

PICK OF THE WEEK



Our Choice

The Mothman Prophecies

(IMDb rating 6.5)
On HBO, June 02 at 1:30 am
Genre: Thriller/Mystery/Sci-Fi
Richard Gere, David Eigenberg, Bob Tracey
When John Klein, a Washington Post journalist, and his wife Mary finally find the house of their dreams, they just can't believe their luck. On the way back from the bargain, Mary nearly runs over a caped, winged figure, jerks the wheel and skids into the sidewalk. She hits her head badly, and dies in the hospital a little later. John, completely devastated, soon finds some sketches his wife made after the accident.



The Sport

Bangladesh Tour of West Indies

1st Test Match, 1st day

Live from Beausejour Stadium, St Lucia

On Ten Sports, May 28 at 9:00 pm

Bangladesh

Vs

West Indies



The Movie

Warlock (IMDb rating 5.6)

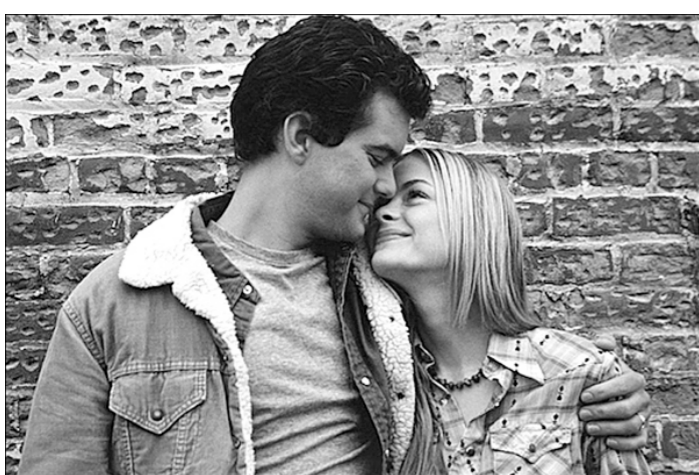
On Star Movies, June 03 at 10:45 pm

Genre: Action/Horror

Julian Sands, Lori Singer, Richard E. Grant, Mary Woronov

In Boston of 1691, a warlock is sentenced to death, but escapes magically into the future (our present), followed doggedly by the witch hunter. There he is searching for the three parts of the Devil's Bible, trailed by the witch hunter and the woman whose house he landed in. They must stop him, as the book contains the true name of God, which he can use to uncreate the world.

Satellite TV



Lone Star State of Mind (IMDb rating 5.7)

On HBO, June 01 at 7:45 pm

Genre: Comedy/Crime

Joshua Jackson, Jaime King, Matthew Davis, Ryan Hurst

A young Texas mechanic who tries to save a dim-witted relative from the mob is desperate to flee his small town with his girlfriend in search of fame and fortune. Further complications, or incentives to skip town, derive from the mechanic's father, who, until his recent murder, was in prison for 20 years thanks to his son's testimony.



American Outlaws (IMDb rating 5.5)

On HBO, May 29 at 9:30 pm

Genre: Western/Action/Comedy

Colin Farrell, Scott Caan, Ali Larter

When a Midwest town learns that a corrupt railroad baron has captured the deeds to their homesteads without their knowledge, a group of young ranchers join forces to take back what is rightfully theirs. In the course of their vendetta, they will become the object of the biggest manhunt in the history of the Old West and, as their fame grows, so will the legend of their leader, a young outlaw by the name of Jesse James.



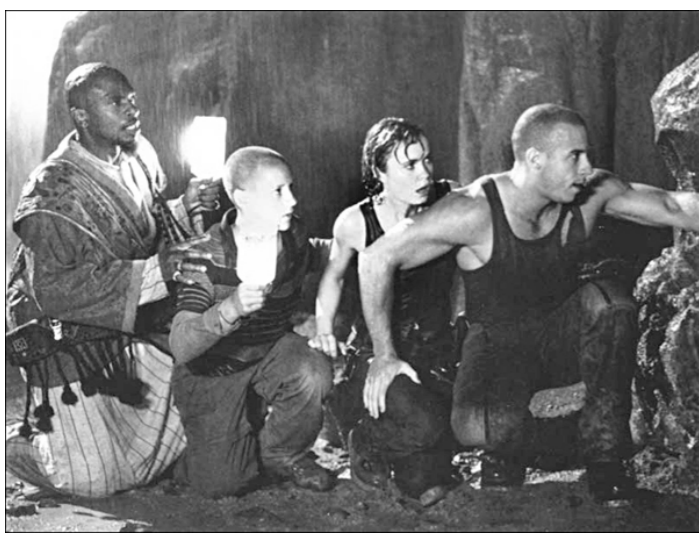
Poolhall Junkies (IMDb rating 6.7)

On Star Movies, May 31 at 8:30 pm

Genre: Drama/Thriller

Chazz Palminteri, Rick Schroder, Rod Steiger, Alison Eastwood

Obsessed by the world of pool, Johnny could be one of the best. But his mentor and "trainer" Joe, a shady hustler who decides how and who Johnny plays, is holding him back from his dream. When the day finally comes, Johnny breaks from Joe, which leads to only one thing - violence. Joe is beaten up by some of Johnny's buddies as a sign to leave him alone, and with this final act of freedom, Johnny leaves the world of pool-sharking. After an ultimatum from his girlfriend Tara, Johnny finally commits to a "real" job in the construction business, but is soon miserable there. He finds himself spending most of his time with his younger brother Danny who it seems is following in his footsteps on the road to a life Johnny left when he broke from Joe.



Pitch Black (IMDb rating 6.6)

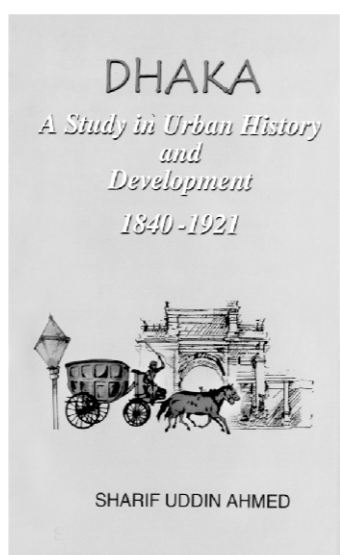
On HBO, May 30 at 8:30 pm

Genre: Horror/Sci-Fi/Thriller

Vin Diesel, Radha Mitchell, Cole Hauser

A transport ship containing 40 passengers heading to other worlds for, among other reasons, settling, New Mecca, and for one passenger, Riddick, another cell. The ship encounters a tiny meteor storm and crash lands on a barren planet with only 1/4 of its complement surviving. Survival is tough with Riddick on the loose and no water in sight. However, come nightfall, they have even more to fear...

Books



Dhaka

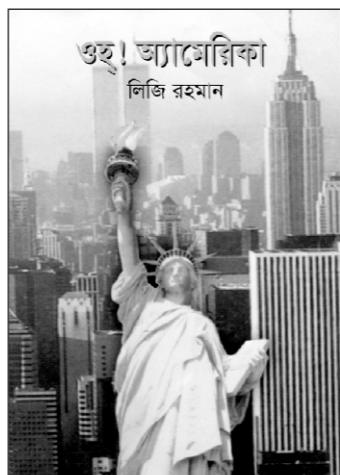
A Study in Urban History and Development 1840-1921

Sharif Uddin Ahmed

Price: Tk. 250.00

Research based historical works on the cities of the subcontinent are still very few. Fewer still are the works on the history and development of cities and towns of Bangladesh. In this context Professor Sharif Uddin Ahmed's book on Dhaka - History and Urban Development 1840-1921 may be taken as an exception. It is one of the few urban studies which carries through the 'old order' to the new administrative towns of British rule and attempts to show what happened to the communities of townsmen in the period of adaptation. Once a very prosperous Mughal capital Dhaka declined so sharply during the early 19th century that its very existence was threatened. But its geographical location and other factors soon led to its revival as an administrative centre. Dr Ahmed has elaborately described and analysed this revival of a great city and its role in modern South Asia.

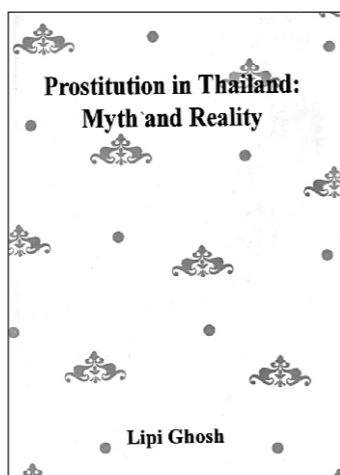
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Oh! America

Lizi Rahman

Price: Tk. 120.00



Prostitution in Thailand

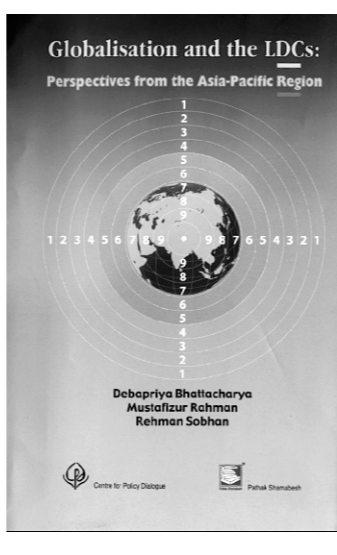
Myth and Reality

Lipi Ghosh

Price: Tk. 850.00

Prostitution in Thailand: Myth and Reality is a comprehensive research work about prostitution in Thailand. The study looks into the historical evolution of female prostitution in Thailand, discusses the social, economic, political, institutional and ideological factors which underpin the growth of Thai sex-industry in contemporary times, submits an organised presentation of Thai commercial sex sector, takes to the social dynamics of HIV infection among sex workers, discusses the statutes and laws of Thailand regarding the question of prostitution and finally talks about government level policies and plans of action for the prevention and eradication of the commercial sex workers in the country.

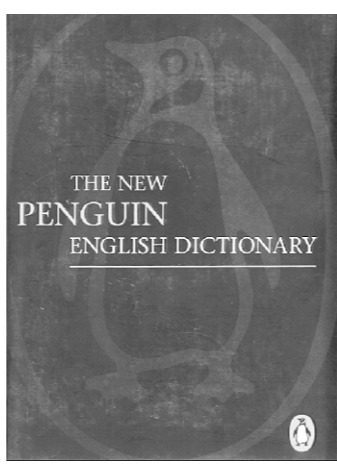
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Globalisation and the LDCs: Perspectives from the Asia-Pacific Region

Debapriya Bhattacharya, Mustafizur Rahman, Rehman Sobhan

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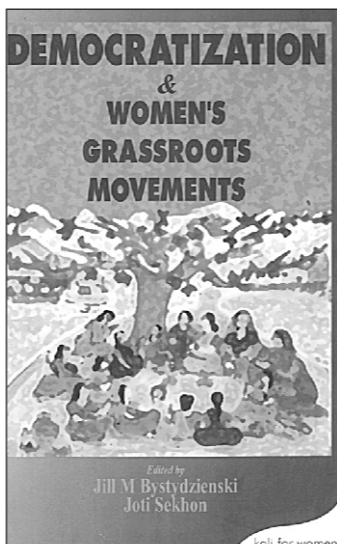


The New Penguin English Dictionary

Price: Tk. 1895.00

The New Penguin English Dictionary explores and explains every angle of the world's most widely spoken language. It defines the latest scientific and technical terms, as well as surveying more unusual, literary, or archaic vocabulary.

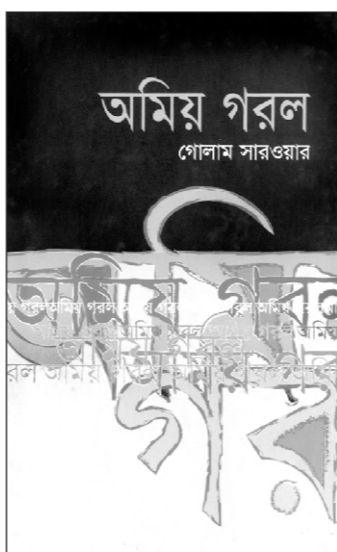
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Democratization & Women's Grassroots Movements

Jill M Bystydziński & Joti Sekhn

Price: Tk. 650.00



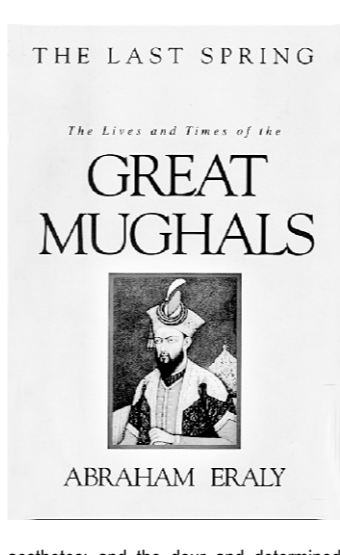
Amio Garol

A Collection of Articles

Golam Sarwar

Price: Tk. 130.00

The *Jugantor*-editor has also written numerous columns and articles in a few dailies and weeklies besides his mainstream journalistic writings. These writings range in subjects from criticism of films to simple musings on the country's natural beauty. The present book is a collection of those writings.



The Last Spring

The Lives and Times of the Great Mughals

Abraham Eraly

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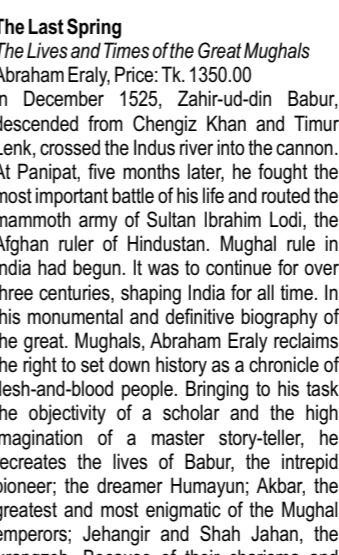
Green Accounting

Tropical Experience

Dr AHM Mustain Billah

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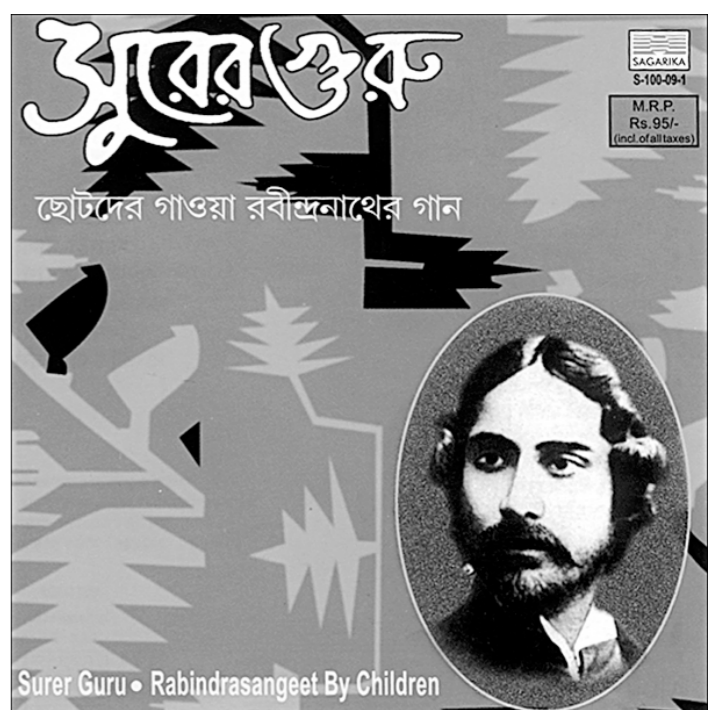
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CDs & Cassettes



Surer Guru

Rabin Drasangeet By Children

Price: Tk. 200.00

Sayori Das, Noopur Bhattacharya, Tanusri Halder, Julia Ghosh and Sritama Ghosh are the young artists of this unique album. The little performers have rendered songs, under supervision of Roma Mandal. The songs include *Aj nobin meghe sur legechey*, *Akash jurey shuninu*, *Aguner paroshmoni*, *Elo je shiter bela*, *Surer Guru* and others.



Mewati Gharana

Pt. Jasraj

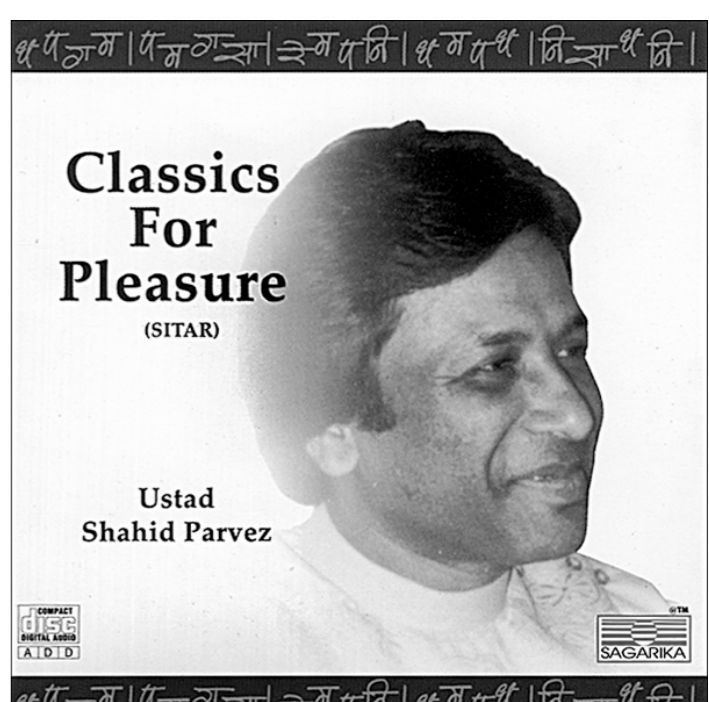
Price: Tk. 450.00



Pt Ravi Shankar

Genius Unparalleled

Price: Tk. 1000.00

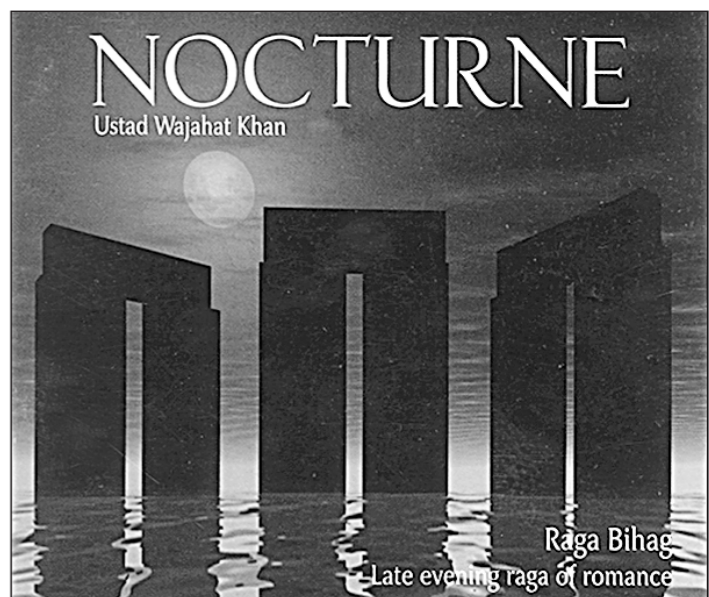


Classics for Pleasure

Sitar by Ustad Shahid Parvez

Price: Tk. 450.00

Ustad Shahid Parvez belongs to the seventh generation of the famous Etawah Gharana in Sitar-playing. He is the son of Ustad Aziz Khan, the famous musician and a noted composer. In this album, Shahid plays Raga Jhinjhoti, Raga Kedar and Dhun in Kaharva in his unique style.



Nocturne

Raga Bihag: Late Evening Raga of Romance

Ustad Wajahat Khan

Price: Tk. 450.00

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