 1075.00  
Donald L. Horowitz's consideration of the structure and dynamics of ethnic violence is the first full-scale, comparative study of the deadly ethnic riot—an intense, sudden, lethal attack by civilian members of one ethnic group on another ethnic group. Serious, destabilizing, and episodic, these events often result in large numbers of casualties. This book examines approximately 150 such riots across fifty countries, mainly in Asia, Africa, and the former Soviet Union, as well as fifty control cases.



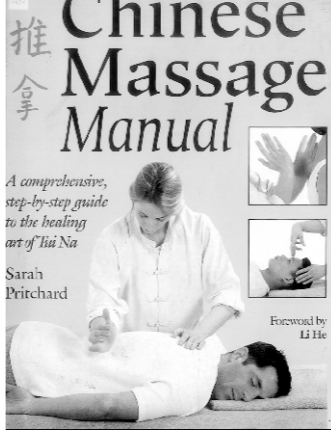
**Small and Medium-Scale Enterprises in Industrial Development**  
Sadre Reza, MU Ahmed & Wahiduddin Mahmud  
Price: Tk. 275.00  
The role of small and medium-scale industries (SMIs) in accelerating industrial development of the less developed countries is well recognised and well rehearsed in a large body of literature. Although some times criticised on grounds of relative inefficiency and a non-optimal use of productive factors as compared to larger firms, the SMIs have been generally extolled for their greater dependence of labour-intensive production techniques, lower requirements of imported inputs and a better pattern of geographical dispersion. This book is the first major contribution of its kind in Bangladesh to provide an empirically detailed and authentic analysis of three SMI sub-sectors viz., food processing, textiles and metal working. Based on a sample survey of 120 selected units located in Dhaka, Chittagong and Khulna cities, an attempt is made in this volume to assess the significance of the small and medium-scale enterprises in Bangladesh, examine their functional characteristics and operational efficiency, evaluate the relative strength and weakness of the incentive structure designed to promote them and finally, put forward a number of policy recommendations concerning their sustained growth and development.



**Shakespeare Naari**  
Shafi Ahmed  
Price: Tk. 70.00  
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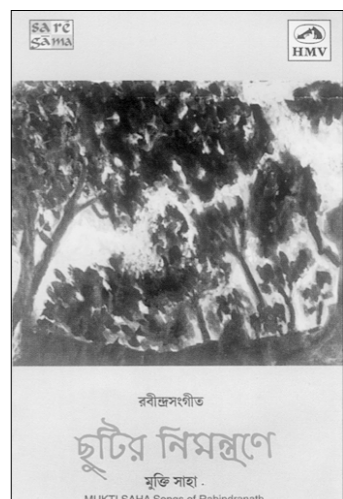


**EUROPE RECONSIDERED**  
Second Edition  
Tapan Raychaudhuri, Price: Tk. 1125.00  
This penetrating volume examines changing perceptions and attitudes in nineteenth-century Bengal that grew out of its social, cultural, and intellectual confrontation with the West. The author focuses his analysis on the ideas of three men—Bhudev Mukhopadhyay, Bankimchandra Chattopadhyay, and Swami Vivekananda. Despite their very different perceptions of the West, these men, erudite and accomplished members of upper-class urban Bengal, were considered intellectual beacons, representing as well as shaping widely held opinions of the time.



**Chinese Massage Manual**  
Sarah Pritchard, Price: Tk. 890.00  
Tui Na (Chinese Massage) is one of the four main branches of traditional Chinese medicine; its sister therapies are Chinese herbal medicine, acupuncture and Qi Gong. Its roots in China are ancient. Throughout its history, Tui Na has been developed, refined and systematized and now is a very popular form of treatment with the people in China. This book aims to provide an overall introduction to the various aspects of Tui Na. It is laid out in three parts.

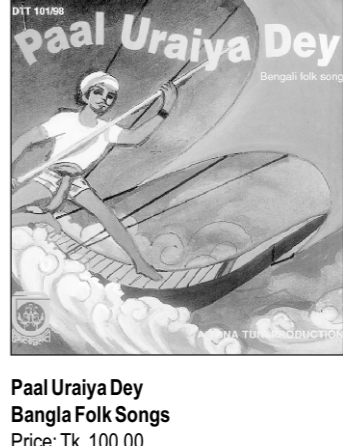
## CDs & Cassettes



**Chhuti Nimantraney Kotoje Tumi Monohar**  
Rabindra Sangeet by Muktisaha  
Price: Tk. 100.00  
The two albums, published by the famous house HMV from India, present some of the great poet's memorable tunes. Songs include *Tumi amay dekechhiley*, *Haowa lagey gaaner paley*, *Baro bedonar moto bejecho*, *Amar shakol dukher pradeep* from the former album, and *Tomar naam janine shur jani*, *Ami hridayer kotha bolitey byakul*, *Na shajoni na*, *Gharete bhamar elo*, *Phuley phuley dholey dholey* and others from the latter. The cover jackets have two invaluable painting by Rabindranath Tagore.



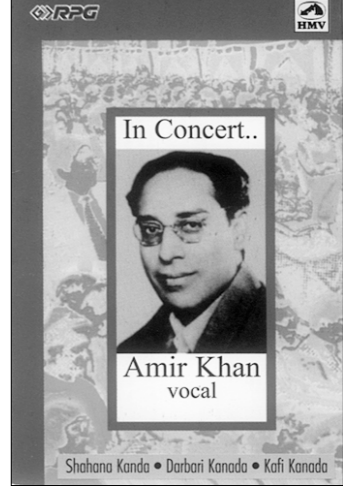
**Tumi Ki Kebonh**  
Rabindra Sangeet by Selina Malek  
Price: Tk. 200.00  
This unusual compilation has songs, parts of songs and recitation intermingled with dialogues. Performers include Arunodhi Homechowdhury, Shibajee Chattopadhyay, Shampa Kundu and others.



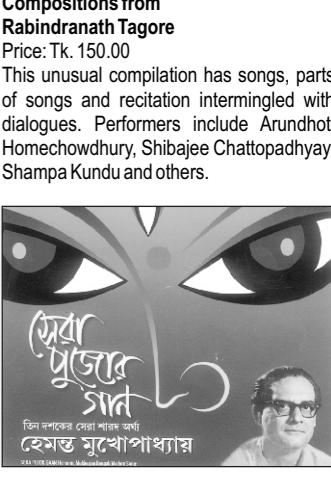
**Paal Uraiya Dey Bangla Folk Songs**  
A production of Tona Tuni, the album contains all very popular folk songs of our tradition. Singers including Syed Abdul Hadi, Shaklia Zafar, Rafiqul Alam and Shampa Reza present immortal tracks like *Majhi baiya jao re*, *Khachar bhitor ocheen pakhi*, *Holudia pakhi shonar baron*, *Lila bali Lila bali*, *Prano shakhire oi shon kadamba toley* and many others. Audience will sure love to hear the familiar tunes from their favourite performers.



**In Concert...**  
Classical Vocal by Amir Khan  
Price: Tk. 90.00  
Source: Gaan-er dali, Yakub super market 2/B Elephant road Dhaka (Ph: 9671520)



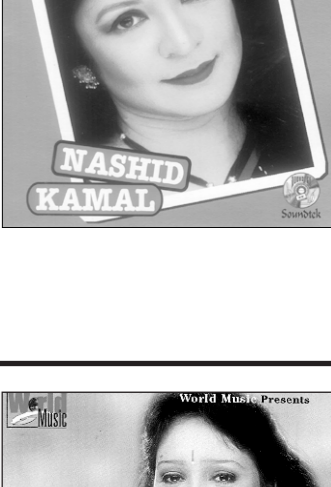
**Nashid Kamal**  
Albeli Naar (Urdu Ghazals)  
Nodir Kul Nai: a Tribute to Abbasuddin Soundtek



**Shediner Ek Bikeley**  
Modern Bangla Songs by Yasmín Mushtari  
World Music  
The Nazrul Sangeet artist has now entered the arena of popular 'modern' songs. With lyrics by Maas Masum, Pradeep Saha, Subrata Sengupta, Golam Morshed and music composition of Ibrar Tipu, these songs will surely attract the audience's praise.



**World Music Presents**  
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