

PICK OF THE WEEK



Our Choice
Run Lola Run (IMDb rating 8.2)
 On MGM, October 15 at 9:30 p.m.
 Genre: Drama/Thriller/Action
 Franka Potente, Moritz Bleibtreu, Nina Petri
 The film explores the events that fate alone controls and displays the constant "what ifs" that occur every moment and that can easily change the happenings of the next. The film follows the events between a woman, Lola, and her boyfriend, Mani, who she desperately tries to save from death by helping him obtain a huge amount of money he carelessly lost. It takes you on three different journeys with Lola, all controlled by fate, showing you what would happen in each, and all the "what ifs" that provide the foundations for each outcome.



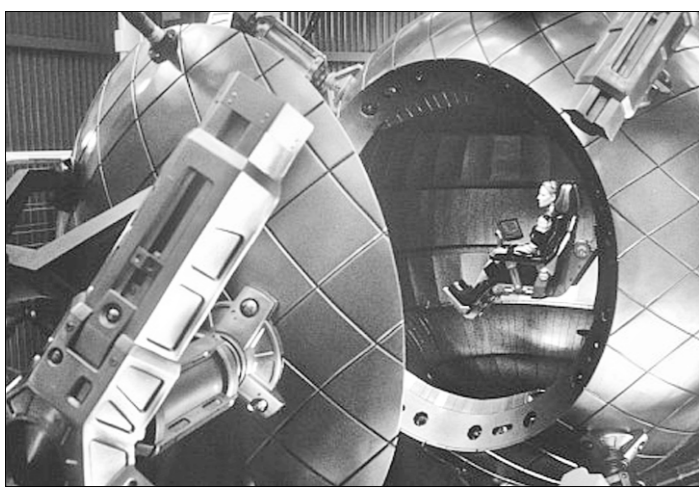
The Sport

South Africa Tour of Pakistan
 4th ODI (D/N)
 Live from Rawalpindi, Pakistan
 On Ten Sports, October 10 at 2:30 p.m.
 Pakistan
 Vs
 South Africa



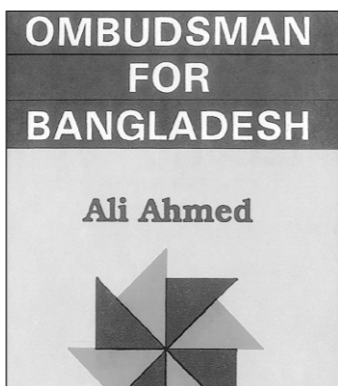
The Movie
City of Angels (IMDb rating 6.2)
 On Star Movies, October 14 at 9:05 p.m.
 Genre: Drama/Fantasy/Romance
 Nicolas Cage, Meg Ryan
 Angels are among us and when we feel an invisible presence, you better believe they are watching you. For a Los Angeles heart surgeon named Maggie, that is too much of a stretch. She believes that it is her job to save the lives of her patients and when she meets Seth after visiting hours are over, he tells her it's simply just their time to go. She becomes intrigued by his presence and opinion. Seth is not just normal, he is an Angel. He meets Messinger while visiting patients.

Satellite TV

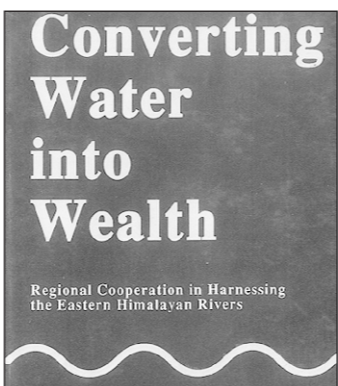


Contact (IMDb rating 7.4)
 On Star Movies, October 11 at 7:30 p.m.
 Genre: Drama/Sci-Fi
 Jodie Foster, Jena Malone, Matthew McConaughey
 Contact, based on the novel of the same name by Carl Sagan, is the story of a free thinking radio astronomer who discovers an intelligent signal broadcast from deep space. She and her fellow scientists are able to decipher the Message and discover detailed instructions for building a mysterious Machine. Will the Machine spell the end of our world, or the end of our superstitions? Will we take our place among the races of the Galaxy, or are we just an upstart species with a long way to go?

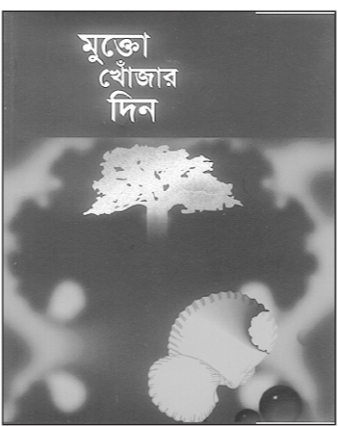
Books



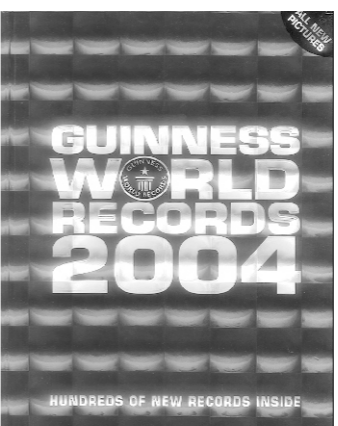
OMBUDSMAN FOR BANGLADESH
 Ali Ahmed
 Ombudsman for Bangladesh Ali Ahmed, Price: Tk. 75.00
 Integrity and honesty are generally lacking in our public administration. In some spheres corruption is said to be rampant. Besides, the administrative access in several cases tells upon the rights and liberties of the public. There are legislative administrative and judicial techniques for curbing the corruption and administrative abuses. But these are not fully effective because of some functional deficiencies which are mainly complex, time consuming and expensive rules and regulations.



Converting Water into Wealth
 Regional Cooperation in Harnessing the Eastern Himalayan Rivers
 Mukto Khonjar Din, Fatema Zohra Haque, Price: Tk. 100.00
 This book is mainly about the harnessing of the eastern Himalayan rivers for equitable benefit of co-riparian countries. It has emerged from this study that regional cooperation in the harnessing of these rivers, home to the largest concentration of the world's poorest, offers to all the countries gains far beyond anything that can be achieved by isolated national efforts.



মুক্তো খোঁজার দিন
 Mukto Khonjar Din, Fatema Zohra Haque, Price: Tk. 100.00
 The Complete Adventures of Feluda Vol. 1
 Sixteen gripping tales of suspense and mystery featuring Satyajit Ray's inimitable detective, Feluda.
 Satyajit Ray, Price: Tk.870.00
 Between 1965 and 1992, Satyajit Ray wrote a total of thirty-five Feluda stories, featuring the master sleuth Pradosh C. Mitter, his teenaged assistant Topshe, and Lalmoan Babu alias Jatayu, a bumbling writer of crime fiction. The locals range from Gangtok and Varanasi to Jaisalmer and Ellora, apart from Feluda's hometown of Calcutta. The plots involve murder, intrigue and adventure, narrated in a racy, humorous style. All of these makes for enormously entertaining fare -- and it is no wonder that each Feluda book has been a best seller.

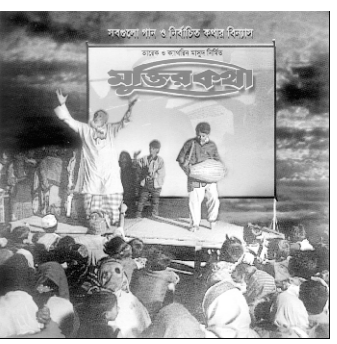


GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS 2004
 HUNDREDS OF NEW RECORDS INSIDE
 Guinness World Records 2004, Price: Tk. 1600.00

CDs & Cassettes



লতা মগেশকর
 Lata Mageshkar
 Ki Likhi Tomay
 Bangla Modern Songs by Lata Mageshkar, Price: Tk. 200.00
 19 evergreen songs by the melody queen of the subcontinent will bring back a nostalgic feeling for the bygone days. Tracks like Ki likhi tomay, Ami boi tomay dure thako, Bhalo kore tumi cheye dekho, Keno je kandao bare bare, O tui noyono pakhi amar re and others will take you to the real melodious world of music.



মুক্তি কোথা
 Mukti Kotha Complete Songs & Dialogue Excerpts from the Film
 By Tareque and Katherine Masud, Price: Tk. 400.00



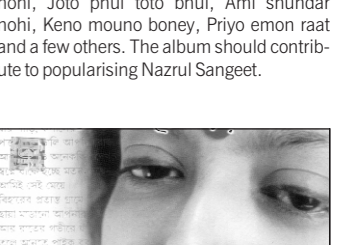
কচুই অচুই
 Kachhei Achhi
 Bangla Modern Songs by Srikanth Acharya, Price: Tk. 150.00



প্রিয় এমোন রাতে
 Priyo Emon Raat
 Nazrul Sangeet by Shabnam Mushtari, Price: Tk. 100.00
 The reputed Nazrul Sangeet artiste presents twelve comparatively less heard songs of Nazrul. The tracks include Shokhi mor Banolata, Tumi haatkhanij jobe, Ami chand nohi, Joto phul toto bhu, Ami shundar nohi, Keno mouno boney, Priyo emon raat and a few others. The album should contribute to popularising Nazrul Sangeet.



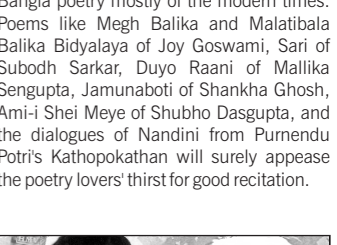
জাবো তেপন্তার
 Jabo Tepantar
 Bangla Modern Songs by Sreya Ghosh, Price: Tk. 150.00



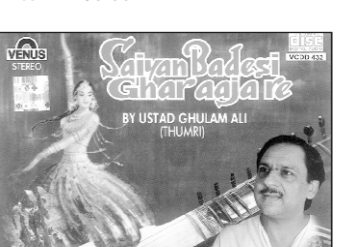
আমি সেই মেয়ে
 Ami Shei Meye
 Poetry recital by Bratati Bandyopadhyay, Price: Tk. 400.00
 The CD gathers some of the finest pieces of Bangla poetry mostly of the modern times. Poems like Megh Balika and Malatibala Balika Bidiyalaya of Joy Goswami, Sari of Subodh Sarkar, Duyo Raani of Malika Sengupta, Jamunaboti of Shankha Ghosh, Ami Shei Meye of Shubho Dasgupta, and the dialogues of Nandini from Purnendu Potri's Kathopkathan will surely appease the poetry lovers' thirst for good recitation.



গানের মোর কোন ইন্দ্রধনু
 Gaaney Mor Kon Inndrahnu
 Modern Bangla Songs from Films
 Ramek by Sumana Chakraborty, Price: Tk. 150.00



কন সে কবির চন্দা বাজে
 Kon Se Kabir Chhanda Baje
 Rabindra Sangeet by Sumitra Sen & Indrani Sen, Price: Tk. 225.00



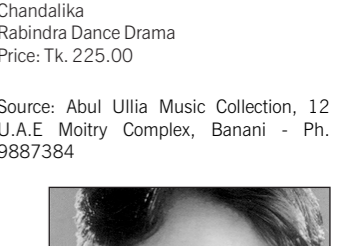
সায়ান বাদেসি গার আজা রে
 Saiyan Badesi Ghar Aaja Re
 Thumri by Ustad Ghulam Ali, Price: Tk. 300.00



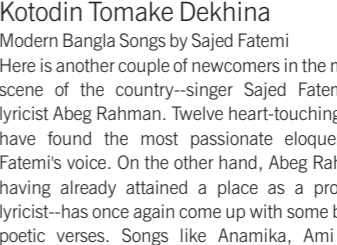
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 Thumri
 Late Pt. Jiranda Abhishek Smt. Veena Sahasrabudhe
 Khayal & Thumri, Vol. 2, Price: Tk. 300.00
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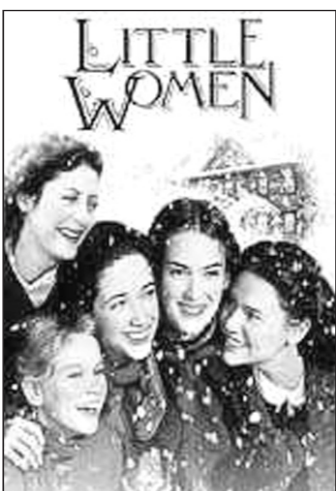
চন্দালিকা
 Chandalika
 Rabindra Dance Drama, Price: Tk. 225.00



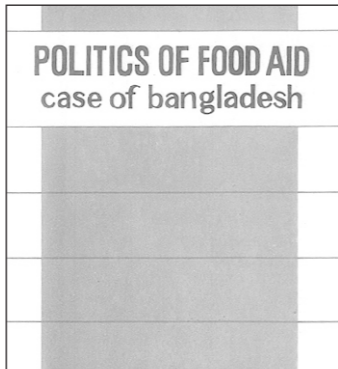
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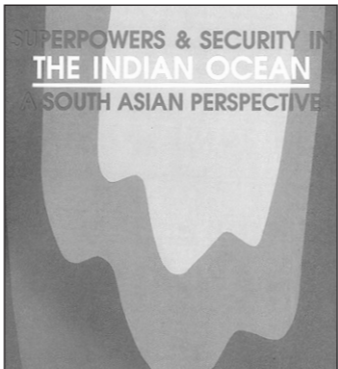
Captain Corelli's Mandolin (IMDb rating 6.0)
 On Star Movies, October 12 at 7:00 p.m.
 Genre: Drama/Romance/War
 Nicolas Cage, Penelope Cruz
 In 1941, Italy allies with Germany and ruthlessly conquers the weak country of Greece. On a remote Greek island, an Italian artillery garrison is established to maintain order. One Italian officer, Captain Corelli, adopts an attitude of mutual co-existence with the Greeks and engages in such activities as music festivals and courting the daughter of a local doctor. In 1943, however, after Italy surrenders to the Allies and changes sides in the war, Captain Corelli must defend the Greek island against a German invasion.



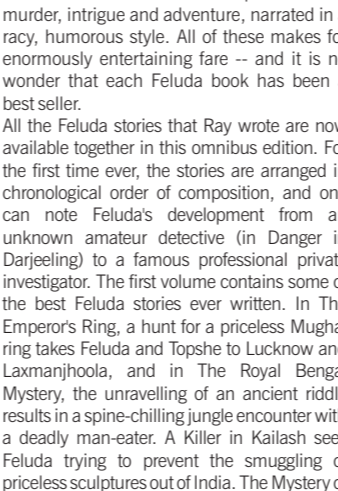
Little Women (IMDb rating 7.1)
 On Star Movies, October 13 at 7:00 p.m.
 Genre: Drama/Romance
 Winona Ryder, Gabriel Byrne
 With their father away fighting in the Civil War, Joe, Meg, Beth and Amy grow up with their mother in a somewhat reduced circumstances. They are a close family who inevitably have their squabbles and tragedies. But the bond holds even when, later, men friends start to become a part of the household.



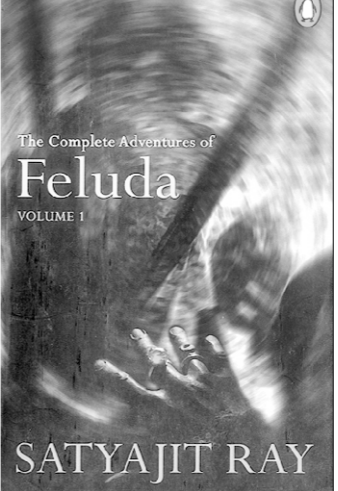
POLITICS OF FOOD AID case of Bangladesh
 M Gyasuddin Molla, Price: Tk. 155.00
 The study examines the distribution dimension of food aid in Bangladesh. While examining the various ramifications of food aid distribution in Bangladesh, this study mainly focuses on the interest bias of the distribution system. The study also offers an in-depth analysis of the extent to which the food aid attains its goals. It also examines whether the food aid reaches the needy or the better-off sections of the population and whether food aid is used to serve any political interest.



Superpowers & Security in the Indian Ocean A South Asian Perspective
 Syed Anwar Husain, Price: Tk. 195.00
 The book considers the security of the Indian Ocean region in the context of the Indian Ocean Zone of Peace (IOZP) proposal. The discussion shows that this proposal has occasioned a controversy wherein the perceptions of extraregional and regional powers are widely divergent. While analyzing these differing perceptions in conceptual and historical contexts the central theme remains a comprehension of the underlying spirit of the peace zone concept and its evolution over the years.



The Complete Adventures of Feluda VOLUME 1
 SATYAJIT RAY
 All the Feluda stories that Ray wrote are now available together in this omnibus edition. For the first time ever, the stories are arranged in chronological order of composition, and one can note Feluda's development from an unknown amateur detective (in Danger in Darjeeling) to a famous professional private investigator. The first volume contains some of the best Feluda stories ever written. In The Emperor's Ring, a hunt for a priceless Mughal ring takes Feluda and Topshe to Lucknow and Laxmanjholia, and in The Royal Bengal Mystery, the unravelling of an ancient riddle results in a spine-chilling jungle encounter with a deadly man-eater. A Killer in Kailash sees Feluda trying to prevent the smuggling of priceless sculptures out of India. The Mystery of the Elephant God has him battling the arch-criminal Maganlal Mehraj and his knife-throwing associate. A freshly dug-up grave in an abandoned cemetery leads to the hunt for a priceless antique timepiece in Trouble in the Graveyard, while a real-life Bollywood villain throws down the gauntlet in The Buccaneer of Bombay. It takes all of Feluda's investigative skills to bring each case to a satisfactory conclusion. This is the definitive Feluda collection--a treasury that all fans of mystery writing will want to possess.



Court Martial and Military Matters
 Brig. Nilendra Kumar, Price: Tk. 895.00
 The book highlights topics such as recent changes made to military law, professional conduct of officers handling disciplinary cases, in-house remedies against court martial verdicts, futuristic trends in military law, alternative disputes redressal and human rights in context of disposal of disciplinary cases in the Army. Three chapters discuss various facets of international humanitarian law as relevant in Indian context. This work is an attempt to discuss the complexities of modern legal thought as pertaining to the military canvas. The book is a thorough overview of military law. It is not however a treatise that merely describes the law. It points the way ahead. It is an agenda for change.



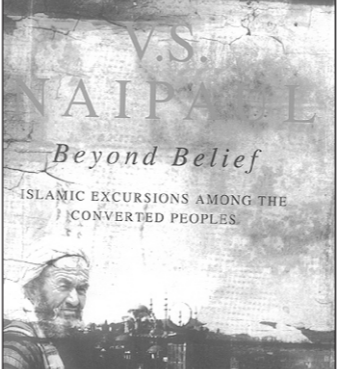
Serendipity (IMDb rating 6.6)
 On MGM, October 12 at 9:30 p.m.
 Genre: Comedy/Romance
 Lilli Lavigne, Michael Guarino Jr., Abdul Alshawish, John Cusack, Kate Beckinsale
 Jonathan Trager and Sara Thomas meet while shopping for gloves in New York. Though buying for their respective lovers, the magic was right and a night of Christmas shopping turned into romance. Jon wanted to explore things further but Sara wasn't sure their love was meant to be. They decided to test fate by splitting up and seeing if destiny brought them back together... Many years later, having lost each other that night, both are engaged to be married.



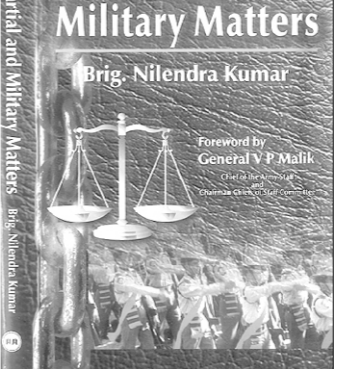
Behind Enemy Lines (IMDb rating 6.1)
 On Star Movies, October 16 at 8:30 p.m.
 Genre: Action/War
 Owen Wilson, Gene Hackman
 Fighter navigator Chris Burnett wants out: he was looking for something more than the boring recon missions he's been flying. He finds himself flying the lone Christmas day mission over war-torn Bosnia. But when he talks pilot Stackhouse into flying slightly off-course to check out an interesting target, the two get shot down. Burnett is soon alone, trying to outrun a pursuing army, while commanding officer Reigent finds his rescue operation hamstrung by politics, forcing Burnett to run far out of his way.



THE LEMON TREE
 Sitakant Mahapatra, Price: Tk. 250.00
 "The University Press Limited has undertaken the publication of a bilingual edition of English and Bengali translations of the leading poet of Orissa, Sitakant Mahapatra. Needless to say, those of us who love reading poetry and eagerly await every opportunity to read quality poems, will be delighted to come across a book like this one. The English translations in it will satisfy this craving in poetry lovers worldwide. When I first met Sitakant Mahapatra, I already knew that he was a highly educated Indian poet who had won many laurels. Getting to know him better, I learnt that he was also an amiable and modest human being, free of any prejudice. Reading translations of his work, I realized that he was truly a poet of stature. The themes of Sitakant Mahapatra's poems are apparently very ordinary, for example 'The Lemon Tree', 'Grandfather', 'Paddy Harvesting', 'The Vulture', 'Mother', 'My Grand Daughter', 'Destiny', 'Autumn', 'The Ruined Temple', 'The Ballad of the Beggar Boy', 'The Rock', 'Grandmother' etc. But these common themes become extraordinary at the touch of the poet's talent. His experiences and his worldview have extracted from his pen many poems of quality that may appear simple but are by no means easy to write.



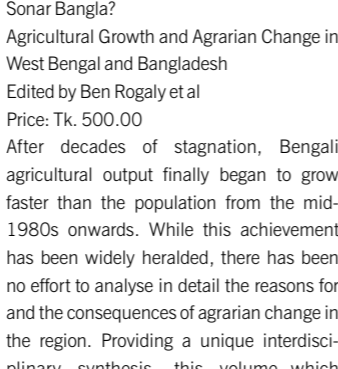
Beyond Belief
 Islamic Excursions among the Converted Peoples
 VS Naipaul, Price: Tk. 595.00
 What has Islam done to the histories of Indonesia, Iran, Pakistan and Malaysia? How do the converted peoples view their past--their future? In a follow-up to Among the Believers, his classic account of his travels through these countries, VS Naipaul returns after a gap of seventeen years to find out how and what the converted preach. In Indonesia he finds a pastoral people who have lost their history through a confluence of Islam and technology. In Iran he discovers a religious tyranny as oppressive as the secular one of the Shah. But nowhere, as Naipaul illustrates, has history been more successfully mangled into a cultural desert than in Pakistan.



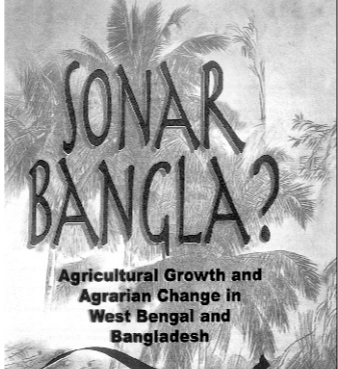
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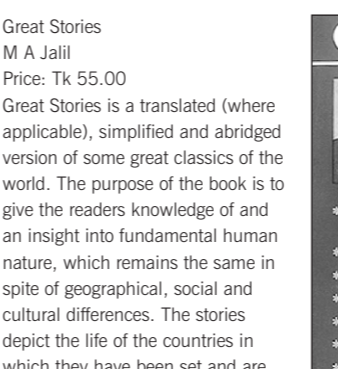
Proof of Life (IMDb rating 6.3)
 On HBO, October 11 at 9:30 p.m.
 Genre: Action/Drama/Thriller
 Meg Ryan, Russell Crowe
 In a mountainous South American country, drug-dealing rebels kidnap Peter Bowman, a US engineer who works for an oil company's subsidiary. The company calls in a negotiator, Terry Thorne, an Aussie ex-soldier based in London. When the subsidiary goes bankrupt, the oil company washes its hands of the matter and pulls Thorne. Bowman's wife Alice begs him to stay. She and Peter's sister cobbler together some money. Thorne talks ransom terms with the cash-strapped rebels, and Peter, chained high in the mountains, is sustained by a photo of Alice. When the politics of the situation change, so must Thorne's strategy. And what can Alice and he do about the attraction growing between them?



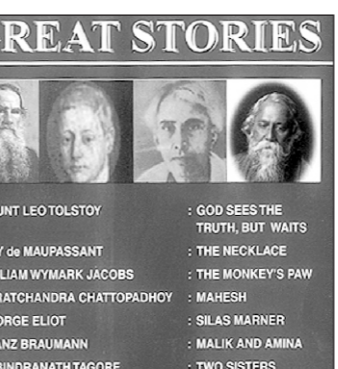
SONAR BANGLA?
 Agricultural Growth and Agrarian Change in West Bengal and Bangladesh
 Edited by Ben Rogaly et al, Price: Tk. 500.00
 After decades of stagnation, Bengali agricultural output finally began to grow faster than the population from the mid-1980s onwards. While this achievement has been widely heralded, there has been no effort to analyse in detail the reasons for and the consequences of agrarian change in the region. Providing a unique interdisciplinary synthesis, this volume--which draws chiefly upon micro studies of villages in West Bengal and Bangladesh--explores the complex causality between agricultural growth, government policy and local level practice, and agrarian social change.



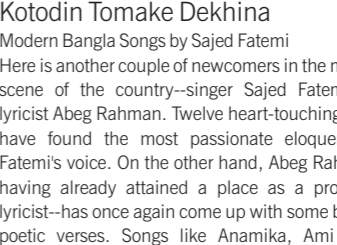
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