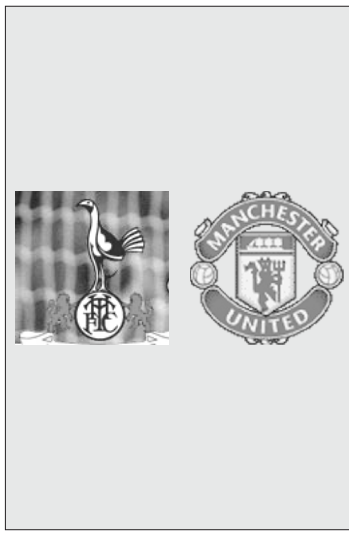


## PICK OF THE WEEK



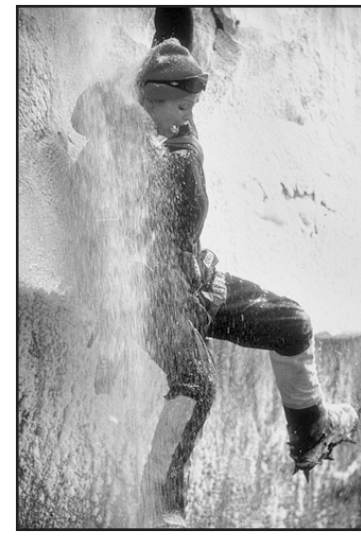
### Our Choice

**E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial** (IMDb rating 7.8)  
 On Star Movies, December 25 at 7:00 pm  
 Genre: Family/Sci-Fi/Adventure/Fantasy  
**Henry Thomas, Dee Wallace-Stone, Robert MacNaughton, Drew Barrymore**  
 A group of aliens visit earth and one of them is lost and left behind stranded on this planet. The alien is found by a 10 year old boy, Elliot. Soon the two begin to communicate, and start a different kind of friendship in which E.T. learns about life on earth and Elliot learns about some new values for the true meaning of friendship. E.T. wants to go home, but if Elliot helps him, he'll lose a friend...



### The Sport

**English Premier Football League**  
 2003/04  
 Live from London, England  
 On Star Sports, December 21 at 10:00 pm  
**Tottenham Hotspur**  
 Vs  
**Manchester United**



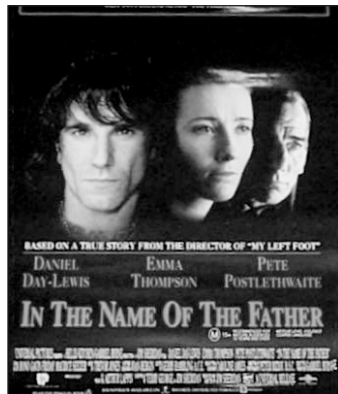
### The Movie

**Vertical Limit** (IMDb rating 5.6)  
 On HBO, December 23 at 9:30 pm  
 Genre: Action/Adventure/Thriller  
**Chris O'Donnell, Robin Tunney, Scott Glenn**  
 A high-adrenaline tale of young climber Peter Garrett, who must launch a treacherous and extraordinary rescue effort up K2, the world's second highest peak. Confronting both his own limitations and the awesome power of nature's uncontrollable elements, Peter risks his life to save his sister, Annie, and her summit team in a race against time.

### Satellite TV



**Selena** (IMDb rating 6.1)  
 On Star Movies, December 22 at 7:00 pm  
 Genre: Drama/Musical  
**Jennifer Lopez, Jackie Guerra, Constance Marie**  
 Selena tells the story of Latin Queen Selena Quintanilla-Perez, who was the most popular Latin Singer at the time of her tragic death at the age of only 23 years in 1995. The film tells the story of the singer as she is accidentally discovered by her own father at the age of 10. Her life story takes off when Jennifer Lopez accurately portrays Selena through her unforgettable concerts, her family struggles, and her secret marriage to her guitarist Chris Perez.



**In the Name of the Father** (IMDb rating 7.7)  
 On Star Movies, December 23 at 9:00 pm  
 Genre: Drama  
**Alison Crosbie, Philip King, Emma Thompson**  
 A small time thief from Belfast, Gerry Conlon, is falsely implicated in the IRA bombing of a pub that kills several people while he is in London. Bullied by the British police, he and four of his friends are coerced into confessing their guilt. Gerry's father and other relatives in London are also implicated in the crime. He spends 14 years in prison with his father trying to prove his innocence with the help of a British attorney, Gareth Peirce. Based on a true story.



**The 6th Day** (IMDb rating 5.9)  
 On HBO, December 24 at 9:30 pm  
 Genre: Action/Sci-Fi/Thriller  
**Arnold Schwarzenegger, Michael Rapaport, Tony Goldwyn**  
 In the world of the very near future, cattle, fish, and even the family pet can be cloned. But cloning humans is illegal - that is until family man Adam Gibson comes home from work one day to find a clone has replaced him. Taken from his family and plunged into a sinister world he doesn't understand, Gibson must not only save himself from the assassins who must now destroy him to protect their secret, but uncover who and what is behind the horrible things happening to him.



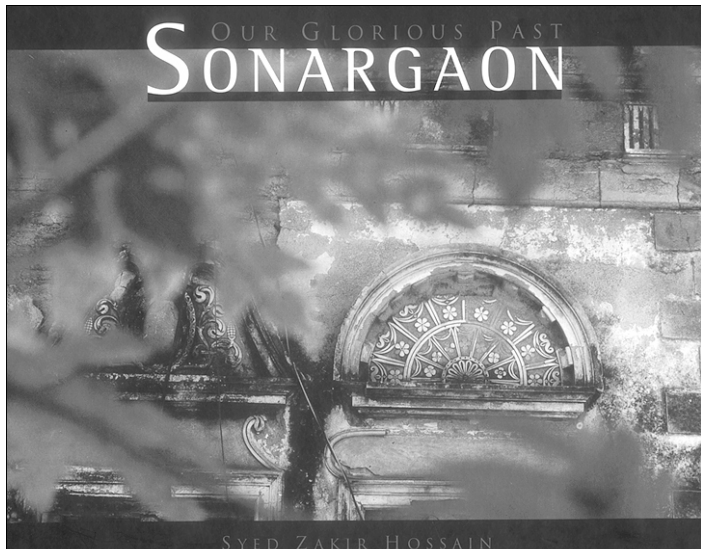
**Small Soldiers** (IMDb rating 5.9)  
 On Star Movies, December 24 at 7:00 pm  
 Genre: Action/Sci-Fi/Adventure/Comedy  
**Gregory Smith, Kirsten Dunst, Jay Mohr**  
 Alan, son of a Toy Store owner, tries out some new action figures: The Commando Elite vs. The Gorgonites. What he does not know, is that both sets of toys were designed to move, talk and play back. The Commando Elite's purpose is to destroy the Gorgonites. Unfortunately, the toy designer who was responsible for the programming, bought highly intelligent military computer chips that are usually used for steering missiles - and are able to learn. Now, the Commando Elite, led by Major Chip Hazard, is up to destroying the Gorgonites, led by peaceful Archer, who hide in Alan's parents' house. Now, a battle, in which the destructive ability of creative computer chips against creative computer chips with a different attitude comes to light, is about to begin.



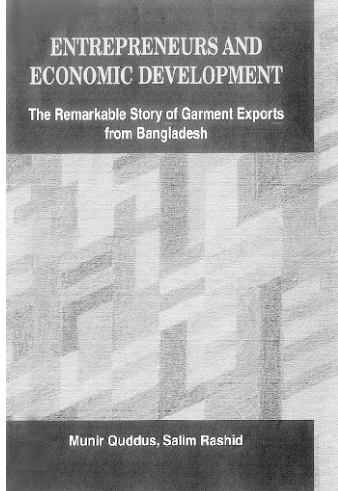
**Original Sin** (IMDb rating 5.6)  
 On Star Movies, December 21 at 7:00 pm  
 Genre: Thriller/Drama/Romance  
**Antonio Banderas, Angelina Jolie, Thomas Jane**  
 When a man selects a mail order bride, he is surprised to see the beauty who appears before him. She alleges that she sent false photos to him to assure that he would love her for what she is and not for her beauty.

However, what she is a con artist, whore, and actress, who teams with a fellow actor to steal money from men. What she does not expect is that she falls in love with her new husband and ultimately must decide between him and her sadistic former lover. Contains explicit sex including sadistic acts as Thomas Jane cuts Jolie's back with a knife as part of their lovemaking.

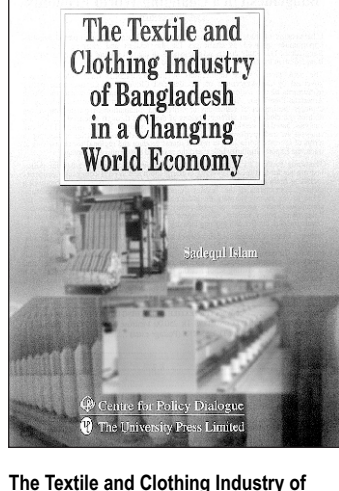
### Books



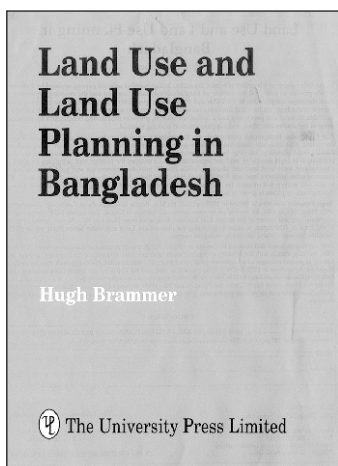
**Sonargaon**  
*Our Glorious Past*  
 Syed Zakir Hossain, Price: Tk. 500.00  
 Young photo-journalist Syed Zakir Hossain has undoubtedly done a monumental task in this book that gives a visual recollection of the lost city, Panam Nagar—how glorious its architecture was, how immensely rich was our past. Zakir creates a sense of loss which he has felt while walking the paths of Panam Nagar alone. And through his lens he has chiselled out stories from the self appointed guardians of this forgotten city, as writes Shahidul Alam in the Foreword of the book. With lots of artistic photographs that exhibit Zakir's craftsmanship in his trade, the book is undoubtedly worth collecting. It will soothe one's mind creating the same sadness, the same nostalgia that moved Zakir for the past, for the ancestors. 25% of the proceeds from the book has been allocated for welfare of the hard-core poor.  
 Source: Folk International, Rd-104, House-7G, Gulshan-2; Phone: 9880784



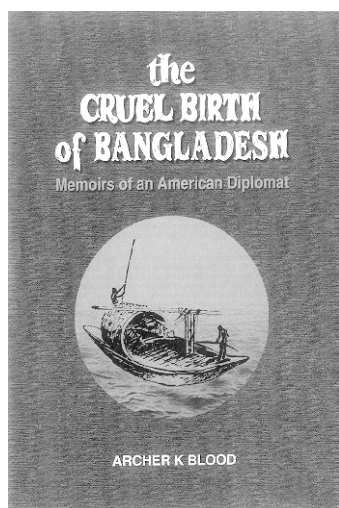
**Entrepreneurs and Economic Development**  
*The Remarkable Story of Garment Exports from Bangladesh*  
 Munir Quddus & Salim Rashid  
 Price: Tk. 350.00  
 This is the first book that presents a comprehensive analysis of the apparel export industry of Bangladesh. Readymade garment exports from Bangladesh started modestly in the late 1970s primarily as a result of local initiatives. Soon the industry had the benefit of foreign collaboration in marketing, management and production. After two decades of dynamic performance, interrupted by occasional crises, apparel exports from Bangladesh have blossomed into a multi-billion-dollar industry that currently employs over one million women workers, enabling them to improve their living standards and to eventually climb out of poverty.



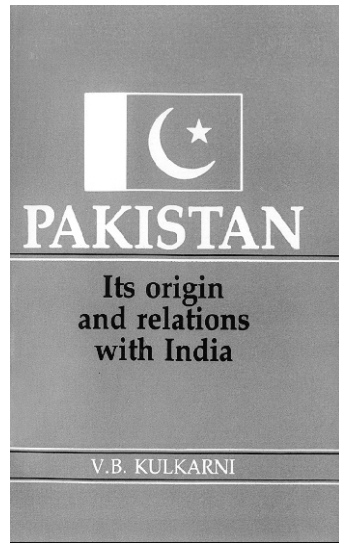
**The Textile and Clothing Industry of Bangladesh in a Changing World Economy**  
 Sadequ Islam, Price: Tk. 250.00  
 Liberalisation of trade and investment in the post-Uruguay Round period presents opportunities as well as challenges for the textiles and clothing industry of Bangladesh. This study covers 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. It explores the impact of reductions of tariffs and elimination of quotas concerning textiles and clothing on different regions of the world through a general equilibrium analysis, based on version 4 of the Global Trade Analysis Project model.



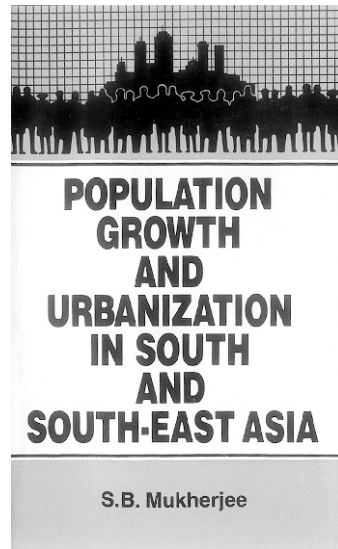
**Land Use and Land Use Planning in Bangladesh**  
 Hugh Brammer  
 Price: Tk. 1500.00  
 In the fifth volume of his collected works, the author brings together selected papers, updated by footnotes, which provide an historical perspective on Bangladesh's dynamic land use and the evolving approaches to rural development planning in the 1970s and 1980s. Aimed particularly at agriculture, geography and soil science researchers, teachers and students, and agricultural planning and extension officials, this book makes available material that previously had a limited circulation, provides models and benchmarks for repeating some of the studies described, and supplies practical training material.  
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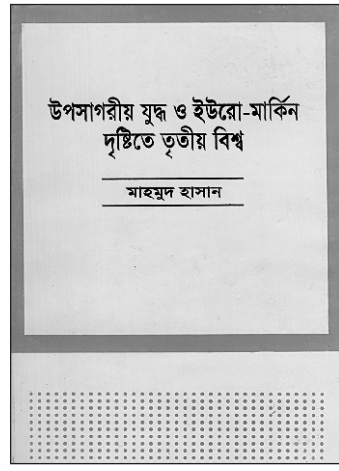
**The Cruel Birth of Bangladesh**  
*Memoirs of an American Diplomat*  
 Archer K Blood  
 Price: Tk. 450.00  
 The Cruel Birth of Bangladesh is an account of the emergence of Bangladesh seen through the eyes of a sympathetic American diplomat based in Dhaka during the gathering of the storm in 1970 leading to the War of Liberation in 1971. Archer Blood glorifies the independence struggle of Bangladesh as a "Transformation of seemingly forlorn Dream into a bright shining Reality."  
 The book reflects a deep commitment to freedom on the part of the author and reads like an epitaph for the martyrs of struggle of the Bengali people. In 24 chapters the author chronicles the events of 1971 as he and the staff of the United States Mission in Dhaka saw them unfold.



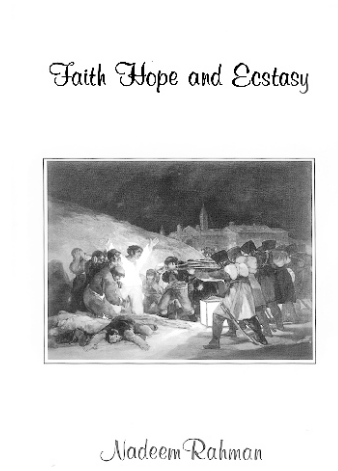
**Pakistan**  
*Its Origin and Relations with India*  
 V.B. Kulkarni  
 Price: Tk. 450.00  
 Written by a journalist, scholar and historian of international repute, this book is devoted almost entirely to a discussion of Pakistan's problems. The author, who had in his first book on Pakistan questioned the wisdom of creating it and in his second one pleaded for promotion of friendly ties between India and Pakistan, now analyses developments which have adversely affected its relations with India. He has some harsh words to say about Pakistan, but does not spare India either.



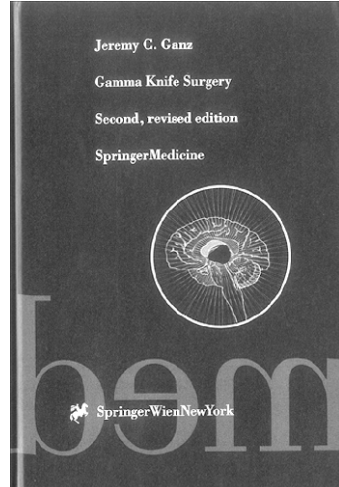
**Population growth and Urbanization in South and South-East Asia**  
 S.B. Mukherjee, Price: Tk. 225.00  
 This is the first comprehensive study of its kind of the problems of population growth and economic development confronting a vast region like South and South-East Asia. The book provides a carefully prepared demographic profile of the twelve representative countries of this region and examines the socio-economic correlates of population growth. It provides a useful insight into the age and sex composition of the population in different countries over a critical phase of their economic development.



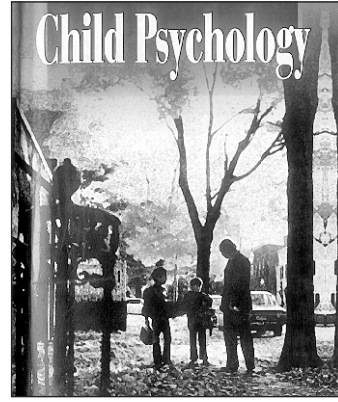
**Uphogoriyo Juddho O Euro-Markin Drishtite Tritiyo Biswa**  
 (The Gulf War and the Euro-American Views of the Third World)  
 Mahmud Hasan, Price: Tk. 25.00  
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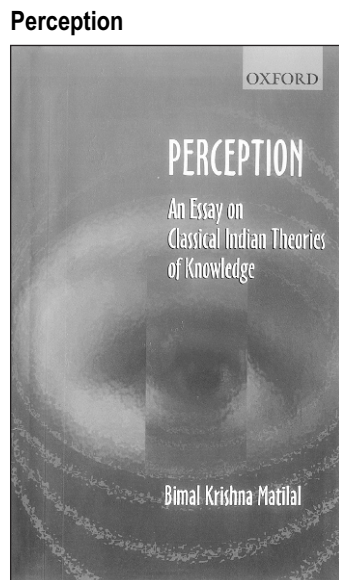
**Faith Hope and Ecstasy**  
 Nadeem Rahman  
 Price: Tk. 200.00



**Gamma Knife Surgery**  
 Jeremy C. Ganz  
 Price: Tk. 6780.00  
 Gamma Knife radiosurgery has become increasingly popular over recent years with more than 50,000 patients treated worldwide. The book is aimed at beginners in the field and as a guide for rational referral for physicians who might wish to avail themselves of the technique. The new edition has an extensive reference list and much new material on clinical indications.

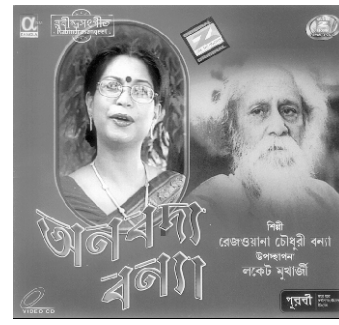


**Child Psychology**  
 RK Tandon  
 Price: Tk. 1190.00  
 The future of our country depends on the mental health and strength of our young people. Mental health in childhood and adolescence is defined by the achievement of expected developmental cognitive, social, and emotional milestones and by secure attachments, satisfying social relationships, and effective coping skills. Mentally healthy children and adolescents enjoy a positive quality of life; function well at home, in school, and in their communities; and are free of disabling symptoms of psychopathology.



**Perception**  
*An Essay on Classical Indian Theories of Knowledge*  
 Bimal Krishna Matilal  
 Price: Tk. 1095.00  
 In this insightful philosophical discussion of perception, renowned scholar Bimal K Matilal examines theories of knowledge and ontological concerns as they developed within schools of philosophy in classical India between AD 100 and 1400. Matilal focuses on the clash between the realism of the Nyaya-Vaisesika school and the phenomenalistic idealism of Buddhist philosophical thought (particularly as propounded by the Sautrantika and Yogacara sub-schools). The debate between these schools continued for over twelve centuries and encompassed assumptions about the nature of perception, the status of the external world, and the criteria of knowledge.

### CDs & Cassettes



**Anabaddya Bannya**  
 Rabindra Sangeet by Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya  
 Price: Tk. 250.00

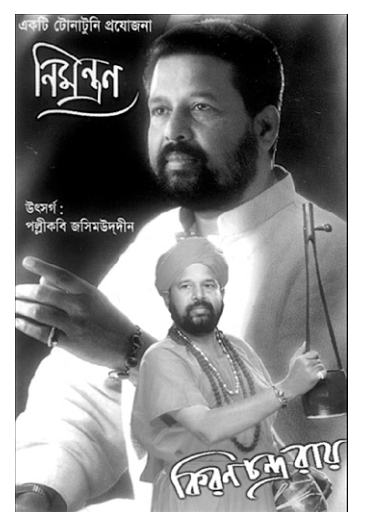


**Tumi Amader Pita**  
 A Tribute to Rabindranath Tagore by Swagatalakshmi Dasgupta & Srikanto Acharya, Price: Tk. 250.00

These VCDs contain music videos of some Rabindra songs Bannya, Swagatalakshmi and Srikanto have performed for the Indian satellite channel Alfa TV Bangla. Bannya's album includes *Ami ki gaan gabo*, *Amar mon manena*, *Baro bedonar moto bejecho tumi*, *Amar hiyar majher lukiyechhile*, *Chokher aloy dekhechhilem* and a few others. The other album has songs like *Tumi amader pita*, *Tumi kemon korey gaan koro*, *Aji joto tara tobo akashey*, *Onhrojoney deho alo*, *Ojonaki ki shukhey* and others.



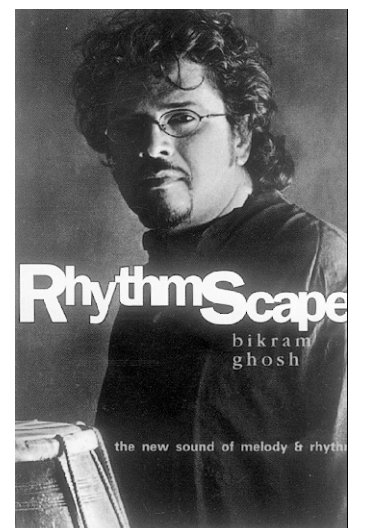
**Shyamal Chhaya**  
 Rabindra Sangeet by Rezwana Chowdhury Bannya  
 Price: Tk. 30.00



**Nimantran**  
 Folk songs by Kiron Chandra Roy  
 Price: Tk. 30.00  
 Dedicated to poet Jasimuddin, this Tona Tuni production presents one of the poet's most famous pieces *Nimantran* as a song. Toned by the singer himself, the song will delight its audience—that's for sure. Other tracks in the album are also good.



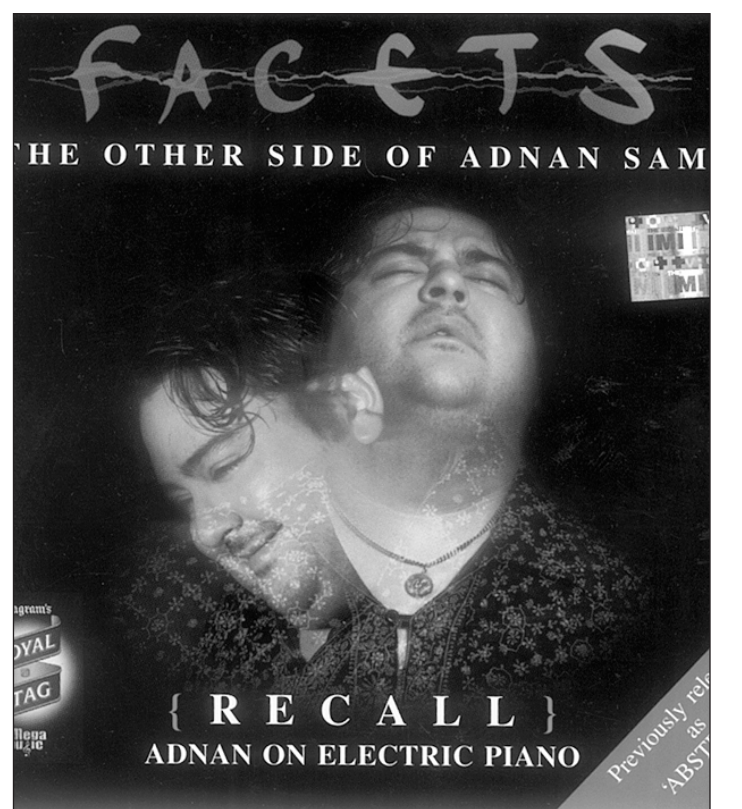
**Mon Keno Bojhena**  
 Modern Bangla Songs by Rehana Rahman, Price: Tk. 30.00



**RhythmScape**  
 Instrumental by Bikram Ghosh  
 Price: Tk. 125.00



**Bhajan Uphar**  
 Classical Vocal by Jagjit Singh  
 Price: Tk. 350.00



**Facets**  
*The Other Side of Adnan Sami*  
 Price: Tk. 400.00  
 The CD brings to the singer's fans another talent of the singer: his skills in playing the electric piano.  
 Source: Gaan-er dali, Yakub super market 2/B Elephant road Dhaka (Ph: 9671520)