

PICK OF THE WEEK



Our Choice

Jibon Thekey Neya
On ATN Bangla at 12:15 pm
Directed by Zahir Raihan
Cast: Razaque, Suchanda, Khan Ataur Rahman, Anwar Hossain, Rozi Samad, Amzad Hossain
This is a symbolic presentation of the existing autocratic political situation in the country prior to the Liberation War of Bangladesh. Three brothers are seen kept under autocratic rule of the eldest sister-in-law. They constitute protest against it. Hilarious incidents, undaunted patriotic inspiration and, above all, the wonderful symbolic presentation of the time has immortalised the movie.



The Sport

Australia Tour of New Zealand
The National Bank Series
Live on ESPN
1st ODI (D/N), February 19
From Wellington at 06:57 am
2nd ODI (D/N), February 22
From Christchurch at 06:57 am



The Movie

Shekor
On ntv at 08:50 pm
Directed by Morshedul Islam
Cast: Abdullah Al Mamun, Ataur Rahman, Litu Anam, Joya Ahsan, Joyonto Chattopadhyay, Lucky Inam, Shamprii, elder daughter of freedom-fighter and government employee Atikullah, loves Sumon, only son of another freedom-fighter. Sumon's rich family cannot admit Shamprii at first, but finally accepts Shamprii. When all arrangements of marriage are done and Shamprii's parents go to invite Sumon's parents, the latter objects to accept the invitation because it is not printed in English.

Satellite TV

More Ekushey Specials



Onno Ekush
On Channel-i at 01:30 pm
Directed by Saidul Anam Tutul
Cast: Raisul Islam Asad, Afroza Banu, Litu Anam, Rokeya Prachy, Shams Sumon
The time is 1948-1952. The play shows incidents happening around a girl, Kumkum. His father's heated conversations about Pakistan's political and social stands and the Language Movement with political activists Daniel and Adam. Surjo, Kumkum's lover and later husband, and his political activities at the university. The romantic ups and downs in Kumkum-Surjo relationship. Finally comes the moments of February 21 and 22...



Karimunnesa
On ntv at 02:35 pm
Written & Directed by Shakoor Majid
Cast: Tarin, Touquir Ahmed, Shuvro Dev, Khalilullah Khan
The telefilm deals with the 150-year old tales of Karimunnesa, the daughter of Longza zamindar. Karimunnesa was married to Kotu Mia, Dewan of Ita. But Karimunnesa was in love with Kalam, the caretaker of her father. In this competition of love, Kotu won but had to sacrifice his life. After killing her husband, Karimunnesa leaves the two estates and head for the jungle along with her lover. Her family tried to conceal the murder and protect Karimunnesa. The British police declared reward for finding out Karimunnesa. A young police officer, in disguise, finally discovers and arrests Karimunnesa. She was hanged in 1870 at the Sylhet Jail.



Tears of the Sun (IMDb rating 6.2)
On HBO, February 19 at 09:30 pm
Directed by Antoine Fuqua
Genre: Drama/Action/Thriller
Bruce Willis, Monica Bellucci, Cole Hauser, Eamonn Walker
Navy SEAL Lieutenant AK Waters and his elite squadron of tactical specialists are forced to choose between their duty and their humanity, between following orders by ignoring the conflict that surrounds them, or finding the courage to follow their conscience and protect a group of innocent refugees. When the democratic government of Nigeria collapses and the country is taken over by a ruthless military dictator, Waters, a fiercely loyal and hardened veteran is dispatched on a routine mission to retrieve a Doctors Without Borders physician, Dr. Lena Kendrick.

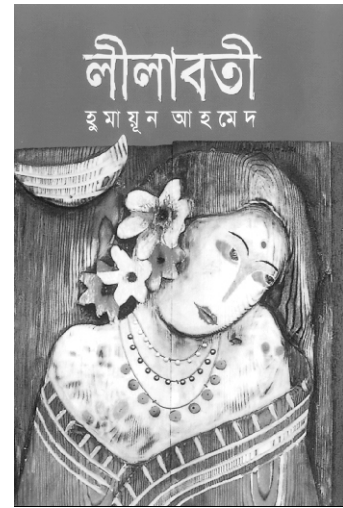


The Deep End (IMDb rating 6.8)
On Star Movies, February 22 at 10:30 pm
Directed by Scott McGhee & David Siegel
Genre: Thriller/Drama
Tilda Swinton, Goran Visnjic, Jonathan Tucker, Peter Donat
With her husband perpetually away at work, a mother raises her children virtually alone. Her teenage son is testing the waters of the adult world, and early one morning she wakes to find the dead body of his gay lover on the beach of their rural lakeside home. What would you do? What is rational and what do you do to protect your child? How far do you go and when do you stop?

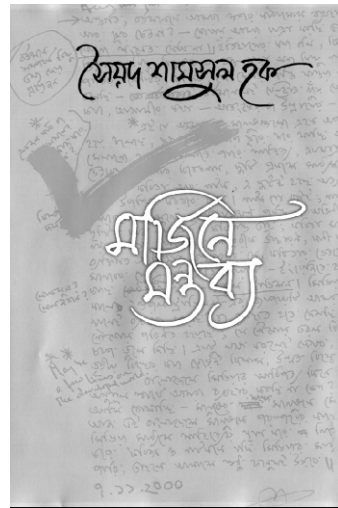
Books

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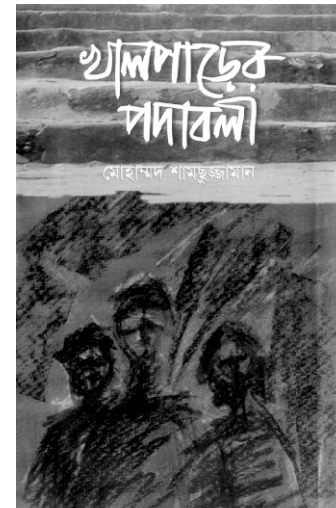


Lilaboti
Humayun Ahmed
Price: Tk. 225.00

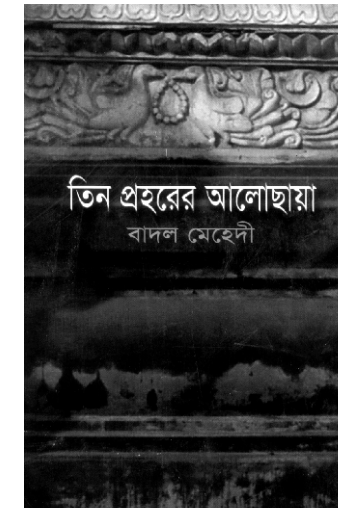


Marginey Mantobyo
Syed Shamsul Haque
Price: Tk. 250.00

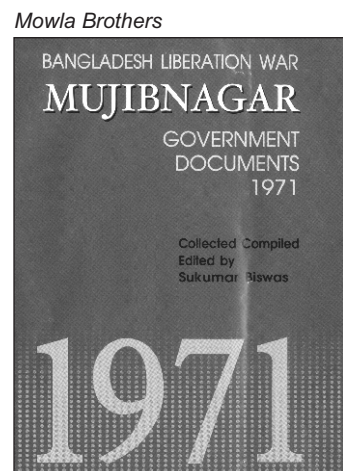
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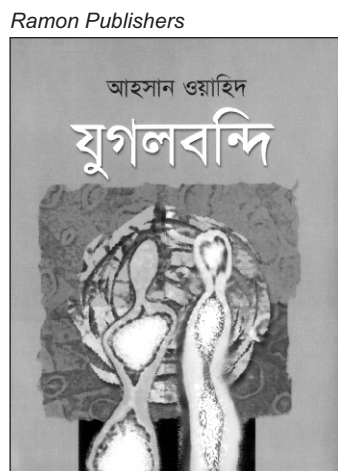
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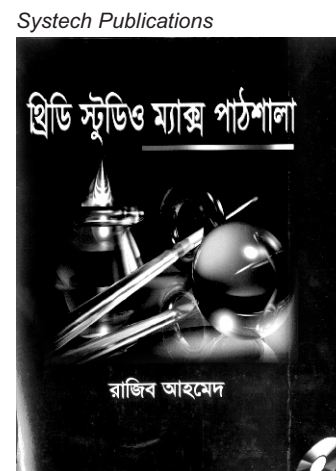
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Badal Mehedi



Mujibnagar Government Documents 1971
Edited by Sukumar Biswas
Price: Tk. 1200.00



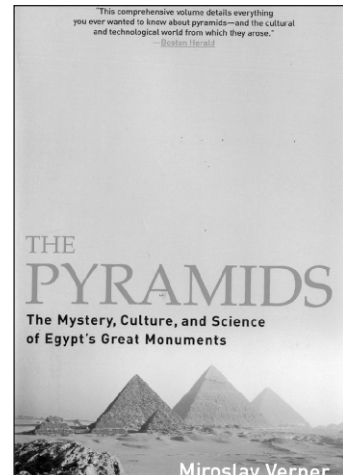
Jugolbondi
Ahsan Wahid
Price: Tk. 70.00



3D Studio Max Pathshala
Rajib Ahmed
Price: Tk. 300.00 (Including CD)

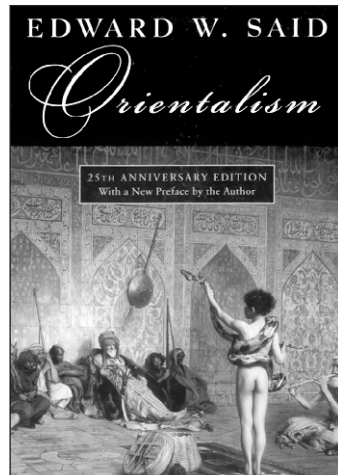


Photoshop Special Effects
Maruf Ahmed
Price: Tk. 200.00 (Including CD)

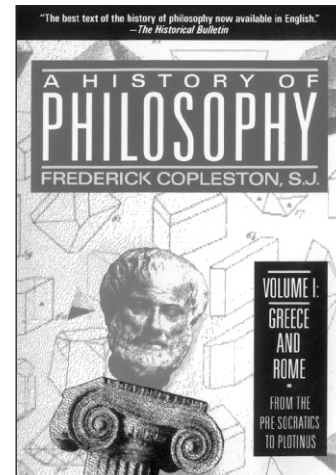


The Pyramids
The Mystery, Culture and Science of Egypt's Great Monuments
Miroslav Verner, Price: Tk. 1950.00
The Pyramids is the most up-to-date, comprehensive record of Egypt's ancient monuments to become available in the last six decades. Distinguished Egyptologist Miroslav Verner draws from the research of the earliest Egyptologists as well as the startling discoveries arising from the technological advances of the 1980s and 1990s. The Pyramids offers a clear, authoritative guide to the ancient culture that created the monuments five thousand years ago without iron or bronze, and with only the most elementary systems of calculation.

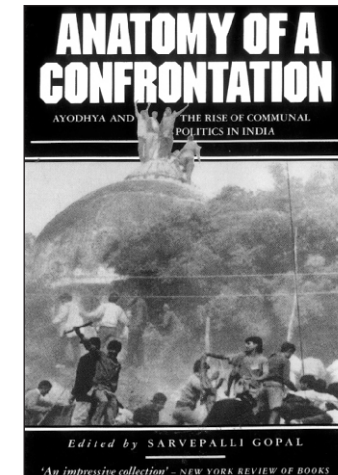
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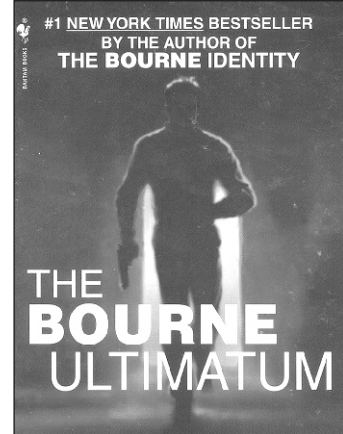
Orientalism
Edward W. Said
Price: Tk. 750.00
Twenty-five years after its first publication, Edward Said's groundbreaking critique of the West's historical, cultural, and political perceptions of the East has become a modern classic. In this wide-ranging intellectually vigorous study, Said traces the origins of "orientalism" to the centuries-long period during which Europe dominated the Middle and Near East and, from its position of power, defined "the orient" simply as "other than" the occident. This entrenched view continues to dominate western ideas and, because it does not allow the East to represent itself, prevents true understanding.



A History of Philosophy
Frederick Copleston, SJ
Set of 11 Vols., Price: Tk. 11500.00
Frederick Copleston's nine-volume book has journeyed far beyond the modest purpose of its author to universal acclaim as the best history of philosophy in English. Copleston who once tangled with AJ Ayer in a fabled debate about the existence of God and the possibility of metaphysics, knew that seminarian students were fed a woefully inadequate diet of theses and proofs, and that their familiarity with most of history's great thinkers was reduced to simplistic caricatures. He set out to redress the wrong by writing a complete history of Western philosophy.



Anatomy of a Confrontation
Ayodhya and the Rise of Communal Politics in India
Edited by Sarvepalli Gopal
Price: Tk. 950.00
With the rise of the Hindu fundamentalist BJP as a significant electoral force nationwide and now the second most powerful party, Indian politics are in the process of a major shift in character. Not only is the shaky hold of Congress on power threatened by this dynamic party with its overt appeal to religious chauvinism, but the secular nature of the Indian state and delicate balance of relations between diverse religious communities are at stake.

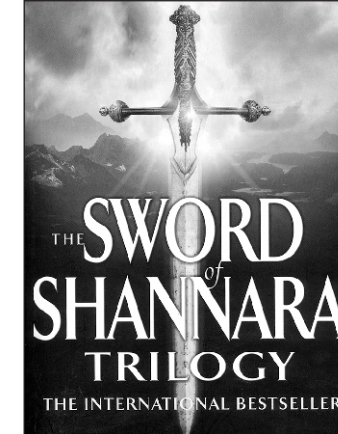


The Bourne Ultimatum
Robert Ludlum, Price: Tk. 365.00
This is one of the bestselling novels by Robert Ludlum and the ultimate Jason Bourne adventure book. At a small-town carnival two men, each mysteriously summoned by telegram, witness a bizarre killing. The telegrams are signed Jason Bourne. Only they know Bourne's true identity and understand the telegram is really a message from Bourne's mortal enemy, Carlos, known also as the Jackal, the world's deadliest and most elusive terrorist.

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The Most Patient Man, Quran Stories for Little Hearts
Sanjaysanain Khan
Price: Tk. 120.00
The Quran is full of exciting stories, adventures, teachings and prayers, which show Allah's love for us and explain what He requires from us as believers in and sincere servants of our Creator. The Quran Stories for Little Hearts series is specially designed to provide an easy way to help your children understand more about the stories of the Quran by enjoying them and learning from them in a natural way. It's a wonderful way to explain the greatest stories of the Quran to children and encourage them to explore the meaning and purpose of the Word of Allah. A simple text and magnificent color illustrations will captivate young, active minds. *The Most Patient Man* is a beautifully illustrated and creatively-written story about the Prophet Ayyub (AS). It will capture the interest of children both at home and in the classroom.



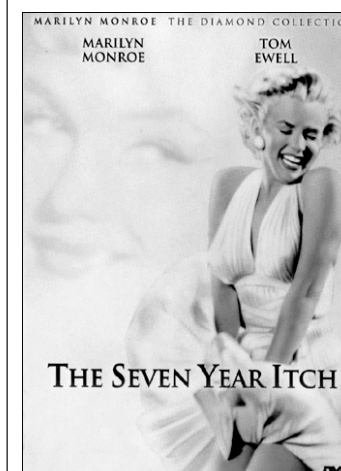
The Sword of Shannara Trilogy
Terry Brooks
Price: Tk. 1278.00
This is the ultimate epic battle of good against evil in one explosive volume. There are three exciting fantasy stories in this book: *In The Sword of Shannara*, the Warlock Lord has risen and is plotting to destroy the world. The sole weapon against his awesome power is the Sword of Shannara, which can be wielded only by Shannara's heir.

DVDs

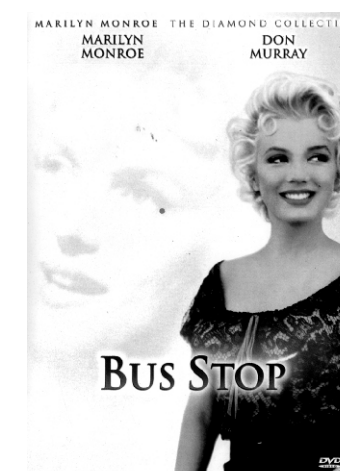
Classic Films

Marilyn Monroe Showcase

Price: Tk. 120.00 each



The Seven Year Itch (1955)
Directed by Billy Wilder
Cast: Marilyn Monroe, Tom Ewell, Evelyn Keyes, Sonny Tufts
Like many other Manhattan husbands, Richard Sherman sends his wife and son to the country for the summer, while he stays behind to toil. Though reveling in temporary bachelor freedom of lifestyle, he's resolved not to carouse and philander like some others. But his overactive, over-vivid imagination goes into overdrive when a delightfully unconventional, voluptuous blonde moves in upstairs.

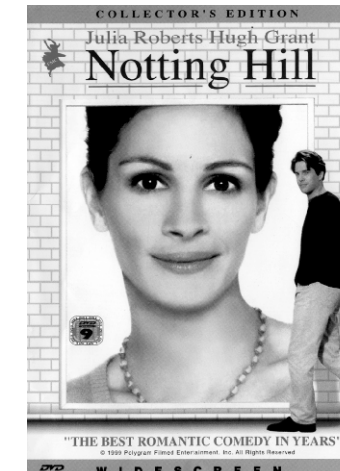


Bus Stop (1956)
Directed by Joshua Logan
Cast: Marilyn Monroe, Don Murray, Arthur O'Connell, Betty Field, Eileen Heckart
Innocent rodeo cowboy Bo falls in love with cafe singer Cherie in Phoenix. She tries to run away to Los Angeles but he finds her and forces her to board the bus to his home in Montana. When the bus stops at Grace's Diner the passengers learn that the road ahead is blocked. By now everyone knows of the kidnapping, but Bo is determined to have Cherie.



Doctor Zhivago (1965)
Directed by David Lean
Cast: Omar Sharif, Julie Christie, Geraldine Chaplin, Rod Steiger
Price: Tk. 120.00
Lara inspires lechery in Komarovsky (her mother's lover who is a master at surviving whoever runs Russia) and can't compete with passion for the revolution of the man she marries, Pasha. Her true love is Zhivago who also loves his wife. Lara is the one who inspires poetry. The story is narrated by Zhivago's half brother Yevgraf, who has made his career in the Soviet Army. At the beginning of the film he is about to meet a young woman he believes may be the long lost daughter of Lara and Zhivago.

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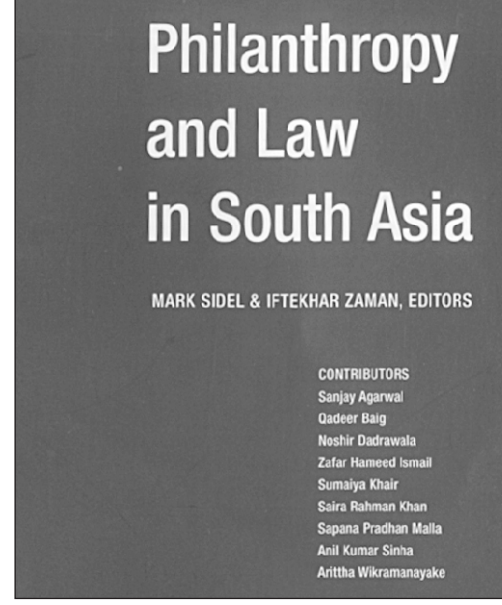


Notting Hill (1999)
Directed by Roger Michell
Cast: Julia Roberts, Hugh Grant
Price: Tk. 120.00
Every man's dream comes true for William Thacker, a successful Notting Hill bookstore owner, when Anna Scott, the world's most beautiful woman and best-liked actress, enters his shop. A little later, he still can't believe it himself, William runs into her again - this time spilling orange juice over her. Anna accepts his offer to change in his nearby apartment, and thanks him with a kiss, which seems to surprise her even more than him. Eventually, Anna and William get to know each other better over the months, but being together with the world's most wanted woman is not easy.

Books

Philanthropy and Law in South Asia

Edited by Mark Sidel & Iftekhar Zaman
Published by Asia-Pacific Philanthropy Consortium, Manila
Researched and written by local experts, *Philanthropy and Law in South Asia* provides description and analysis of the legal and regulatory frameworks governing philanthropy and the nonprofit sector in Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka. Each country chapter includes recommendations by the authors for changes to promote the further development of philanthropy and the nonprofit sector. This publication is the result of a comparative research project of the Asia Pacific Philanthropy Consortium (APPC). Funding for this project was provided by the Ford Foundation, the Himalaya Foundation, the Myer Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Asia Foundation.



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