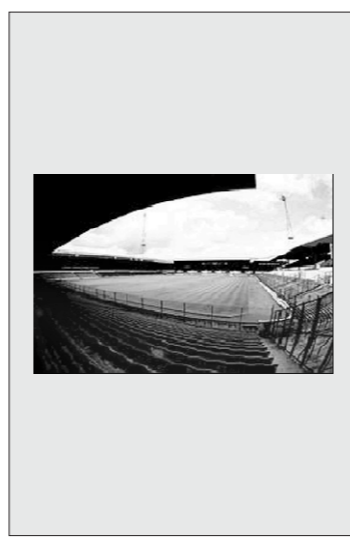


PICK OF THE WEEK



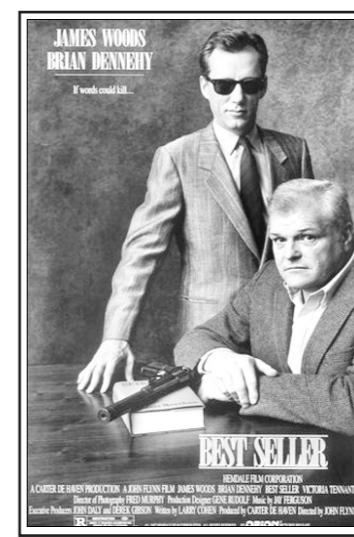
Our Choice

Interview with the Vampire:
The Vampire Chronicles (IMDb rating 7.1)
On HBO, December 07 at 09:30 pm
Genre: Drama/Horror
Tom Cruise, Brad Pitt, Antonio Banderas
It hadn't even been a year since a plantation owner named Louis had lost his wife, and now he had lost his will to live. A vampire named Lestat takes a liking to Louis and offers him the chance to become a creature of the night: a vampire. Louis accepts, and Lestat drains Louis' mortal blood and then replaces it with his own turning Louis into a vampire. Louis must learn from Lestat the ways of the vampire.



The Sport

English Premier Football
League 2003/04
Live from Leeds, England
On ESPN, December 06 at 08:55 pm
Leeds United
Vs
Chelsea



The Movie

Best Seller (IMDb rating 6.3)
On Star Movies, December 08 at 10:45 pm
Genre: Thriller
James Woods, Brian Dennehy, Victoria Tennant, Allison Balson
Hit man Cleve approaches writer/cop Dennis about a story for his next book: How Cleve made a living, working for one of the most powerful politicians in the country. To get the story right, they travel around the country to gather statements and evidence, while strong forces use any means they can to keep the story untold.

Satellite TV



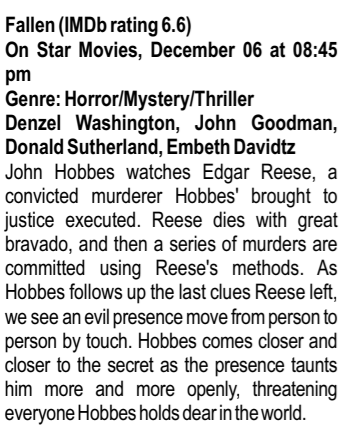
American Pie 2 (IMDb rating 6.3)
On HBO, December 06 at 09:30 pm
Genre: Comedy
Jason Biggs, Shannon Elizabeth, Alyson Hannigan
After their first year at college, the guys reunite for another summer of fun. Jim continues his quest for sexual independence by seeking the help of his old prom date, Michele, after an unexpected call from Nadia who plans to visit Jim. Meanwhile, Kev and Vicky find themselves in an awkward situation after having broken up for a year. Oz must deal with a long distance relationship when Heather heads off to France to study abroad. Old feuds die hard as the ever-so-horny Stiffer harbors his hatred toward Finch, who is practicing the Japanese art of Tantra.



Urban Legends: Final Cut (IMDb rating 3.7)
On HBO, December 11 at 09:30 pm
Genre: Horror/Thriller/Mystery
Jennifer Morrison, Matthew Davis, Hart Bochner, Loretta Devine
Urban Legends: The Final Cut follows Amy Mayfield, a student at Alpine University who struggles to complete her thesis film on urban legends—only to have her crew members fall prey to fatal 'accidents.' Suspicious, Amy investigates and discovers a much more sinister hand at work. Now she must unmask the killer before she, too, becomes an urban legend.



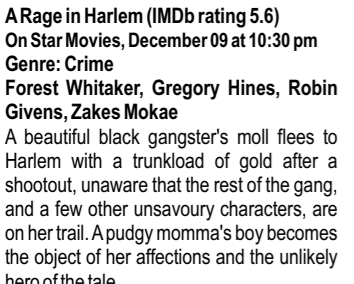
Soldier (IMDb rating 5.1)
On Star Movies, December 07 at 09:00 pm
Genre: Sci-Fi/Action
Kurt Russell, Jason Scott Lee, Connie Nielsen
In a futuristic society, some people are selected at birth to become soldiers, and trained in such a manner that they become inhuman killing machines.



Fallen (IMDb rating 6.6)
On Star Movies, December 06 at 08:45 pm
Genre: Horror/Mystery/Thriller
Denzel Washington, John Goodman, Donald Sutherland, Embeth Davidtz
John Hobbes watches Edgar Reese, a convicted murderer Hobbes' brought to justice executed. Reese dies with great bravado, and then a series of murders are committed using Reese's methods. As Hobbes follows up the last clues Reese left, we see an evil presence move from person to person by touch. Hobbes comes closer and closer to the secret as the presence taunts him more and more openly, threatening everyone Hobbes holds dear in the world.

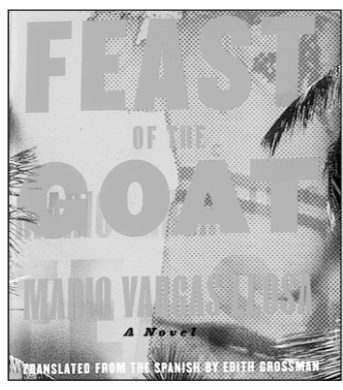


Three Amigos! (IMDb rating 5.7)
On Star Movies, December 10 at 08:30 pm
Genre: Comedy/Western, Chevy Chase, Steve Martin, Martin Short
When silent film stars Lucky Day, Dusty Bottoms and Ned Nederlander get fired, they take a job offer from Mexico: Doing a show with El Guapo, supposedly the most famous actor there. Traveling in good hope for good money, they arrive only to learn soon that El Guapo is not an actor, but a cruel gang leader suppressing people. He abducts the mayor's beautiful daughter Carmen (to be his wife) in revenge for the people's cry for help. Now, all hopes of the village folks rest on the weak shoulders of three minor-talented actors, who can't just walk off the set this time.

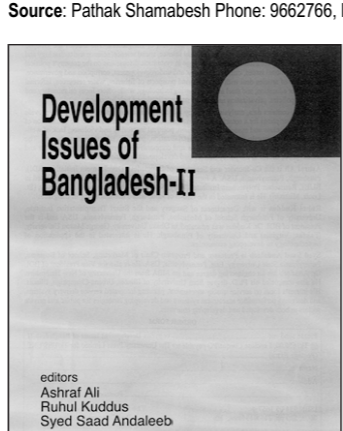


A Rage in Harlem (IMDb rating 5.6)
On Star Movies, December 09 at 10:30 pm
Genre: Crime
Forest Whitaker, Gregory Hines, Robin Givens, Zakes Mokae
A beautiful black gangster's moll flees to Harlem with a trunkload of gold after a shootout, unaware that the rest of the gang, and a few other unsavory characters, are on her trail. A pudgy momma's boy becomes the object of her affections and the unlikely hero of the tale.

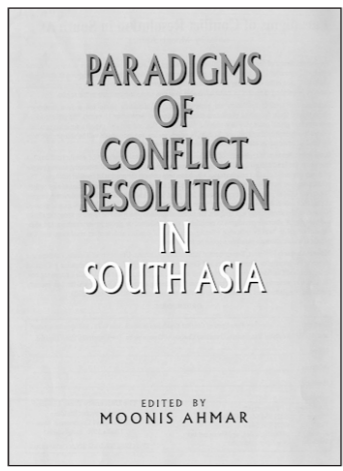
Books



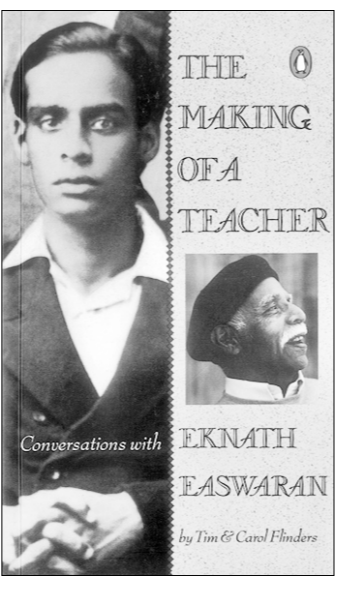
The Feast of the Goat
A Novel by Mario Vargas Llosa
Translated from Spanish by Edith Grossman
Price: Tk. 560.00
Haunted all her life by feelings of terror and emptiness, forty-nine year-old Urania Cabral returns to her native Dominican Republic—and finds herself reliving the events of 1961 when the capital was still called Trujillo City and one old man terrorized a nation of three million, Rafael Trujillo, the depraved ailing dictator whom Dominicans call the goat, controls his inner circle with a combination of violence and blackmail. In Trujillo's gaudy place, treachery and cowardice have become a way of life. But Trujillo's grasp is slipping. There is a conspiracy against him, and a Machiavellian revolution already underway that will have bloody consequences of its own. In this 'masterpiece of Latin American and world literature, and one of the finest political novels ever written' (Bookforum), Mario Vargas Llosa recounts the end of a regime and the birth of a terrible democracy, giving voice to the historical Trujillo and the victims, both innocent and complicit, drawn into his deadly orbit.



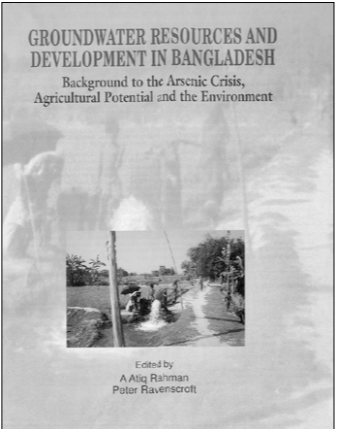
Development Issues of Bangladesh-II
Editors Ashraf Ali, Ruhul Kudus and Syed Saad Andaleeb
Price: Tk. 650.00
Development Issues of Bangladesh-II contains articles from a variety of disciplines held together by a common thread: socio-economic development of Bangladesh. The articles are grouped together by their disciplines such as political science, social science, science and technology and economics. The contributing authors engage in systematic discussions on the country's political and constitutional issues, causes of poverty and underdevelopment, corruption and governance. A number of articles deal with the status and prospects of fisheries, water resources, informal and higher education, and steel and engineering technology, while others focus on monetary and banking policies, privatization and effects and implications of globalization.



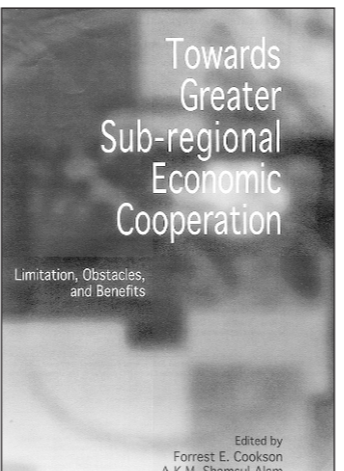
Paradigms of Conflict Resolution in South Asia
Edited by Moonis Ahmar, Price: Tk. 550.00
The central theme of the book is the changing paradigms of conflict and conflict resolution after the events of September 11. It also considers options for the South Asian countries to respond to challenges which they face in the dichotomy of US-led war against terrorism, the relevance of peace process and confidence-building measures in order to resolve inter and intra-state conflicts in the region. Paradigms of conflict resolution are passing through a transitory phase but it is a temporary phenomenon. Once the world overcomes the implications of September 11 events, the emergence of new trends in global order may help stabilise this situation.



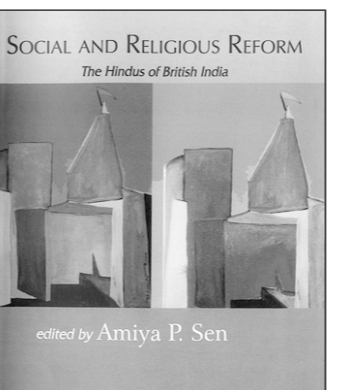
The Making of a Teacher
Conversations with Eknath Easwaran
Tim & Carol Flinders
Price: Tk. 350.00
In this series of candid conversations, Easwaran talks of the influence of the wise, unlettered woman he considers his spiritual teacher—his grandmother. He talks of his education in an India under the domination of the British Raj. And he talks of how he discovered, almost in spite of himself, his true vocation: teaching people how to meditate. This book gives the story of how Easwaran came to develop his method of meditation—one that makes the best of Eastern spiritual wisdom accessible to active people. And it vividly demonstrates why so many people have used this method to draw upon their deepest reserves of compassion, wisdom, and serenity.



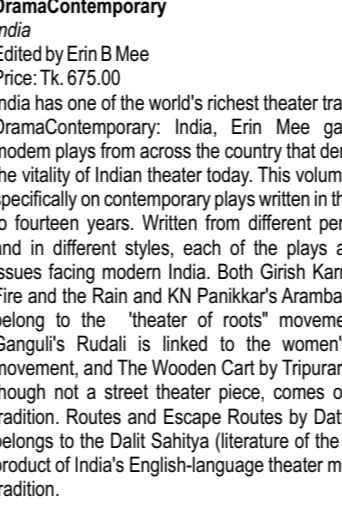
Groundwater Resources and Development in Bangladesh
Background to the Arsenic Crisis, Agricultural Potential and the Environment
Edited by A Atiq Rahman and Peter Ravenscroft
Price: Tk. 1000.00
Groundwater has been the main source of water for drinking and irrigation. It is also the source of arsenic poisoning that affects millions of people in Bangladesh. Despite its importance, very little information is available in the public domain on this enigmatic resource. On the other hand, vast amounts of information exist in unpublished project reports and the like. For the first time, this book brings together the key elements of this work as well as presenting an up to date perspective on the problems and prospects for the future use of groundwater in Bangladesh.



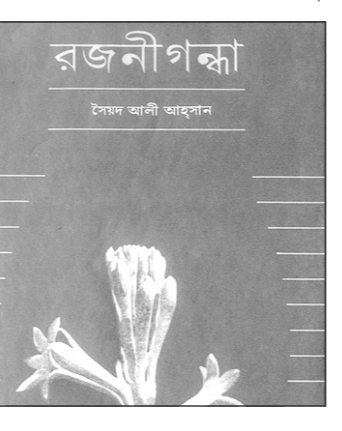
Towards Greater Sub-regional Economic Cooperation
Limitation, Obstacles, and Benefits
Edited by Forrest E Cookson and AKM Shamsul Alam
Of late there has been some movements at official level for regional (SAARC) and sub-regional cooperation (SAGQ) and Bangladesh has been taking active interest in all these. Bangladeshi scholars are in the forefront of sub-regional economic cooperation among Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal and the eastern states of India. Research works done mostly by the Bangladeshi scholars on sub-regional economic cooperation are presented in this volume.



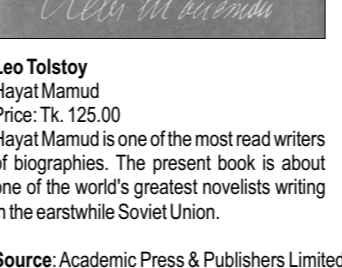
Social and Religious Reform
The Hindus of British India
Edited by Amiya P Sen, Price: Tk 850.00
In the Indian context, the use of the term 'reform' to indicate changes in religious belief or social practices dates to the nineteenth century, coinciding with the consolidation of British power and the advent of so-called 'modernity'. Social and religious reform in colonial India has often been written about without an effort to highlight the wide-ranging debates that have affected it. The present volume is thus the first work to focus on 'reform' as a disputed concept. It retraces some of the critical contestations around the phenomenon of reform as it affected the largest community of British India—the Hindus.



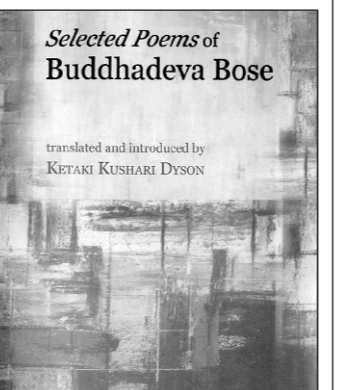
Masks of Conquest
Literary Study and British Rule in India
Gauri Viswanathan, Price: Tk. 425.00
This Book is about the institution, practice, and ideology of English studies introduced in India under British colonial rule. It does not seek to be a comprehensive record of the history of English, nor does it even attempt to catalog, in minute historical fashion, the various educational decisions, acts, and resolutions that led to the institutionalization of English. The work draws upon the illuminating insight of Antonio Gramsci, writing on the relations of culture and power, that cultural domination works by consent and can (and often does) precede conquest by force. Power, operating concurrently at two clearly distinguishable levels, produces a situation where, Gramsci writes, "the supremacy of a social group manifests itself in two ways, as 'domination' and as 'intellectual and moral leadership'... that there can, and indeed must be hegemonic activity even before the rise to power, and that one should not count only the material force which power gives in order to exercise an effective leadership."



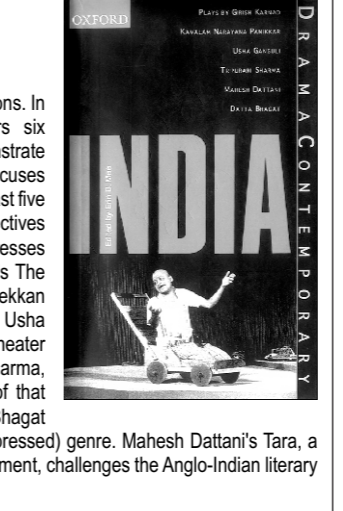
Rajinigandha
Syed Ali Ahsan
Price: Tk. 55.00
These are the poems and stories on socialist values and convictions written by Syed Ali Ahsan during 1940-1944 for the Saugat of Calcutta when he was university student. The writings are important, for they predict the future characteristics in Ahsan's writings. Moreover, a few of the writings, the essay *Kobi Satyendranath* that was published in *Porichoy* edited by poet Suhindranath Dutta, gave Syed Ali Ahsan some fame.



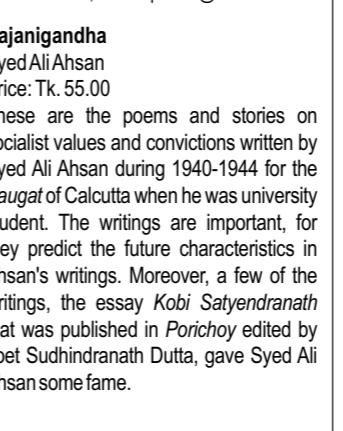
Leo Tolstoy
Hayat Mamud
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Hayat Mamud is one of the most read writers of biographies. The present book is about one of the world's greatest novelists writing in the earthshaking Soviet Union.



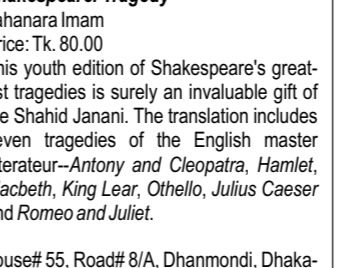
Selected Poems of Buddhadeva Bose
Translated and introduced by Ketaki Kishari Dyson, Price: Tk. 950.00
Buddhadeva Bose (1907-74) is now being recognized as one of the most multitalented amongst the post-Tagore generation of Bengali writers. A versatile writer—comfortable in genres as diverse as poetry, novels, short stories, drama, essays, travelogues, and memoirs—he was also an influential editor and critic, a translator of poetry who had a profound impact on younger poets, a writer for children, and a pioneer in comparative literary studies. He set up the Department of Comparative Literature at Jadavpur University, Kolkata, and held visiting appointments at several American campuses.



Drama Contemporary India
Edited by Erin B Mee
Price: Tk. 675.00
India has one of the world's richest theater traditions. In DramaContemporary: India, Erin Mee gathers six modern plays from across the country that demonstrate the vitality of Indian theater today. This volume focuses specifically on contemporary plays written in the last five to fourteen years. Written from different perspectives and in different styles, each of the plays addresses issues facing modern India. Both Girish Karnad's *The Fire and the Rain* and KN Panikkar's *Aramba Chekkan* belong to the "theater of roots" movement. Usha Ganguli's *Rudali* is linked to the women's theater movement, and *The Wooden Cart* by Tripurari Sharma, though not a street theater piece, comes out of that tradition. *Routes and Escape Routes* by Datta Bhagat belongs to the Dalit Sahitya (literature of the oppressed) genre. Mahesh Dattani's *Tara*, a product of India's English-language theater movement, challenges the Anglo-Indian literary tradition.



Chirayata Shahitya
Shakespeare Tragedy
Jahanara Imam
Price: Tk. 80.00
This youth edition of Shakespeare's great tragedies is surely an invaluable gift of the Shahid Janani. The translation includes seven tragedies of the English master litterateur—*Antony and Cleopatra*, *Hamlet*, *Macbeth*, *King Lear*, *Othello*, *Julius Caesar* and *Romeo and Juliet*.



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CDs & Cassettes



Chartbuster
Modern Bangla Songs
Price: Tk. 150.00
This collection brings together band and solo performers both from Bangladesh and West Bengal. Featuring popular tracks like *Prithibi* by Crossroads for Mohiner Ghoraguli, *Amar Priya Café*, *Cricketer* and *Telephone* by Mohiner Ghoraguli, and *Phiriyi Dao* by Miles, the album presents many more numbers hitherto unknown to the audience in Bangladesh. Other performers in the album include Chandrabindu, Parash pathor, Ujan, Fossils, Sahar, and Laxmichhara.



Rashid Khan
Live Performance of Classical Instrumental
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Bangla Film Songs by Kanan Devi
Price: Tk. 150.00
The album contains some of the most famous numbers by the timeless mistress of music. Tracks include *Jodi bhala na lagey*, *Rakhal Raja-re*, *Ami bonophul go*, *Akashay helan diye*, *Gharje amay daak diyechhe* and others.



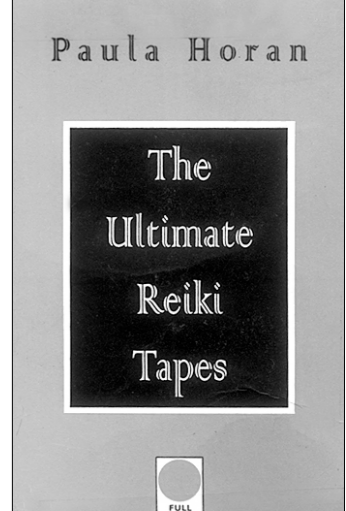
Ami Je Piyasi Maru
Modern Bangla Songs by Akhil Bandhu Ghosh
Price: 150.00



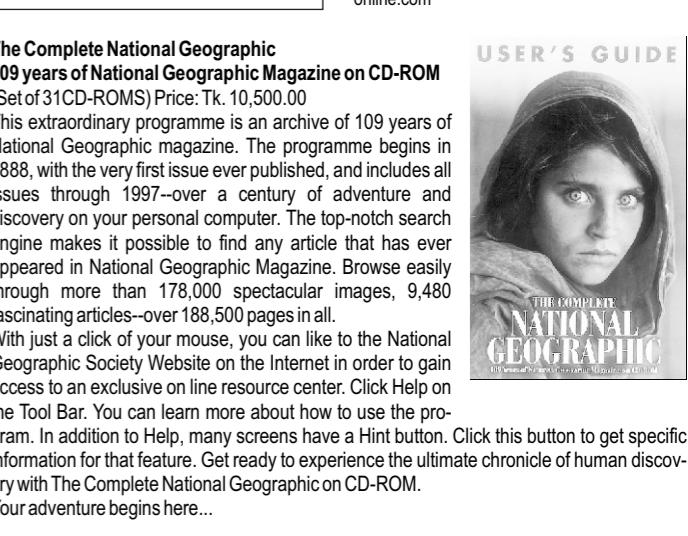
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Mon Amar Pathor To Noy
Music Video by Suvrodev
Price: Tk. 50.00
After a brief pause the popular performer re-emerges with this aspiring music video, an area pioneered by himself. Tracks include *Baker Jamin*, *Paltola Jahaj*, *Ami Manush Chunchuchi*, *Aj Bhalobashar Din*, *Madam You are Beautiful*, *Ami Jene Gechhi*, *Mon Amar Pathor To Noy*, *Baluchorey Likhechhi*, *Shanai-er Shure* and *Cirodin Thakbona*. Suvrodev gives music to a couple of numbers along with Pranab Ghosh. The fans of Suvrodev might find the album entertaining.



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