

East Indian Princess

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East Indian princess lives in a western dream
Happy like a child, her mother is a queen
You know she's safe as a cow on a Calcutta street
This English way of life has got that other life beat

And reading magazines, she sits in straight backed chairs
She's got a common welfare, she's got a queen that cares
She's got meat on her bones, she doesn't starve at least
Not like the folks back home, not like the folks back east

Yeah, but this Indian is English no matter how she tries
You know the sari and the sandals, it's just a bad disguise
She got a mark on her forehead, she got a stud in her nose
Yeah, but this Indian is English and I'm afraid it shows

'Cause you can see her at Wimpey's and on a movie queue line
Her river's not the Ganges, it is the serpentine
East Indian princess, she got the western pain
She got the western mind, that girl has gone insane