

PICK OF THE WEEK



The Movie
All Quiet on the Western Front
 On HBO, July 01 at 9.30 p.m.
 This is an English language film adapted from a novel by German author Erich Maria Remarque. The film follows a group of German schoolboys, talked into enlisting at the beginning of World War I by their jingoistic teacher. The story is told entirely through the experiences of the young German recruits and highlights the tragedy of war through the eyes of individuals.

**The Sport**

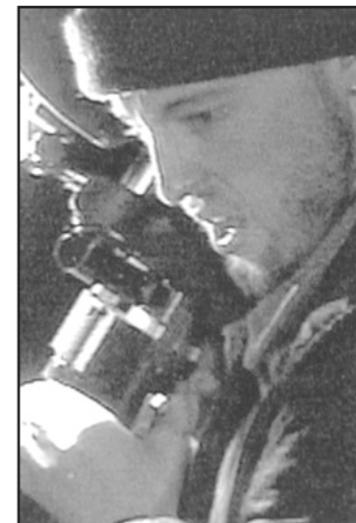
Wimbledon Lawn Tennis

Championships

DAY 9, Men's Singles Quarter Finals

Live from Centre & No. 1 Courts, London, UK

On Star Sports, July 02 at 5.00 p.m.

**Our Choice**

Book of Shadows: Blair Witch 2

On Star Movies, July 03 at 8.30 p.m.

To cash in on all of the "real world" hype of the events in the first film, a man from Burkitsville, Maryland opens a "Blair Witch Hunt" tour, which shows patrons various locations from the original film. A bunch of college students decide to take the tour, and wind up in Rustin Parr's house.

Satellite TV

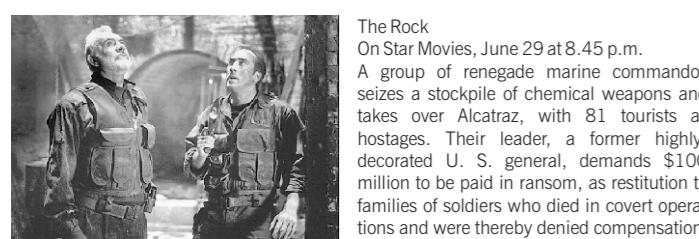
Final Destination
 On HBO, July 02 at 9.30 p.m.
 Alex and a group of high school students take a flight to Paris for a French class trip. Before they set off, Alex has a premonition of the plane bursting into flames minutes after take off. He tells everyone to get off the ill-fated aircraft. Moments later in the departure-lounge the students see the plane explode before their very eyes.



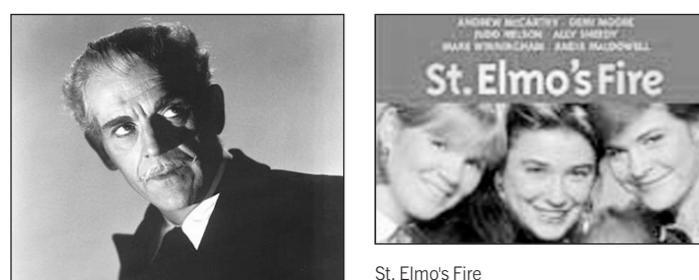
The Golden Child
 On HBO, July 03 at 9.30 p.m.
 Eddie Murphy plays a detective with a specialty of finding lost children. He is told he is the "Chosen one" who will find and protect the Golden Child, a Buddhist mystic who was kidnapped by an evil sorcerer. Murphy disbelieves the mysticism but finds more and more evidence of demon worship as he investigates.



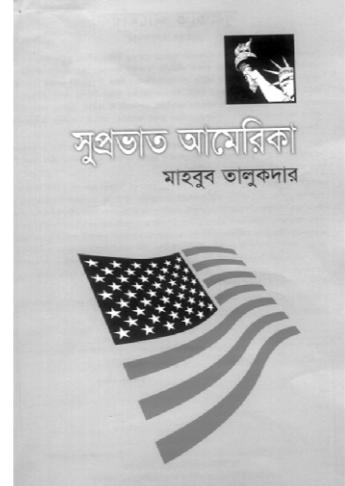
The Exorcist
 On HBO, June 27 at 9.30 p.m.
 Beatty's novelisation of a real case of possession that happened in a Washington Suburb (Mt. Rainier, MD) puts Regan, an adolescent girl, living with her mother in Georgetown in Washington, into a more and more difficult situation. She exhibits strange symptoms, including levitation and great strength. When all medical possibilities are exhausted, her mother is sent to a priest who is also a psychiatrist. He becomes convinced that Regan is possessed and he and a second priest experienced in exorcism try to drive the spirit from Regan before she dies.



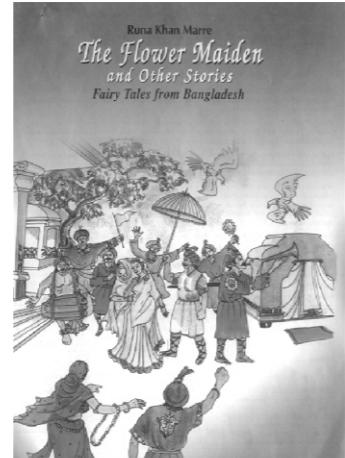
The Rock
 On Star Movies, June 29 at 8.45 p.m.
 A group of renegade marine commandos seizes a stockpile of chemical weapons and takes over Alcatraz, with 81 tourists as hostages. Their leader, a former highly-decorated U. S. general, demands \$100 million to be paid in ransom, as restitution to families of soldiers who died in covert operations and were thereby denied compensation. Otherwise, he is threatening to launch 15 rockets carrying deadly VX nerve gas into the San Francisco Bay area. An elite SEAL team, with support from an FBI chemical warfare expert and a former Alcatraz escapee, is assembled to penetrate the terrorists' defences on Alcatraz and neutralise the rocket threat before time runs out.



House of Frankenstein
 On Star Movies, June 30 at 11.30 p.m.
 After escaping from an asylum the mad Dr. Niemann (Boris Karloff) and his hunch back assistant (J. Carroll Naish) revive Count Dracula (John Carradine), the Wolf Man (Lon Chaney Jr.) and the Frankenstein monster (Glenn Strange) in order to extract revenge upon their many enemies.

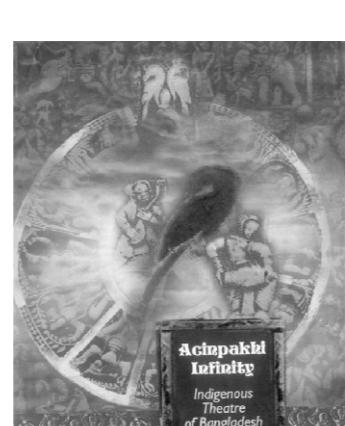
Books

Shuprabhat America
 Mahbub Talukdar
 Price: Tk. 175.00



The Flower Maiden and Other Stories
 Fairy Tales from Bangladesh
 Runa Khan Marre
 Price: Tk. 175.00

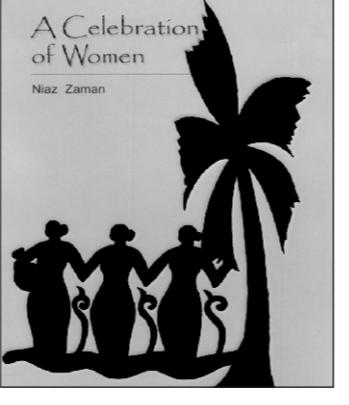
Like other Bengali children, the writer Runa Khan-Marre heard fairy tales from her old nannies and other household storytellers. Now she has compiled these stories in a simplified English translation for other children to read. Many of the tales are common to both Bangladesh and West Bengal. Some of them may be found in Thakur Ma's Jhuli, compiled by D.M. Majumdar. Runa Khan Marre's versions are slightly different, being filtered through the several retellings that these stories have undergone. In common with fairy tales everywhere, these stories are about love, jealousy, bravery, loyalty, nobility, meanness, compassion, and, finally about the triumph of truth and patience. Easy enough for young children to read, they may also be read out to children as bedtime stories.



Acinpakhi Infinity
 Indigenous Theatre of Bangladesh
 Syed Jamil Ahmed
 Price: Tk. 900.00

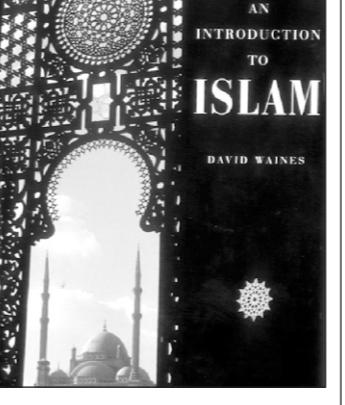
Acinpakhi Infinity combines a wide range of theoretical learning and understanding of the indigenous theatre in Bangladesh and describes fully the way in which the tradition live in Bangladesh today. It studies over eighty genres, which are related to various religions (such as Islam and Buddhism), and cults (such as Krishna and Caitanya, Ramacandra, Siva and Kali, Manasa and Natha). It also includes a number of secular performances. The methodology adopted for major part of the study is based on fieldwork which include witnessing performances in actual condition, interviewing the performers and the spectators, and studying written texts, audio recording and photographs of performances. In a few cases, performance, which no longer exist, have also been studied from published accounts.

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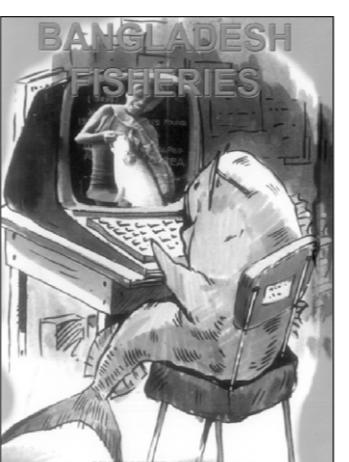
A Celebration of Women
 Niaz Zaman
 Price: Tk. 60.00

A Celebration of Women, a short play for women, is inspired by the idea of what might happen if women from real life as well as literature got together. Roquiah Sakawat Hossein, Clytemnestra, Binodini, Emily Dickinson, Ophelia, and Lady Macbeth among others have been invited to the naming ceremony of Nayan's daughter. While most of the women have led sad lives, Roquiah Sakawat Hossein reminds the other guests that she rose above personal tragedy to make a difference in the lives of women.



An Introduction to Islam
 David Waines
 Price: Tk. 1595.00

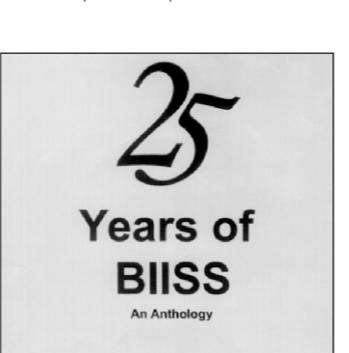
Islam is a world-wide religion embracing many cultures and nations, comprising today nearly 900 million persons. Muslims believe that God (Allah) revealed to the Prophet Muhammad guidance for proper conduct in this world and salvation in the next. These revelations are contained in the Muslims scripture, the Quran. From modest beginnings in Mecca fourteen centuries ago, Islam spread rapidly throughout the Middle East and then into southeast Asia.



Bangladesh Fisheries
 Muhammed Shafi
 Price: Tk. 200.00 US \$ 10.00

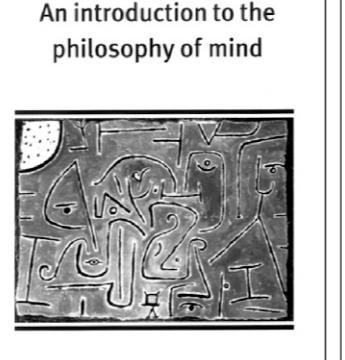
The book is comprised of thirty five popular articles mostly highlighting the contemporary problems of the Fisheries Sector in Bangladesh during the period from 1975 to 2001. Some of these articles have been published in the national English dailies.

Some are presented at National Conferences/Seminars and Training Programmes on fisheries held in Dhaka or elsewhere during the period. There are few reports on Joyshagar Fish Farm, Neemgachi, introducing and discussing the problems, prospects and development of aquaculture there.



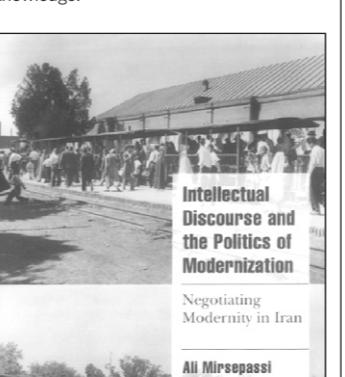
A History of Iraq
 Second Edition
 Charles Tripp
 Price: Tk 1995.00

This updated edition of Charles Tripp's A History of Iraq covers events since 1998, and looks at present-day developments right up to mid-2002. Since its establishment by the British in the 1920s Iraq has witnessed the rise and fall of successive regimes, culminating in the dictatorship of Saddam Hussein.



An introduction to the philosophy of mind
 E. J. Lowe
 Price: Tk. 1675.00

In this book Jonathan Lowe offers a lucid and wide-ranging introduction to the philosophy of mind. Using a problem-centred approach designed to stimulate as well as instruct, he begins with a general examination of the mind-body problem and moves on to detailed examination of more specific philosophical issues concerning sensation, perception, thought and language, rationality, artificial intelligence, action, personal identity and self-knowledge.



Security in the Twenty First Century
 A Bangladesh Perspective
 All Mirsepassi
 Price: Tk 260.00

This book highlights some of the primary state and security concerns of Bangladesh. As an international actor Bangladesh's aspirations are rather modest. Seeking a regional niche in the context of strategy and security is more commensurate with the realities of size, power and influence of Bangladesh.

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CDs & Cassettes

Onek Jomano Byatha
 Kishore Kumar
 Price: Tk. 150.00

Kishore Kumar is the all-time greatest singer in India. This present album features seventeen of his greatest hits including Ki ashay badhi khelaghori, Amar deep nebhabo raat, Nayoni sharoshi keno, Shedino akashoy chhilo koto tara, Jakhon ami onore duey and the titular one. Sure to attract the Kishore-lovers.



Romance
 Chand Mera Dil
 Mohd. Rafi
 Price: Tk. 150.00

Chand Mera Dil Romantic Hindi songs by Mohammad Rafi

Price: Tk. 150.00

Mohammad Rafi is another legendary name in the history of songs in this Subcontinent.

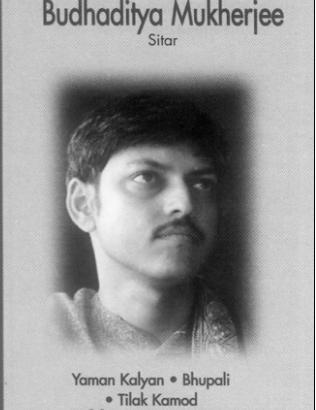
The eras between 1950 to '70, Rafi playbacked in numerous Hindi films giving voice to many popular tracks. This album holds some of his best romantic titles including Deewana mujhe nahin, Na ja kahin ab na, Ina to yaad hai mujhe, Tu is tarah se and Chand mera dil chandni ho tum.



Khola Janalay
 Nirmala Misra & Banasree Sengupta
 Price: Tk. 60.00

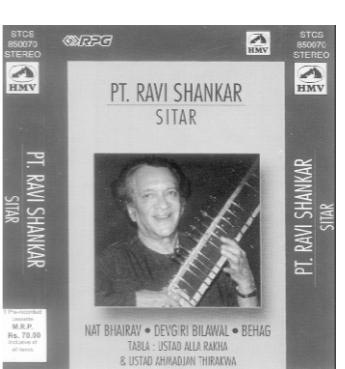
Khola Janalay Modern Bangla songs by Nirmala Misra & Banasree Sengupta

Price: Tk. 60.00



Budhaditya Mukherjee
 Sitar
 Price: Tk. 80.00

Budhaditya Mukherjee shot to fame in his late teens on the strength of his incredible virtuosity on the sitar. For an individual who was not born into the Imdadkhani lineage, his command over the sitar is stunning. Credit goes not only to the musician's own genius but also that of his father and guru, Pt. Bimalendu Mukherjee. Budhaditya Mukherjee is perhaps without equal in his generation on the issue of tayari which manifests itself in jhala and taans. Thus, this celebrated sitarist is one of the few instrumentalists to do eminent justice to the rendition of tappa, a composition which is structured on clusters of taans. The artist's pitch perfection and ability to evoke the true timbral character of the sitar in the Imdadkhani style, makes his music as melodious as it is powerful.



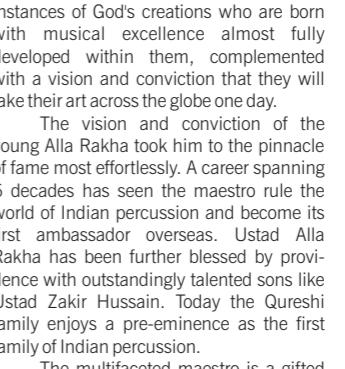
Sitar Vadan Pt. Nikhil Banerjee
 Raga Shuddha Basant
 Live concert in Calcutta (Vol. 2)
 Price: Tk. 200.00

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The vision and conviction of the young Alla Rakha took him to the pinnacle of fame most effortlessly. A career spanning 6 decades has seen the maestro rule the world of Indian percussion and become its first ambassador overseas. Ustad Alla Rakha has been further blessed by Providence with outstandingly talented sons like Ustad Zakir Hussain. Today the Qureshi family enjoys a pre-eminence as the first family of Indian percussion.

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