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The poor peasants stayed away from all social functions in the village. The ability of capital to stratify another layer below the local working classes in order to valorise them productively and control them politically depends on a continuous influx of new labour power: contrary to the view of migration as endless, I. On greater Bengal, see Kamruddin Ahmad, *A Social History of Bengal Dhaka*: 1970 ; Rafiuddin Ahmed, *The Bengal Muslims, 1871-1906, A Quest for Identity* Delhi: 1981 ; Meredith Borthwick, *The Changing Role of Women in Bengal 1849-1905* Princeton: 1984 ; Partha Chatterjee, *Bengal 1920-1947: The Land Question* Calcutta: 1984 ; Sunjeed Chunder Chatterjee, *Bengal Ryots: Their Rights and Liabilities* New Delhi: 1975 ; Joya Chatterji, *Bengal Divided: Hindu Communalism and Partition, 1932-47* Cambridge: 1995 ; Ranajit Das Gupta, *Economy, Society and Politics in Bengal: Jalpaiguri 1869-1947* Delhi: 1992 ; M.

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Where is their purchasing power? It is noteworthy that several Muslim zamindars, including Nawabzada Hasan Ali Khan of Dhanbari Tangail , espoused a pro-peasant and anti-zamindar programme prior to the 1937 elections and afterwards.

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