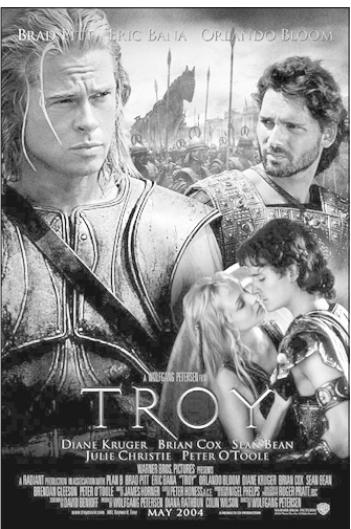


PICK OF THE WEEK



Our Choice

Troy (IMDb rating 7.0)

On HBO, April 30 at 10:45pm

Directed by Wolfgang Petersen

Genre: Action/Adventure/Drama/

History/Romance/War

Brad Pitt, Orlando Bloom, Diane Kruger,

Brian Cox, Eric Bana

In 1193 BC, Prince Paris of Troy makes a beautiful Greek woman, Helen, fall in love with him, and convinces her to follow him away from her husband, Menelaus, the king of Sparta, setting the two nations at war with each other, as the Achaeans lay siege to Troy, led by Agamemnon.

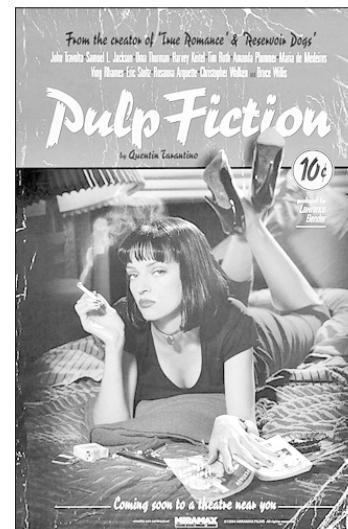


The Sport

3rd ODI from Fatullah

Live on Star Sports

April 28 at 09:15am



The Movie

Pulp Fiction (IMDb rating 8.8)

On Star Movies, May 03 at 08:45pm

Directed by Quentin Tarantino

Genre: Crime/Drama

John Travolta, Samuel L Jackson,

Uma Thurman, Bruce Willis, Ving Rhames

Jules and Vincent work as hitmen for crime boss Marcellus Wallace. Wallace is currently dealing with Butch Collide, a boxer who failed to throw a fight after taking Wallace's money and is now planning to flee the city, but can't leave his father's watch behind. Vincent faces some problems of his own when Wallace asks him to show his wife Mia a good time while he's away.

Satellite TV



Elf (IMDb rating 6.9)

On HBO, April 29 at 09:30pm

Directed by Jon Favreau

Genre: Comedy/Family/Fantasy

Will Ferrell, James Caan, Bob Newhart, Edward Asner, Mary Steenburgen

Buddy was a baby in an orphanage who stowed away in Santa's sack and ended up at the North Pole. Later, as an adult human who happened to be raised by elves, Santa allows him to go to New York City to find his birth father, Walter Hobbs. Hobbs, on Santa's naughty list for being a heartless jerk, had no idea that Buddy was even born. Buddy, meanwhile, experiences the delights of New York City (and human culture) as only an elf can. When Walter's relationship with Buddy interferes with his job, he is forced to reevaluate his priorities.



Scarface (IMDb rating 8.0)

On Star Movies, April 30 at 08:55pm

Directed by Brian De Palma

Genre: Crime/Drama

Al Pacino, Steven Bauer, Michelle Pfeiffer, Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio

When Castro opened the port at Mariel Harbor, thousands of Cubans fled to the United States. One is a young tough named Antonio Montana, who, with his friend Manny Ray, starts in with Miami's cocaine trade. He survives attack by chainsaw after a deal goes bad, and several other attempts by other dealers to eliminate him. Eventually the grandiose Montana becomes head of a cocaine cartel. But his enemies start coming after him, and his paranoia threatens to drive Montana's empire into the ground...



The Thin Red Line (IMDb rating 7.2)

On Star Movies, May 02 at 08:25pm

Directed by Terrence Malick

Genre: Action/Drama/War

Sean Penn, George Clooney, Adrien Brody, James Caviezel, Ben Chaplin

In 1943, the first major U.S. offensive of World War II is drawing to a close on the South Pacific island of Guadalcanal. To put an end to this campaign, the United States Army arrives with a full division of troops and equipment, deployed to break the last resistance of the Japanese.

Enemy of the State (IMDb rating 7.0)

On Star Movies, May 01 at 09:05pm

Directed by Tony Scott

Genre: Action/Drama/Thriller

Will Smith, Gene Hackman, Jon Voight, Lisa Bonet, Regina King

Robert Clayton Dean is a successful labor lawyer based in Washington DC. He has a beautiful wife and adorable son with a nice house located in Georgetown. But things take a turn for the surreal, when a chance encounter with an old friend leaves him evidence of a politically-motivated murder.

Books

Biswayan
Kichhu Aminamgshito
Prosno

Kavaljit Singh

Price: Tk 222.00

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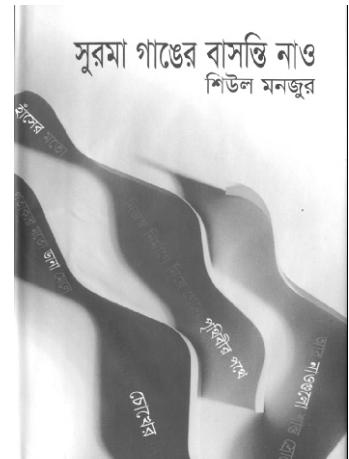
Can We Get Along?
An Account of Communal Relationship in Bangladesh

Mohammad Rafi

Price: Tk 600.00

In the case of countries with multiple religious communities like Bangladesh, an obvious question is likely to arise--how is the relationship among the communities? The book starts with the investigation of the changing relationship among the communities therein from the past until the incidence of violence in the post-parliamentary election held in 2001. The violence in fact is a form of relationship. The violence was observed throughout the country for six months since election under four broad heads--action and property related violence, psychological abuse, and physical assaults including rape and murder. The major part of the study was directed towards the cause of violence and it was sought in a multidisciplinary explanation. As the violence against minorities turned into an invariable event after every election in the recent past, it was believed that violence against them was likely to recur again. Thus, the study gave considerable thought on how Bangladesh might come out of the violence against the minorities.

Source: Panjeree Publications Ltd, Ph: 9335826, 9360094; email: panjeree@agni.com

Surma Ganger
Basanti Nao

Sheol Manjur

Price: Tk 100.00

Source: Swarabyanjon, 87 Aziz Super Market, Shahbagh, Dhaka; Ph: 962601

Political Economy of Land Litigation in Bangladesh

A Case of Colossal National Waste

Abul Barkat, Shafique Uz Zaman & Selim Rahaman

Price: Tk 300.00

Land litigation is a curse to the family in litigation. About 2.5 million operating land litigation including 1.4 million pending cases are clogging the courts annually. This causes a colossal national waste: about 120 million people are affected by land litigation; suffering year is equivalent to 27 million years; amount of total land under litigation equals 2.35 million acres (one-fourth of all land); cumulative amount of money spent to meet litigation cost is higher than the annual development budget of the country; the total amount of loss of assets by the households under litigation is Tk 115,195 million per year and the annual amount of incidental expenses related to land litigation is Tk 248,599 million with 50 percent as bribe.

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The Mystic Masseur

His Classic Comedy

VS Naipaul

Price: Tk 410.00

The Mystic Masseur, VS Naipaul's first novel, is the story of the rise and rise of Ganesh, from failed primary school teacher and struggling masseur to author, revered mystic and MBE. It is a journey memorable for its hilarious and bewildering success.

An unforgettable cast of characters witness this meteoric ascent: Ganesh's father-in-law, Ramlogan, whose shop gave the impression that 'every morning someone went over everyone in it-scales, Ramlogan, and all-with a greased rag'; his aunt, the Great Belcher, with her troubling wind; his wife Leela and her fondness for putting a punctuation mark after every word. Soon, Ganesh's small hut is filled with books (1,500, as his wife will attest), and his trousers and shirt disappear to be replaced by more suitable attire for a proper mystic.

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Political Economy of Khas Land in Bangladesh

Abul Barkat, Shafique Uz Zaman & Selim Rahaman

Price: Tk 300.00

Identification and management of 'khas' land and water-bodies, distribution of the same to the landless and poor people, retention of such land and water-bodies by the landless, and pertinent rules and practices within the prevailing social-political context of Bangladesh constitute prime issues of agrarian reform. Out of the total amount of identified 'khas' land of 3.3 million acres, only a tiny portion has so far been distributed to the poor who face multifaceted difficulties in both obtaining and retaining land. Most 'khas' land, identified or unidentified, are illegally occupied by the rich segments of the society who are integral part of the power structure.

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Guerrillas

VS Naipaul

Price: Tk 410.00

Set on a troubled Caribbean island--where Asians, Americans and former British colonials co-exist in a state of suppressed hysteria--Guerrillas is a novel of colonialism and revolution. A white man arrives with his mistress, an Englishwoman influenced by fantasies of native power and sexuality, unaware of the consequences of her actions. Together with a leader of the 'revolution', they act out a gripping drama of death, sexual violence, and spiritual impotence. Guerrillas depicts a convulsion in public life, and ends in private violence. Place and people are evoked with an intensity unrivaled elsewhere. The novel comes with extraordinary force from the centre of a profound moral awareness of the world's plight.

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Political Economy of the Vested Property Act in Rural Bangladesh

Abul Barkat, Shafique Uz Zaman, Azizur Rahman & Avijit Poddar

Price: Tk 250.00

In our part of the world, the process of communal disharmony, disruption and disintegration started with the evil spiced 'two nation theory' and was further institutionalised through the enactment of the Enemy Property Act by the Pakistan regime during the 1965 Indo-Pak war. This law persists even today under a new nomenclature, the Vested Property Act, though the content of the law remains basically unchanged. The multidimensional impact of these relevant Acts on the life of Hindu minorities has never been studied in-depth.

The Writer and the World

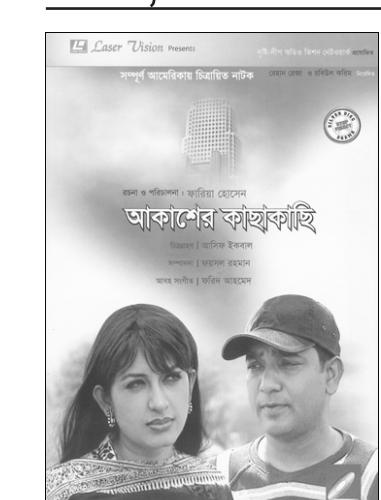
VS Naipaul

Price: Tk 765.00

During forty years of travel, VS Naipaul has created a wide-ranging body of work, an exceptional and sustained meditation on our world. Now his finest longer pieces of reflection and reportage--many of which have been unavailable for years--are collected in one volume. With an abiding faith in modernity balanced by a sense of wonder about the past, Naipaul has explored a variety of societies and peoples through the many-sided prism of his own experience. Whether writing about Indian munities and despots, Mobutu's mad reign in Zaire, the New York mayoral elections or the enduring tragedy of Argentina, he demonstrates time and again that no one has a shrewd intuition of the many ways in which the world works.

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CDs, DVD



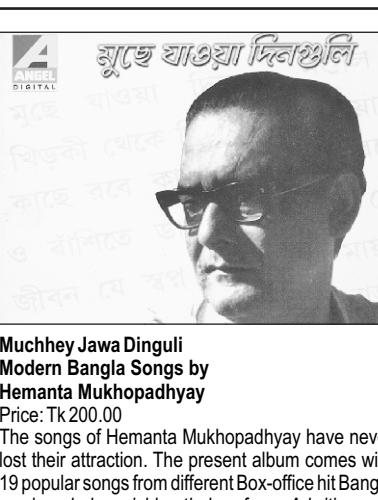
Akasher Kachhakachi

Directed by Faria Hossain

Cast: Touqir Ahmed, Bipasha Hayat, Salma Rosy

Living in Kansas, USA, Sabuj and Khushbu decide to spend the whole day of their sixth anniversary outing and re-collecting the old days--the days of knowing each other, the affair, the marriage. The only grief in their marriage is that they do not have a child. Suddenly Khushbu comes to learn a terrible truth. She leaves Sabuj. And it is at that time that she learns she is going to be a mother.

Source: Laser Vision, 32 Sonargaon Road, Paribagh; Ph: 8622425, 9676191, 018949059



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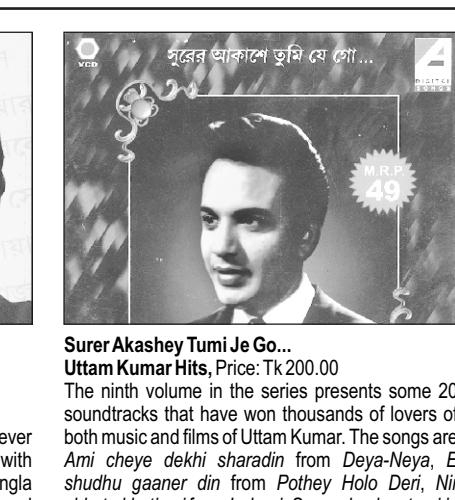
Modern Bangla Songs by

Hemanta Mukhopadhyay

Price: Tk 200.00

The songs of Hemanta Mukhopadhyay have never lost their attraction. The present album comes with 19 popular songs from different Box-office hit Bangla movies. baly pichu thekey from Adwitiya and others.

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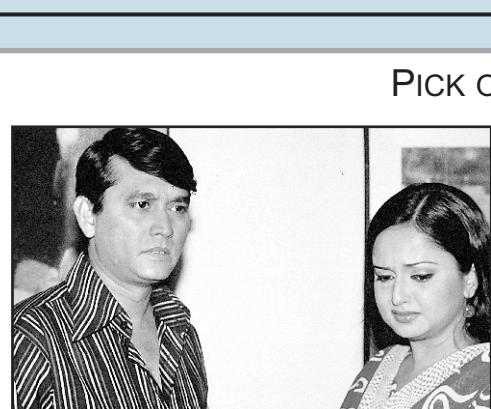


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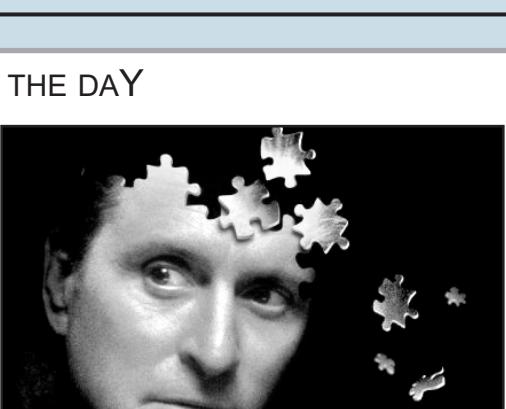
Uttam Kumar Hits, Price: Tk 200.00

The ninth volume in the series presents some 20 soundtracks that have won thousands of lovers of both music and films of Uttam Kumar. The songs are Ami cheye dekhi sharadini from Deya-Neya, E shudhu gaaner din from Pothey Holo Deri, Nir chhoto khoti nei from Indrani, Surer akashay tumi je go from Shapmochon and many others.

PICK OF THE DAY



Ei Tumi Shei Tumi
On Channel i at 10:00pm
Drama Serial
Cast: Azizul Hakim, Shumi, Shahed, Oindrila



The Game
On HBO at 9:30 pm
Genre: Suspense/Thriller
Cast: Michael Douglas, Sean Penn



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12:15 In America
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