

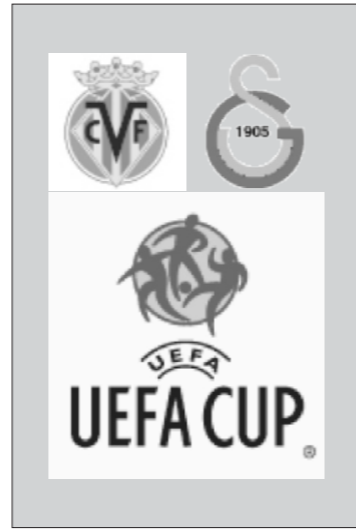
## PICK OF THE WEEK



### Our Choice

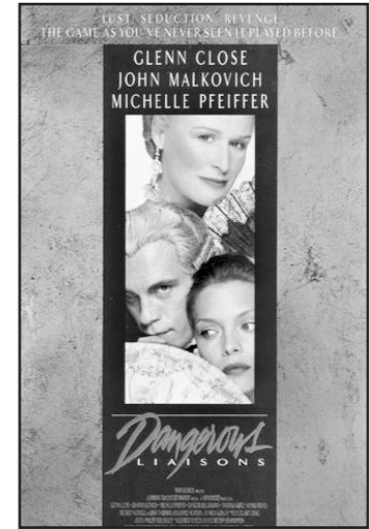
**Home Alone** (IMDb rating 6.3)  
 On Star Movies, March 04 at 7:00 pm  
 Genre: Family/Comedy  
 Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci, Catherine O'Hara

8-year-old Kevin McAllister is accidentally left behind when his family takes off for a vacation in France for holiday. Once he realizes they've left him home by himself, Kevin learns to fend for himself, and eventually has to protect his house against bumbling burglars Harry and Marv, who are planning to rob every house in Kevin's suburban Chicago neighborhood. Kevin's mother Kate is frantic when she realises the fact, and tries to make it back to Chicago as fast as she can.



### The Sport

UEFA Cup 2003/04  
 3rd Round Leg 2  
 Live from Villarreal, Spain  
 On ESPN, March 04 at 2:25 am  
 Villarreal  
 Vs  
 Galatasaray



### The Movie

**Dangerous Liaisons** (IMDb rating 7.6)  
 On HBO, February 29 at 9:30 pm  
 Genre: Drama/Romance  
 Glenn Close, John Malkovich, Michelle Pfeiffer, Keanu Reeves, Uma Thurman

Set in Baroque France around 1760-1770. The Marquise de Merteuil needs a favour from her ex-lover, Vicomte de Valmont. Her ex-husband is planning on marrying a young, virtuous woman called Cecile de Volanges. The Marquise would like Valmont to seduce Cecile before her wedding day. Meanwhile Valmont has a conquest of his own in mind, Madame de Tourvel, a beautiful, married, and God fearing woman.

### Satellite TV



**Pay It Forward** (IMDb rating 6.7)  
 On HBO, February 28 at 9:30 pm  
 Genre: Drama/Comedy/Romance  
 Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt, Haley Joel Osment, Jon Bon Jovi

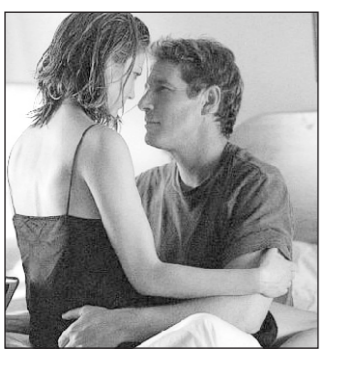
Young Trevor McKinney, troubled by his mother's alcoholism and fears of his abusive but absent father, is caught up by an intriguing assignment from his new social studies teacher, Mr. Simonet. The assignment: think of something to change the world and put it into action. Trevor conjures the notion of paying a favor not back, but forward—repaying good deeds not with payback, but with new good deeds done to three new people. Trevor's efforts to make good on his idea bring a revolution not only in the lives of himself, his mother and his emotionally scarred teacher, but in those of an ever-widening circle of people completely unknown to him.



**The Royal Tenenbaums** (IMDb rating 7.6)  
 On Star Movies, February 28 at 9:00 pm  
 Genre: Comedy/Drama  
 Gene Hackman, Anjelica Huston, Gwyneth Paltrow, Ben Stiller, Owen Wilson

Three grown prodigies, all with a unique genius of some kind, and their mother are staying at the family household. Their father, Royal had left them long ago, and comes back to make things right with his family.

### Unfaithful



**Unfaithful** (IMDb rating 6.6)  
 On Star Movies, March 02 at 9:35 pm  
 Genre: Drama/Thriller  
 Diane Lane, Richard Gere, Olivier Martinez

Connie Sumner has a loving husband, a beautiful home, and a wonderful son, but she wants more. When she's approached one day by a handsome stranger while trying to hail a taxi, she becomes obsessed with him and eventually starts an affair. But her selfish actions soon catch up with her...



**Single White Female** (IMDb rating 6.1)  
 On Star Movies, February 29 at 8:30 pm  
 Genre: Thriller/Drama  
 Bridget Fonda, Jennifer Jason Leigh

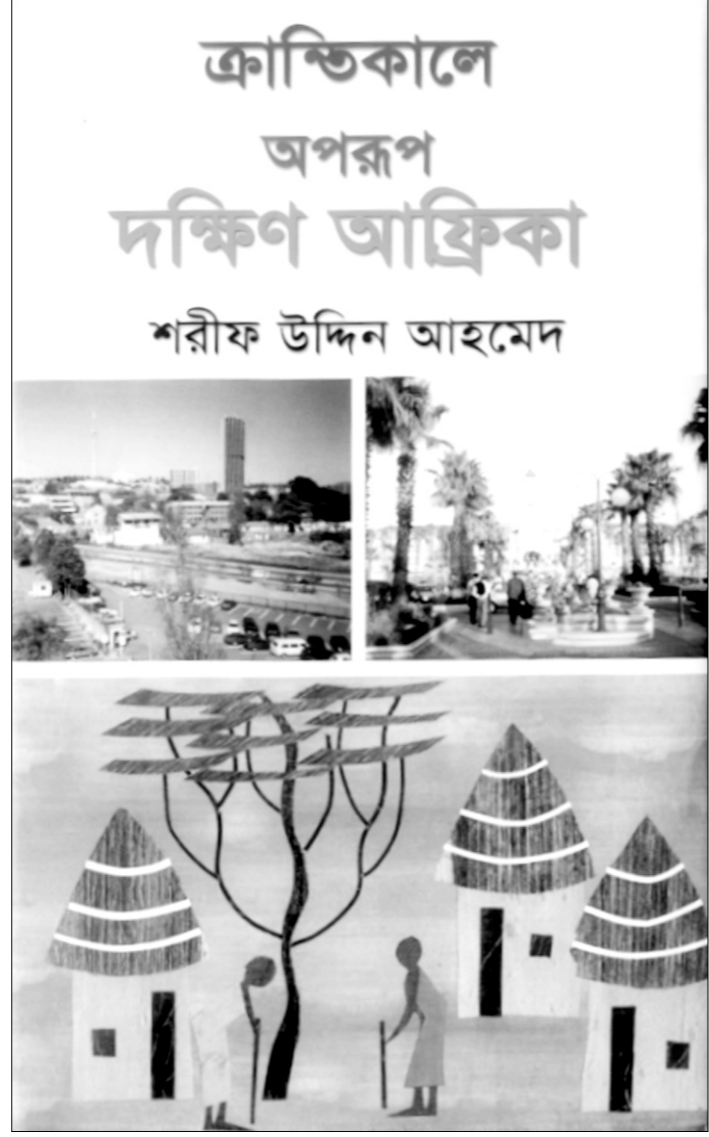
When a 'Single White Female' places an ad in the press for a similar woman to rent a room (to replace the boyfriend she's just left), all the applicants seem weird. Then along comes a level headed woman who seems to be just right. The new lodger has a secret past which haunts her.



**Legally Blonde** (IMDb rating 6.5)  
 On Star Movies, March 01 at 07:00 pm  
 Genre: Comedy  
 Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson, Selma Blair

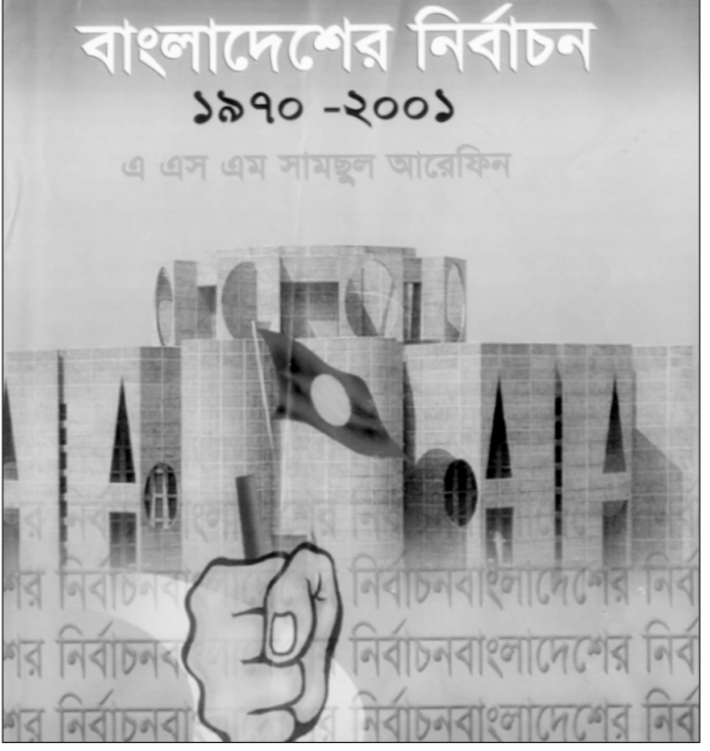
Elle Woods has it all. She's the president of her sorority, a Hawaiian Tropic girl, Miss June in her campus calendar, and, above all, a natural blonde. She dates the cutest fraternity boy on campus and wants nothing more than to be Mrs. Warner Huntington III. But, there's just one thing stopping Warner from popping the question: Elle is too blonde. Growing up across the street from Aaron Spelling might mean something in LA, but nothing to Warner's East-Coast blue blood family. So, when Warner packs up for Harvard Law and reunites with an old sweetheart from prep school, Elle rallies all her resources and gets into Harvard, determined to win him back. But law school is a far cry from the comforts of her poolside and the mall. Elle must wage the battle of her life, for her guy, for herself and for all the blondes who suffer endless indignities everyday.

### Books



**Krantikale Aparup Dakkhin Afrika** (Beautiful South Africa in Transition)  
 Sharif Uddin Ahmed  
 Price: Tk. 175.00

Although a travelogue in nature, the book is richly informative in that it presents lots of aspects of the country that are hitherto unknown to any readers of this region. And this will surely enrich the readers with the rich cultural heritage of the world. One such subject that the book covers is called 'Records Management' that focuses on how records are preserved both at the government and non-government levels.



**Bangladesh Nirbachan: 1970-2001**  
 ASM Shamsul Arefin  
 Published by Bangladesh Research & Publications, Price: Tk. 1500.00

*Bangladesh Nirbachan: 1970-2001* (Bangladesh Politics: 1970-2001) is basically a research book comprising election-related information. The work contains various statistics pertaining to the 10 elections of the Jatiya Sangsad (National Parliament), lists of the members of the parliament and other important topics concerning parliamentary proceedings. The objective of the book is to provide ready reference and analysis for concerned persons pertaining to elections reviews, planning, analysis and research.

### Dukkho-Shukher Chhelebel (Vol. 1)

**Badruddoza Chowdhury**  
 This is one of the three books that the former President of the country has recently published during the on-going Ekushey Book Fair. Apparently autobiographical, the book reveals the making of the president in his early years.



**Amar Bikkhato Bibek**  
 Ahab Ahmad  
 Price: Tk. 200.00



**Kabandho**  
 M Matiur Rahman  
 Price: Tk. 85.00



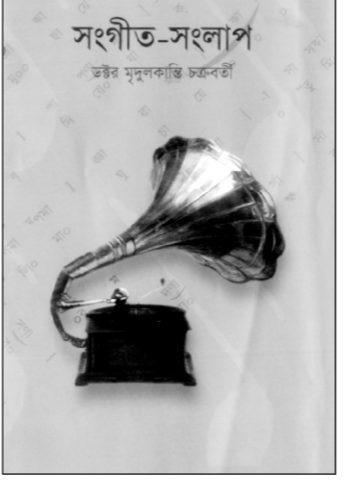
**Shera Sundaram**  
 Edited by Mustafa Nurul Islam  
 Price: Tk. 225.00

Professor Nurul Islam has edited the quarterly *Sundaram* for about 15 years. Mainly essay-orientated, the magazine focused on the art, literature, culture and tradition of the country. And the 15-year publication has published about a thousand articles. The present collection offers 16 of these essays that are relevant to the time.

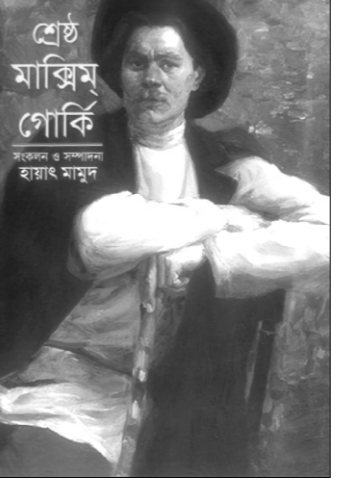


**Chitto Jetha Bhoj Shunno**  
 Shah AMS Kibria  
 Price: Tk. 225.00

This is a collection of his columns published in the weekly *Mridubhashon*. The columns record his experiences in relation to service at the international level, experiences of a 12-year long active political career, in the ministry for five years, and in the opposition for the last two years.

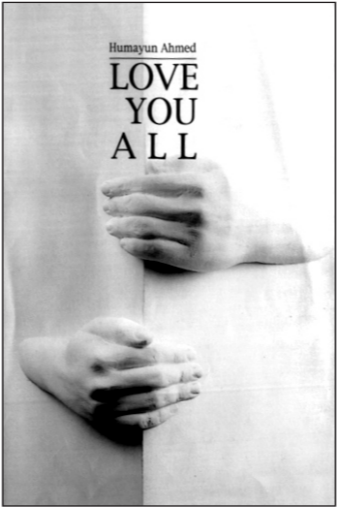


**Sangeet Shangaap**  
 Dr. Mridulkanti Chakraborty  
 Protik Mridulkanti Chakraborty is a notable name in the music scene for his relentless research into the various aspects of music. His writings reveal his inquisitiveness about history and characteristics of music in Bangladesh as well as in the world, Rabindra Sangeet and folk music. *Sangeet-Shangaap* will prove useful to music lovers, fans of Rabindra Sangeet, and music research scholars.



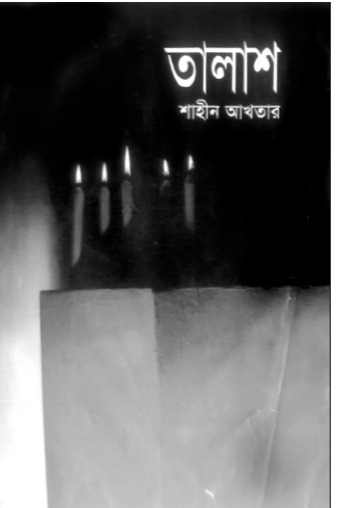
**Sreshtho Maxim Gorky** (Best of Maxim Gorky)  
 Edited by Hayat Mamud  
 Aboshar Prokashoni

'If any foreign author has appeared like a storm won the hearts of Bangali readers, that is Maxim Gorky,' writes Hayat Mamud. His *Ma* still inspires people for a revolution to change the society. However, there hasn't been any good Bangla collection on this important author so far. Mamud's edition will surely prove to be an invaluable compensation for that lack.



**Love You All**  
 Haumayun Ahmed  
 Translated by Shafiqur Rahman  
 Protik, Price: Tk. 60.00

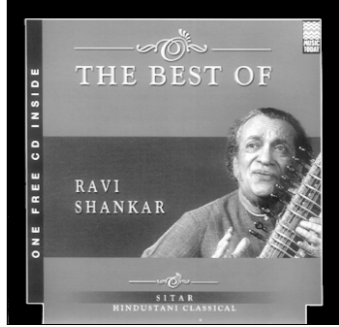
This is the translation of Humayun Ahmed's famous science fiction *Tomader Jonnye Bhalobasha*—one of the first such novels in the country. The story involves an enterprise into saving Earth, surviving the human race and resisting the four-dimensional beings from turning the planet into a four-dimensional one.



**Talaash**  
 Shaheen Akhtar  
 Maula Brothers, Price: Tk. 200.00

For the first time, breaking the silence after 32 years, the *Women of 1971* present themselves in Shaheen Akhtar's ground breaking new novel on the Liberation War—*Talaash*. Mariam, the protagonist of the novel, has lived for thirty years with shattered memories of a war that even though ended nine months later, refused to end for her. The war for independence is presented in an alternative light in this novel.

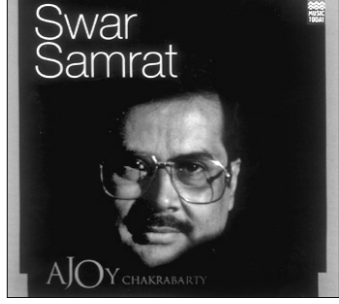
### CDs & Cassettes



**The Best of Ravi Shankar**  
 Sitar  
 Price: Tk. 400.00



**Bani Toba Dhay**  
 Rabindra Sangeet by Dwijen Mukhopadhyay  
 Price: Tk. 250.00



**Swar Samrat**  
 Ajoy Chakraborty  
 Price: Tk. 400.00



**Safar—the Journey of Life**  
 Babul Suprio  
 Price: Tk. 200.00

### The Best of Swar Utsav

**Live Concert at Connaught Circus 2000**  
 Set of 3 CDs  
 Price: Tk. 950.00

The three albums contain three different types of classical music. The first one titled *Hindustani Classical* features Shiv Kumar Sharma, Kishori Amonkar, Uthas Kashalkar and Rajan-Sajan Mishra. *Serni Classical & Devotional* presents Shubha Mudgal, Channulal Mishra, Madhup Midgal and Veena Sahasrabudhe. The other album, *Sufi & Qawwali*, features Abida Parveen, Tahira Sayed and Warsi Brothers.

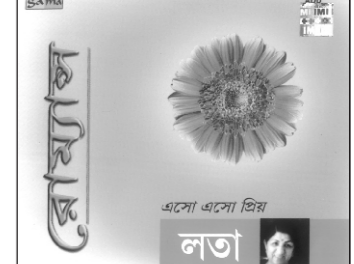


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**Ehsas Gham Ka, Lata Mangeshkar**  
 Price: Tk. 450.00

This collection features 23 everlasting Hindi songs from films. Songs include *Rahen na rahen, Ham the jinke sahare, Jab bhi jee chaha, Main tere ishq mein, Tere bina zindagi se, Tujhse naraz nahin zindagi* and others.



**Esho Esho Priyo**  
 Romantic Songs of Lata Mangeshkar  
 Price: Tk. 225.00

Many of the legendary singer's timeless tunes have been collected in this album. Tracks like *Ajmon chyeche, Ke prothom kache eshechhi, Gachher patay roder jhikimiki, Chanchal moyuri e raat, Priyotamo ki likhi tomay* and others will surely win the fans' hearts.



**Boner Pakhi**  
 Rabindra Sangeet by Pijushkanti Sarkar  
 Price: Tk. 225.00

A rich collection of 20 songs of Rabindranath Tagore, the album includes *E ki labonye purno pran, Ami jar taar duware bhikkha nite jai, Aoker ei jhama chharay, Amar je bela jay, Khanchar pakhi chhilo shonar khanchatte, Doley premer dolonchampa, Ami takhon chilem magon, Ekdin jara merechhilo taare giye* and many more.



**Duet Magic**  
 Mohammad Rafi & Asha Bhosle  
 Price: Tk. 550.00



**Mone Ki Pore Na**  
 Modern Bangla Songs by Fahmida Nabi  
 Fahmida Nabi is one of the very few names in our music scene who have never compromised their commitment to good music for anything. This present album is her latest endeavour in that struggle. The songs include *Majhe majhe, Buker bhetor achhe khancha, Du kalom likhe dao, Ei jhirjhiri haowa, Debo miche bolo, Jochhnake jobab debo* and others.



**Bikalpa Dhara-1**  
 Dr. AQM Badruzzaman Chowdhury  
 The much talked about political ideology of the former President comes out in CD format with the President's own documentation. Professor B Chowdhury elaborates the agendas which, according to him, should get priority in alleviation of terrorism, anti-corruption and poverty.