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Greetings,

Bangladesh probably isn't the word that comes to mind when someone thinks of graphic novels and comics. But the rapid expansion of the medium, which you helped to propel, has reached South Asia. Bangladeshis are immersing themselves in the fantastical worlds and harrowing journeys illustrated by Bangladesh's new generation of creators.

Bangladesh's [Centre for Research and Information](#) has produced a unique extension of the genre, which pays homage to both the medium and to Bangladesh's independence. The graphic novel '[Mujib](#)', follows Bangladesh's founder, Bangabandhu, through childhood into adulthood and the political activism that shaped the new nation. Inked by renowned Bangladeshi cartoonist [Syed Rashad Imam Tanmoy](#), 'Mujib' depicts the history of Bangladesh through vivid illustration and detail. These honor the graphic novel art form while taking a different, more upbeat and historical direction.

Below are the first three covers of 'Mujib', and attached are the first three graphic novels, translated into English, for your coverage (not for republication).



Mujib tells the story of an ordinary young boy who grows up to lead his country to freedom. Based on The Unfinished Memoirs by Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, this graphic novel series follows the journey of Bangladesh's founding father from childhood to political awakening.

Written by Bangabandhu in Dhaka Central Jail during his time as a political prisoner between 1966 and 1969, The Unfinished Memoirs were only discovered 40 years after his death and cover the period up to 1955. They provide a unique, first-hand account of his involvement in the defining events of South Asia's history, including partition in 1947 and the 1952 Bengali Language Movement.

The Mujib graphic novel series is the first of its kind and will share the remarkable story of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman with a new generation of readers in Bangladesh and beyond.

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