

## PICK OF THE WEEK



### Our Choice

**Kontroll** (IMDb rating 7.6)  
 On Star Movies, May 30 at 10:45pm  
 Directed by Nimród Antal  
 Genre: Comedy/Mystery/Thriller  
 Sándor Csányi, Zoltán Mucsi, Csaba Pindroch, Sándor Badár, Zsolt Nagy  
 The massive labyrinthine netherworld that is the Budapest subway system provides the stunning setting for "Kontroll", a high-style, high-speed romantic thriller in which the lives of assorted outcasts, lovers, and dreamers intersect and collide. One handsome young hero, one mysterious maiden, and one particularly nasty killer must conduct a race against time, trains, and destiny itself in their frantic pursuit of one another.



### The Sport

India Tour of the West Indies

On Ten Sports

4th ODI, live from Trinidad

On May 26 at 07:30pm

5th ODI, live from Trinidad

On May 28 at 07:30pm



### The Movie

**Kung fu** (IMDb rating 7.8)  
 On AXN, May 28 at 08:30pm  
 Directed by Stephen Chow

Genre: Action/Comedy/Crime/Fantasy  
 Stephen Chow, Siu-Lung Leung, Xiaogang Feng, Qiu Yuen, Zhi Hua Dong  
 It is 1940's China, and gangs rule the city. The most notorious of them all is the axe gang, lead by the insane Brother Sum. A slum called Pig Sty Alley is the only area safe from the Axes because the people there are so poor. Soon, wannabe gangster Sing and his pal Bone attempt to extort money out of a barber and fail, drawing the real Axe Gang to Pig Sty.

### Satellite TV



**Final Destination 2** (IMDb rating 6.3)  
 On HBO, May 29 at 09:30pm

Directed by David R Ellis  
 Genre: Horror/Thriller/Fantasy  
 Ali Larter, AJ Cook, Tony Todd, Keegan Connor Tracy, Lynda Boyd, Justina Machado

Kimberly Corman and her friends decide to head out on a trip. On the way, they get caught up in a horrible accident, in which Kimberly survives, but her friends die brutally. Kimberly also saves a few other people. Soon after the accident, the survivors of the accident start dropping like flies. Now, it's up to Kimberly, along with the help of Flight 180 junkie Thomas Burke, Clear Rivers, and the Mortician William Bloodworth, Kimberly must find a way to stop death before it's too late... Before it's her turn.

**Welcome to the Jungle** (IMDb rating 6.5)  
 On HBO, May 30 at 09:30pm

Directed by Peter Berg  
 Genre: Action/Adventure/Comedy  
 The Rock, Seann William Scott, Rosario Dawson, Christopher Walken

In order to get out of hock with mobster Billy Walker, restaurateur-turned-"retrieval expert" Beck has to go down to Brazil and retrieve Billy's ne'er-do-well archaeologist-wannabe son Travis, who is searching for an ancient gold idol called the Gato del Diablo. This idol is prized by not only the local population as the path to their salvation, but by Cornelius Hatcher, slave-driving operator of the Hellorado mining town who oppresses said population in the name of profits, and Hatcher just won't let Beck leave with Travis.



**JAMES BOND IS BACK IN ACTION!**

**EVERYTHING HE TOUCHES**

**URNS TO EXCITEMENT!**

**SEAN CONNERY**

**GOLDFINGER**

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**Goldfinger** (IMDb rating 7.8)  
 On Star Movies, May 27 at 09:05pm

Directed by Guy Hamilton  
 Genre: Action/Adventure/Thriller  
 Sean Connery, Honor Blackman

The powerful tycoon Auric Goldfinger has initiated "Operation Grand Slam", a cataclysmic scheme to raid Fort Knox and obliterate the world economy. James Bond, armed with his specially equipped Aston Martin (its accessory package includes built-in machine guns, a smoke screen and an ejector seat), must stop the plan by overcoming several outrageous adversaries. First there's Oddjob, the mute servant who kills at the toss of a lethal hat; next, the beautiful Jill Masterson, who gives new meaning to the phrase "golden girl"; and finally, sexy pilot Pussy Galore, whose romantic feelings for Bond complicate her involvement in Goldfinger's high-flying scheme.

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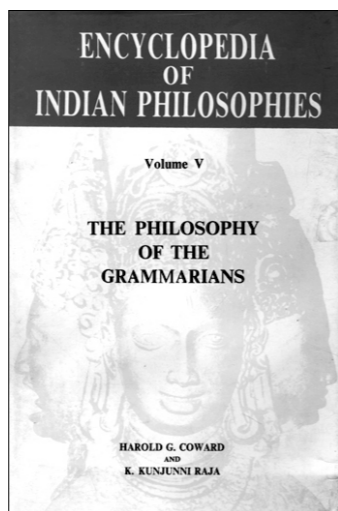
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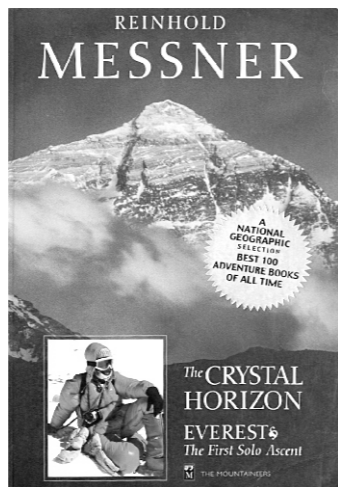
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### Books



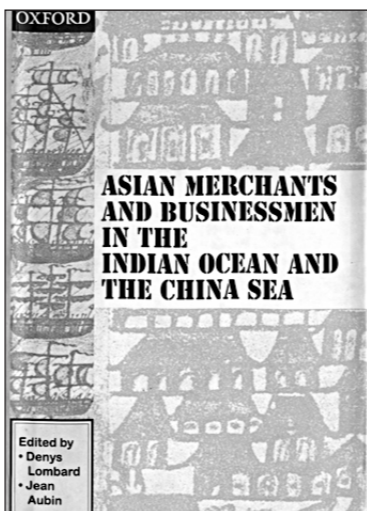
**Encyclopedia of Indian Philosophies**  
 Harold G Coward & K Kunjuni Raja  
 Set of 8 Vols  
 Price: Tk 14500.00



**The Crystal Horizon**  
 Everest and the First Solo Ascent  
 Reinhold Messner, Price: Tk 2245.00  
 On August 20, 1980, Reinhold Messner reached the summit of Everest—alone and without the use of oxygen. His vivid account of this extraordinary achievement forms the core of this book. Messner describes with passion his journey through Tibet, a mysterious country of snow peaks, ruined monasteries, and yak caravans. He identifies with the legendary mountaineers who have gone before him; Mallory, Irvine, and Wilson come to life as he makes his ascent to the "roof of the world". In the glittering light and oxygen-starved air, facing the exhaustion, exhilaration, danger, and despair of climbing, Messner reflects on why a Himalayan mountaineer is driven to great risks.

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**Asian Merchants and Businessmen in the Indian Ocean and the China Sea**  
 Edited by Denys Lombard & Jean Aubin  
 Price: Tk 1035.00  
 Although the "West" has now strategically controlled the Indian Ocean for several centuries, it has been far more difficult for the Western powers (and during the Cold War, their Soviet rivals) to control the realities of commercial exchange and the dynamics of the regional economies. In all of this immense maritime region, important merchant and entrepreneurial groups have formed and reformed, even as colonial dominance established itself. The present collection takes stock of these merchant groups, from Japan and China to Iran and the Red Sea. It traces their history over the long term and brings together the expertise of many leading specialists in the area.



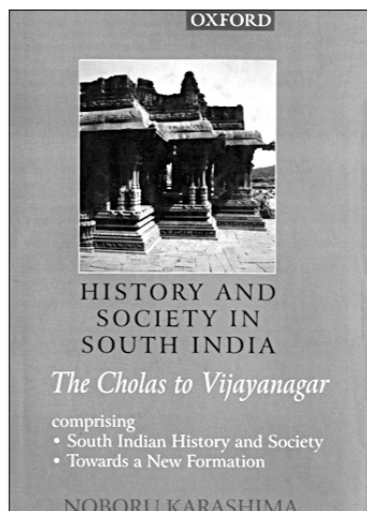
**Bangladesh Politics Problems and Issues**  
 Rounaq Jahan  
 Price: Tk 400.00

This expanded edition of Bangladesh Politics: Problems and Issues which was first published in 1980, contains sixteen articles written over a period of three decades. The articles have been organised to chronologically present the political history of the country. This edition includes four new articles focusing on the genocide of 1971, year-end reviews of politics in 2002 and 2003, and an overview of major political changes since the independence of Bangladesh. Though the articles have been written at different times, this collection shows that despite repeated changes in political regimes, the critical issues and problems of governance and politics have remained remarkably unchanged. The book is designed to serve as a standard textbook for students of Bangladesh politics. The articles focus on different dimensions of politics: elite conflicts; contestations over identity; constitutional experiments; electoral, party and movement politics; voting behaviour and political leadership. The articles narrate a history of peoples' continuing struggle for democracy, analysing the achievements as well as deficits.

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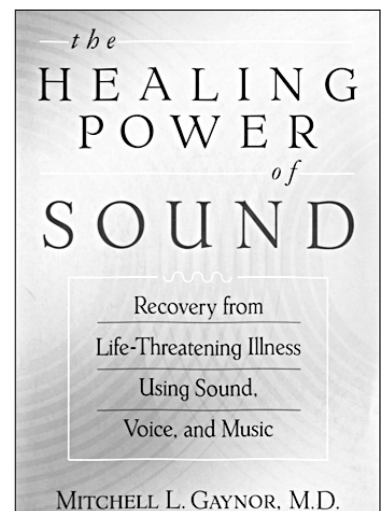
### History and Society in South India

**The Cholas to Vijayanagar**  
 Noboru Karashima  
 Price: Tk 1075.00  
 This omnibus edition comprising South Indian History and Society and Towards a New Formation offers a fascinating perspective on the development of south Indian society during and after the Chola period, which ushered in a new social formation under the Vijayanagar Nayaka rule towards the end of the fifteenth century. The author's innovative approach involves the use of computerised techniques and statistical analysis to study the revenue terms and personal names appearing in Chola inscriptions and other primary sources.



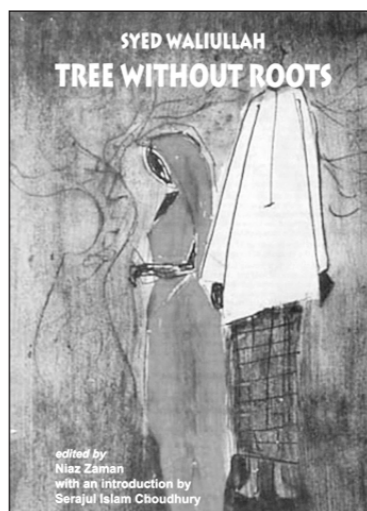
### The Healing Power of Sound

**Recovery from Life-Threatening Illness Using Sound, Voice, and Music**  
 Mitchell L Gaynor  
 Price: Tk 1500.00  
 Since 1991, Dr Mitchell Gaynor has been achieving remarkable results by integrating music, vocalisation, breathing, and meditation techniques in his work with critically ill patients. In *The Healing Power of Sound* he presents his sound-based techniques for self-healing-techniques that anyone can use, whether faced with a life-threatening disease or simply seeking relief from the stresses of daily life. Numerous studies have demonstrated the health benefits of music. *The Healing Power of Sound* includes, 12 exercises—including breathing, meditation, and the use of pure vocal sound to resolve tension, release emotion, and spur the healing process—that can be used by anyone to improve health and quality of life.



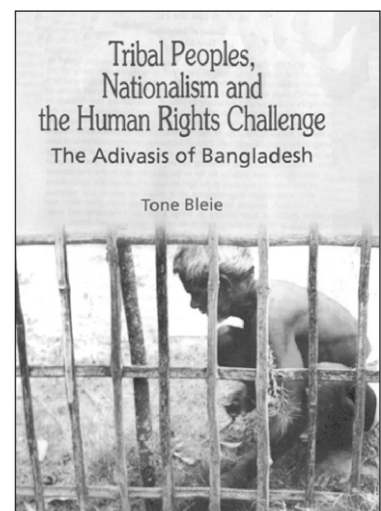
**Syed Waliullah Tree Without Roots**  
 Edited by Niaz Zaman  
 Price: Tk 350.00

*Tree Without Roots* is the English translation/transcreation of Syed Waliullah's classic novel *Lal Shalu*. With no land or skills to support himself otherwise, Majeed preys upon the simple rural folk by exploiting religion, becoming the self-appointed guardian of a mazar, which he claims is that of a saint. Not satisfied with his first wife, he marries again, this time a woman who is not as amenable as his loving first wife. The portrait of the two women and their relationship to each other and to Majeed balances Waliullah's portrait of the charlatan. In the English version, now generally believed to be by Syed Waliullah himself, Majeed acquires a certain grandeur at the end, returning alone to the mazar in the midst of raging flood waters. A picture of rural Bangladesh in the early forties, *Tree Without Roots* also provides a picture of eternal Bangladesh subject to the ravages of nature, of storms and floods, of cyclones and dying rivers. Through critical of the exploitation of religion, Waliullah looks sympathetically at Majeed for whom religion means food and shelter.

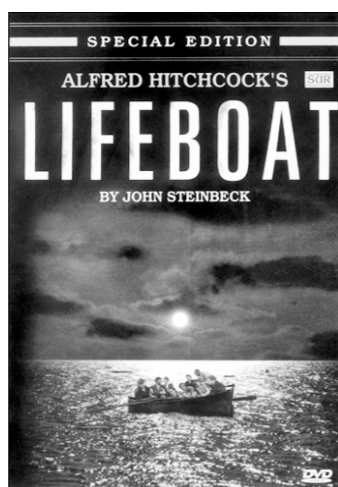


**Tribal Peoples, Nationalism and the Human Rights Challenge**

**The Adivasis of Bangladesh**  
 Tone Bleie  
 Price: Tk 600.00  
 The mapping of the changing historical relationships between people, lands and identities in the central tribal belt of India and in north-eastern parts of the South-Asian subcontinent, sets the context for this study's investigation of one of the world's least known minority situations. The currently muted drama of human rights violations and escalating livelihood crisis among the Adivasis in north-western Bangladesh unfolds within a sub-region of bewilderingly many and interconnected ethnic and ethno-nationalistic struggles for political recognition. Tribal Peoples, Nationalism and the Human Rights Challenge documents the massive loss of agricultural and forested land, through circumvention of protective land laws in the post-colonial period. This resulted in erosion of indigenous knowledge systems, forced migration and escalating poverty. The persistent discrimination of the Adivasis and their inability so far to partake directly in the international indigenous movement is explained in the light of cultural homogenous nationalisms and internal institutional fragmentation as a result of ethnic and religious divisions.

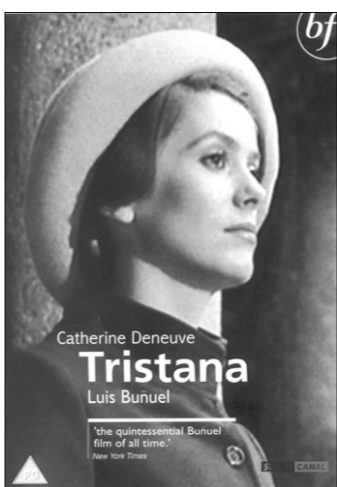


### CDs, DVD

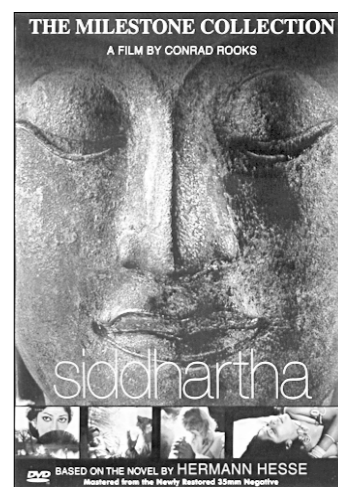


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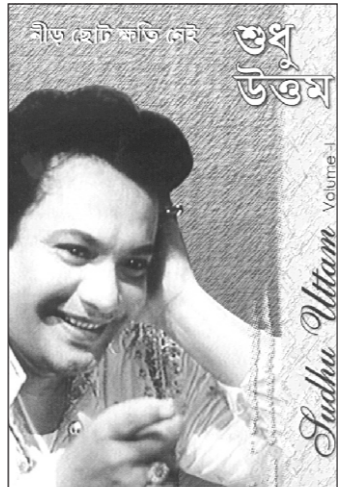
**Lifeboat (1944)**  
 Directed by Alfred Hitchcock  
 Cast: Tallulah Bankhead, William Bendix, Walter Slezak, Mary Anderson, John Hodiak, Henry Hull, Heather Angel  
 In the Atlantic during WWII, a ship and a German U-boat are involved in a battle and both are sunk. The survivors from the ship gather in one of the boats. They are from a variety of backgrounds: an international journalist, a rich businessman, the radio operator, a nurse, a steward, a sailor and an engineer with communist tendencies. Trouble starts when they pull a man out of the water who turns out to be from the U-boat.



**Tristana (1970)**  
 Directed by Luis Buñuel  
 Cast: Catherine Deneuve, Fernando Rey, Franco Nero, Lola Gaos, Antonio Casas  
 When the young woman Tristana's mother dies, she is entrusted to the guardianship of the well-respected though old Don Lope. Don Lope is well-liked and well-known because of his honorable nature, despite his socialistic views about business and religion. But Don Lope's one weakness is women, and he falls for the innocent girl in his charge, seduces her, makes her his lover, though all the while explaining to her that she is as free as he. But when she acts on this freedom, Don Lope must deal with the consequences of his world-view.



**Siddhartha (1972)**  
 Directed by Conrad Rooks  
 Cast: Shashi Kapoor, Simi Garewal, Romesh Sharma, Pinchoo Kapoor, Zul Vellani  
*Siddhartha* is the story of a young Brahmin who leaves his wealthy parents to become a sadhu, a wandering ascetic. Siddhartha meets and is awed by the Buddha, but chooses to follow his own path. His spiritual search leads him to sexual passion and material wealth. He finds these pleasures empty and abandons them. Eventually, he discovers enlightenment as a poor ferryman, learning tranquility from the river itself.



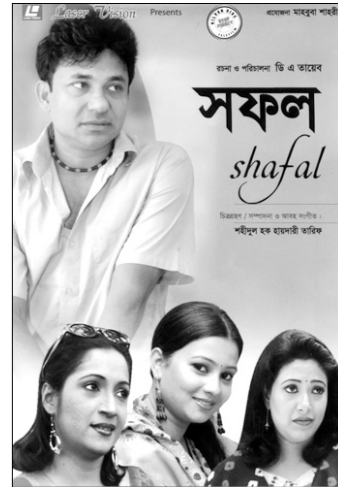
**Nir Chhoto Khoti Nei**  
 Sudhu Uttam vol 1  
 Price: Tk 200.00



**Amra Shobai Raja**  
 VCD of Tagore's dance songs for children  
 Price: Tk 200.00



**Amar Jibony**  
 VCD of Bangla Soundtracks by Sandhya Mukhopadhyay  
 Price: Tk 200.00



**Shafal**  
 Directed by DA Tayeb  
 Cast: Tania Ahmed, DA Tayeb, Kajal, Dilara Zaman, Fahmida Shanta

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**The Transporter** (IMDb rating 6.2)  
 On AXN, May 27 at 08:30pm

Directed by Louis Leterrier & Corey Yuen  
 Genre: Action/Thriller/Crime  
 Jason Statham, Qi Shu, Matt Schulze, François Berléand, Ric Young  
 Ex-Special Forces operator Frank Martin lives what seems to be a quiet life along the French Mediterranean, hiring himself out as a mercenary "transporter" who moves goods-human or otherwise—from one place to another. No questions asked. Frank's newest transport seems no different from the countless ones he's done in the past. He has been hired by an American known only as "Wall Street" to make a delivery, but when Frank stops along route, he notices his "package" is moving.