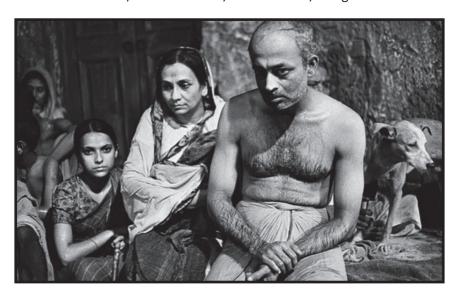


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Calcutta 71

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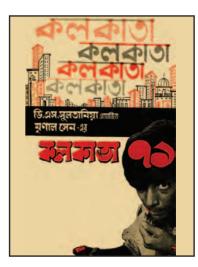


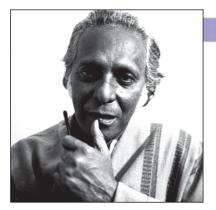
Director: Mrinal Sen **Producer:** D.S. Sultania

Cinematographer: K. K. Mahajan **Editor:** Gangadhar Naskar **Music:** Ananda Shankar

Cast: Madhavi Mukherjee, Ranjit Mallick, Utpal Dutt, Gita Sen, Haradhan Bandopadhyay

Synopsis: A youth, eternally 20, wanders through time and history. He travels between stories, each with a separate set-up and new characters, but what remains unchanged is the harsh reality of poverty, degradation, and death. Shot dead because he has been protesting, the young man reappears on the screen towards the end of the movie and exhorts the viewers to act against injustice brought by poverty. But he must meet the same fate again.





Director Speaks

"...what I've focused on is not exploitation but poverty: how poverty debases human beings, disintegrates the whole pattern, the whole system."

