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Biography/Memoirs

Sirimavo : Steering the Destiny of a Nation : A Pictorial Biography of the World's First Woman Prime Minister / Sarath Perera, Nalaka Gunawardene & Wijayabandara
Colombo: Bandaraike Museum Committee, 2022

444p.

9786246184001

\$ 120.00 / HB

2932gm.

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Memories of 33 Years in Parliament / Nihal Seneviratne
Nugegoda: Sarasavi Publishers (Pty) Ltd, 2022

502p.

9789553123695

\$ 35.00 / PB

266gm.

Memories Of 33 Years In Parliament is Nihal seneviratnes second book in which he write in more detail about his experiences while serving in countrys legislature. it gives reader an insight into some memorable events in post independent Sri Lanka & providing an intimate look into some of the leading political personalities in country, many of them no longer among us.

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A Peep into the Past : Stories from the Life of a Public Servant / Eric J. de Silva
Rajagiriya: Eric J. de Silva, 2021

60p.

9786249867109

\$ 20.00 / PB

192gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=810243>

People, Events, Places : Selected Articles from the Sunday Island / Nan
Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2022
xxvi, 278p.
9786240015868
\$ 30.00 / PB
418gm.

Nan has the talent of picking subjects appropriate for the times and embellishing what she writes with snippets of her own experiences and insights. All this adds to the readability of her weekly contributions. Given that the newspapers, particularly the Sunday editions, are full of political commentary, Nan has the ability to give readers something different. – Manik de Dilva, Editor/Sunday Island.

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Pursuing a Vision of Justice : Essays in Honour of Maithri Panagoda / (Ed) Senaka Weeraratna
Colombo: Vijitha Yapa Publications, 2022
xxxiv, 484p.
9786242050201
\$ 60.00 / HB
1346gm.

Maithri Panigoda has led an exceptional life, worthy of being narrated as a story, from the perspective of Maithri himself and from the perspective of others providing fascinating biographical details of their encounters with Maithri at various stages of his remarkable life journey.

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Places Where I Read / Rajiva Wijesinha
The Coronavirus Collection 1
Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2021
96p.
9786240015561
\$ 20.00 / PB
136gm.

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History

Narrow Gauge Railways of Ceylon / Rasika Sanjeewa Wickramanayaka
Sri Lanka: Rasika Sanjeewa Wickramanayaka, 2021
xviii, 450p.
Includes Bibliography
9786249757714
\$ 120.00 / HB
1554gm.

A comprehensive history of the narrow gauge railways of Sri Lanka, this hardcover book with over 200 photos, 31 diagrams and maps as well as 45 locomotive and rolling stock drawings is a must have for any railway enthusiast and historian alike. Rasika Wickramanayaka, a local railway historian and architect, offers a great number of interesting anecdotes and an atmospheric account of the often remote and mountainous country traversed by these railways, the people that used them and the goods they carried.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=810247>

Health & Medicine

Review of Prameha Roga in Ayurveda Perspective / Dr. K. R. Weerasekera
Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2022
280p.
9786240015004
\$ 20.00 / PB
398gm.

Prameha has been a very commonly found clinical entity which includes Diabetes Mellitus in modern medicine. The conceptual study presented by this book “Appraisal of Prameha roga in Ayurveda perspective” has deep view is put on the etymology, definitions, causative factors, clinical features, pathogenesis and different Ayurvedic treatment methods of Prameha. This has been a collection of very important references scattered in various Ayurvedic texts such as Charaka Samhita, Sushruta Samhita, Astanga hrida Samhita, Bhela Samhita, Haritha Samhita, Ashtang Sangrha, Sharangadhara Samhita, Bhava prakasha, Atharvaveda and other original Sanskrit texts with commentaries.

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Law

Perspectives on Constitutional Reform in Sri Lanka / (Eds-in-Chief) Hiran W Jayewardene & Sharya Scharenguivel

Colombo: International and Comparative Law Society (ICLS), 2021
lviii, 562p.
9786245662005
\$ 100.00 / PB
964gm.

Book on Constitutional Reform containing the perspectives of eminent contributors recognized for their expertise on the subject at a time when there is an ongoing process set up to develop a new Constitution in Sri Lanka is a valuable and necessary contribution to the Constitution making process. It starts with a personal background of the first Executive President of Sri Lanka, J.R. Jayewardene, as being a lawyer with a legacy of five generations of lawyers and proceeds to incorporate his “THOUGHTS ON CONSTITUTIONALISM”. This section covers the evolution of Constitutional Reform in Sri Lanka starting with the Donoughmore and Soulbury Constitutions, and explains the influences that made him an advocate of the presidential form of government in preference to the parliamentary system.

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Literature

Golden Harvest, Book 1 / Tharaka Seneviratne
Colombo: Tharaka Seneviratne, 2021
888p.
9786249873902
\$ 40.00 / HB
1140gm.

Historical novel about king Dutugemunu set in before the Anuradhapura Kingdom was established.

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Official Publications

Central Bank of Sri Lanka Annual Report, Volume I & 2 : Of the Monetary Board to the Hon. Minister of Finance for the Year 2021
Colombo: Central Bank of Sri Lanka, 2022
1v.
ISSN: 1391-359X ; 9786245917075 ; 9786245917082
\$ 80.00 / PB
2466gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=809750>

Sociology

Her Smile Lingers... : Malathi De Alwis Selected Essays / (Ed) Kanchana Ruwanpura (et al.) (Foreword) Radhika Coomaraswamy

Colombo: International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES), 2022

xviii, 244p.

9786245502127

\$ 50.00/ HB

612gm.

'Her Smile Lingers' : a collection of selected essays by Malathi de Alwis, edited by Kanchana N Ruwanpura, Caryll Tozer, Chulani Kodikara, Sonali Deraniyagala and Vraie Cally Balthazar. Malathi de Alwis left us a year ago leaving a large collection of incisive essays on gender and feminism, political violence and war, grief and memory.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=810250>
