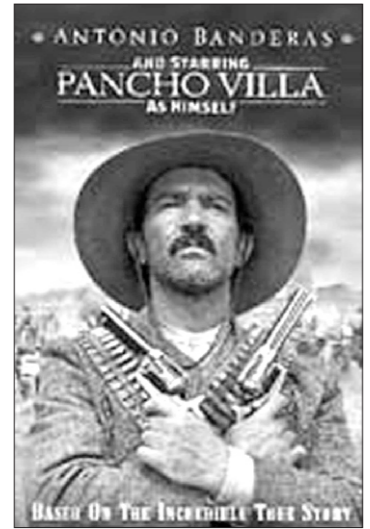


PICK OF THE WEEK



Our Choice

And Starring Pancho Villa as Himself (IMDb rating 6.6)
 On HBO, February 07 at 11:15 pm
 Directed by Bruce Beresford
 Genre: Drama
 Antonio Banderas, Eion Bailey, Alan Arkin, Jim Broadbent, Matt Day, Alexa Davalos, Kyle Chandler
 Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa finds himself without adequate funding to finance his war against the military-run government. He also finds himself at odds with the Americans because of the Hearst media empire's press campaign against him.



The Sport

Australia Tour of New Zealand
The National Bank Series
 Live on ESPN
 5th ODI from Napier
 March 02 at 03:27 am



The Movie

Phone Booth (IMDb rating 7.3)
 On Star Movies, February 06 at 11:45 pm
 Directed by Joel Schumacher
 Genre: Thriller
 Colin Farrell, Kiefer Sutherland, Forest Whitaker, Radha Mitchell
 Stuart hasn't been totally honest. In fact, he's about the most dishonest man you'll meet. Everyday, at the same time, he goes to a phone booth in NYC to call his girlfriend, so that his wife can't trace the phone call. Today is no longer just an ordinary day. Now, someone's calling him, leaving his life on the line.

Satellite TV



I Spy (IMDb rating 5.3)
 On HBO, February 05 at 09:30 pm
 Directed by Betty Thomas
 Genre: Adventure/Action/Comedy
 Eddie Murphy, Owen Wilson, Famke Janssen, Malcolm McDowell
 When the Switchblade, the most sophisticated prototype stealth fighter created yet, is stolen from the U.S. government, one of the United States' top spies, Alex Scott, is called to action. What he doesn't expect is to get teamed up with a cocky civilian, World Class Boxing Champion Kelly Robinson, on a dangerous top secret espionage mission. Their assignment: using equal parts skill and humour, catch Arnold Gundars, one of the world's most successful illegal arms dealers, and foil his treacherous plans for the plane.



The Naked Gun 2 1/2: The Smell of Fear

(IMDb rating 6.3)
 On HBO, February 10 at 09:30 pm
 Directed by David Zucker
 Genre: Comedy/Crime/Thriller
 Leslie Nielsen, Priscilla Presley, George Kennedy, O.J. Simpson
 Lt. Frank Drebin returns to save the day once again. This time he's out to foil the "big boys" in the energy business. A top scientist is about to publish his report on energy supply for the future. Things don't look good for the traditional suppliers; oil, coal and nuclear. To save their industries, the suppliers kidnap Mainheimer and replace him with a decoy with a more favourable report. Jane, the Dr's secretary, is Drebin's old flame; they're passionate love affair is thus rekindled.



Evelyn (IMDb rating 7.1)
 On Star Movies, February 08 at 11:00 pm
 Directed by Bruce Beresford
 Genre: Drama
 Sophie Vavasseur, Niall Beagan, Hugh McDonagh, Pierce Brosnan, Mairead Devlin
 Desmond Doyle is devastated when his wife abandons their family on the day after Christmas. His unemployment and the fact that there is no woman in the house to care for the children, Evelyn, Noel and Brendan, make it clear to the authorities that his is an untenable situation. The Catholic Church and the Irish courts decide to put the Doyle children into Church-run orphanages. Although a sympathetic judge assures Desmond that when his financial situation reverses, he will be able to get his children back; money is hard to come by. During that time, Evelyn and her brothers suffer the abuses of living in orphanages while Desmond struggles to secure finances. Now he must battle the courts to get his children back.

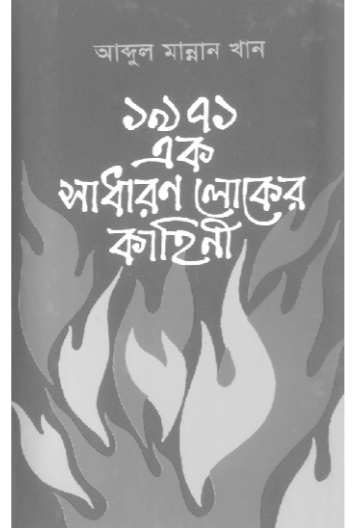


What Planet Are You From? (IMDb rating 5.6)
 On Star Movies
 February 10 at 10:15 pm
 Directed by Mike Nichols
 Genre: Comedy/Sci-Fi
 Garry Shandling, Annette Bening, John Goodman, Greg Kinnear, Judy Greer
 A highly-evolved planet, whose denizens feel no emotion and reproduce by cloning, plans to take over Earth from the inside by sending an operative, fashioned with a humming, mechanical penis, to impregnate an earthling and stay until the birth.

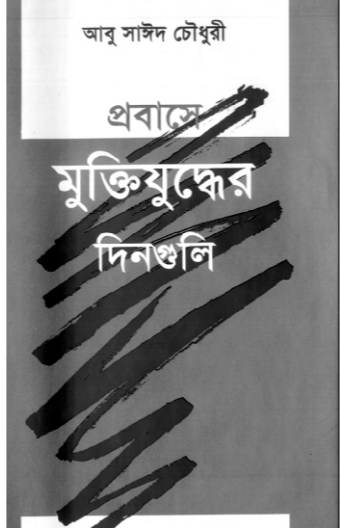


Snow Job (IMDb rating 5.3)
 On Star Movies
 February 09 at 10:15 pm
 Directed by Marni Banack
 Genre: Comedy/Drama
 Milo Ventimiglia, Maggie Lawson, Eddie Kaye Thomas, Justin Ulrich, Rachel Wilson
 Viscerally experience a "year off" in Aspen, Colorado with a group of recent college grads who have elected to defer graduate school and career opportunities to ski, snow-board, climb, party, fall in love and basically live life to its absolute fullest out in this spectacular mountain town.

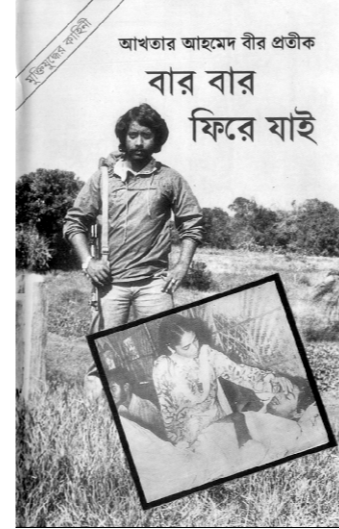
Books



1971: Ek Shadharon Loker Kahini
 (1971: Tale of an Ordinary Man)
 Abdul Mannan Khan
 Price: Tk. 100.00



Probashay Muktijuddher Dinguli
 (Liberation War Days in Abroad)
 Abu Sayeed Chowdhury
 Price: Tk. 122.00



Bar Bar Phirey Jai
 (I Go Back Again and Again)
 Akhter Ahmed Bir Protik
 Price: Tk. 110.00

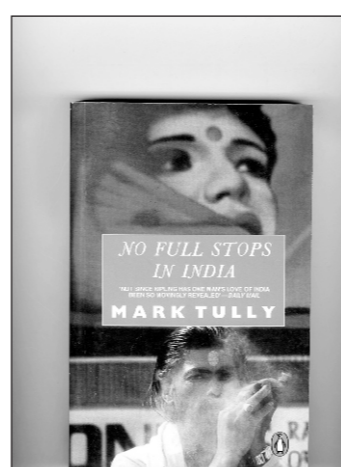


Mymensinghey Ekattor
 (1971 in Mymensingh)
 Muhammad Abdus Shakur
 Price: Tk. 115.00

By the River Piedra I Sat Down and Wept

Paulo Coelho, Price: Tk. 375.00
 What happens when shyness prevents on adolescent love affair from developing? And what happens when, 11 years later, destiny brings the lovers together again? Pilar is now an independent and strong young woman who has learnt to bury her feelings. She is studying at a small-town university when she receives an unexpected call from her old childhood sweetheart. He is now a handsome spiritual teacher—with a reputation for performing miracles—who has turned to religion as a refuge from his inner conflicts. Together they take a journey that is initially fraught with difficulty as blame and resentment resurface after years of being hidden. But by the River Piedra, in a small village in the French Pyrenees, they find a way to discuss many of life's big questions and re-evaluate their own special relationship.

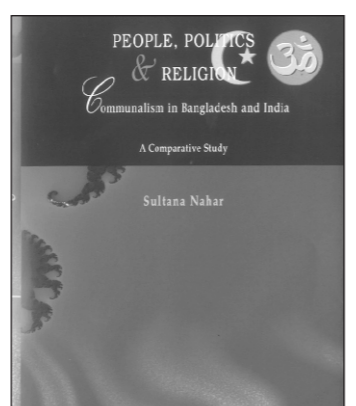
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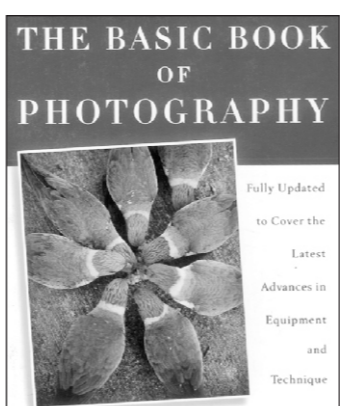
No Full Stops in India
 Mark Tully
 Price: Tk. 500.00
 India's Westernised elite, cut off from local traditions, 'want to write a full stop in a land where there are no full stops'. From that striking insight Mark Tully has woven a superb series of 'stories' which explore everything from communal conflict in Ahmedabad to communism in Calcutta, from the Kumbh Mela in Allahabad (probably the biggest religious festival in the world) to the televising of a Hindu epic. Throughout, he combines analysis of major issues with a feel for the fine texture and human realities of Indian life.

Inventing Boundaries

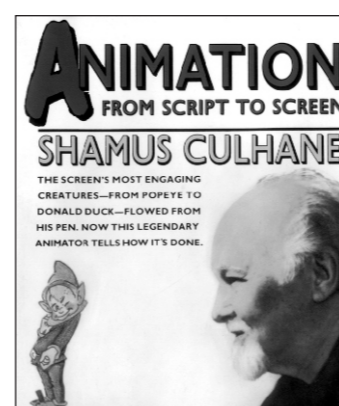
Gender, Politics and the Partition of India
 Edited by Mushirul Hasan
 Price: Tk. 530.00
 A selection of some of the most significant writings on India's partition, *Inventing Boundaries* reflects on the forces that marked the prelude to partition. It brings into focus the diversity of political currents in the 1940s, and introduces the different meanings attached to the Pakistan movement. The value of this book is greatly enhanced by the prologue and the introduction that examine the more recent historiographical debates, evaluate old theories on how and why the partition happened, and suggest areas of fresh research and enquiry. The final section in the collection draws upon some evocative literary pieces to reveal, as it were, the other face of freedom. *Siyah Hashaye* or 'Black Margins' by Saadat Hasan Manto is one of them. The essays included in this volume will interest students and scholars of history, literature, politics, and culture studies, and also appeal to the general reader.



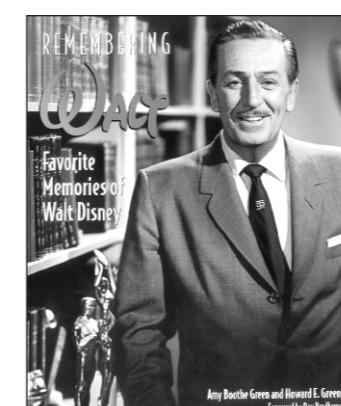
People, Politics & Religion
Communalism in Bangladesh and India
 Sultana Nahar
 Price: Tk. 395.00
Communalism in Bangladesh and India was first published in 1994. The Babri Mosque in Ayodhya of India was demolished in 1992 by the Hindu extremists. The present version *People, Politics & Religion: Communalism in Bangladesh and India* has been updated by incorporating the subsequent carnage that took place at Gujarat, India and the communal disturbances that broke out in Bangladesh in 2001 and afterwards.



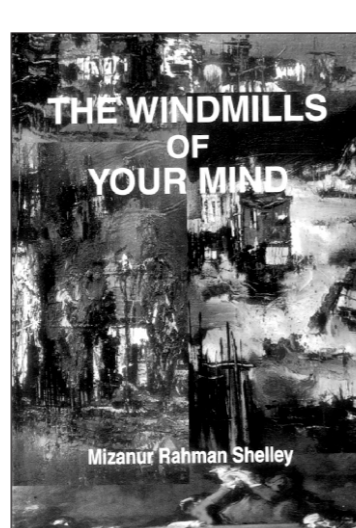
The Basic Book of Photography
 Tom Grimm and Michele Grimm
 Price: Tk. 1550.00
The Basic Book of Photography tells everything one needs to know about cameras, lenses, flashes, filters, and other equipment. You'll also learn about lens openings (f/stops) and shutter speeds, depth of field for focus control, exposure metering systems, the elements of composition and how one can use them to create the most effective photographs, and much more.



Animation: From Script to Screen
 Shamus Culhane, Price: Tk. 1530.00
 The book contains more than 130 illustrations, from their work of leading animators worldwide (including the author himself) to sketches that teach and graphic exercises for hands-on experience for the novice. The sketches include the screen's most engaging creatures that flowed from Shamus Culhane's pen—from Popeye to Donald Duck. Through it all, Shamus Culhane intrigues and entertains, making the book speak to everyone, fascinating both the art student and the general reader.



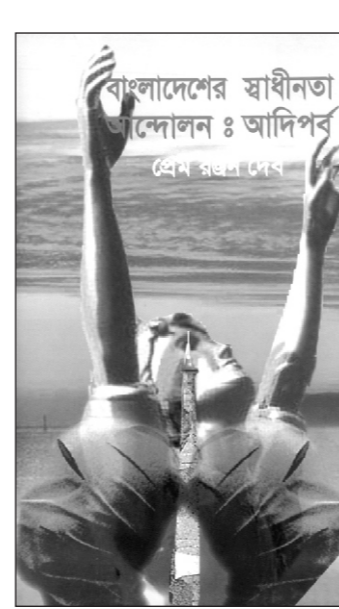
Remembering Walt
Favourite Memories of Walt Disney
 Amy Boothe Green & Howard E. Green
 Price: Tk. 1850.00
 Mention the name Walt Disney and one cannot help but conjure up images of brilliant animation and magnificent theme parks. But a uniquely creative and charismatic man also springs to mind—a man who in his amazingly productive lifetime was many things to many people. This book has captured the essence of Walt Disney whether as a family member, friend, colleague, employer, or public figure, Walt was there for everyone.



The Windmills of Your Mind
 Mizanur Rahman Shelley
 Price: Tk. 300.00
 The assorted writings in this volume seek to achieve a mosaic of the ideal and the real. The principal objective of these writings is to focus wide and intense attention to the human predicament and to seek ways out of the captivity created by the existing human condition. The core contents of these 43 essays are not dated although in form and frame these tend to reflect the tone and temper of the times between the 1970s and 1990s.

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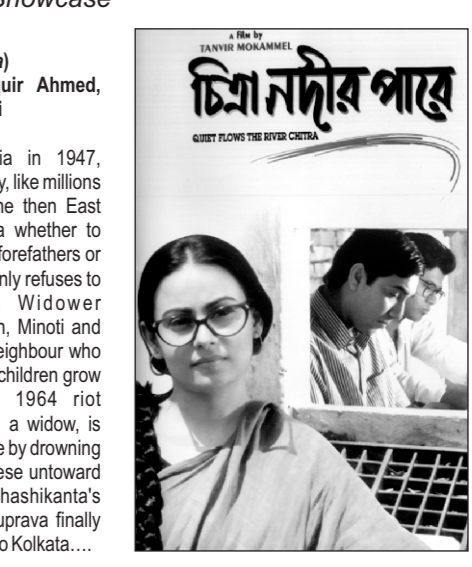


Bangladesher Swadhinota Andolon: Adi-Parbo
 (The Freedom Movement of Bangladesh: The Beginning)
 Prem Ranjan Deb
 Price: Tk. 100.00
 Published by Nandito Prokashoni
 It is a different kind of history of our Liberation War. The writer has written about those leftist communist and nationalist groups and organisations who during the 1950s and 1960s had contributed in building up the background for the Liberation War. The saga of the brave fighters who sacrificed their lives has been captured in brief in this book. Written for all readers, the book reveals some unknown chapters of the making of the Liberation War.

CDs, VCDs & DVDs

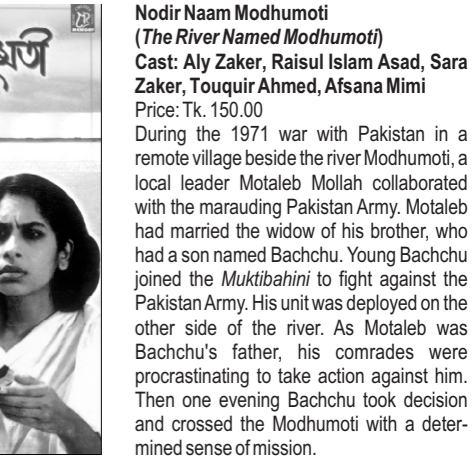
Classic Films

Tanvir Mokammel Showcase
 Chitra Nodir Parey
 (Quiet Flows the River Chitra)
 Cast: Afsana Mimi, Touquir Ahmed, Rowshan Jamil, Sumita Devi
 Price: Tk. 150.00
 After the Partition of India in 1947, Shashikanta Sengupta's family, like millions of other Hindu families of the then East Pakistan, faced the dilemma whether to migrate from the land of their forefathers or stay put. Shashikanta stubbornly refuses to leave his motherland. Widower Shashikanta has two children, Minoati and Bidut. They have a Muslim neighbour who has a son named Badal. The children grow up together. During the 1964 riot Shashikanta's niece Basanti, a widow, is raped and she commits suicide by drowning herself in the river Chitra. These untoward incidents around affect Shashikanta's failing health. Minoati and Anuprava finally leave for the borders en route to Kolkata....



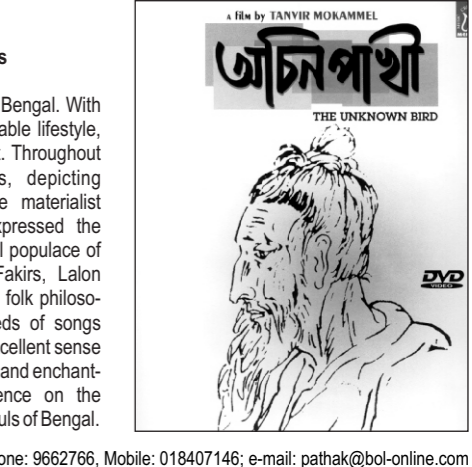
Nodir Nam Modhumoti

(The River Named Modhumoti)
 Cast: Aly Zaker, Raisul Islam Asad, Sara Zaker, Touquir Ahmed, Afsana Mimi
 Price: Tk. 150.00
 During the 1971 war with Pakistan in a remote village beside the river Modhumoti, a local leader Motalab Mollah collaborated with the marauding Pakistan Army. Motalab had married the widow of his brother, who had a son named Bachchu. Young Bachchu joined the MuktiBahini to fight against the Pakistan Army. His unit was deployed on the other side of the river. As Motalab was Bachchu's father, his comrades were procrastinating to take action against him. Then one evening Bachchu took decision and crossed the Modhumoti with a determined sense of mission.

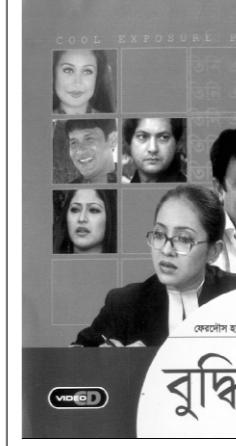


Achinpaki (The Unknown Bird)

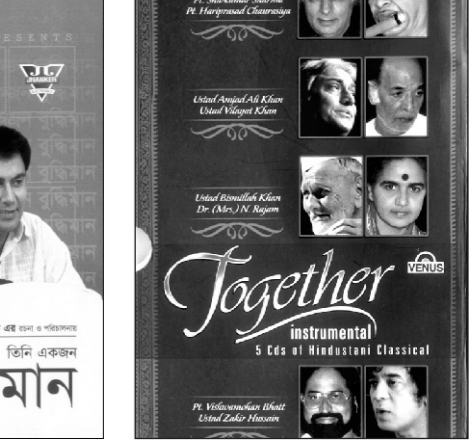
A Documentary film on Bauls
 Price: Tk. 150.00
 Bauls are the troubadours of Bengal. With their mystic songs and inimitable lifestyle, Bauls are a very special sect. Throughout the countries, Baul songs, depicting asceticism and their unique materialist philosophy of life, have expressed the pathos and pangs of the rural populace of Bengal. Among the Bauls-Fakirs, Lalon Shah stands out as a unique folk philosopher who composed hundreds of songs with profound depth and an excellent sense of lyrics. Lalon's secular ideas and enchanting lyrics have deep influence on the subsequent generations of Bauls of Bengal.



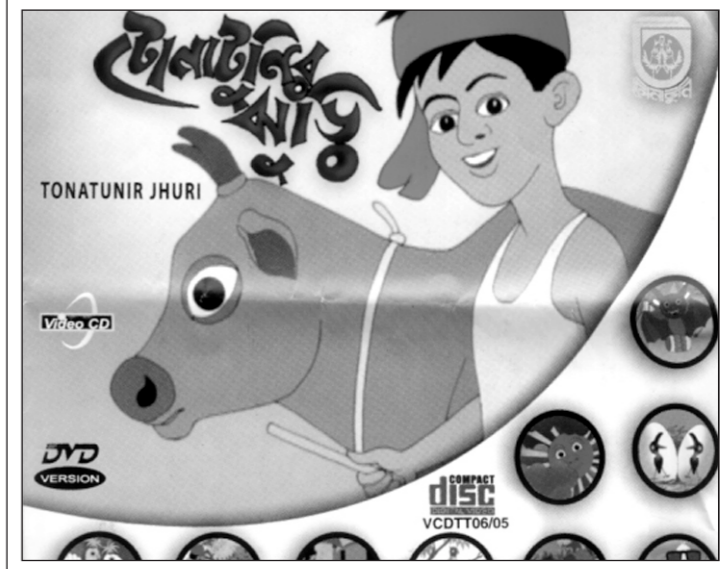
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Tini Ekjon Buddhiman
 Drama by Ferdous Hasan
 Cast: Zahid Hasan, Tarin, Litu Anam, Rumana, Shahed, Sumaiya Shimu
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 Cute 2D animation by Zainul Abedin and fascinating music of Anisur Rahman Tona have rendered the popular rhymes of the country in a completely different way. Rhymes like *Adu badur chalta badur*, *Noton noton payayagulo*, *Bapuram stapuray*, *Aayre pakhi lei-jhota*, *Chhuti*, *Petuk Boga*, *Chand utthechey phul phutechey* and others will attract youngsters as well as take the elders to their childhood days.
 Source: Tona Tunir