

PICK OF THE WEEK



The Movie

Casino on HBO on April 14 at 10 p.m.  
Ace Rothstein ( Robert De Niro ) and Nicky Santoro ( Joe Pesci ) are mobsters who move to Las Vegas to Make their mark, to run a posh casino-hotel. But Nicky and his boozy wife Ginger ( Sharon Stone ) are adding too many problems in his set-up.



The Sport

Sharjah ARY Gold Cup tri-series ODI Cricket live on Set Max at 5 in the evening everyday  
April 13 New Zealand vs Sri Lanka  
April 15 New Zealand vs Pakistan  
April 17 Pakistan vs Sri Lanka  
April 20 Final



Our Choice

Dead Again on HBO on April 15 at 9:30 PM  
Mike Church a private detective takes on the case of a mystery woman who is suffering from amnesia and is haunted by nightmares involving the murder of a pianist committed by her husband.  
Starring: Kenneth Branagh, Emma Thompson

Satellite TV



Bengali movie Uttara on April 14 on Ekushey TV at 3:05 p.m. Directed by Buddhadev Dasgupta, the central characters of the movies are played by Tapas Pal, Jaya Shil, Shankar Charavarty, Raisul Islam Asad.



Special band show marking Pahela Baishakh featuring LRB, Miles, Ark, and War Faiz on Ekushey TV on April 14 at 8 p.m.



Special drama Shesh Abhinaya in celebration of Pahela Baishakh on Ekushey TV on April 14 at 8:30 p.m.



Special magazine Ekusher Halkhata on Ekushey TV on April 14 at 9:30 p.m.



Lost in Space on HBO on April 17 at 10 p.m. Matt Le Blanc plays the pilot of a mother ship, headed towards a new planet marked for colonisation. The ship is sabotaged by arch villain Dr. Zachary Smith and is sent hurtling off course. The Robinson family then has to figure out a way to survive in uncharted territories and unexpected circumstances. A definite must see for sci-fi fans.

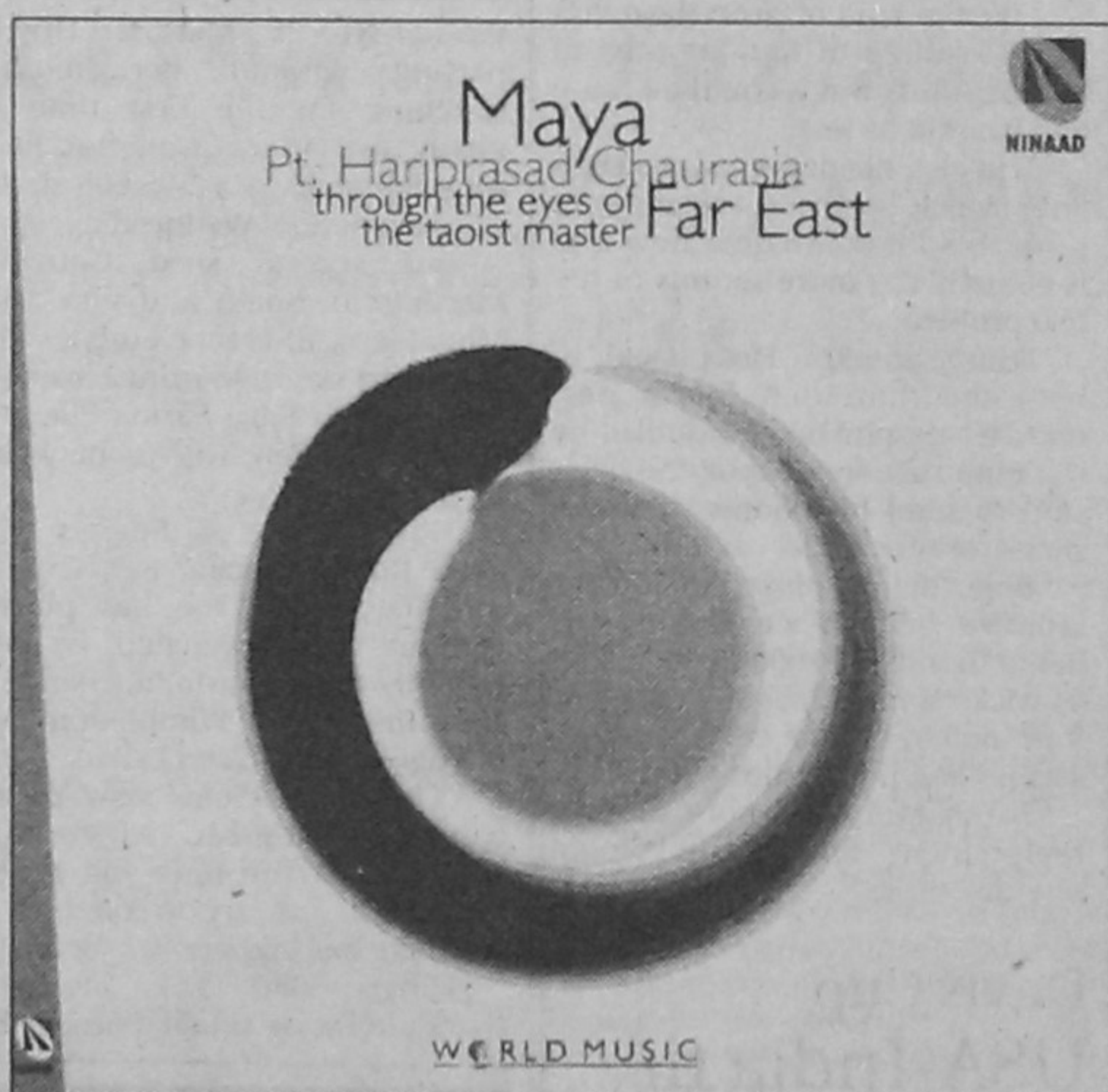
Cassettes & CDs



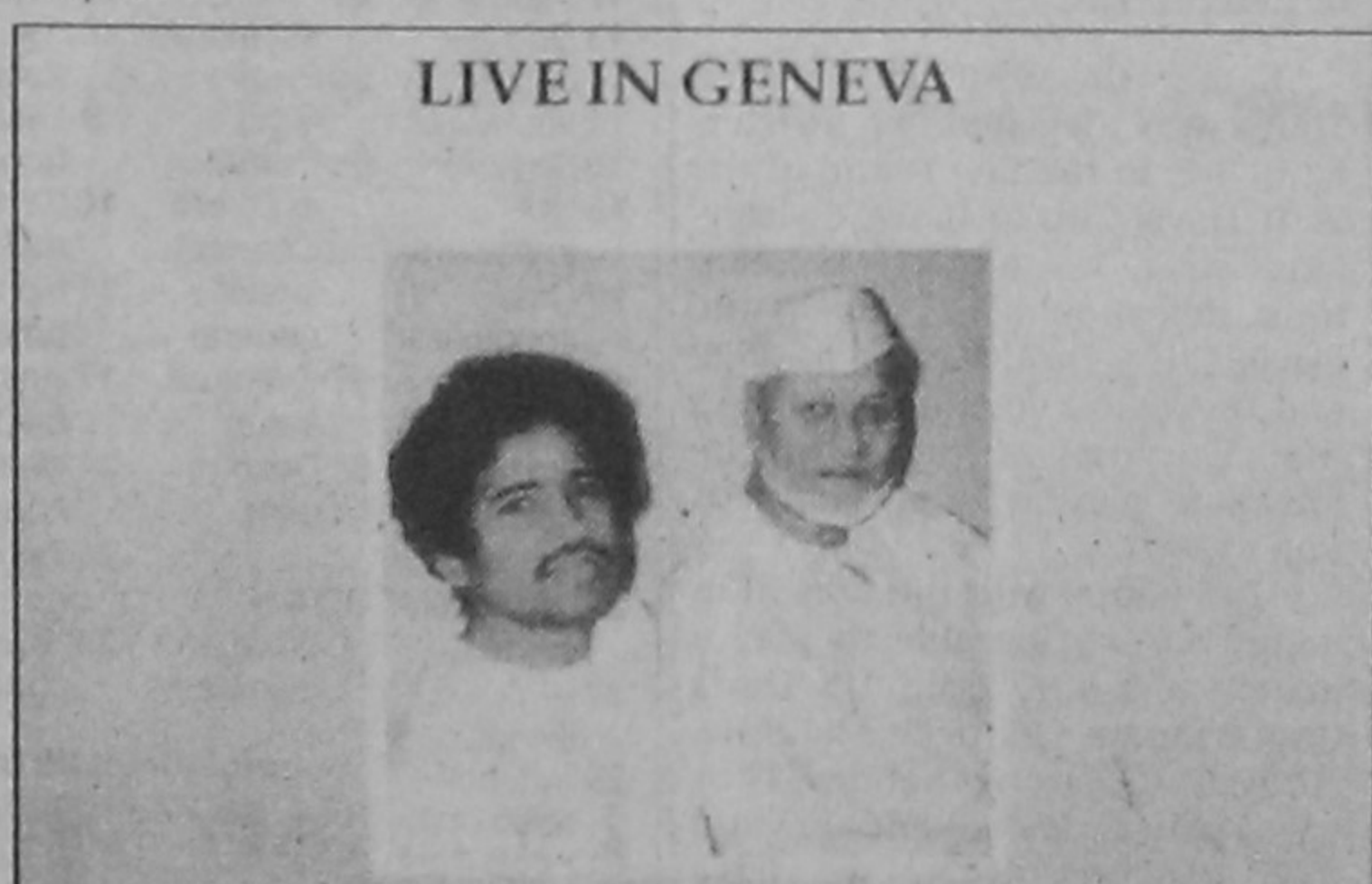
**A Amar Akanter**  
An album featuring readings of poetry and songs by Farida Hossain, Price: Tk 150



**Forever Yours**  
Asha, Price: Tk 180  
This pair of two cassettes is a collection of Asha's evergreen hits in Hindi movie like Agar Tum Na Hote, Jeeva, Purana Mandir, Sadma, Rudali, Andar Bahar and many more.

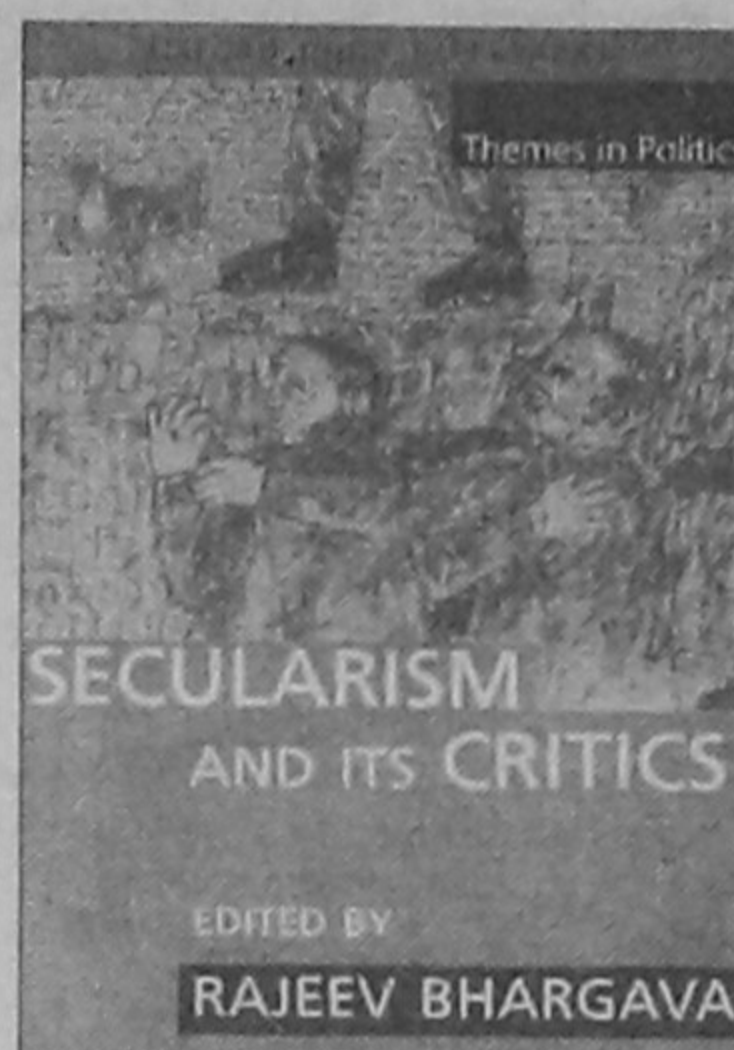


**Maya: Through the eyes of the Taoist Master**  
The album features Pt. Hariprasad Chaurasia, Price: Tk 500  
Maya: Through the eyes of the Taoist Master is the journey of the soul; an evolution from its ordinary existence to realisation of the higher truth. The opening piece 'Attached' depicts the emotional existence, attachments to the material world and craving for love and sympathy. 'Introspection' depicts the transition and willingness to end the mindless journey. 'Reaching Out' underlines the false illusion the soul creates to justify the attachments. 'Freedom' has the lightness of an elated heart. Here Panditji uses his high pitched flute to depict the soaring of the spirit.



**L. Subramaniam with Ustad Bismillah Khan, live in Geneva**  
Price: Tk 500  
The album features raga Yaman  
Available at: Ganaer Dali, Elephant Road Yakub Market, Ph: 500388, Visa, Mastercard, ReadyCash, Vanik acceptwtd.

New Books



**Secularism and its Critics**  
Edited by Rajeev Bhargava, Price Tk. 525  
The world has witnessed a dramatic resurgence of organised religion and religious beliefs in recent times. This has challenged established political structures, renewed old hostilities or fomented new conflicts between religious groups, and raised the question of whether modern secularism has the cultural and philosophical resources to enable people with differing faiths to live together. This volume tries to answer this and many other questions.



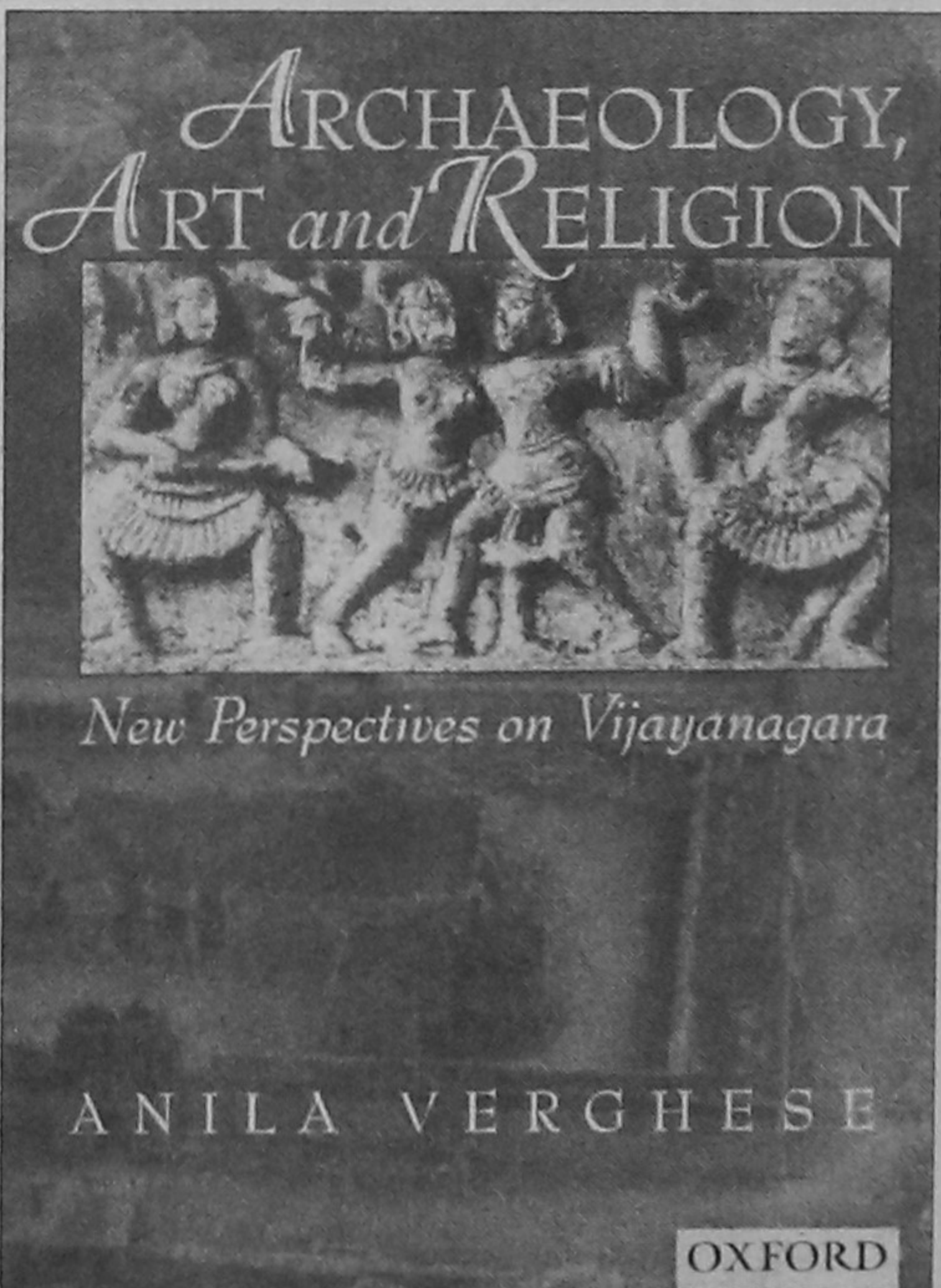
**Visions**  
By Michio Kaku, Price: Tk 575  
The author explores the development of computers and artificial intelligence, reveals how the decoding of the genetic structure of DNA will allow us to alter and reshape our genetic inheritance, and observe how quantum physicists are perfecting new ways of harnessing the matter and energy of the Universe.



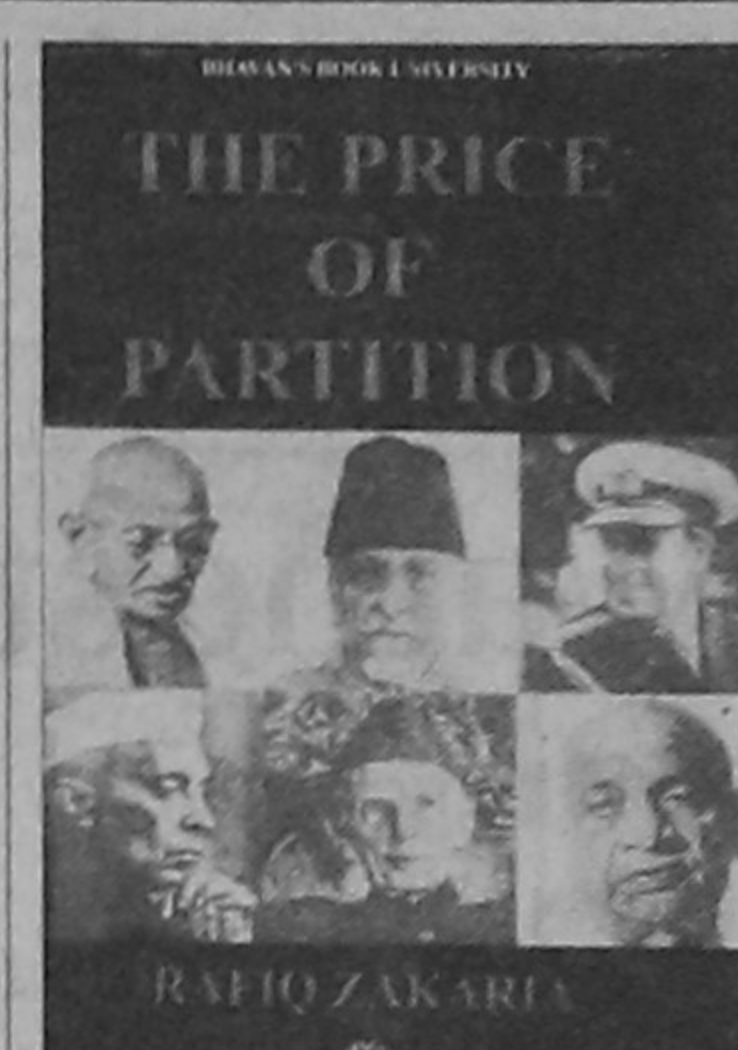
**How The Web Was Born**  
By Gillies and Cailliau, Price: Tk 575  
In 1093 a computer programme called the Mosaic browser transformed the Internet from an academic tool into a telecommunications revolution. Now a household name, the World Wide Web is part of the modern communications landscape with tens of thousands of servers providing information to millions of users. Few people, however, realise that the Web was born at CERN, the European Organisation for Nuclear Research, in Geneva, and that it was invented by an Englishman, Tim Berners-Lee. This fascinating new book tells how the idea for the web came about at CERN, how it was developed, and how it was eventually handed over for free for the rest of the world to use.



**Emperors of the Peacock Throne**  
The Saga of Great Mughals  
By Abraham Early, Price: Tk 443  
The book marks the return of the narrative in historical writing. The author weaves together accounts of the people and politics of the empire and explodes myths about controversial emperors like Babur and Aurangzeb.



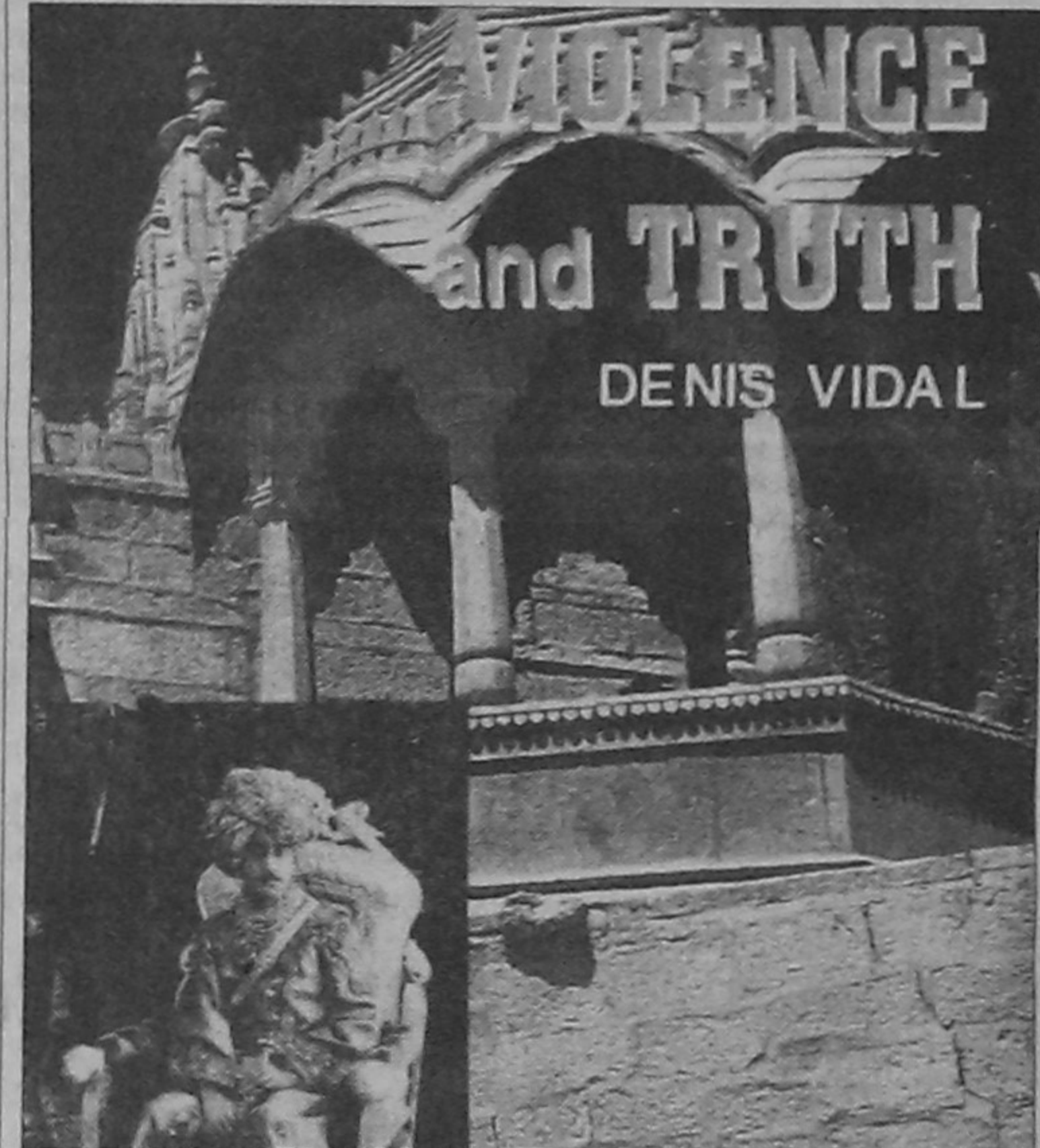
**Archaeology, Art and Religion**  
New Perspectives on Vijayanagara  
By Anila Verghese, Price: Tk 1043  
Vijayanagara, in present-day Karnataka, served as a capital, from c. 1350 to 1565, of a large kingdom whose rulers consciously promoted religion and culture. This volume comprises a number of hitherto unpublished papers, based primarily on archaeological sources, dealing with varied aspects of Vijayanagara: archaeology, architectural history, sculpture, religion, and social life.  
Available at Ekushey Publications Ltd. Ph: 9664825, Fax: 9660372, E-mail: iosis@bangla.net



**The Price of Partition**  
By Rafiq Zakaria, Price: Tk 300  
Dr. Rafiq Zakaria, one of India's outstanding scholar-politicians, recapitulates in his inimitable style, the drama of those turbulent years when as a young man, he fought Jinnah and his Muslim League opposing the 'Two-Nation' theory and participating in the Quit India movement.



**Wildfire and Other Stories**  
By Banaphool, translated by Somnath Zutshi, Price: Tk 600  
Balachand Mukhopadhyay (1899-1979) adopted the pseudonym Banaphool, or wildflower, the name by which he is widely known to the Bengali reading public. The forty-five pieces by Banaphool included in the volume are representative of his multifaceted talent.



**Violence and Truth**  
By Denis Vidal, Price: Tk 675  
Violence and Truth demonstrates that colonialism not only imposed its own violence and ideology on Indian society but also led to a progressive redefinition of existing forms of violence and their interpretation at a local level. By documenting this process in the Rajasthani Kingdom of Sirohi, Denis Vidal invites us to reconsider prevalent models in the history and sociology of India.  
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**The Socio-Legal Status of Bangali Women in Bangladesh**  
Implications for Development  
By Sara Rahman Khan, Price: Tk 425  
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 Bangali women and the discrimination and violence they face almost on a day-to-day basis.  
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