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Anthropology

Anthropological Explorations in East and South-East Asia / A.M. Shah,
Lancy Lobo
Delhi, Primus Books, 2021
228p.; 24cm.
9789390737123
\$ 31.50 / HB
600gm.

This volume is a collection of eighteen ethnographic essays on Anthropological Explorations in East and South-East Asia, reprinted from Journal of the Anthropological Society of Bombay, published during 1886–1936. Divided into five parts, it includes works on history, religion, tea cult, the Torii of Japan and the Torans of India; on the veneration of the dead in China; on Tibet and its customs and practices, the Lamas and folklore in eastern Himalayas; on the monastic institution of Burma and its Phongys; Malay folklore, folk medicine, etiological folktales; and Burmese and Indian folk beliefs. This volume provides evidence that the history of anthropological writings in India is much older than is believed to be. This volume bears witness to indigenous scholarship of civilized societies such as China, Burma, Tibet and Japan. This volume will be beneficial for the

study of the impact of Buddhism, Taoism, Confucianism and Hinduism in East and South-East Asia.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774349>

Ethnicity, Identity and Culture: Scheduled Tribes of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana / Malli Gandhi

Jaipur, Rawat Publications, 2021

294p.; 25cm.

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\$ 37.50 / HB

750gm.

Indian democracy has been rooted on the twin pillars of distributive justice and inclusive growth. Recognizing this, the State has been empowered to take affirmative action in favour of historically disadvantaged social groups such as the Scheduled Tribes (STs) through reservation. So far, 705 Scheduled Tribes have been notified under Article 342 of the Constitution, spread over different States and Union Territories. Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states are the home to 35 tribal communities. They comprise seven per cent of states' population. These tribal groups are the largest tribal concentration in South India. The scheduled area of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana is covered by Tribal Sub-Plan. These indigenous tribal communities are mostly concentrated in hilly tracts. Development policies of the successive governments were characterised by several controversial initiatives and resulted in the eviction of tribal population from forests. This has diluted the spirit of Fifth Schedule. There are no special courts and exclusive laws to safeguard their basic rights and protect them from atrocities. A comprehensive policy is still long overdue. If protective laws are not strengthened effectively, there will not be any improvement in the lives of adivasis (tribals). The present work is important in the sense that it takes a look at tribal development in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states. Extensive field work has been conducted in these two regions and advices of social scientists, tribal welfare administrators and academicians have been considered in the narrative. It is expected that the present work will be of great help in conducting research on similar problems in India in general and Telangana and Andhra Pradesh in particular.

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Disadvantaged Tribes of India: Regional Concerns / V Srinivasa Rao

Jaipur, Rawat Publications, 2021

353p.; 25cm.

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\$ 37.50 / HB
800gm.

As India industrialised, the tribals have been losing their homes and livelihoods due to development projects, dams, mining, etc. for the benefit of non-tribals. The tribal regions in India are blessed with abundant natural resources but these natural resources are being diverted to the interest of non-tribal development. On close examination, we can easily state that it has been the state, market and even civil society that are the reasons for the disadvantage of the tribes. Most of the chapters in this volume are micro-level studies with reference to a particular region or a tribe. However, the chapters in part one of this volume deal with policy concerns at national level. The tribal issues discussed in this volume are culture, development, globalisation, health, identity politics, language, policy, poverty, violence and women, with reference to a particular region or with a specific tribe. While building various arguments on the issues concerned, one can connect the role of state-market-media in the forefront, either directly or indirectly. Therefore, the interconnection and role of these three would always be debated while discussing tribal issues in the Indian context. Overall the book tries to present a comprehensive analysis on the reasons for tribal exclusion in India.

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Researches in Medieval Archaeology : Carvanserais, Buildings, Other Remains from Sultanate and Mughal Times / Iqtidar Alam Khan
Delhi, Primus Books, 2021
167p.; 24cm.
9789390430703
\$ 25.00 / HB
530gm.

The essays in this volume focus on the surviving remains in India of promoter public buildings like series, bridges and water-works of different types as well as masonry structures meant to extract indigo or sugar from plants. Much of this evidence is significant for the study of economic history as well as war technology of the post-Turkish conquest phase. The attempt here is to present this evidence in the perspective of the evolving production technology which appears to have received an impetus with the establishment of Turkish rule. The archaeological data cited in this collection of essays indicate the presence of extensive promoter remains along the Mughal highways, many of which have not been recorded so far.

These make for very promising objects of study for archaeologists as well as students of economic history interested in determining the factors responsible for India's sluggish transition to modernity. Table of Contents Foreword Preface List of Plates, Figures, Maps and Tables xvii 1. Medieval archaeology in South Asia: A Brief Review 2. Methodologies and Approaches for Medieval Archaeology: A Report of Exploration of Public Buildings and Minor structures 3. Muhammad Bin Tughlaq's Temporary Capital at Suargduari 4. Two Early Mughal Monuments of Bryana 5. Pre-Modern Indigo Vats of Bayan a 6. Location, Structure and Functioning of a Pre-Modern Water-Work: A Study of Guru Ki Tal 7. Structure, Location and Working of a Seventeenth-Century Dyke at Kishangarh 8. The Karwansarays of Mughal India: A Study of Surviving Structures Bibliography Index.

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Traditional Power Institutions : Tribes of India / Devender Chand, Vijay Kaushal

New Delhi, Indu Book Service Pvt. Ltd, 2021

176.; 24cm.

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The Focus of the book is on the traditional power institutions prevalent in Tribal India. The book tries to explore the basis of traditional power institution called hombra in jaunsar Bazar tribal area in Uttaranchal, which are abhor councils(panchayats) summoned in cases involving sex, property and status. These panchayats act primarily in cases involving traditional rules of behaviour. They usually assemble for setting cases of abduction of women or offences against lower castes. The struggle of the lower castes against the exploitative, arbitrary system of dominance has been a long drawn process of the struggle that evolved in the long history of the tribal societies. this mainly provided the dynamics for the nature of change in these societies at different levels. It therefore becomes interesting subject for social anthropologists to see the unfolding of the nature of change at different levels and times in the history of tribal societies.

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Weaving Hierarchies : Handloom Weavers in Early Twentieth Century

United Provinces / Santhosh Kumar Rai

Delhi, Primus Books, 2021

515p.; 25cm.

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Weaving Hierarchies: Handloom Weavers in Early Twentieth Century United Provinces combines primarily historical data with extensive field research to give us new insights into the structures of artisan trades and the lives of weaving communities specifically located in the weaving hubs of Azamgarh, Gorakhpur and Fakirabad divisions of eastern Uttar Pradesh during the first half of the twentieth century. Thus, it fills an important gap in the existing labour historiography, which has tended to focus more on 'modern' sites of labour such as factories, mines and plantations. The book explores the modernity/tradition dichotomy as it has been applied and amplified in our understanding of development, demonstrating that some of the categorizations fundamental to these understandings are in fact profoundly misplaced. Indeed, the argument regarding processes of 'localization' made here is particularly promising in the sense that it does not posit localization in opposition to but in tandem with global processes. The book explores historically grounded, tension-filled categories like class, caste and community, and perhaps its most significant contribution lies in tracing the history of the Juana community.

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Art

Royal Textiles of Mewar : The City Palace Museum, Udaipur / Rosemary Crill, Jyoti Jasol, Anamika Pathak and Smita Singh
Uttar Pradesh, HarperCollins, 2021

261p.; col ill.; 29cm.

9789354223303

\$ 75.00 / HB

1850gm.

A detailed look at the royal textiles of the house of Mewar The book opens a window into the royal world of Mewar and show us how the textiles and attire of the Mewar court through the ages. It also includes sections on the documentation and cataloguing of these royal costumes and textiles, the animal trappings at the Mewer court, and the Mewar textile regalia associated with the many rituals and festivals of the region. Interspersed with glorious photographs and detailed commentary, this is a must-have for any lover of textiles, fashion and, of course, history. As a bonus, the book also contains a detailed catalogue of the various costumes and dresses worn

by the men and women of the court. About the Author Rosemary Crilly is a former Senior Curator in the Asian Department at the Victoria and Albert Museum, London. Neil Green tree was art photographer for the Asian galleries of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, for over twenty years. He specializes in Indian paintings on paper, sculpture and textiles. Jodi Jasol is a cultural and textile enthusiast and actively involved in strategizing cultural and ritualistic events at The City Palace, Udaipur for the last twenty years. Anaika Pathak is the former Curator of Decorative Arts at the National Museum, New Delhi. Smite Singh is an independent textile conservation consultant and researcher with over seventeen years of work experience for renowned projects with some Indian institutions of eminence.

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The Gita : Mewari Miniature Painting (1680-1698) by Allah Baksh / Alok Bhalla, Chandra Prakash Deval
New Delhi, Niyogi Books, 2019
284p.; 25cm.
9789386906939
\$ 37.50 / HB
1350g

Alok Bhalla is a widely published critic, translator and poet. He has taught in various universities in the US and India, and has held Fellowships from different academic institutes in France, Italy, England, Germany, Canada and Israel. His books include Stories about the Partition of India (4 volumes), Partition Dialogues, Shades of the Preternatural (on Gothic fiction), The Politics of Atrocity and Lust (on the Vampire tale) and The Life and Times of Sadat Hasan Manta. He has also co-edited and translated Intisar Husain's A Chronicle of the Peacocks, Day and Dustan and Story is a Vagabond. His verse translation of Dharamvir Bharani's play, Andhra Yugo, is a recognized classic. Chandra Prakash Deval is an eminent poet, fiction writer, translator, bibliophile, and cultural historian, he has published 14 collections of poetry in Hindi and Rajasthan. He has been the recipient of many prestigious literary awards like the Sahota Academy Award in 1979 for his poetry collection, Paige, and the Bihari Puruskar for Herma! Maun Sadh Van Charon in 2013. The Government of India bestowed the Padma Shri on him in recognition of his contributions to literature in 2011.

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Biography

In Pursuit of Justice : An Autobiography / Justice Rajindar Sachar

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

254p.; 24cm.

9789390356676

\$ 15.00 / HB

580g

The story of a great jurist who was an even greater human being. Justice Rajindar Sachar was a socialist, an egalitarian, a defender of civil liberties, a deeply engaged citizen of India, and, above all, a humanist. A man who believed in standing for the last man in the line, he was 'armed' with a moral compass that never wavered. Born into an influential family from Lahore in 1923, he witnessed the pain of Partition. Yet, amazingly, he never bore any animosity towards Pakistan or its people. Son of Chimes Sachar, a prominent Congressman and Gandhian in pre-Partition Punjab and Chief Minister of Punjab post-1947, Rajindar did not disclose his famous surname during his early life to ensure people would not give him special treatment. He joined the Delhi High Court in 1970 but was transferred out of Delhi for voicing his opposition to the Emergency. During those dark days he shared a close bond with Justice H.R. Khanna, the lone voice of dissent in a Supreme Court that chose to side with Indira Gandhi. Brought back to Delhi after the Emergency, he rose to become the Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court. Post-retirement, Sachar helmed the People's Union for Civil Liberties for many years. However, what Justice Rajindar Sachar is most-remembered for is the Sachar Committee Report (2006) which documented the social and economic condition of Muslims in India. The Report drew both praise and criticism, with some radical elements even threatening to send him back to Pakistan. However, his fight to preserve the secular fabric of India continued till the day he died. His autobiography comes at a critical time when India's democracy is under siege from within.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774600>

Rammohun Roy: A Critical Biography / Amiya P. Sen

Haryana : Penguin Viking, an Imprint of Penguin Random House, 2012

Hb; xii, 211p.; 21cm

Includes Index

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\$ 12.50

400gm.

Raja Rammohun Roy (1774-1833) was a great champion of liberty and civil rights in colonial India. He was also a true cosmopolitan who envisioned a world without borders. A tireless crusader for religious and social reform, Rammohun attempted a progressive reinterpretation of Hinduism and tried to improve the lot of socially marginalized groups such as women. Yet, in spite of his lofty public presence, Rammohun was a hugely controversial figure. He shocked the Hindu orthodox by his support to the abolition of sati, offended evangelists by separating the moral message of Christ from the purely theological, and was often dragged into legal disputes over family property. By the time of his death in Bristol, he was as much resented as respected, both at home and abroad. Using relatively unexplored sources, this elegant and accessible new biography by Amiya P. Sen paints a fascinating portrait of one of the legendary makers of modern India.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=768760>

The Tatas : How a Family Built a Business and a Nation / Vikrant Pande (Translator), Girish Kuber (Author)

Haryana : Harper Business, an imprint of Harper Collins Publishers, Noida, 2020

xiv, 263p.; photos; 22cm

Includes Bibliography, Index

9789353579821

\$ 10.00 / PB

300gm.

WINNER OF THE GAJA CAPITAL BUSINESS BOOK PRIZE The nineteenth century was an exciting time of initiative and enterprise around the world. If John D. Rockefeller was creating unimagined wealth in the United States that he would put to the service of the nation, a Parsi family with humble roots was doing the same in India. In 1822, a boy was born in a priestly household in Gujarats Navsari. Young Nusserwanji knew early on that his destiny lay beyond his village and decided to head for Bombay to start a business. He had neither higher education nor knowledge of trade matters, just a burning passion to carve his own path. What Nusserwanji started as a cotton trading venture, his son Jamsetjiborn in the same year as Rockefellergrew into a multifaceted business, turning around sick textile mills, setting up an iron and steel company, and building a world-class hotel. Stewardled ably over the decades by Jamsetjis sons Dorabji and Ratanji, the charismatic and larger-than-life JRD, and thereafter the more business-like Ratan, the Tata group today is a 110-billion-dollar empire. The Tatas is their story. It is also a chronicle of how each generation of the

family invested not only in the expansion of its own business interests but in nation building as well. A tribute to a line of visionaries who have a special place in the hearts of ordinary Indians, this is the only book that tells the complete Tata story spanning almost 200 years.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=768746>

Justice at heart : life journey of Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer / Salman Khurshid; Lokendra Malik

Lucknow : Eastern Book Company, 2016

xxxiii, 480p.; 25cm

Includes Subject Index

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Justice at Heart: Life Journey of Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer by Salman Khurshid and Dr. Lokendra Malik is the story of a crusader against injustice, a legendary judge who lived and worked for social justice for the people of India. Justice Krishna Iyer was a towering and a multifaceted personality having a varied experience of life. He has inspired many persons by his philosophy of life, and his insatiable hunger for socio-economic justice. An ardent advocate of change for better, a person with simple habits, he was a friend of all.

If one has to sum up in one sentence this incredible personality one would simply say that he too wrote the Constitution through his judicial pronouncements enriching it immensely and indeed explicating the intent and aspiration of the noble framers, making it truly a living document of our nationhood. The work will be a welcome addition to any library.

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Partap Singh Kairon : A Visionary / Gurinder Singh Kairon, Meeta Rajivlochan and M Rajivlochan

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

288p.; 24cm.

9789389967098

\$ 15.00 / HB

660gm.

This is the story of a man who was regarded as the most powerful chief minister of the fifties. Punjab not only bore the brunt of Partition, but the state's economy was also left in ruins. This was the time when one man helped the state emerge from the ravages of death and destruction Sardar

Partap Singh Kairon. He steered Punjab away from the confused times after Partition and reined in divisive forces that threatened to divide the state yet again. He succeeded in getting different communities to work together and brought stability to a volatile region. Kairon combined both vision and administrative acumen to transform Punjab into the grain bowl of the country as well as one of the most prosperous states. Kairon was much more than the creator of modern Punjab he was a statesman and a visionary. His tragic assassination remains a mystery even today.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774598>

Always A Foreigner : A Memoir / Ashwini Devare
New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2021
249p.; 20cm.
9789390547975
\$ 7.50 / PB
300gm.

A fascinating memoir is about growing up as an Indian Foreign Service child in the 70s and 80s. The journey was like the voyage of Sinbad, full of adventure. Running up a Himalayan hillside pulling leeches off her legs, covering drug busts in a gritty US suburb to uncovering racism under the pure Alpine snow, Ashwini Devare's fascinating memoir is about growing up as an Indian Foreign Service child in the 70s and 80s. From the Soviet Union's Iron Curtain to Burma's Bamboo Curtain, Ashwini Devare lived in six countries by the time she was fifteen. In each country, she had a front-row seat to tumultuous global events that redefined the twentieth century, from the death of Lal Bahadur Shastri to the integration of Sikkim into India, the assassination of Indira Gandhi to student-led democracy in South Korea. Ashwini Devare's journey from diplomat's daughter to broadcast journalist was marked by constant changes and upheaval. 'Fitting in' was the mantra for survival. This is a remarkable story of an Indian family that faces the challenges of love, loss and separation with resilience, optimism and courage. A family that would continually be flung from their comfort zones into alien, unfamiliar lands, always holding hands to soften the landings. In the background was the constant comfort of the Indian flag providing reassurance as the family navigated their way in foreign lands.

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Good News India : Ordinary Indians, Extraordinary Triumphs / DV
Sridharan
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021
273p.; 22cm.

9789390358069
\$ 12.50 / PB
400gm.

In the year 2000, when the World Wide Web was only ten years old and words like 'Google' or 'blog' were still unknown, India's print media was the dominant source of news. Its unending stream of depressing news made many feel India was a country without a future. That scenario troubled a man as he kept pondering. If India was as terrible as the media made it out to be, how has it endured these thousands of years? Surely there are a great many who are doing the good work despite all obstacles that we merely complain about? Who are they and what good work are they doing? What or who made them dedicate themselves to their work? Driven by these questions, that man, D.V, Sridharan, then fifty-eight years old, decided to go out, discover their stories and highlight good news from India, for India and the world. After building a basic website-goodnewsindia.com-and armed with an early model of a digital camera, he drove around the country to meet and write about their work. It turned out there were numerous little-known heroes who, despite adverse circumstances, braved on with the good work they believed in. In the process, he discovered what was worth working on for the furtherance of India as a civilisation. Good News India showcases some of those ordinary Indians and their extraordinary work. These are stories of positive action, steely endeavour and quiet triumphs.
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774359>

Inspiring Indian Women : The Bold and Restless in Pursuit of Passion /
Swarnendu Biswas
New Delhi, Khama Publishers, 2020
212p.; 25cm
9788185495392
\$ 25.00 / HB
700gm.

Despite several socio-cultural impediments weighing against them, women in post-modern India are displaying remarkable excellence in almost all spheres of work and life. During the last two decades, we have seen a multitude of exemplary women in India create some really engrossing and inspiring success stories. A few of them have also emerged as pioneers and/or thought leaders and helped to change our society for the better. The book makes an honest attempt to concisely present the achievements of nine among the man of the extraordinary women of India of this new century, who have made more than significant strides in their chosen fields

of passion and expertise. However, the long work profiles of many of these women of immense grit, spirit, talent and substance go much beyond the last twenty years. Some of these women have also shown astonishing versatility by making their mark in several creative pursuits at the same time. All the ladies whose mini biographies are covered in this book have made more than noteworthy contributions in their chosen field/s of expertise, and they have attained considerable renown among their fraternity. But though they are immensely famous, they are not popular among common people of India at large. The book is also an attempt to highlight the immense contributions of these extraordinary ladies before the common readers of India at large. The nine inspiring ladies covered in this book include National Award winning actress Rituparna Sengupta, who is ruling the Bengali film industry even in her late 40s; the globally renowned mountaineer Prelate Agrawal, who has the distinction of being the first Indian woman to scale the Seven Summits - the seven highest continental peaks in the World, the visionary interior designer Payal Kapoor, who has the credit of doing the interiors of Palace on Wheels and of several prestigious hotels and other commercial projects and homes. Malika Sarabhai, the internationally renowned classical dancer and choreographer, critically acclaimed actress, a powerful writer on social issues and a tireless activist.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774411>

Radiance in Indian Skies : The Tejas Saga / Philip Raj Kumar, BR Srikanth
New Delhi, Defence Research and Development organisation, 2021

194.; col ill.; 29cm.

9788186514788

\$ 35.00 / HB

1550gm.

Development of the Tejas fighter aircraft was independent India's most ambitious aeronautical project. A group of visionary academics, engineers and scientists was convinced the country had the talent to undertake this journey on a road filled with many unknowns. The Government of India which always wanted the nation to achieve self-reliance in high technology fields like aeronautics and space backed the idea. The Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA) was established in 1984 to manage the project. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) was the principal partner in the project because it was the only organization in the country which had a design bureau and the infrastructure to manufacture prototypes and serially produce the aircraft. ADA, which was placed under the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), was strongly supported

by many DRDO laboratories in particular the Aeronautical Development Establishment (ADE) and the National Aerospace Laboratory (NAL) under the Council for Industrial and Scientific Research. It was undoubtedly a mammoth multi-disciplinary effort requiring good project management skills. The grant of Final Operational Clearance (FOC) for the aircraft, development of the trainer version, arrested landing of the Naval version on the carrier and the equipping of two front line fighter squadrons with the Tejas is testimony to the dedication and technical virtuosity of Team LCA, an omnibus term for the many hundreds of men and women who contributed to the success of the project. This book is about the inspiring journey of the Tejas from concept to entry into squadron service. A must read book for all Indians.

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Sach Kahun Toh : An Autobiography / Neena Gupta

Haryana, Ebury Press, an imprint of Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

285p.; photos ill.; 24cm.

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\$ 15.00 / HB

700gm.

In Sach Kahun Toh, actor Neena Gupta chronicles her extraordinary personal and professional journey-from her childhood days in Delhi's Karol Bagh, through her time at the National School of Drama, to moving to Bombay in the 1980s and dealing with the struggles to find work. It details the big milestones in her life, her unconventional pregnancy and single parenthood, and a successful second innings in Bollywood. A candid, self-deprecating portrait of the person behind the persona, it talks about her life's many choices, battling stereotypes, then and now, and how she may not be as unconventional as people think her to be.

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Policymaker's Journal : From New Delhi to Washington D.C. / Kaushik Basu
New Delhi, Simon & Schuster, 2021

375p.; phot ill.; 25cm.

9788195057108

\$ 17.50 / HB

800gm.

The art of political speech is to say things that sound meaningful but are impossible to pin down. You hear such speech from master politicians in

not just India but the United States, the United Kingdom, China (if we knew what they were saying) and just about everywhere ... Irreverent and hilarious, wise and introspective, Kaushik Basus journal records the course of his career over seven years, first in India as the chief economic adviser to the Indian Government and after that as the chief economist at the World Bank in Washington. Encounters with expected and unexpected world leaders and influencers Manmohan Singh, Narendra Modi, Barack Obama, Sheikh Hasina, Deepika Padukone and many, many others pepper and liven this charming page-turner of a journal. The Indian years were a period of high inflation, growth challenges (as the global financial crisis arrived in India) and also a remarkable growth recovery story, with India moving past Chinas GDP growth rate. There were corruption scandals causing widespread street protests, plenty of late-night decision-making which one knew would rock the stock market the next day and getting to know politicians who were outstanding as statesmen in the midst of all this, as well as many who were not. The World Bank years ranged from interacting with officials in tiny, remote countries like Samoa, to gigantic nations with considerable heft, such as China. It entailed sitting down with leading researchers to compute and announce global numbers on extreme poverty and rankings on how easy it is to do business in different countries (fully aware that there would be calls from irate finance ministers as soon as these were published), and assisting quarreling nations to communicate amicably and coordinate on policy. Base narrates these momentous periods in his diplomatic career with a rare light heartedness which not only informs by giving the readers a ringside view of Indian bureaucracy, but also makes this book the most compelling and enjoyable book on policymaking to come out of India in years.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774295>

Padmini of Malwa : The Autobiography of Rani Ruupmati / Priyadarshi Thakur 'Khayal'

New Delhi, Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021

293p.; 22cm.

9789390477968

\$ 12.50 / PB

400g

In the pages of this book, Rani Ruupmati, the Queen of Malwa, the legendary beauty men fought wars for, narrates everything that history books leave out. Through fading memories of her mother and subsequent abandonment, she reveals the lost years of her childhood. We then see her growing up among strangers in a desolate fortress, trying her best to figure out friend

from foe. The entry of Baz, future Sultan of Malwa, comes as a welcome change in her life as their love for each other is matched only by their passion for music. But they have enemies. And their beautiful dream must come to an end. Padmini of Malwa isn't, however, just the 'autobiography' of an enigmatic character from the past. As Ruupmati chronicles the events, big and small, that mark her short life, an enduring tale of love also becomes a riveting account of a conflict that was personal, religious and political in equal measure.

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Prison Notes of a Woman Activist / B Anuradha, Gita Ramaswamy
Delhi, Ratna Books, an imprint of Ratna Sagar P. Ltd, 2021
195p.; 21cm.
9789352903306
\$ 16.00 / HB
400gm.

Through the lens of her jail experience and that of her fellow prisoners, anuradha's vivid description takes us to the unknown and unseen world of women prisoners, their children, their day-to-day lives and their world view of society as a larger prison even outside the Jail. Anuradha wonders what constitutes a crime. Who does the law protect? Are the laws of the land capable of rendering justice to classes and social groups that are exploited? Whether the existing laws are being implemented fairly? At the end, the questions remain: what is a crime? Who is a criminal?

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774305>

Baanjh : Incomplete Lives of Complete Women / Susmita Mukherjee
New Delhi, Readomania Publishing, 2021
143p.; 20cm.
9788194337355
\$ 7.50 / PB
200gm.

Eleven hard-hitting stories gathered from the observations of a seasoned actress, Susmita Mukherjee, who has portrayed many strong characters, and observed much across the country. Baanjh incomplete lives of complete women, a collection of short stories based on the authors observations, takes you on a journey into the world of women from the society fringes as well as the high echelons with entitled husbands and regressive labels; with high-power jobs and insecurities; with obsessions and mental issues; with open views on marriage and divorce; with oppressive employers driving

them to the hilt; where lines of morality blur between the girlfriend and the wife. Susmita makes you gasp, ponder, empathise and look at life like never before. The stories reiterate the fact that a woman's worth is much more than just the labels that the society bestows on her.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774301>

Delhi's Agony : Essays on the February 2020 Communal Violence / Brinda Karat, Vijay Prsahad

Delhi, LeftWord Books, 2021

183p.; 22cm.

9788195354658

\$ 5.00 / PB

350gm.

There was terrible violence in North East Delhi in the last days of February 2020. Fifty-four people were killed, many were wounded, and a large number of people lost their livelihoods. No one denies the fact of the violence. What is disputed is who is responsible for the violence and how the violence must be described. In nine sharp and insightful essays, leading writers, activists, artists, journalists, and a jurist analyse the course of events, fix culpability, diagnose the condition of our republic, and reflect on larger questions of history and culture which have brought us where we are. This volume also contains a detailed fact-finding report on the violence, which shows that these events were triggered by the political agenda of the RSS/BJP in particular the BJP's losses in the Delhi elections, its determination to put an end to the anti-CAA protests, and to teach all dissenters, and minorities in particular, a lesson. The aim was also to Demonize the anti-CAA protests and criminalize all protests. To call the political violence of February 2020 anything other than a pogrom is to misunderstand what happened. Delhi's Agony significantly increases our knowledge and understanding of the forces of Hindutva that are inimical to the interests of India.

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Conversations with Ko Un / Ramin Jahanbegloo

India, Orient blackswan Pvt. Ltd., 2021

284p.; 19cm.

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380gm.

Peace is a day when everyone in the world eats bread together as friends. Banishing starvation from the earth is peace. Ko Un, Song of Peace In a world known for its conformism and complacency, questioning through the writing of poetry is a most courageous and dangerous act. Poets are brave spirits, fighting against tyrannies, wars and violence. Perhaps no one exemplifies this more than South Korean poet Ko Un. His poems, touching upon the themes of life, nature, mortality and echoes of tradition, are firmly rooted in Korean life, fulfilling the function of historical memory. In the past 30 years, he has been translated into 35 languages, and is the recipient of dozens of literary prizes and honours. In Conversations with Ko Un, renowned philosopher Ramin Jahanbegloo talks to the poet about his life, vision, aesthetics, travails and anxieties. Ko Un speaks about coming of age during the Korean War, his experience as a Buddhist monk, his imprisonment on several occasions, and poetry as an act of dissent. The result is an intense, illuminating, rich and insightful volume that emphasises the universality of the human experience.

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In The Shadow of a Sword : The Memoir of a Women Leader in the Ltte /
Thamizhini, Nedra Rodrigo

New Delhi, Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

201p.; 22cm.

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360gm.

Thamizhini joined the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) at the age of nineteen and spent eighteen years as a combatant, educator and, for some time, head of the women's division of its Political Wing. Her memoir, In the Shadow of a Sword, weaves back and forth between reminiscences of her childhood experiences of state violence and her decision to join the LTTE. It recounts the many projects she undertook for the civilian population; her participation in the Peace Talks of 2002; the freedoms granted and constraints placed upon her during the armed struggle; and her experiences in combat training, on the battlefield, and in political negotiations and diplomacy. It is a narrative weighted with grief and remorse yet glistening with moments of humour and thick with compassion. The memoir contains wry observations on gender roles and media manipulation in times of war and is a valuable archive that rescues female combatants from oblivion.

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Instant History : A memoir / Anil Maheshwari

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021
338p.; 22cm.
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Instant History is a brilliant insight into our recent history. A treasure trove for all those who believe that journalists write the first draft of history, this is an honest perspective on various issues in the context of many geographical complexities, political realities and social dichotomies. Narrated through short pieces and snippets, it unveils several incidents and exposes ground realities that afflict politics, bureaucracy and even journalism. Moreover, serving a slice of history, it documents changes India has witnessed across the last quarter of the preceding century, providing insights into the history of public administration. Anecdotal, humorous and often caustic, Instant History is a fabulous work on Indian journalism and politics recounted by a senior journalist with an insider view of affairs.

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Cinema Studies

Scripting Bollywood : Candid Conversations with Women Who Write Hindi Cinema / Anubha Yadav
New Delhi, Women Unlimited, 2021
300p.; 22cm.
9789385606335
\$ 17.00 / PB
500gm.

Scripting Bollywood is a first-of-its kind volume that focuses on the life-world and writing practices of women screenwriters in Bollywood, an industry that is traditionally dominated by men. through candid, insightful conversations, 14 women, who have penned everything classic like UmraoJaan, and Radial potboilers like Alina, Dill to Pagal Hai, spy thrillers like Razo, and spiky comedies like Vicky Donor, give their take on female writers and their relationship with the commercial Bollywood framework, women and the collaborative process of filmmaking, how their own realities give rise to memorable stories, and the liberating experience of writing for digital platforms. Besides sharing their craft, the brilliant storytellers features in this collection let readers into their lives and inspirations-they are personal, powerful, real!

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Cookbooks

Bhog Naivedya : Food Offerings to The Gods / Sujata Shukla Rajan

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

273p.; 22cm.

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\$ 10.00 / PB

380gm.

A nation's food culture, brought to you on a puja thali! Bhog Naivedya delves into the origins of sacred foods in India and brings forth its incredible diversity. Brilliantly researched and engagingly written, Sujata's book is peppered with delectable tales from mythology, sumptuous temple lore, the aromatic linkages with kings and saints, mouth-watering food descriptions and much more. Travel from Badarinath Ham in the Himalayas to the Krishna temples at Mathura and Nathdwara to discover the lovingly-performed food rituals. Visit the Jyotirlinga of Kaci Vishwanath temple in Varanasi and Trimbakeshwar temple in Nashik and learn about Lord Shiva's favourite foods. Moving to the east of India, we see a dramatic change in the offerings, especially in the bogy offered to Goddess Shakti at Kamahi in Guwahati and then at Alight in Kolkata. Peep through the holes in the kitchen walls of Puri's Jagannath temple and watch the preparation of Chapped Bhog in pots on clay chillies (hearths), and thence to Iupati to admire the elaborate food offerings to Lord Alani.

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The Flavour of Spice : Journeys, Recipes, Stories / Marryam H. Reshii

Gurugram : Hachette Book Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

xiv, 321p.; 20cm

Includes Bibliography

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400gm.

A book that celebrates all things spice, and the integral ways in which they shape what we eat. Throughout her career spanning 25 years, well-known food critic and writer (and little-known collector of spice-grinders of eclectic origin) Marryam Reshii has had a relentless love affair with spices. Such has been her passion that she has travelled across the country, and to

various corners of the world - crushing, grinding, frying and tasting - in a bid to understand every aspect of these magnificent ingredients. The result is *The Flavour of Spice*, a zesty narrative that brings together stories about the origins of spices and how they evolved in the cuisines we know and love, colourful anecdotes gleaned from encounters with plantation owners and spice merchants, and beloved family recipes from chefs and home cooks. From the market yards of Guntur, India's chilli capital, to the foothills of Sri Lanka in search of 'true' cinnamon, and from the hillsides in Sikkim, where black cardamom thrives, to the saffron markets in the holy city of Mashad, Iran - this heady account of spices pulsates with exciting tales of travel and discovery, and an infectious love for the ingredients that add so much punch to our cuisines.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774300>

The Diabetic Cookbook / Michael Swamy
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021
221p.; col ill.; 25cm.
9789389351163
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550gm.

The need of the hour is fine food, and how do we define “fine food” that is not detrimental to one's health. The rise of Lifestyle diseases is heavily upon us. The connect with nature has disappeared with modernisation and urbanisation. As chefs we have a responsibility to what we serve to our guests. The journey of changing one's palate and creating healthier menus without actually calling them healthy is a challenge these days. In many of the restaurants that I have handled, I have seen guests come in asking for dishes that will not affect their allergies and other problems. Changing well known dishes and altering their profiles without affecting the taste and experiential quotient is what I have to resort to. This book is all about the familiar dishes and how we change them by using superfoods and super ingredients to lower ones' blood sugar levels. How to up one's protein intake at the same time consuming less of meats. While the book is majorly vegetarian and touching upon the vegan aspect we have kept a small percentage of non-vegetarian dishes. The book is an all colour book, with almost 80 recipes.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774364>

Economics

The Making of Aadhaar World's Largest Identity Platform / Ram Sevak Sharma

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

199p.; 23cm.

9789390356126

\$ 15.00 / HB

440gm.

Aadhaar is the world's largest identity project that enrolled a billion residents. The Making of Aadhaar offers insights into the creation of this one-of-a-kind system, at a fraction of the cost of the alternative, less sophisticated identity systems that had been previously tried in India and elsewhere. That, by itself, makes for an interesting case study because outcomes of major projects, especially in government, tend to range from the 'underwhelming' to the 'spectacular failures'. Aadhaar is the exception that proves the rule. Alongside Nandi Mililani, the author led a brilliant team in developing the technology that undergirds Aadhaar, enrolled the resident population of India, created an online authentication mechanism for the digital world, and operationalized the ecosystem to take advantage of the new identity. This book is a first-hand account from the trenches which provides a lucid and in-depth understanding of the artefact called Aadhaar and how it continues to change and redefine India.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774602>

Development, Distribution, and Markets / Kaushik Basu, Eric Verhoogen, Sudipto Mundle, Maitreesh Ghatak

New Delhi : Oxford University Press, 2021

xvii, 328p.; 23cm

9780190130053

\$ 37.50 / HB

550gm.

This volume is a testament to the breadth and policy relevance of development economics today. It grapples with questions on how to design anti-poverty policies and under what conditions we can expect them to be successful. It concentrates on programmes and policies for India and covers international experience with cash transfer programmes. The work in this area applies core theoretical insights to policy discussions surrounding poverty measurement, income inequality, rural unemployment, and compares alternative growth strategies in terms of their impact on poverty and inequality. The book closes with chapters that trespass the boundaries of economics and enter the territory of politics, to engage urgent concerns

of the day that are the basis of much dispute and debate. The essays are collected under three broad themes-anti-poverty policies; land, labour, and financial markets; and political economy.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=768765>

Global Political Economy : A Critique of Contemporary Capitalism / V.

Upadhyay Paramjit Singh

Delhi : Aakar Books, 2021

406p.; 23cm.

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\$ 30.00 / HB

650gm.

‘This book is an inspirational initiative by the Indian Political Economy Association which presents deep insight into key issues of contemporary capitalism by Marxist scholars from different parts of the world, and opens the door for envisioning socialism in the 21st century.’ - Xiaoqin Ding, Chair Professor of Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, China and Secretary General of the World Association for Political Economy. ‘The Indian Political Economy Association is to be congratulated for re-invigorating the study of global political economy by means of a well-organised international collaboration between leading scholars worldwide. For students and researchers seeking fresh insights into the turmoil in today’s world order, this volume will be an invaluable resource.’ - Alan Freeman, Co-Director, Geopolitical Economy Research Group, University of Manitoba, Canada. ‘A useful and comprehensive guide to contemporary capitalism, with impressive historical and geographical spread.’ - Jayati Ghosh, Former Professor Jawaharlal Nehru University, India and Professor, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, USA. ‘Addressing a range of issues relating to the political economy of the world system, this volume is a timely and useful addition to the literature in the area. Covering historical and contemporary themes it is an ambitious effort that would spur debate in a period in which there is a revival of interest in political economy.’ - C. P. Chandrashekar, Former Professor and Dean, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India. The present volume is an attempt to make students and researchers familiar with contemporary issues in global political economy with a focus on the working of global capitalism in the last four to five decades. The volume covers a wide range of issues from conceptual questions to empirical investigation with the aim to promote a critical understanding of the major challenges posed by contemporary capitalism. It contains contributions of leading political economists from India and abroad. The volume will be a significant resource for developing a

graduate course in global political economy. It will also be useful for universities and colleges which are already conducting political economy courses. They can update their curriculum to include emergent global issues in detail along with providing necessary coverage of historical issues/debates.

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Innovate India : A Roadmap for Atmanirbhar Bharat / Praveen Tiwari
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

264p.; 22cm.

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350gm.

Most literature related to start-ups lack an Indian context. Many young entrepreneurs are enticed by global success stories but are not aware of the numerous examples closer home. Innovate India showcases many such glowing examples from the country. From a Singapore-based scientist of Indian-origin to a next-door middle-class young person, these are the stories of Indian dreams turning into reality. Author Praveen Tiwari explains the key learning from these examples and lays out the path for young entrepreneurs that starts with registration with the Start-up Scheme India to attract massive foreign trade. He further discusses a few start-ups that have established new milestones in social entrepreneurship and worked to organise India's huge unorganised sector. From empowering villagers through sanitary pads to providing them cheap electricity, from offering solutions to water crisis to securing data through block-chain technology, there's a lot to learn from these sagas. Innovate India gives details of the opportunities in some of the country's biggest sectors, such as agriculture and textiles. It also highlights how doing business was part of core Indian ethos and reveals some of the ancient trades and tribes involved in these. A work of rigorous research and hundreds of expert interviews, this is a must-read for all aspiring entrepreneurs.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774383>

Treatise on Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises : Covering all laws applicable to MSME's / Rajeev Babel

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

28.8p.; 24cm.

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1250gm.

The book seeks to provide readers with a practical insight into provisions applicable to MSMEs in India. This treatise of MSMEs is divided into nine parts consisting of 28 chapters attempting to provide professionals with essential knowledge and tools to understand and undertake the necessary compliances. The book provides the latest position without compromising on changes in the law that have taken place over time. This book aims to equip professionals, be it CS, CA, CMA or corporate lawyers, who are desirous of undertaking compliances or practicing on MSME laws with the requisite knowledge and expertise.

Key Features

Industrial Policy Statements since 1948, Evolution, Importance and Setting-up of MSMEs

Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Its Divisions and Organisations attached

Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Act, 2006 & Rules and Notifications, Coir Industry Act, 1953 and The Khadi and Village Industries Commission Act, 1956.

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For the Greater Common Good : On the Business of 'Development' /
Akanksha Sharma

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

264p.; 25cm.

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In the present global economic order, more than one-third of the 100 largest economic actors today are private companies, and not countries. CEOs of international corporations are seen as dominant players in a country's economic (and often, foreign) affairs. Yet, despite the growing importance of multinational corporations in international relations, there is an equally loud demand that companies contribute towards the agenda of sustainable development. A close look at this scenario reveals a complex interplay of government policies, external relations, multilateral/international organisations, societal needs, etc. For the Greater Common Good raises an important question-what are those complex systems that are running the world? It aims to deconstruct the blurred boundaries among businesses, governments and foreign policies to redefine the development agenda of nations and institutions. It discusses these less talked about intertwined threads of the business world, policies and

diplomacy that impact the common man and details the entire ecosystem from a unique perspective, forging solution for development. Can we offer a shared future for everyone? Can we make this a better world? Read on to know more!

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A Strategic Myth : 'Underdevelopment' in Jammu and Kashmir / Sehar Iqbal
New Delhi, Tulika Books, 2021

190p.; 25cm.

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600gm.

Despite being in the news near-constantly, Jammu and Kashmir has been woefully misrepresented - whether by liberal politics in India who have portrayed the erstwhile state as a dangerous frontier state in need of a strong security response, or by right-wing politicians who have been spinning a narrative about the land being plagued by underdevelopment. The first of these stems from a top-down version of security that gives precedence to the promotion of state security at the expense of human security. The second comes from a redefining of corporate interests as development concerns, which has become ubiquitous. Both are wrong-headed. This study challenges commonly held misconceptions about the region and brings to light its achievements during the state-led developmental process of Jammu & Kashmir from 1948 to 1988, thus bridging a gap in scholarship concerning this process and the relationship between the political history and social development of the region. Contextualizing development in Jammu and Kashmir since 1947, when it became free from princely rule, the study augments the macroeconomic view with village studies documenting the human experience of policy changes. It puts forward a composite picture of development, directly challenging the politically motivated, false narrative of 'underdevelopment'. The book also sheds further light on the adverse effects of the crackdown since 5 August 2019 on civil liberties and the internet, on the economy, and on education and health. With the Covid-19 induced lockdown adding to these obstructions, it is clear that direct rule by the central government is no panacea for development in Jammu and Kashmir. Rather, it is an assault on the gains in economic and social development that Jammu and Kashmir achieved so far.

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Tribal Livelihood and Governance : Regional Concerns / V Srinivasa Rao

Jaipur, Rawat Publications, 2021

291p.; 25cm.

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The tribes in India have experienced several legislative policies and amendments on two important issues – livelihood and governance. These two issues are important for the sustenance of a community. The first one, livelihood, addresses food security, and the second one, governance, addresses the administration of their village/habitat affairs, including food security. The traditional tribal governance system plays an important role in order to sustain their livelihood sources. Hence, these two issues, livelihood and governance, are interdependent and one influences the other with reference to the tribal life system. The livelihood sources of tribal in India differ from one region to another, and from one tribe to another. The tribal regions are diverse in terms of having natural resources such as forest, water, and land. The traditional livelihood sources of tribes have become meagre due to several reasons, especially after the 1990s. The tribes, who used to depend on forest and forest-based minor products and related natural resources for their daily sustenance, have been migrating in search of alternative livelihood sources. In some cases, the tribes depend on government welfare schemes for their sustenance. The present volume provides critical insights to understand different tribal livelihood patterns and the implementation of Fifth and Sixth Schedules, including Panchayats Extension to Scheduled Areas (PESA) Act, in tribal regions. It offers a fairly comprehensive account of a wide range of insights on strategies, programmes of tribal livelihood practices and issues around it. The book will interest all those in the field of tribal studies, anthropology, sociology and development studies as also to NGOs, policy makers and funding agencies.

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Gender and Globalisation / Rekha Pande, Sita Vanka and S Jeevanandam

Jaipur, Rawat Publications, 2021

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In the globalising world today, it is the economic changes that are altering structures and cultures. Most of the economies of the developing world are

now in the process of restructuring in the direction of free market and liberalisation with an overall aim at developing outward looking internationally competitive economies, with negative social consequences. The free play of markets, liberalisation, privatisation and competition have become the keywords in the path towards globalisation. One of the serious concerns today is the impact of globalisation on gender. How do economic integration, technical change, and access to information have an impact on gender inequality? There have been various arguments for and against globalisation. Some argue that globalisation has brought increased access to economic opportunities. Trade openness and the spread of information and communication technologies (ICTs) have increased women's access to economic opportunities and, in some cases, increased their wages relative to men's. Growth in export and ICT-enabled sectors, together with a decline in the importance of physical strength and a rise in the importance of cognitive skills, has increased the demand for female labour. ICT has also increased access to markets among female farmers and entrepreneurs by easing time and mobility constraints. Others argue that not everyone is benefiting from globalisation. Women, for whom existing constraints are most binding, are often left behind. While the forces unleashed by globalisation have lifted some of the barriers to greater gender equality, public action is needed to lift these further. Public policy further needs to address gender gaps in endowments, agency, and access to economic opportunities. There is a need to make a collective and concentrated effort to accommodate the strategic gender needs so that in this period of transition, social safety nets are created for the vulnerable sections in society. The various essays in this book examine the impact of globalisation and the challenges that it has posed. We hope this book would be useful to students and scholars interested in understanding globalisation and its impact on society, economy and several other institutions.

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COVID-19 Pandemic : Impact on and Implications for Community and Social Development / Manohar Pawar

New Delhi, Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

259p.; 22cm.

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In this book, leading social researchers from Australia, India, Italy, New Zealand, South Africa, Sweden, the UK and USA discuss the impact of the novel coronavirus pandemic in their respective countries. They explore

socio-cultural, health, economic and educational aspects of people's lives, and governments' policies and programmes. Their analyses show how coronavirus infects indiscriminately and impacts discriminately, particularly the disadvantaged and marginalized groups. The pandemic exposes hidden health inequalities and calls for structural changes. It significantly contributes to lessons learned from the pandemic and the understanding of implications for community and social development. The book is a useful resource for further research and action, and policies and programmes to fight the pandemic and support people and communities with care and compassion.

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Right Between the Ears / Sandeep Dayal

Haryana, Penguin Viking an Imprint of Penguin Random House, 2021

258p.; 23cm.

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Right Between the Ears reveals the secrets that allow brands to open up hidden domains in our minds through powerful psychological triggers. The power of cognitive brands is not accidental; it is architected by applying recent scientific advances in fields as disparate as psychology, behavioural economics, social anthropology and cognitive neuroscience. These consoling techniques now allow us to peer into the soul of a brand as never before. Marketers have created truly phenomenal brands in the past. However, until now, our understanding of brain science was not quite enough to explain why some brand campaigns become so iconic while others fizzle. This book provides a new lens with which we can deconstruct those successes and failures. It takes the reader on a rollicking ride through examples and stories of brands as timeless as De Beers, MasterCard, Allstate and Guinness, as well as modern-day wonders like Madison Reed, All birds and War by Parker. The book is called Right between the Ears because that is where the brain is. Psychologists sometimes say that everything about sex happens not where you think but right between your ears. Everything about brands, too, happens there. This book reveals all you need to know to build your own epic brands.

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Securing India's Rise : A Vision for the Future / Lieutenant General Kamal Davar

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

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\$ 20.00 / PB
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The world, and more so the South Asian Region, currently is unquestionably, gravely stressed geopolitically. As India confronts myriad and formidable challenges to its economic well-being and security, it has to synergise its genius and resource not only for its survival and sustenance but also to be counted in the comity of nations where, by any standards, it deserves a seat on the global high table.

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Land and Labour in Indian Agriculture : Discourses on Growth and Equity /
Prashant K. Trivedi, Manoranjan Mohanty
New Delhi : Sage Publications India Pvt.Ltd, 2021

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Social Change in Contemporary India / Volume 2

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Land and Labour in Indian Agriculture: Discourses on Growth and Equity presents empirically grounded analytical essays on principal concerns of the agrarian question in India. It brings together important contributions from eminent experts focusing on agricultural and rural development, land and labour, and policymaking. Looking at agricultural development as a means of improving the quality of life in rural areas, the essays capture shifts not only in policymaking but also in ground realities and explain why the rural crisis persists in India. The editor's introductions put in perspective the essays on the evolution of the agrarian discourse, policy deliberations, and performance and trends in rural development. The series 'Social Change in Contemporary India' brings together key texts published in the prestigious journal Social Change, from 1971 till present times. These writings, most of which are considered canonical, address important issues in health, education, poverty and agriculture with special focus on disadvantaged groups. These writings will help readers identify key points in the history of policymaking in India and major discourses and debates and their impact.

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Education

Education in India : Policy and Practice / Jandhyala B.G. Tilak, Manoranjan Mohanty

New Delhi, Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

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Education in India: Policy and Practice presents trends in shifting education policies in independent India and how the State, academia and civil society reacted to the changing priorities during the last 50 years. The 20 chapters, authored by eminent scholars and experts, provide valuable insights into complex policy issues at the grassroots as well as macro levels. The book discusses major challenges and concerns such as growth and inequalities, education of women, quality of higher education and research, and making policy reforms for the transformation of the system in such a way that it helps in broader social transformation. The issues analysed have also been taken up in the editor's introductions, which provide a perspective on their wider social, political and economic implications in detail. This volume is an important reference tool for grappling with the challenges of the new National Education Policy 2020. The series 'Social Change in Contemporary India' brings together key texts published in the prestigious journal Social Change, from 1971 till present times. These writings, most of which are considered canonical, address important issues in health, education, poverty and agriculture with special focus on disadvantaged groups. These writings will help readers identify key points in the history of policymaking in India and major discourses and debates and their impact.

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Health & Fitness

Everyday Yoga : An Illustrated Guide to Healing / Yogeswar

Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., Haryana, 2021

464p.; 20cm.

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\$ 13.00 / PB

450gm.

'He who masters the asana conquers the world' Trisikhibrahmanopanishad (Mantrabhaga) In the past few years, the popularity of yoga as the ultimate key to fitness, both physical and mental, has resulted in a plethora of books, videos and audio tapes designed to guide a learner through the various asana prescribed by the Yoga sutra. Everyday Yoga goes one step further by telling you not merely how to practice an asana the right way to maximum effect, but also how best to share your knowledge and teach others the theory and practice of yoga. It is like a text book in its approach: lesson by lesson, you are introduced first to the basics and then to the more advanced levels of practice.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774465>

History

No Laughing Matter : The Ambedkar Cartoons, 1932–1956 / Unnamati

Syama Sundar

New Delhi : Navayana Publishing Pvt. Ltd., 2019

pb; 407p.; 22cm.

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\$ 15.00/PB

650gm.

This history like no other asks you to consider what you are laughing at In 2012, the inclusion of a 1949 cartoon by Shankar showing Jawaharlal Nehru whipping a snail-borne B.R. Ambedkar in a school textbook, evoked dalit protest, and a savarna counter on the grounds of artistic freedom. Scholar and cartoonist Unnamati Syama Sundar then undertook an archival survey of cartoons on Ambedkar in the English language press. The result, a collection of over a hundred cartoons from India's leading publications, drawn by Shankar, Enver Ahmed and R.K. Laxman, among others, lays bare the perverse and thoughtless hostility Ambedkar often contended with. The incisive commentary woven around each cartoon offers a veritable biography of a man historically wronged.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=768759>

Creating an Early Colonial Order : Conquest and Contestation in South Asia, c.1775-1807 / Manu Sehgal

New Delhi : Oxford University Press, 2021

lviii, 270p.; 22cm

Includes Bibliography, Index

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550gm.

By the end of the eighteenth century, war-making and the East India Company's violent conquest of South Asia created an 'early colonial order'. This distinctive early colonial order comprised of a political economy of conquest marked by repeated financial crises, a new regime of laws, ideological innovations justifying expensive warfare, changing conceptions of sovereignty, and the privileging of military over civilian power. This early colonial order was followed by an authoritarian, militarily dominant British Raj and continues to profoundly influence postcolonial South Asian polities. By drawing on a diverse range of archival documents and later studies, Manu Sehgal makes an important intervention in historiographical debates about eighteenth-century South Asian history and the centrality of violence to colonial rule. This work is the first full-length study of how coercive structures of authority trace their origins to this early, missing chapter in the history of modern South Asia.

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Print and The Urdu Public : Muslims, Newspapers, and Urban Life in Colonial India / Megan Eaton Robb

New Delhi : Oxford University Press, 2021

xi, 247p., 25cm

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In early twentieth century British India, prior to the arrival of digital medias and after the rise of nationalist political movements, a small-town paper from the margins of society became a key player in Urdu journalism. Published in the isolated market town of Bijnor, Madinah grew to hold influence across North India and the Punjab while navigating complex issues of religious and political identity. In *Print and the Urdu Public*, Megan Robb uses the previously unexamined perspective of the Madinah to consider Urdu print publics and urban life in South Asia. Through a discursive and material analysis of Madinah, the book explores how Muslims who had settled in ancestral qasbahs, or small towns, used newspapers to facilitate a new public consciousness. The book demonstrates how Madinah connected the Urdu newspaper conversation both explicitly and implicitly with Muslim identity and delineated the

boundaries of a Muslim public conversation in a way that emphasized rootedness to local politics and small urban spaces. The case study of this influential but understudied newspaper reveals how a network of journalists with substantial ties to qasbahs produced a discourse self-consciously alternative to the Western-influenced, secularized cities. Megan Robb augments the analysis with evidence from contemporary Urdu, English, and Hindi papers, government records, private diaries, private library holdings, ethnographic interviews, and training materials for newspaper printers. This thoroughly researched volume recovers the erasure of qasbah voices and proclaims the importance of space and time in definitions of the public sphere in South Asia. Print and the Urdu Public demonstrates how an Urdu newspaper published from the margins became central to the Muslim public constituted in the first half of the twentieth century.

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Princcstan : How Nehru, Patel and Mountbatten Made India / Sandeep Bamzai

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

247p.; 24cm.

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500gm.

In the run-up to independence, a vile plan was devised by a handful of powerful princes to not join either India or Pakistan. The plan was led by the chancellor of the chamber of princes, Nawaz of Bhopal, who was operating under the patronage of Mohs. Ali Jinnah, Lord Wavell and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill. The idea was to create a Third Dominion called Princcstan where the 565 princely states would stay outside the ambit of the two free states and retain paramountcy under the aegis of the departing British. The success of such a malevolent plan would have made the newly independent nation unstable and vulnerable. However, three persons stood in the way of the nefarious British plan to balkanize India. This is the hitherto untold story of how Jawaharlal Nehru, Lord Mountbatten and Sirdar Patel battled the rulers of the princely states at every twist and turn to foil that cunning plan, even as the process of decolonization had begun.

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RSS : Evolution from an Organization to a Movement / Ratan Sharda

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

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What makes the RSS unique? How has the Rasht Riya Swayamsevak Snag evolved from a 'shisha'-based organization, which started in an obscure corner of Nagpur in 1925, to a pan-global movement? How is it possible for an organization not to split in nearly 100 years of its existence? Part of the answer lies in the personality of the heads of the RSS or Sarsanghchalaks as they are respectfully called. Each of the Sarsanghchalaks, from Dr Keshav Balaam Hedge war to Dr Mohan Bhagwat, has played a key role in guiding and shaping the organization, helping it to evolve into a body that has shown exponential growth while playing a major role in the renaissance of Hindu dharma. Accessing RSS documents, written originally in Marathi and Hindi, conducting meticulous research in the archives, and relying on letters, official statements, resolutions, and his first-hand knowledge of working with five out of six Sarsanghchalaks, the author provides a holistic study of the evolution of the RSS. The hundredth anniversary of the founding of the RSS is less than five years away. For the first time, readers will now be able to have a historic, factual and authentic understanding of this gigantic people's movement, told by an insider.

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Buddha in Gandhara / Sunita Dwivedi
New Delhi : Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020
295p.; 23cm.
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Buddha in Gandhara is the saga of ancient Buddhist cities of Gandhara—a region that extended from north-western Pakistan to eastern and north-eastern Afghanistan. It tells stories of cities that once dotted the highroad connecting India with Central Asia and China. It traces the network of Asian trade routes that nourished these cities with goods, people and ideas. It also trains the spotlight on the magnificent art of Gandhara that still clings to the ruins of these heritage cities and also those that are showcased in the museums of Asia and Europe.

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The Making of Martyrs in India, Pakistan and Bangladesh : Indira, Bhutto and Mujib / Faisal Khosa

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

220p.; 23cm.

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\$ 17.50 / HB

450gm.

Making of Martyrs unravels an epic saga of populist politics in the postcolonial Indian subcontinent. Indira Gandhi, Zuleika Ali Bhutto and Sheikh Minibar Rahman were towering figures and have been simultaneously loved and hated in equal measure. During their heyday, each of these leaders garnered extraordinary power and charisma. Their followers, admirers and loyal supporters continue to idolise and romanticise them, yet in the eyes of their critics they were ruthless, power-hungry tyrants and partisan villains. These dichotomies remain irreconcilable since their followers venerate them as a model for the future and their critics relegate them to a haunted past. Drawing on years of research, Faisal Hose explores the turbulent lives and times of these three leaders and gives us a vivid account of their politics and personalities.

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Reconfiguring the Historical Landscape of Rajasthan : Essays for G.S.L.

Devra / Mayank Kumar, Suraj Bhan Bhardwaj, Rameshwar Prasad

Bahuguna, Sangeeta Sharma

Delhi, Aakar Books ,2021

372p.; 23cm.

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The political geography of Rajasthan in medieval times stretched far beyond modern day boundaries of State of Rajasthan. This wider geographic expanse has been most rigorously and scrupulously examined by Prof. G.S.L. Deva. His scholarship has explored conventional and unconventional dimensions of historical pasts which began with the exploration of the revenue administration of Bikaner and went on to examine the nuances of human-nature interactions. His ability to move between Persian-Vernacular and Oral sources influenced writings of successive generations. This collection of essays covers a vast temporal span of the history of Rajasthan. Latest researches in the ancient past of the region based on recent excavations and examination of the post-colonial

history of Rajasthan have been put together. Along with wide temporal expanse, this volume focuses on questions of Raja-Dharma, Santi communities, genealogies of geographies, urban studies along with the study of symbols and practices adopted during British colonial rule, identity formations of nomadic communities and tribal social formations. Reconfiguring the Historical Landscapes of Rajasthan: Essays for G.S.L. Deva, hence encapsulates recent researches on the region and goes beyond medieval orientation of history writing traditions of the region.

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Indians in London : From the Birth of the East India Company to Independent India / Arup K. Chatterjee

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

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1100gm.

In September 1600, Queen Elizabeth and London are made to believe that the East India Company will change England's fortunes forever. With William Shakespeare's death, the heart of Albion starts throbbing with four centuries of an extraordinary Indian settlement that Arup K. Chatterjee christens as Typogravia. In five acts that follow, we are taken past the churches destroyed by the fire of Pudding Lane; the late eighteenth-century curry houses in Mayfair and Marylebone; and the coming of Indian lascars, ayahs, delegates, students and lawyers in London. From the baptism of Peter Pope (in the year Shakespeare died) to the death of Catherine of Bengal; the chronicles of Joseph Emit, Abu Taleb and Mirza Ihtishamuddin to Sake Dean Mahomet's Hindustan Coffee House; Gandhi's experiments in Holborn to the recovery of the lost manuscript of Tagore's Gitanjali in Baker Street; Jinnah's trysts with Shakespeare to Nehru's duels with destiny; Princess Sophia's defiance of the royalty to Annand establishing the Progressive Writers' Association in Soho; Eurobond Ghost's Victorian idylls to Subhas Chandra Bose's interwar days; the four Indian politicians who sat at Westminster to the blood pacts for Pakistan; India in the shockwaves at Whitehall to India in the radio waves at the BBC.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774387>

The Allure of Aligarh : A Poetic Journey into the University City / Huma Khalil

New Delhi, Hay House Publishers (India), Pvt. Ltd., 2021

296.; col ill.; 26cm.

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\$ 75.00 / HB
1650gm.

Urdu and Aligarh are a match made in heaven. Every corner of Aligarh boasts of its centuries-old history. Apart from its culture and convention, it has also been the home base for some of the greatest poets the Indian subcontinent has ever produced. While the city does not have any monuments or tombs to exhaust you on your next visit, what it does have is that old-world charm whose ambience will consume you and break all the clichés of how you perceive a city's history.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774419>

Nalanda : History's Best-Kept Secret / Shivani Singh
New Delhi, Amaryllis, an imprint of Manjul Publishing House Pvt. Ltd, 2021
386P.; 22CM.
9789390924424
\$ 12.50 / PB
450gm.

In medieval India, Siddhartha is a young Buddhist monk studying in one of the most renowned and ancient universities of the world – Nalanda. He is catapulted to the brink of history by the University senior teachers. They command him to aid the royal investigation of a suspicious death on campus. Mahipala, the king of Magadha, believes the death is actually a murder. Maniple's royal Officer in charge of the investigation is none other than Siddhartha's brother Aditya Raj. The brothers are forced into an uneasy alliance. Between them are played off the unforetold forces that wiped off Malanda from the historical map of India. As the fate of Nalanda is sealed, strange deaths occur in quick succession. Plagued by misery and doubt, Siddhartha unwittingly stumbles upon a secret. It makes him question his faith, his rationality and, finally, his own existence. In the end, Nalanda is razed to the ground. This is fact. However, the narrative is a climactic context of many other elements of alternative history and speculative spirituality. It's a shocking Disclosure of esoteric practices, involving the divine feminine, never divulged to the masses for reasons unknown. Venturing into historically virgin territory and, in many ways, picking up from where Dan Brown left, Nalanda exposes a reality that is devastating, mind-altering and yet, somehow, liberating.

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Renaissance State : The Unwritten Story of the Making of Maharashtra /
Girish Kuber

Uttar Pradesh, HarperCollins Publishers, 2021

241p.; col ill.; 24cm.

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\$ 15.00 / HB

550gm.

"Maharashtra. Among the country's largest, wealthiest, most significant constituents. A great state in name and in deed that has been the cradle of individuals and events that have shaped India. Girish Kuber, a seasoned journalist and one of Maharashtra's foremost opinion makers, tells the region's story in Renaissance State. Taking in its vast sweep the politics, society and history of the land, from the time of the Satavahanas down to the present day, the book chronicles a number of lesser-known tales: the empire that brought the mighty Mughals to their knees, the woman who took the issue of consent in marital sex right up to Queen Victoria, the social reformers who were far ahead of their time, the men and women who were pioneers in different walks of life, the evolution of movements of the right and left as well as for Dalit identity, the man who mentored Gandhi and also the one who killed him, besides recounting the region's long tradition of standing up to the power centres of the north. This is the account of the making of Maharashtra and the Marathi Manos that its proud people deserved but which had so far remained unwritten."

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774390>

The Orders Were to Rape You : Tigresses in the Tamil Eelam Struggle /
Meena Kandasamy

New Delhi, Navayana Publishing Pvt. Ltd., 2020

103p.; 21cm.

9788194865445

\$ 06.50 / PB

220gm.

In 2009, the genocidal war of the Sri Lankan state against Tamils ends. In 2012, Meena Kandasamy, who grew up with poster-size pictures of Tamil Tigers and Tigresses, decides to make a documentary on the violence faced by the female fighters of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam in the aftermath of the brutal war. She meets the women who had survived the Sri Lankan camps where the orders were to rape them women who are now refugees in distant lands, pale shadows of their blazing selves. Her documentary never gets made. But Kandasamy exhumes old hard drives to

piece together their shattered lives. Kandasamy also translates and presents us the poetry of three Tamil women combatants poetry as op-ed, poetry as resistance, poetry as a call to arms, poetry as a call to poetry.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774384>

1971 A People's History from Bangladesh, Pakistan and India / Anam Zakaria

Haryana, Penguin Viking an Imprint of Penguin Random House, 2019
402p.; 21cm.

9780143454038

\$ 10.00 / PB

500gm.

The year 1971 exists everywhere in Bangladesh-on its roads; in sculptures; in its museums and oral history projects; in its curriculum; in people's homes and their stories; and in political discourse. It marks the birth of the nation; its liberation. More than 1000 miles away; in Pakistan too; 1971 marks a watershed moment; its memories sitting uncomfortably in public imagination. It is remembered as the 'Fall of Dacca'; the dismemberment of Pakistan or the third Indo-Pak war. In India; 1971 represents something else-the story of humanitarian intervention; of triumph and valour that paved the way for India's rise as a military power; the beginning of its journey to becoming a regional superpower.

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Resurgence of The Namdhari Sikhs / Prof.(Dr.) Kuldip Singh

New Delhi, Indu Book Service Pvt. Ltd, 2021

209p.; 24cm.

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\$ 25.00 / HB

660gm.

The book in yours hands, apart from being a chronicle of major events of the Namdhari Movement lead by Namdhari Sat guru Ram Singh against the British Colonial rule in India, it is also a narration of the social reforms bright about by Namdhari Gurus in the realms of women empowerment, Sikh heritage and literature, modern justice's system, agricultural and horticulture, sports and development music.

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The Climate of History : In a Planetary Age / Dipesh Chakrabarty

Delhi, Primus Books, 2021

284p.; 25cm.

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For the past decade, historian Dipesh Chakrabarty has been one of the most influential scholars addressing the meaning of climate change. Climate change, he argues, upends long-standing ideas of history, modernity, and globalization. The burden of *The Climate of History in a Planetary Age* is to grapple with what this means and to confront humanities scholars with ideas they have been reluctant to reconsider—from the changed nature of human agency to a new acceptance of universals. Chakrabarty argues that we must see ourselves from two perspectives at once: the planetary and the global. This distinction is central to Chakrabarty's work the globe is a human-centric construction, while a planetary perspective intentionally decanters the human. Featuring wide-ranging excursions into historical and philosophical literatures, *The Climate of History in a Planetary Age* boldly considers how to frame the human condition in troubled times. As we open ourselves to the implications of the Anthropocene, few writers are as likely as Chakrabarty to shape our understanding of the best way forward.

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Tiananmen Square : The Making of a Protest / Vijay Gokhale

Uttar Pradesh, HarperCollins Publishers, 2021

183p.; 22cm.

9789354225352

\$ 10.00 / PB

300gm.

"I recall being woken by the sound of tanks moving down the Avenue of Eternal Peace. It was 5 o'clock on the morning of 4 June. Tanks, APCs and troop trucks were sweeping down the avenue. Citizens ran for cover. Helicopters hovered above. There were reports of weapons being fired in other parts of Beijing. Foreign media claimed that Chinese troops had fired into the crowds with several hundred casualties.' More than three decades later, the Tiananmen Square incident refuses to be forgotten. The events that occurred in the summer of 1989 would not only set the course for China's politics but would also re-define its relationship with the world.

China's message was clear: it remained committed to market-oriented reform, but it would not tolerate any challenge to the supremacy of the Chinese Communist Party. In return for economic prosperity, the Chinese have surrendered some rights to the state. A democratic future seems far away. Vijay Gokhale, then a young diplomat serving in Beijing, was a witness to the drama that unfolded in Tiananmen Square. This unique account brings an Indian perspective on a seminal event in China's history that the Chinese government has been eager to have the world forget. "

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774362>

Locating Pleasure in Indian History : Prescribed and Proscribed Desires in Visual and Literary Cultures / Seema Bawa

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

292p.; 23cm.

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\$ 33.00 / HB

600gm.

Locating Pleasure in Indian History is one of the first works on the subject of the 'discourse of pleasure' in Indian history and culture. A rigorous, source-based work, it examines the cultural practices and the underlying philosophic matrix of pleasures, big or small. It recovers the production and consumption of beauty, desire and gratification in the world of pleasure, pleasurable pursuits and pleasant experiences of viewing, performing, thinking, debating, cooking, eating, listening, writing, creating and procreating. The contributions retrieve the discourse of pleasure in visual and literary cultures-in elite and popular spheres, including the public and private domains of the bazaar, the temple, the household, the court and the garden. Further, it is examined in the urbane art of Mathura, Ravinia's palace in the art of 7th CE western Deccan, the suratkhana of Rajput royalty or domestic pleasures of women in the labyrinths of the Piranhas. With over 40 photographs, it historicises ideological and experiential conundrums thrown up by the idea of pursuing alimentary, carnal and even pious desires in visual and literary cultures. The reflexivity inherent in the work of artists, poets, dramatists and even Shastra's is brought out through moments of pleasure and counter-pleasure as revealed through anecdotes, narratives, artefacts and objects of aesthetic gratification.

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Judaica

Growing up Jewish in India : Synagogues, Customs, and Communities from the Bene Israel to the Art of Siona Benjamin / Ori Z. Soltes

New Delhi, Niyogi Books, 2021

320p.; 23cm.

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\$ 37.50 / HB

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Growing Up Jewish in India offers an historical account of the primary Jewish communities of India, their synagogues, and unique Indian Jewish customs. It offers an investigation both within Jewish India and beyond its borders, tracing how Jews arrived in the vast subcontinent at different times from different places and have both inhabited dispersed locations within the larger Indian world, and ultimately created their own diaspora within the larger Jewish diaspora by relocating to other countries, particularly Israel and the United States. The text and its rich complement of over 150 images explore how Indian Jews retained their unique characteristics as Jews, became well-integrated into the larger society of India as Indians, and have continued to offer a synthesis of cultural qualities wherever they reside. Among the outcomes of these developments is the unique art of Siona Benjamin, who grew up in the Bene Israel community of Mumbai and then moved to the US, and whose art reflects Indian and Jewish influences as well as concepts like Tikka loam (Hebrew for 'repairing the world'). In combining discussions of the Indian Jewish communities with Benjamin's own story and an analysis of her artistic output - and in introducing these narratives within the larger story of Jews across eastern Asia - this volume offers a unique verbal and visual portrait of a significant slice of Indian and Jewish culture and tradition. It would be of interest to Jews and non-Jews, Indian and non-Indian alike, as well as to history enthusiasts and the general reader interested in art and culture.

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Law

Landmark Judgments of Supreme Court / Kush Kalra

Second Edition

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

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\$ 45.00 / Hb

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Law of Wills decoded / Anupam Srivastava, Monika Srivastava
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021
548p.; 25.
9789390358885
\$ 40.00 / HB
1150gm.

Law relating to Wills has evoked curiosity amongst Judges, lawyers and law students alike. This book offers exhaustive commentary on principles governing this law and illustrates them with contemporary case laws. The book does not contain many judicial authorities of colonial period which have lost relevance in current times, but it does examine the relevant pronouncements. The book discusses concepts which are fundamental to exercise of testamentary jurisdiction, in detail which often engages courts. Four chapters elaborate on law relating to execution and proof of Will. Three chapters are devoted to discussing law relating to grant of probate and letters of administration. Concept of revocation of Will and revocation of probate and letters of administration has been discussed in one chapter each. Other aspects of law, which do not much invite much attention of courts like construction of Will, jurisdiction of court, powers and duties of executors and administrators, void bequest, vesting of legacy, contingent bequest, conditional bequest etc. have also received their due share in the book. Authors have discussed novel concepts like 'Living Will' in this book.

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Merger Control in India : Law and Practice / Tarun Mathur
Lucknow : Eastern Book company, 2018
xlix, 654p.; 25cm
Includes Subject Index
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1200gm.

Merger Control in India: Law and Practice by Tarun Mathur aims to provide an overview and landscape of the merger control regime in India as it has developed in this decade. This book seeks to offer an introduction and a practical insight to the students and practitioners of the competition and corporate law about the working of the merger control regime in India. It also intends to undertake the study of the substantive and procedural aspects of the merger control provisions and wherever required, discuss

the case laws of the appellate tribunal and the Supreme Court and the decisional practice of the CCI which has developed since the existence of the regime in India. The following are the other highlights of the book:

- An in depth empirical analysis of the trends of the M&A combination assessment by the CCI.
- Concise and practical account of the merger control process with the aid of flowcharts and diagrams.
- Combination filing process and procedure outlines under the applicable statutes.
- Analysis of tools employed by the antitrust agencies for merger investigations.
- Detailed analysis of the merger remedies employed by the antitrust agencies.
- Contains techniques and practical considerations while drafting pre-merger filing notifications.

The book contains several tools designed to help the readers and make the legal aspects of merger control law and competition law in general more accessible. The book contains a comprehensive glossary, table of cases, table of reports, guidelines and notifications arranged alphabetically which gives a quick and useful reference and act as a good ready reckoner while reading the book. This book will be immensely useful for legal practitioners, law students, professors, judges, government officials, policy makers, administrators, researchers, Chartered Accountants, Company Secretaries and anyone interested in learning about the principles of competition laws.

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Linguistics

People's Linguistic Survey of India : Volume Seven, Part Two : The Languages of Chhattisgarh/ G.N. Devy, Madhu Singh

India, Orient blackswan Pvt. Ltd., 2021

212p.; 25cm.

9789354420795

\$ 38.50 / HB

720gm.

The Languages of Chhattisgarh (volume seven, part two) of the People's Linguistic Survey of India discusses the Non-Scheduled languages spoken and in use in Chhattisgarh. The volume is a novel attempt to document the languages of the state--each chapter is dedicated to a language and explores its history, statistics of usage, linguistic characteristics, grammatical features, folklore and vocabulary; multiple examples are provided to give

the reader as broad a sense of the language as possible. Contents: The People's Linguistic Survey of India. The National Editorial Collective List of Volumes Acknowledgements Foreword a Nation Proud of Its Language Diversity: Chief Editor's Introduction to the Volume an Appeal to Readers List of Languages Covered in the Volume Abujhmediya Biggane Bhatpara Chhattisgarhi Deidamia Madera Dewar Gondi Habit Kamari Kursk Munda Pando Parched Sargujiha Index LIST OF TABLES AND FIGURES
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Literature

Horror Fiction in the Global South : Cultures, Narratives and Representations / Ritwick Bhattacharjee, Saikat Ghosh
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021
214p.; 23cm.
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\$ 32.50 / HB
500gm.

Horror Fiction in the Global South: Cultures, Narratives, and Representations believes that the experiences of horror are not just individual but also/simultaneously cultural. Within this understanding, literary productions become rather potent sites for the relation of such experiences both on the individual and the cultural front. It's not coincidental, then, that either William Beatty's the Exorcist or Gabriel Garcia Marquez's One Hundred Years of Solitude become archetypes of the re-presentations of the way horror affects individuals placed inside different cultures. Such an affectation, though, is but a beginning of the ways in which the supernatural interacts with the human and gives rise to horror. Considering that almost all aspects of what we now designate as the Global North, and its concomitant, the Global South political, historical, social, economic, cultural, and so on – function as different paradigms, the experiences of horror and their telling in stories become functionally different as well. Added to this are the variations that one nation or culture of the east has from another.

The present anthology of essays, in such a scheme of things, seeks to examine and demonstrate these cultural differences embedded in the impact that figures of horror and spectres of the night have on the narrative imagination of storytellers from the Global South. If horror has an everyday presence in the phenomenal reality that Southern cultures subscribe to, it demands alternative phenomenology. The anthology allows scholars and

connoisseurs of Horror to explore theoretical possibilities that may help address precisely such a need.

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Voices from the Lost Horizon : Stories and Songs of the Great Andamanese / Anvita Abbi

New Delhi, Niyogi Books, 2021

176p.; 25cm.

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\$ 25.00 / HB

600gm.

The Andaman Islands—Great Andaman, Little Andaman, and North Sentinel Islands have been home for milleniums to four tribes: The Great Andamanese, Ongar, Jarawa, and Sentinelese. Their languages are known by the same name as that of the tribes. ‘Great Andamanese’ is a generic term representing ten languages among a family of languages that were once spoken by ten different tribes living in the north, south, and middle of the Great Andaman Islands. These languages were mutually intelligible like a link in a chain. However, today, Great Andamanese is a moribund language of the only-surviving pre-Neolithic tribe, breathing its last breath. When a language is on the verge of extinction, its history, culture, ecological base, knowledge of the biodiversity, ethno-linguistic practices, and the identity of its community—everything is endangered. This is what prompted Prof. Anvita Abbi to conduct a research study to give life to the lost oral heritage of the vanishing world of the Great Andamanese. Voices from the Lost Horizon is a collection of a number of folk tales and songs of the Great Andamanese. These stories and songs represent the first-ever collection rendered to the Proof Abbi and her team by the Great Andamanese people in local settings. The compilation comes with audio and video recordings of the stories and songs to retain the originality and orality of the narratives.

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Asprishya Ganga and Other Stories / Kolakaluri Enoch, Alladi Uma and M Sridhar

Delhi, Ratna Books, an imprint of Ratna Sagar P. Ltd, 2021

244p.; 21cm.

9789390232949

\$ 11.50 / HB

450gm.

What happens to the woman who is loved, used and discarded because of her caste? Will a vice Chancellor give in to the political pressures of a minister, when both of them are Dalits? What happens to a man destined to live in stench all his life? Whose victory is it – that of the Dalit boy who plays the tappeta or the landlord who wins the election? Does one have the right to decide on another life no matter how beholden he is? What is the relationship between sub-castes among Dalits? Will the exploitation of the poor Dalit continue? What is the bond between the bull and the Dalit who tends it? These are only some questions These twelve stories raise. Drawing on the material from his life, Enoch jolts us out of our complacency to ponder over the questions of caste, Class and gender; of love, friendship, power games, exploitation and politics. His characters infuse self-confidence and a sense of pride in their work and culture. In their incessant struggle, they strive to survive equally with others. Through the title story, Enoch brings out the relationship between the Ganga, the revered river and the water in the well of the 'untouchable'.

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The Ocean's Own / Nandini Sengupta
Uttar Pradesh, HarperCollins Publishers, 2021
201p.; 20cm.
9789353579654
\$ 7.50 / PB
270gm.

An empire that stretches from coast to coast is not enough for the son of Chandragupta. All he desires: to conquer the untameable oceans beyond. 338 CE. A young ruler defeats the Naga kings of the north before claiming Kachin in a powerful attack none had anticipated. It is his latest conquest that brings him closer to the ocean he seeks to control and to Agni: a young woman unlike any he has ever known. Sharp witted, with \nan even sharper tongue, she has the conqueror x27s ear and his heart. With her by his side, he prepares to do what even his father could not have dreamed of. To ensure the world would never forget the name Samudragupta. The final book in the enthralling Gupta Empire trilogy, The Ocean x27s Own tells the story of a king who dared to take his sword to the seas.

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Wooden Cow / T. Janakiraman, Lakshmi Kannan
India, Orient blackswan Pvt. Ltd., 2021
197p.; 22cm.
9789354420146

\$ 14.50 / PB
370gm.

Wooden Cow, a translation of T. Janakiraman path-breaking novel Mariposa, is the coming-of-age story of a young, beautiful, intelligent, fiercely independent, yet deeply emotional woman who does not believe in the institution of marriage, or in human bondage of any kind, and her unconventional and volatile relationship with a renowned and gifted musician. Bound by their love of music, and their rejection of social morality, they have equally strong differences. Amani's laughter is her ammunition against the many ironies of life and love, and a mask for her complex, tumultuous inner world one which Janakiraman unravels with rare insight and empathy, but without judgement. In Amani, we meet a modern, layered character who is unsettlingly real and credible and who, despite her contradictions, remains true to herself and endures.

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Kalidasa Meghaduta : The Cloud Messenger / Abhay k
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021
113p.; 22cm
9789390252343
\$ 10.00 / PB
250gm.

Meghaduta or The Cloud Messenger is a masterpiece of Sanskrit literature, written by Kalidasa some 1500 years ago. This breath taking poem of 111 stanzas is about a Yakama, who is banished for a year to central India for neglecting his duties by Keira-the Lord of Wealth, from his abode at the fabled city of Alana near Mount Kalidasa. The Ayesha exhorts a passing cloud to carry his message across to his beloved in the Himalayas. The cloud is assisted by sylphs, nymphs, eight-legged animals, the wish fulfilling trees, drums, celestial elephants, birds, rare flowers, trees and rivers during his journey.

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Ahalya / Koral Dasgupta
New Delhi : Pan, an imprint of Pan Macmillan Publishing India Pvt. Ltd.,
2020
Pb; 204p.; 18cm
The Sati Series I
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250gm.

'Lyrical and poetic ... enthralling' BIBEK DEBROY 'An enigmatic tale about purity, chastity, seduction and redemption' NAMITA GOKHALE 'Brilliant and intriguing' ANAND NEELAKANTAN It is known that Ahalya was cursed by her husband, Gautam, for indulging in a physical relationship with Indra. But is there another story to Ahalya's truth? Who was Indra anyway? A king? A lover? A philanderer? The first book of the Sati series, Ahalya hinges on these core questions, narrating the course of her life, from innocence to infidelity. In the Sati series, Koral Dasgupta explores the lives of the Pancha Kanyas from Indian mythology, all of whom had partners other than their husbands and yet are revered as the most enlightened women, whose purity of mind precedes over the purity of body. The five books of the Sati series reinvent these women and their men, in the modern context with a feminist consciousness.

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Kunti / Koral Dasgupta

New Delhi : Pan, an imprint of Pan Macmillan Publishing India Pvt. Ltd.,
2021

Pb; xvi, 207p.; 18cm

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\$ 12.00 / PB

250gm.

'Koral Dasgupta writes with verve, emotion and passion ... [Kunti] is a must for those wishing to know about our past and the dialectics of gender within it' PAVAN K. VARMA Kunti, a rare matriarch in the Mahabharata and one of the revered Pancha Satis, holds an unforgettable position in the Indian literary imagination. Yet, little is known about the fateful events that shaped her early life. Taking on the intricate task, Koral Dasgupta unravels the lesser-known strands of Kunti's story: through a childhood of scholarly pursuits to unwanted motherhood at adolescence, a detached marriage and her ambitious love for the king of the devas. After the remarkable success of Ahalya, the first book in the Sati series, Kunti presents a brilliant and tender retelling of a story at the heart of our culture and mythology. * In the Sati series, Koral Dasgupta explores the lives of the Pancha Kanyas from Indian mythology and reinvents them in the modern context with a feminist consciousness. * Praise for Ahalya 'Koral Dasgupta gives voice, character and agency to an enigmatic and fascinating female figure from ancient Hindu lore' PHILIP LUTGENDORF.

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Politics

India's World : How Prime Ministers Shaped Foreign Policy / Rajiv Dogra
New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020
218p.; 24cm.
9789389967401
\$ 15.00 / HB
520gm.

When Narasimha Rao became the prime minister in 1991, just a billion dollars separated India from bankruptcy. He was told by Finance Minister Manmohan Singh, that petrol pumps would run dry after two weeks. India was forced to ship 46.8 million tonnes of gold to secure \$400 million in loans from the Bank of England and Bank of Japan. This blow to the national pride may not have been comparable to the military humiliation of 1962, but it was bad enough. Carved in riveting prose, India's World is about such trials and many triumphs of the country. Since Independence, eight prime ministers, in particular, have been the principal architects of India's rise. From Nehru, venerated as a resolute statesman and one of the great political minds of the last century, to Modi who is acknowledged as a determined doer, the book offers a crystal clear portrait of India's leaders. This lively volume celebrates the myriad ways in which they have made history. It asks and answers questions that people often debate about. Who was the great Indian prime minister, complete in every respect? If there was one, could it be Nehru, Indira or Rao? Or, is it Modi? Elegantly written by one of India's finest strategic minds, it is a must-read for those curious about India's place in the world. There are messages too for a future Indian prime minister on what to expect.

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Set Adrift : Capitalist Transformations and Community Politics along
Mumbai's shores / Gayatri Nair
New Delhi : Oxford University Press, 2021
xiii, 202p.; 22cm
Includes Bibliography, Index
9780190130244
\$ 32.50 / HB
400gm.

The Koli community in Mumbai-which has been practising fishing for centuries-has experienced rapid changes over the last few decades, in the forms of increased mechanization, export of fish to global markets, and the pressure of urbanization on their living and work spaces. The capitalist transformation in fishing has altered what was once a caste-based practice to one that brought to it investors from outside the community, migrant workers, and ecological degradation. The resultant loss of revenue, jobs, and catch for artisanal fishers has led to movements demanding fishing rights to be granted to traditional fisher communities alone and for a return to older fishing practices. This call found resonance with populist politics in the city: Koli women organized themselves to stridently resist the entry of migrant men into the sector and Koli men-particularly the young-became inclined to move out of the practice of fishing. Through an examination of the lives and struggles of fishers in one of India's wealthiest cities, this book looks at how contestations around livelihoods map out in the shadow of significant encounters between capitalism and ecology.

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India's Power Elite : Caste, Class and Cultural Revolution / Baru Sanjaya
Haryana : Viking, An imprint of Penguin Random House, 2021
xvii, 243p.; 23cm
9780670092444
\$ 17.50 / HB

From the bestselling author of *The Accidental Prime Minister*, here comes an insightful analysis of politics and elitism that answers many important political questions today. *India's Power Elite* is a study of the nature of power and elitism in postcolonial India. Its point of departure is the political transition under way in twenty-first-century India, with the marginalization of the Congress Party and the staging of a cultural revolution symbolized by the rise of Hindu majoritarianism. Baru deconstructs the morphology of the Indian power elite-comprising remnants of a feudal gentry, kulaks, a metropolitan business class, the civil services and a cultural elite of opinion-makers. He also examines the role of caste, class and culture in the emergence of a 'New India'. Aimed at the socially engaged reader, this book will interest both students as well as those who wield power.

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Smokeless War : China's Quest for Geopolitical Dominance / Manoj
Kewalramani
New Delhi : Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt.Ltd., 2021

xv, 319p.; 23cm
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\$ 17.50 / HB
550gm.

In January 2020, the COVID-19 outbreak in China was viewed as a black swan event, threatening the Communist Party's rule. Two short months later, however, China appeared to have controlled the virus, while the rest of the world struggled to respond. As country after country imposed lockdowns of varying strictness and the human cost began to rise, geopolitical frictions flared up over the origins of the virus, along with Beijing's early failures, diplomacy and discourse. *Smokeless War: China's Quest for Geopolitical Dominance* offers a gripping account of the Communist Party of China's political, diplomatic and narrative responses during the pandemic. Drawing on the latest academic research and Chinese language sources, it discusses the Party-State's efforts to achieve greater discourse power and political primacy, as it sought to convert a potentially existential crisis into a historic opportunity. In doing so, the author provides an insightful account of the Communist Party of China's approaches to cultivating sources of strength and exercise of power.

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The Spirit of Enquiry : Notes of Dissent / T.M. Krishna, Pratap Bhanu Mehta
Haryana., Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., 2021
319p.; 23cm.
9780670095803
\$ 15.00 / HB
570gm.

As a vocalist in the Karnataka tradition, T.M. Krishna eludes standard analyses. Uncommon in his rendition of music and original in his interpretation of it, Krishna is at once strong and subtle, manifestly traditional and stunningly innovative. He is sparingly outspoken about issues affecting the human condition. His work is spread across the whole spectrum of music and culture, politics and the social sphere; he is at once philosophical, aesthetic and socio-political, and asks important questions about how art is made, performed and disseminated. Unabashedly given to rethinking classical paradigms, he addresses crucial issues of caste, class and gender with nuance and openness. For the first time, T.M. Krishna's key writings have been put together in this extraordinary collection. *The Spirit of Enquiry: Dissent as an Art Form* draws from his rich body of work, thematically divided into five key sections: art and artistes; the nation state;

the theatre of secularism; savage inequalities; and in memoriam. Revised and expanded, and with marvellous new additional materials and powerful new introductions, this is a collection that reflects the critical and cultural engagement of one of our finest thinkers, public intellectuals and practitioners of art.

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The India Story : An Epic Journey Democracy and Development / Bimal Jalan

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

199p.; 23cm.

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450gm.

Based on extensive research and data, and aided by Bimal Jalan's experience as the former Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, this book gives us a vision for the way ahead. Since 2014, the political profile of the Indian Union government has changed dramatically. After a long period of coalitions and their innate issues and delays they bring to the reform process, we have a government that has a majority on its own. This puts India in a great place to initiate some strong, much-needed political and economic reforms in order to promote overall national interests. Before diving in, it is important to look back and learn from our past experiences, so that we don't repeat the same mistakes. And who better than Bimal Jalan to take us through India's economic past. Divided into two sections, 'Learning from our Economic Past' and 'Beyond the Metrics of Economy', the essays in this volume cover a range of topics—from economic and political reforms to good governance and a recounting of the lessons they provide is bound to contribute immensely to the contemporary debate about India's approach to its economy and political reforms in the twenty-first century.

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The Long Game : How the Chinese Negotiate with India / Vijay Gokhale

Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., Haryana, 2021

181p.; 23cm.

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\$ 18.00 / HB

450gm.

'Vijay Gokhale strips away the illusion that China ever shared convergent interests with India in Asia and globally. A disconcerting read, but indispensable.'-ASHLEY J. TELLIS India's relations with the People's Republic of China have captured the popular imagination ever since the 1950s but have rarely merited a detailed understanding of the issues. Individual episodes tend to arouse lively debate, which often dissipates without a deeper exploration of the factors that shaped the outcomes. This book explores the dynamics of negotiation between the two countries, from the early years after Independence until the current times, through the prism of six historical and recent events in the India-China relationship. The purpose is to identify the strategy, tactics and tools that China employs in its diplomatic negotiations with India, and the learnings for India from its past dealings with China that may prove helpful in future negotiations with the country.

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Baahubalis of Indian Politics : From Bullet to Ballot / Rajesh Singh

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

196p.; 22cm.

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\$ 7.50 / PB

300gm.

They are considered Robin Hoods by some, and dons and Mafiosi by others. They are elected democratically. But they survive through the power of their bullets. They are the Baahubali politicians of the world's largest democracy India. Across the country and over the decades, there have been people who either got into politics through money and muscle power or gained either or both after their entry into politics. Their careers have been pockmarked with criminal activity, and they have not hesitated to use their muscle and money power to get ahead. Nearly all of them have been imprisoned at some point in their lives and quite a few are still serving prison terms or awaiting justice. Based on research and reportage, this book brings to the readers the origin, rise and fall of Baahubali politicians across the country from Aru Gable to Raja Baima and from Mohammad Shahab Uddin to Mukhtar Ansari and many more... Through their stories the author shows how money and muscle power continue to exert a malignant influence on politics in India.

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Ayodhya : A Battleground / Hemant Sharma

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

300p.; 22cm.
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380gm.

Ayodhya is an intellectual effort to measure the depth and arrive at the truth of the lingering issue of the Ayodhya temple. Ayodhya means the invincible. We all know the meaning of 'ruddy' or war. 'Yodhya' means the one worthy of a 'ruddy' or war. One engages in a war with whom they feel they can conquer. So Ayodhya spells out as 'that which cannot be conquered'. But the memory of the demolished domes stands erect in the memory of the nation setting aside the literal meaning of the name. The memory of the domes creates a perception of 'the ruler' versus 'the ruled' in our subconscious. For the last hundred years, the country's politics has been revolving around these domes. The narrative has been lingering on for generations. Innumerable arguments, extensive discussions, yet no conclusion. Everything revolved around these domes. Even now it's all about the domes even when they don't exist. There hasn't been an intellectual effort herculean enough to measure its depth, sharpness and truth, which can reclaim the cardinal connection of the present and the future with the history of the land.

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Civil Society and Citizenship in India and Bangladesh / Sarbeswar Sahoo,
Paul Chaney
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021
169p.; 23cm.
9789389611359
\$ 32.50 /HB
450gm.

'The sort of critical awareness necessary to actually enrich discussions of civil society, rather than contribute to its elusiveness, pervades through the book.' -Professor Vedi R. Hadiz, Asia Institute, University of Melbourne, Australia

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Billions Under Lockdown : The Inside Story of India's Fight against COVID-19 / Abantika Ghosh
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021
404p.; 22cm.
9789390252152

\$17.50 / PB
550gm.

When WHO first declared COVID-19 a global pandemic in March 2020, there was a great deal of apprehension about how India - the country with the highest TB cases and diabetes, inadequate health infrastructure and a population of 1.3 billion - would fare. Between the Janata Curfew and the first vaccinations, a massive machinery has been working as seamlessly as possible to make sure that, despite some missteps and missed infections, India conquers what has been the greatest challenge the world has encountered in decades. Covering the pandemic from the start, first for The Indian Express and then for The Print, Abantika Ghosh has had a ringside view of India's battle against the pandemic. A thrilling tale of unnamed thousands battling against a little-understood virus from the frontlines, Billions Under Lockdown brings that gripping theatre and its dramatis personae to life.

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The Hindu Nation : A Reconciliation with Modernity / M.K. Raghvendra
New Delhi, Bloomsburry Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021
310p.; 22cm.
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\$ 15.00 / PB
400gm.

The Hindu Nation begins with an introduction examining nationhood in India and then traces the political conflict to Nehruvian cultural policy after 1947. In today's world, no religion can claim to be superior to any other. But in pursuing 'modernity' and inculcating the 'scientific' and 'secular' outlook, Nehruvian rationalism created an elite liberal class that was sceptical about the majority religion, but this was not extended to other religions because of a misunderstanding of secularism. In promoting Westernised education, the preservation of local knowledge was neglected and Hinduism lost respect among the educated elite born into it. The elite class became the intermediary with the West, which now dominates the academic study of India. Further, prompted by the sceptical attitude of many liberal Indians, Western academics and intellectuals accord Hinduism less respect compared to other religions and treat it as 'superstition'. Traditional Indians who revere Hinduism but are products of the same lopsided system respond by attributing false value to India's prehistory and its past. Hinduism is not a religion but a collection of practices associated with the space now called India. Author M.K. Raghavendra examines what

being a Hindu means and asks whether its practices are reconcilable with global modernity and compatible with justice and egalitarianism. While examining the obstacles a modern Hindu nation faces, including the fixed ways of a large public, this extensively researched book also suggests measures to make India successful as a global power and Hinduism widely respected.

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Bangladesh : The Price of Freedom / Raghu Rai

New Delhi, Niyogi Books, 2019

114p.; B & W ill.; 24cm

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\$ 37.50 / HB

1050gm.

In early 1971, when negotiations for an autonomous East Bengal broke down, brutalities against the citizens of erstwhile East Pakistan led to a mass exodus of refugees into India. Despite an international outcry, the assaults and rapes continued. With the intervention of the Indian Armed Forces in December 1971, after nine months of violence and uncertainty and a twelve-day war between India and Pakistan, the independent nation of Bangladesh was born. Ace photographer Raghu Rai documented the plight of the refugees, the action during the war and the jubilant scenes of victory and Independence. His treasure trove of photographs, which for over four decades he thought had been lost, was recently rediscovered. The stories are perhaps not unknown, but have been retold by a master storyteller—the refugee camps, the exodus, the never-ending journey, a whirlwind of poignant, tormented history. And finally, a new nation, a new tomorrow. Bangladesh: The Price of Freedom are never before seen photographs which comprise a significant body of work documenting a turning point in the history of South Asia.

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Politics of Regional Development : A Case Study of Maharashtra / Gautama

Kamble, Shreenivas Khandewale and G S Khwaja

Jaipur, Rawat Publications, 2021

267p.; 25cm.

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\$ 27.50 / HB

750gm.

Maharashtra is one of the largest states of India in terms of area and population. With a significant economic, financial, social and political presence, it is also one of the richest state. It attracts not only industries and investors, but also a large number of labourers from all over the country. The present work was taken up as a study of political economy of regional development of Maharashtra with special reference to Vidarbha, its constituent region. The book examines the underdevelopment of the Vidarbha region in comparison with other regions of the state of Maharashtra. The region lacks extension of the development process and is suffering from stagnant social progress. The dynamics of the development has been channelized in such a way that the regional inequalities have grown in the past decades. All this has ultimately resulted into despair, loss of self-confidence and disappointment about the whole composite process of development, on the part of the people. There has been a growing consciousness for separate State due to historical reasons and neglect of its development. The economic regional disparities are widening and so are all other forms of disparities, resulting into a sort of disaffection or alienation. The poverty, malnutrition, undernutrition, unemployment, farmers' suicides etc. are not purely economic problems and need to be dealt with a comprehensive public policy at the level of the State. This calls for a radical solution. This book contains political economy rather than merely an economic approach to the regional development and regional disparities in Maharashtra. It is well-supported through statistics and official reports. This treatise on the political economy of underdevelopment and regional disparities will generate evidence-based discussion among the policy makers and those who are involved in the political decision-making.

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Crisis of Dalit Leadership / Shyam Lal

Jaipur, Rawat Publications, 2021

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The Untouchables, from time immemorial, have been socially and economically oppressed, culturally subjugated and politically marginalized. However, in recent times they have begun to assert themselves and have launched socio-cultural and political movements aimed at ushering in a new social order based on the principles of equality and liberty. Even though many untouchables, as a consequence, have reached at the position of power and prominence, particularly in the political arena, a vast majority

of them continue to suffer discrimination, poverty and humiliation, and are often targets of inhuman atrocities. Quite a few researches, books and essays covering this topic of crisis of untouchables leadership have been published in recent years, but they lack the genuine efforts to seek truth. Untouchables perceive their politicians (MLAs, MPs, bureaucrats, social organizations) as their savior, who will liberate them from the shackles of bondage and deprivation. The book is an attempt to seek the following key issues pertaining to political culture of the untouchable leaders; including MLAs, MPs and bureaucrats: • What are their set of values and expectations? • Do they adhere and are true to the Ambedkarian teachings of action to which they have vowed? • Do their untouchable brethren trust them and how are they paying back to their community? • Do the upper caste politicians and bureaucrats treat them with contempt and try to suppress them?

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Indo-American Bilateral Relations : Politico-Strategic Partnership and the Power Dynamics / Rajesh Kumar

New Delhi, Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

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Indo-American Bilateral Relations studies the politico-strategic relations between India and the USA from the early years of India's independence to the present times. The book talks about the various phases of tension and cooperation between the two powers and focuses on the changes that have taken place under various governments. The book examines the nature and character of strategic issues that have led these countries towards being called 'Natural Allies', including contemporary issues, such as nuclear and energy security, which dominate bilateral relations between the two. It analyses the nature and extent of defence cooperation and the reasons inhibiting cooperation beyond joint military exercises. The work is a thorough analysis of past and present events that have shaped and are shaping relations between the two countries and a look at what the future may hold.

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India Versus China : Why they are Not Friends / Kanti Bajpai

New Delhi, Juggernaut Books, 2021

284p.; 22cm.

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Why have relations between India and China, which comprise nearly forty per cent of the world's population, been troubled for over sixty years? A war in 1962 was followed by decades of uneasy peace, but in recent years A rising number of serious military confrontations has underlined their huge and growing differences. This book examines these differences in four crucial areas: their perceptions and prejudices about each other; their continuing disagreements over the border; their changing partnerships with America and Russia; and the growing power asymmetry between them, which affects all aspects of their relationship. China demands deference as a great power and the dominant country in Asia, while India wants recognition and respect as an equal. With such a deep divide separating the two neighbours, what does the future hold? In this lucid, informative, and insightful book, a leading expert on the subject decodes the complex history of India–China relations and argues that the path ahead is a difficult one that could see more military confrontations, including violent border clashes. Crucial to the relationship will be India's ability to reduce the enormous gap with China in economic, military, and even soft power.

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The Third Eye of Governance : Rise of Populism, Decline in Social Research
/ N Bhaskara Rao

New Delhi, Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021

301p.; 22cm.

9789389958812

\$ 15.00 / PB

400gm.

This important and closely argued book contends that research is a unique 'third eye of governance'—it brings otherwise invisible facts and ground realities to light, thus enabling effective and humane public policies. However, there has been a steady decline in social research with the rise of populism in Indian politics, and disregard for transparency and accountability. The author shows how data, statistics, analysis and research have become politically sensitive and contentious. He argues that if the impressive recent mantras about development and progress are also backed by applied social research, India can reach new heights in democracy, development and governance.

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Forgotten Kashmir : The Other Side of the Line of Control / Dinkar p.

Srivastava

Uttar Pradesh, HarperCollins Publishers, 2021

437p.; 23cm.

9789390327768

\$ 17.50 / HB

620gm.

"Forgotten Kashmir examines the evolution of Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir over the past seven decades. It includes major milestones like the tribal invasion in 1947-48, the Sudhan revolt in the 1950s, the Ayub era, the Silla Agreement, the adoption of an Interim Constitution of 1974 and the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). It is not simply an historical account but one that analyses the events in against the background of developments in Pakistan s polity and the situation within to better understand Pakistan s motivations for its policies in the region. The book delves into contentious issues, such as the right of self-determination (distinct from the concept of plebiscite) that is central to the debate on Jammu and Kashmir at the United Nations Security Council (UNSC). For a fuller understanding, the issue is examined considering positions of principal actors, particularly the United Kingdom up to the 1950s. More recently, Chinese presence in the region has grown with the development of the CPEC that runs through the Northern Areas, now renamed Gilgit-Baltistan. The author, a seasoned diplomat, provides a wealth of information that comes from his involvement in the Jammu and Kashmir issue at India s Ministry of External Affairs and discussions at the United Nations, his stint in Karachi, and as a member of bilateral working groups to counter terrorism with the US, EU, UK and Canada."

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Making Sense of Indian Democracy : Theory as Practice / Yogendra Yadav
New Delhi, Permanent Black, 2020

390p.; 22cm.

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The first section provides a historical overview, the second a comparative overview situating Indian political practices next to those in diverse countries. The third focuses on theory and method to look at the specific

nature of the Indian state; at polls, predictions, and psephology; and at the virtues and limits of anthropological fieldwork for understanding political praxis. The last section proposes electoral and democratic reforms that seem desirable and feasible if Indian democracy is to persist. Indian politics is usually written about by journalists and scholars. Yogendra Yadav is almost singular in the Indian political world. Possessing the apparatus of a university professor, he is also a respected TV commentator, a psychologist, and an original thinker. All these aspects are apparent in this book. How did we end up here? This book responds to a question that troubles every student of Indian democracy today. It does so by tracing the history of India's creolised democracy placing its record in comparative perspective assessing the relevant theories and methodologies saying what is and what is not to be done.

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Political Journeys in Health : Essays by and for Amit Sengupta / Prabir Purkayastha, Indranil, Richa Chintan

Delhi, LeftWord Books, 2021

324p.; 22cm.

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\$ 12.50 / PB

500gm.

'Amit was a leader and was central to many of the global activities of the People's Health Movement. When he said, "You see, it's like this you knew that you were going to suddenly see the core of the issue with greater clarity. He knew the burning need for political organization to challenge what is happening in health, and beyond health as well, because we are a subset of the bigger system.' David Sanders Amit Sengupta (1958–2018) believed the job of a doctor was not simply to treat a sick individual, but to build a society in which health is a fundamental right of all citizens. In these times of the Covid-19 pandemic, such a perspective is more relevant than ever. The essays in this book trace how Sengupta's work and politics were integral to the history of the health movement, and how this movement evolved from 'medicines for all' to 'health for all'. Sengupta's work of a lifetime is supplemented and framed by his colleagues in the movement: David Sanders, SP Shukla, Prabir Purkayastha, Satyajit Rath, Sarojini Nadimpally, Indranil, David Legge, Kajal Bharadwaj and many others.

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People's Planning : Kerala, Local Democracy and Development / T.M. Thomas Isaac, Richard W. Franke

Delhi, LeftWord Books, 2021
403p.; 22cm.
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550gm.

“Contains important lessons even for those states in which cadre-based and party-directed mass mobilization is not a component in the renewal of local self-governing institutions.” Bilbao “Isaac’s great advantage is his knowledge of the intimate workings of the plan, its difficulties and drawbacks, the unfounded hostilities and the frailties of the future ahead.” – Indian Review of Books In 1996, the state of Kerala launched possibly the world’s most extensive and successful experiment in decentralization. The campaign mobilized over 3 million of Kerala’s 30 million people and resulted in bottom-up development planning in all of its 1,052 villages and urban neighbourhoods. This book details the background of the campaign traces its stages, assesses problems and successes, and evaluates concrete results and reforms. It tells a powerful story of mass mobilization and innovation, achieved by overcoming bureaucratic opposition and rooting out corruption and cynicism. Considering the theoretical and applied significance of the campaign — both in the context of India’s development since Independence and the international debates on decentralization, civil society, and empowerment this study provides invaluable lessons for sustainable development worldwide.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774350>

Handbook of Tribal Politics in India / Jagannath Ambagudia, Virginius Xaxa
New Delhi, Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021
557p.; 25cm.
9789353884581
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1220gm.

Handbook of Tribal Politics in India is undoubtedly the most authoritative source for a systematic and comprehensive study of this vibrant field of scholarship. Divided into three sections, the chapters cover a broad range of themes ranging from a general introduction to tribal politics to exploring contemporary issues and concerns within the discipline. The book presents a trajectory and authentic overview of tribal politics while keeping in mind the changing relationship between tribal communities and democracy. Using qualitative and quantitative data, it studies the role of tribal political representatives in public policy-making, issues related to communities, and

the nature and dynamics of tribal politics at the state and national levels. It explores the patterns, conditions and challenges of tribes' participation in electoral politics and presents the issues and agendas that will continue to affect the tribal politics in future. This book is an essential resource for teaching and research in political science and other social science disciplines studying comparative political dimensions. Contents: Preface Acknowledgements Jagannath Ambagudia and Virginius Xaxa.

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Untranquil Recollections : Nation Building in Post-Liberation Bangladesh /
Rehman Sobhan

New Delhi, Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

248p.; 22cm.

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530gm.

Rehman Sobhan was directly associated with Bangladesh's liberation struggle. In this memoir, he provides an insightful, first-hand account of the challenges faced by the newly independent Bangladesh in the early years of its existence. This book attempts to capture the unique problems of reconstructing the war-devastated economy while building institutions from ground up for a nation which for 24 years had been run through a highly centralized system of colonial-style governance. Untranquil Recollections gives special attention to the author's involvement, as a Member of the Planning Commission, in addressing the problem of reconstruction while coping with the political challenges associated with building institutions, formulating economic policies and overseeing their implementation. The narrative attempts to identify the economic and political forces that were inimical to the radical direction of the national policy set by Prime Minister Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. The book concludes with a discussion of the dark events leading to Mujibur Rahman's assassination along with his family and his closest political colleagues, which resulted in a change in the regime. Contents: Preface Acknowledgements Introduction: Untranquil Recollections First Days in Liberated Bangladesh My First Exposure to Government The Political Leadership of the Planning Commission The Workings of the Planning Commission Discovering the Political Economy of Policymaking The Challenge of Delivering in the Five-year Plan Making the State Effective The Challenge of Improving the Performance of the Nationalized Sector My Return to Aid Diplomacy Laying the Foundations of Indo-Bangladesh

Economic Relations The Gathering Storm Darkness at Noon: The Last Days of the Bangabandhu Era Recollections in Tranquility Index.

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JP to BJP : Bihar after Lalu and Nitish / Santosh Singh

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Once upon a time, the eastern Indian State of Bihar provided space for socialism to take centre stage. As a new government takes office in Bihar, the book JP to BJP: Bihar after Lalu and Nitish looks closely at the process of saffronisation that has taken place in this landscape, more marked than any other by milestones of political shifts and movements. Author, journalist Santosh Singh tracks the important Socialists on the national stage for the last 75 years; traces the rise and fall of Socialist and coalition governments in Patna and New Delhi; defines for us the sifting sand of opportunistic politics and an invisible future. The book answers many burning questions such as: Why the man who had sought to counter Narendra Modi's 'Congress-must Bharat' line with his vow of a 'Sangh-mukt Bharat' walk away from being the emerging nucleus of Opposition politics? Which top RJD leader did Prom Chand Gupta accompany to meet BJP leader Arum Kailey in Delhi, and why.

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1962 Border War : Sino-Indian Territorial Disputes and Beyond / Ismail Vengasseri

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560gm.

1962 Border War: Sino-Indian Territorial Disputes and Beyond studies the historical antecedents of the origin and developments of the border dispute between the two Asian Giants-India and China. It investigates why these new-born republics, despite their close ties in the international politics, chose a path of a large-scale military encounter in the winter of 1962. This book uses the classified Henderson Brooks-Bhagwat Report and the CIA Staff Study Report to answer this question. The book debates how far

internal bureaucratic hurdles, political intrigues and partisan interest in New Delhi have factored against Nehru's China Policy. Further, this study reveals the impact of Cold War politics, CIA operations on the frontiers and the US strategy of projecting the Tibet factor on these two nations. The key significance of this study is that it reveals the historical factors behind the Sino-Indian frequent and ongoing skirmishes along the border.

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The Last Fortress of Congress Dominance : Maharashtra Since The 1990s /
Sahas Palshikar and Rajeshwari Deshpande

New Delhi, Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

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Focused mainly on Maharashtra's politics since the 1990s, The Last Fortress of Congress Dominance also provides its readers a clear view of the historical context and the socio-political forces that have dominated the state since the 1950s. The politics of Maharashtra has been woven around two key factors: The Congress party and the Marathas. Attempts by the Shiv Senna and the BJP to emerge as alternatives to the Congress have had only limited success so far. As the state politics witnesses the transition into a new party system, the book presents a detailed study on the party system of Maharashtra and situates the analysis in the broader context of crisis of the Marathas and the many distortions of the state's political economy. Aided by rich survey data from the National Election Studies, for all elections since 1996, the book presents a long-term view of the politics of Maharashtra as the state completes 60 years of its existence. Contents: Series Note Acknowledgements Note on Sources Introduction Framework of Congress Dominance Towards Competitive Politics: 1960s to 1980s Politics in the times of Congress Decline: Key Themes Maharashtra's First Critical Election: 1995 Return of the Congress: 2004 and 2009 Towards BJP's Shaky Dominance the Crisis of Maratha Politics Political Economy of Maharashtra Footprints of a New Dominance? References Index.

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Smaller Citizens : Writings on the Making of Indian Citizens / Krishna
Kumar

India, Orient Blackswan Pvd. Ltd., 2021

149p.; 22cm.

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In *Smaller Citizens*, Krishna Kumar explores the theme of citizenship by focusing on a key paradox of modern education: to encourage the young to think freely and apply their minds to the problems of our times, or, to train them to become loyal citizens, complying with and obeying the relevant authority representing the state. It's an old paradox, but it has acquired a new, sharper significance in our times. The politics of neo-nationalism and the demands for a compliant workforce arising from corporate control on the job market have recently increased the pressure on education to promote a habituated acceptance of orders. This volume probes the resultant dilemmas faced by teachers, parents and children themselves. Through a micro-analysis of events in classrooms and schools, the author offers compelling evidence of systemic bias that makes institutions resistant to changes and reforms initiated with great effort, as in the case of the Right to Education Act. The book offers insights to help readers understand education within India and as a concept, and the interplay of education and citizenship. It is a collection of 18 articles that have been previously published in different journals/newspapers, brought together here in a single volume. Contents: Publisher's Acknowledgements Prologue 1. Studying Childhood 2. Education and Girlhood 3. Rurality, Modernity and Education 4. The Logic of Children's Right to Education.

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Nations and Nationalisms : A Short Introduction / Kaustav Chakraborty,
Krishna Sen

India, Orient blackswan Pvt. Ltd., 2021

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This volume is a comprehensive introduction to the idea of the nation, and offers a critical engagement with the contending manifestations of nationhood. *Nations and Nationalisms* provides an exhaustive overview of various theories and theorists of nationalism from classical thinkers such as Marx and Max Weber to contemporary intellectuals like Foucault and Yael Tami. It contextualises nationalisms by analysing a range of issues – such as globalisation, transnationalism, sub nationalisms, stateless nationalisms, neo-nationalism and the cyber state – and focuses specifically on the

debates on nation\building in India. A separate chapter surveys Indian English fiction\ negotiations with nationalism. Drawing on numerous examples from around the world, the book charts the permutations and transformations in the conceptual space of the nation.

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Eastward Ho? India's Relations with The Indo-Pacific / E. Sridharan

India, Orient blackswan Pvt. Ltd., 2021

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Eastward Ho? analyses India's relationships with the countries lying to its east. It explores India's 'Look East Policy' launched in the early 1990s, later renamed 'Act East' in 2014. Against the backdrop of deepening intra-Asian economic integration, combined with security tensions and rivalries, both related to the economic and strategic rise of China, this volume asks: What are India's relationships like with countries to its east, and what are its challenges, possible roles and options? Parts I and II study the political and economic consequences of the growing Asian integration; the evolving Asian 'security architecture', today's buzzword for institutions and processes; China's ever-changing perceptions of India; and India's emerging relations with Japan and Korea. Part III studies India's economic and strategic relations with Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Myanmar, and focuses on India and China's tussle for influence over the Himalayan states of Nepal and Bhutan. Part IV concludes the discussion by analysing India's evolving relations with Southeast Asia, namely Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Malaysia and the Philippines.

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Vision Sagar : Indian Air Force in the Indian Ocean / Wing Commander

Vikas Kalyani

New Delhi : Pentagon Press LLP, 2021

xx,186p.; 24cm.

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550gm.

The Indian Ocean and India have prodigious relationship. After all, this great Ocean is named after India (Oceanus Orientalis Indicus). Long before

seafaring developed in the limited Aegean waters, oceanic navigation had become common with the coastal people of peninsular India. And ages before Columbus sailed across the Atlantic, the Indian Ocean had become an active thoroughfare of commercial and cultural traffic connecting India to many countries of the present-day Indian Ocean Region (IOR). Due to peculiar location, potential of economic growth, trade capacity by sea and blue water navy, India has been undoubtedly considered as the lynchpin in the region. India's role as the key player in the Indian Ocean region for stability, security, peace and mutual growth is crucial. Security And Growth for All in the Region (SAGAR) vision is literal unambiguous expression of India's ideas for the IOR which was introduced by the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Narendra Modi in 2015. To achieve core aim of SAGAR i.e. Secured Growth, capable defence forces of India shall play an important role. This book brings out how the Indian Air Force (IAF) has fulfilled the need of guarding India's land and maritime borders, deterring non-state actors as well as helping its maritime neighbours in times of crisis including man-made and natural disasters. The book highlights the immense potential of the IAF wherein, with its inherent air power characteristics of speed, flexibility and swift response as well as experience; it can be a critical and inexhaustible tool in enhancing the strategic footprint of India in the IOR. For the foreseeable future, airpower is and will remain the key to security on the high seas.

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The Concept of Active Defence in China's Military Strategy / Amrita Jash
New Delhi, Pentagon Press LLP, 2021

290p.; 24cm.

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700gm.

China's Rise is driven by the self-fulfilling prophecy of the Chinese Dream of "great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation" A strong country with a strong Army! Beijing's economic miracle has translated into a call for military preparedness guided by the logic of "fight and win". Wherein, China's quest lies in perfecting the art of being 'combat-ready' with the aim of making the People's Liberation Army a "World-Class Military". While Beijing maintains that it has a defensive military posture; however, its growing military capabilities and increasing unilateral behavioural dispositions highlight an 'offensive' intent demonstrating the 'China Threat'. This very context calls for the probe: Does China Walk by Design? Thus, the need to decode 'China's Military Strategy'. It is therefore, of interest to trace the evolution of

the key concepts such as “active defence”, that define and shape China’s military strategy. In doing so, this book further advances the long standing debate on China’s military strategy from the rational of the ‘concept of active defence’. Here, ‘active defence’ is understood from the perspectives of its basic notions, linkage to China’s national and core interests, and the aspects of its implementation to assess China’s strategic intentions and the implications of its military capabilities. This book is an attempt to provide a lucid and comprehensive account of China’s military strategy. The book would be of interest to military professionals, policy makers, academics, practitioners and China watchers.

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Fifty Years of Bangladesh-India Relations : Issues, Challenges and Possibilities / Md. Shariful Islam

New Delhi, Pentagon Press LLP, 2021

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This intellectually stimulating book examines the key issues (i.e., security cooperation, development partnership, border management, water cooperation, connectivity), challenges and possibilities in Bangladesh-India relations in the last fifty years. The book also investigates the role of ‘China factor’, the role of civil society in Bangladesh-India relations and maps out the future course of actions in Bangladesh-India partnership in the post-pandemic world which merits serious attention. The book contributes to both from theoretical and policy perspective and therefore will be immensely useful to the students of International Relations, Political Science, to academics, researchers, and policymakers with interest on Bangladesh-India relations, Bangladesh foreign policy, India’s foreign policy in particular, and South Asia in general.

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XI's China / Edel Secondat

New Delhi, Pentagon Press LLP, 2021

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280gm.

Xi's China is a seminal piece of work by Edel Secondat which takes stock of the decade 2010-2020 from a sociologist's viewpoint and comes up with people-centric observations on a society in churn. Much has been written about the transformation that has taken place in China, especially of the mind blowing infrastructure that has been developed, that makes even the United States look dated! But there is much more happening in China that needs to be recorded and understood. Digitisation has transformed society to the extent that a new nation is breaking ground. In this book, the reader is invited to peer inside the Chinese laboratory and tread the path taken by the author. Edel Secondat's observations are neither pro-China nor Sino-phobic. But he tells his story with the skill of a great raconteur, the passion of an avid seeker and the clinical analysis of a precisionist. Once far away China seems now so close, with both her best and worst aspects clearly visible. The author, who lived and worked there, tells us the story of the tale he witnessed, in his inimitable style.

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Humanities, Provocateur : Towards a Contemporary Political Aesthetics /
Brinda Bose

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

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This highly original collection is a far cry from the demand on the literary humanities to offer the soothing hum of theory to a world of breaks, crises and pain. Instead, it exemplifies a way ahead for the critical humanities. 'Doing the Humanities' comes to life in this passionate, provocative set of experiments in descriptive poetics. Failure, fantasy, freefall is reconceived as forms of aesthetic achievement across the creative arts. This timely volume inspires a collective undertaking to learn 'to do' the humanities through the untimeliness of a work of art. A humanity that remains attentive to this form of techno will prove indispensable to remaking the world in the aftermath of a pandemic. exhilarating in the democratic breadth of its interests, the emotional fervour of its commitments and its yoking of systemic criticism to the work of poetic language. Humanities, Provocateur brings you fourteen essays and two creative pieces by established as well as younger scholars and writers from America, Europe, the Middle East, South Africa and South Asia, in a bracing invitation to a freefall of reading. They travel from classical literatures and philosophy to twentieth-century writing, cinema and critical-imaginative thinking,

grouped whimsically around a set of Provocations-Gleaning, Perforation, Caprice, Paraphernalia, Descent, Flux, Flesh, Ephemera-and welcome you to argue, to cherish or to distrust. Taking sharp, sparkling twists and turns in thought and style, this eclectic collection of writings incites you to be intellectually adventurous and destitute at the same time. And, invoking Dante, to never be afraid, for our fate is our gift.

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Power, Press and Politics : Half a Century of Journalism and Politics / Alok Mehta

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

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How was god-man Chandra swami exposed despite the tantric guru's close association with prominent leaders and media barons? How did Alek Mehta expose the Fodder Scam in 1990 that eventually led to the arrest of Lalu Prasad Yadav? How did editors and investigative correspondents reveal murky arms deals, such as the Buford scandal? Power, Press and Politics is a ground-breaking, insider account of the workings of the Indian media-both print and electronic, and English, Hindi and regional publications-from acclaimed journalist and Padma Shri awardee Alek Mehta. Deriving from his experience spanning across 50 years, Mehta brings to life these incidents and cases as he had been right in the eye of these storms. Starting his career from a news agency and a Hindi daily, Mehta had worked with leading media houses, such as The Times of India, Hindustan Times, Outlook Group, Daniil Bhakra and Naidu Nia, sharing a close association with some of the finest editors and journalists of the country. Citing various landmark cases and judgements, Mehta throws light on the delicate balance between the media and judiciary, both of which are crucial to the health of our democracy. Having helmed the Editors Guild of India, he has had the privileged access to various significant reports, which have been included in this splendidly researched work. A powerful commentary on the Indian media, this is a must-read for media students, institutions and anyone who wishes to understand the working and challenges of the media.

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Religion – Buddhism

The Light of Asia : The Poem that Defined the Buddha / Jairam Ramesh

Haryana, Penguin Viking an Imprint of Penguin Random House, 2021
457p.; 24cm.
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‘The Light of Asia’ is an epic poem by Sir Edwin Arnold that was first published in 1879. It quickly became a huge sensation and has continued to resonate powerfully across the world over the last century and a half. Weaving together literary, cultural, political and social history, Jairam Ramesh uncovers and narrates the fascinating story of this deeply consequential and compelling poem that has shaped our thinking of an ancient sage and his teachings. He brings into this unusual narrative the life of the multi-faceted poet himself who, among other things, was steeped in Sanskrit literature. Sir Edwin Arnold’s English rendering of the Bhagavad Gita was one of Mahatma Gandhi’s abiding favourites. Sir Edwin was also in many ways the man who shaped Bodh Gaya as we know it today.
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Religion – Hinduism

Muruga : The Lord of War the God of Wisdom / Ananda Balasubramanian
New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2021
277p.; 20cm.
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320gm.

Lord Muruga the creator, protector and destroyer. Armed with a boon of eternal life from Lord Shiva, the most destructive Acura and his army have created havoc in the multiverse. The only person who can annihilate the dangerous Acura clan is someone born from the union of Lord Shiva and Goddess Shakti. Six children are born out of six balls of cosmic fire created by Lord Shiva. On seeing these beautiful children, Goddess Parvati hugs them together and they immediately transform into a single divine being with one body with six heads Lord Muruga. Armed with his powerful Val (lance), Lord Muruga starts fulfilling the sole purpose of his life destroying the Assures even when he is a mere child. The Val, a gift from his mother Shakti, is not merely a weapon for the destruction of evil, but is also an embodiment of the power of knowledge. The Val is also the protector of the devotees of Lord Muruga. There is, however, much more to the story of Lord Muruga. The lord of war is as comfortable with his Leila’s as he is as

the consummate warrior who ends the race of the most ruthless of Assures. Lord Muruga is the ultimate creator, protector and destroyer.

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Shakti : 51 Sacred Peethas of the Goddess / Alka Pande

New Delhi: Rupa Publication India Pvt. Ltd., 2020

221p.; 22cm.

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350gm.

This book is devoted to the understanding of the omnipresent and all-powerful Shakti and her sacred abodes known as Pesetas. The story of Devi Sati and Lord Shiva ended tragically with the death of Sati. An angry and inconsolable Shiva took Sati's lifeless body and started the 'Rudra Tanana' or the dance of destruction. To save the world, Lord Vishnu used his 'sudarshan chakra' to cut the body of Sati into 51 pieces and each part fell at different places on Earth and each become a revered Shakti Peseta.

Renowned writer and historian Dr Alkali Panned narrates that while the Shakti Peethas represent a single philosophical fold, they are a testament to the diverse legends of Shakti. Different peethas which became holy at the touch of Sati's body have survived hundreds of centuries and have kept alive their local folklore of Shakti. Together they evoke the Mother Goddess as both the nourishing and the destructive force behind the existence of the cosmos. The 51 Peethas featured in the book can never be an absolute representation of the Peethas of the Goddess, since the Devi is anywhere and everywhere.

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Untold Tales from the Mahabharata : The Epic Beyond the Obvious / Uday Shankar

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208p.; 22cm.

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Which karaka was inspired by the birds to commit one of the most grotesque murders in the Mahabharata? Why did King Munchkin sleep for a million years and wake up in the Dwaparyug? Whose soul had entered the dice of Shauna? Why was Gandhara married to a goat before she wed Dhritarashtra? What was the secret behind Arjun's chariot being burnt to

ashes after the war? Who instigated Janmejey to burn every snake in the universe? Who was the only Kariba to cross over to the Pandeva's before the battle? An epic that never dies and still remains relevant even thousands of years later Vyasa's Mahabharata has always captured our imagination. The saga of two feuding families, the Mahabharata, with its various twists and turns, has been a compelling read across generations, inspiring many to dig deeper into the great poem. This collection of twenty short stories brings out characters and incidents that are largely unheard of and are buried in the vastness of the epic. Capturing every emotion from valour, lust, loyalty and treachery to goodness and ethics so relevant to the world we live in, these stories help us understand the epic better by bringing out a different dimension altogether.

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Mahabharata Unravelling : Lesser-Known Facets of a Well-Known History /
Ami Ganatra

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

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Millennia have passed since the dharma yudhha of the cousins shook the land of Bharata. But this history of our ancestors continues to fascinate us. Even today, we have passionate discussions about the people and their actions in the epic, fervidly defending our favourites and denouncing others. The number of works on the Mahabharata-adaptations, retellings and fiction-that still get written is a testimony to its enduring relevance. While the general storyline is largely known, a lot of questions and myths prevail, such as What was the geographical extent of the war? Did Drona actually refuse to take on Karna as his disciple? What were Draupadi's responsibilities as the queen of Indraprastha? Did she ever mock Duryodhana? Were the women in the time of the Mahabharata meek and submissive? What were the names of the war formations during the time? What role did the sons of the Pandeva play? Does the south of India feature at all in the Mahabharata? What happened after the war? These and many other intriguing questions continue to mystify the contemporary reader. Author Ami Ganatra debunks myths, quashes popular notions and offers insights into such aspects not commonly known or erroneously known, based solely on facts as narrated in Vyasa's Mahabharata from generally accepted authentic sources. For a history of such prominence and influence as the Mahabharata, it is important to get the story right. So pick this book

up, sit back and unveil the lesser-known facts and truths about the great epic.

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Amazing Ayodhya : The Splendid Ancient City of Lord Rama / Neena Rai
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021

288cmp.; 22cm.

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No one grows up in India untouched by the beautiful story of Lord Rama and Devi Sita. Every Dussehra we celebrate the victory of Rama over Ravana, the victory of good over evil. Every Deepavali, we commemorate the return of Rama and Site to Ayodhya and hear the tale of how the entire city was lit up to receive their beloved king and queen. But is the magnificent capital of Ayodhya just limited to this? Ayodhya was a renowned pilgrimage destination since the dawn of mankind, and after the birth of Lord Rama, it became a place of supreme importance for Hindus. Amazing Ayodhya is an attempt in gaining knowledge about this ancient city-its architecture, its design, its buildings and all the splendid details during the era when Lord Rama walked this earth. This splendidly researched book, replete with shlokas from the Valmiki Ramayana, offers authentic information about the city which will not only help understand the life and times of ancient Hindus but also the revered figures of Rama and Site. Replete with descriptions, author Neena Rai draws out comparisons of an earlier era with our current life and culture, thus connecting the past with the present. She further compares Ayodhya with the cultures of other ancient civilisations so that the reader feels 'connected' to the past and the content of the book appears 'contemporary'. A fascinating account of an ancient city with significant contemporary relevance, Amazing Ayodhya is a must-read for a better understanding of history, scriptures and Hindu civilisation.

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Sanatan Dharma : Vaidik Gateway to the Next Century / Manoj Singh
New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

312p.; 22cm.

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Human civilisation is passing through one of the most difficult times in the history of mankind. The world is in stress. The situation worsens by the day. Sanatan Dharma: Vaidik Gateway to the Next Century attempts to offer a solution to all our problems. Hinduism is a way of life-with nature, in nature, by nature. Author Manoj Singh elaborates on the practical aspects of one of the oldest cultural civilisations, analysing how it's more relevant in today's troubled age. He narrates the evolution of Vaidik civilisation, elaborating on the basics of Vaidik Sanatan dharma. He discusses life in Hinduism, its culture, festivals, rituals, customs, yoga, Vedas and mantras, outlining a broad perspective of why and how these are significant. This comprehensive work touches upon all aspects of Sanatan life philosophy for spiritual enlightenment. A heritable past, which has been otherwise forgotten, is revealed here, hoping to make human journey viable in the present dynamic complexity. This is for anyone who desires to understand the real meaning of living rather than just existing.

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Religion – Islam

Syncretic Islam : Life and Times of Ahmad Raza Khan Bareilvi / Anil Maheshwari, Richa Singh

New Delhi, Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2021

256p.; 22cm.

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400gm.

Syncretic Islam is a fascinating and brilliant study of the religious thought and career of one of the doyens of Muslim traditionalism in South Asia, Imam Ahmad Raza Khan Bareli. An Islamic scholar, jurist and an Urdu poet, Ahmad Raza Khan was the founder of the Bareli movement whose defining feature of thought is the active veneration of the Prophet as the most exalted of all beings. This work overviews and analyses the multiple facets constituting Ahmad Raza Khan's intellectual life and, in extension, the Bareli school of thought in an eminently accessible manner. It is the story of a remarkable revivalist, born in the North Indian town of Bareilly during British India, who grew up to be hailed by his followers as the madid, or reviver, of Islam in nineteenth-century India. A Pathing by descent, Hanafi by religious mores, Qataris by disposition and Bareli by nativity, Syncretic Islam captures the astounding contribution of Ahmad Raza Khan and

attempts to explain his spiritual influence that still binds millions of people in the Indian subcontinent.

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Sociology

Islamic and Cultural Foundations of Kashmiriyat / Mohammad Ishaq Khan
Delhi, Primus Books, 2021

217p.; 25cm.

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600gm.

In this collection of essays, the late Professor Mohammad Ishaq Khan (1946–2013) caps a lifetime of research into the history of Kashmir, especially of its cultural heritage. These essays are a broad selection from years of scholarship and give a clear view of Professor Khan's contribution to the field. Their main theme is Kashmiriyat, the essence of Kashmiri culture that can be traced through history. Professor Khan forcefully argues that Kashmiri Islam is 'neither syncretism nor synthesis'. In other words, Kashmiri culture should not be understood as a watered-down version of a 'pure' Islam, but rather the result of a cultural transformation in no way at odds with Islam as a religion. Professor Khan traces Kashmir's history as an outward looking and culturally self-assured society, tied closely to the rest of the Indian subcontinent, but maintaining unique traditions available to both Muslims and non-Muslims. The essays address the range of available historical sources, the relationship between Brahmanism and Islam, the role of saints and ritual in Kashmiri Islam, the Persian influence on Kashmir, and other topics. Professor Khan ends with a candid examination of his own experience as a Kashmiri living through the second half of the twentieth century.

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Conversations with Ambedkar : 10 Ambedkar Memorial Lectures / Valerian Rodrigues

New Delhi, Tulika Books, 2021

252p.; 24cm.

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The lectures at Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD) brought together in this volume dwell on some of the most telling concerns that our age confronts: concerns of justice, social closures, bare life and sovereign power, political agency, discrimination and affirmative action, displacement and migration, new modes and languages of command and control, social movements under the shadow of global capital, and politics of epistemic and normative frames on offer today. While several of the lectures take off from some of B.R. Ambedkar's writings and interventions, others meet Ambedkar in shared concerns by remaining within the frame of their distinct academic specialisation or professional pursuits. The result is a deep conversation where scholarship and social concerns converge, begetting a complex tapestry of their own. The introduction to the volume, which highlights the distinctiveness of Ambedkar as a scholar and the scholarship that goes in his name, acts as a connecting thread to the themes and concerns mounted in these lectures. This volume is envisaged as the first in a series of dialogues with Ambedkar and his thought as embodied in the annual Dr B.R. Ambedkar Memorial Lecture series. The first ten lectures (2009–18) presented here mark the first decade in the life of Ambedkar University Delhi.

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People's Protest and Social Change / D.R Sahu
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Social scientists in general and sociologists in particular have conducted many empirical studies on protests and movements. Many activists have also written about their personal experiences relating to such protest movements. With a desire to find out how people's protest originates in a given social structure and its influence on people and society, the book brings the story of the voices of the natives and reflects on its influence in the wider world. It is about a successful people's protest in Bali pal, Odisha against the proposed Missile Testing Range of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), Government of India. This missile testing centre project was supposed to displace 55 villages covering an area of 102 sq. kms, with more than 1,00,000 people. Based on both primary and secondary data, the study tries to articulate the following issues relating to ideology, organisation, leadership and strategy of this movement. • Why did this agitation emerge? • What kind of ideology it subscribed? • How the

resentment was mobilised and translated into a protest movement? • Who provided the leadership and what were the strategies? • What was the impact of this movement in the area in terms of its social structure? Conceptualising this protest movement in the context of structural and organisational aspects, this study tries to understand the people's resistance and their mass participation in the agitation. Such protest movements are a postmodernist expression of contemporary society, which constantly reinforces the society and its people to return to the past and return to the nature. The book will be of special interest to civil society activists, NGOs, policy makers, politicians, change agents, and sociologists at large.

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Gender Inequality and Discrimination in India : Discourse and Dilemmas /
Sumita Sarkar

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Punitive patriarchy deeply entrenched in its socio-cultural norms has induced gender discrimination and sustained unfair gender practices in India over centuries. Instead of proscribing biased treatment towards women, Indian social structure promotes disparity, misogyny and stigmatization. The institutionalized sets of values and principles propagated by patriarchal dogmas continue to inflict miseries on women under the garb of socio-cultural practices. The fact-based data on Indian women and their 'lived' experiences as women in Indian society conforms largely to the imagery of an 'object and inferior' being and banish them from the larger process of economic and political inclusion in general. The present book entitled Gender Inequality and Discrimination in India: Discourse and Dilemmas encompasses into various spheres of gender exclusion and inclusion emanating several thematic conversations by scholars who addressed 'gender discrimination and misogyny' as a dominant tool to subjugate Indian 'women and womanhood' as subterranean concern. This edited collection of articles attempts to develop a wider gamut of understanding of the nature and importance of gender equality, gender roles and gender relations in the developmental processes, with a special focus on socio-political and cultural issues of post-globalised Indian society. This theoretical framework can be applied to promote gender awareness and equity in the developmental interventions; and

impregnate organizational and institutional culture with newer insights. The book is weaved around 'gender' as a 'core' theme, predominantly from a feminist perspective.

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Ageing, Care and Well-Being : Reinventing Social Gerontology / Antony Palackal, Nisha Jolly Nelson

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The volume is a collection of essays in Social Gerontology that opens up newer vistas of knowledge and practice in the understanding and care of the elderly from a multidisciplinary perspective. The present day society is characterized by 'greying' and the elderly tend to be more and more marginalized as the family and society are undergoing dramatic changes. Ageing is perceived as one of the most serious issues of the globalized world and thus, caring for the ageing population has become a major concern for both the family and the State. Capturing the present-day reality of the elderly from the perspective of developing regions, the book, instead of debating on who will care for them, seeks to shift the focus on empowering and enabling them, so as to confront ageing with more grace and dignity. The volume features some of the leading scholars and researchers in gerontology from varying fields, including sociology, anthropology, psychology, demography, and medicine. The volume will help the readers to reinvent the question of ageing and the aged with greater creativity, ingenuity and graciousness. Designed as a Festschrift to Professor John Katakana, an eminent sociologist and a passionate scholar-cum-activist in gerontology, the book will enable the readers to revisit the concept and practice of care giving of the elderly and suggest programmes and policies that will help to empower the elderly and aid them in leading a fulfilled life.

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Tribal Integration in India : Northeast and Beyond / V Srinivasa Rao

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Tribal Integration in India: Northeast and Beyond provides a critical insight to understand the regional concerns on tribal issues in India. Tribal population in India is heterogeneous, representing multiple cultures, languages, religious beliefs with myriad regional diversity spread from North to South and East to West, including the Northeast. Then, if this is the reality, would it be possible to think about their integration? What does integration mean in the context of tribes in India? Is it cultural integration, religious integration, ethnic integration, economic integration, social integration or political integration? In the context of analysing tribal issues in India, 'region' is always a robust term. The region influences the livelihood, culture, ethnicity, religious practices, language, health, development etc. The region would always impact the social, cultural, economic, and political aspects of the people. Region, apart from other variables, constitutes a primary variable that differentiates the Northeast India and rest of the Northeast. Part-I of the volume discusses the tribal issues of the Northeast region, and Part-II covers the tribal issues of non-Northeast region. Reflecting on the observations and discussions brought by each author in their respective chapters, it appears majorly that the tribes in Northeast region need state support and the tribes in the rest of Northeast regions need societal support to streamline their never-ending issues. The central issue of the tribes in India is not 'integration' as intends by the state, but to address their primary problems about social, cultural, economic, ecological, administrative and political issues.

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Challenges of Tribal Development : Contemporary Social Concerns / V

Srinivasa Rao

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The tribals in India who have been rich in terms of possessing natural resources in their respective regions, still continue to live in underdevelopment and are inaccessible to most of the development indicators. The present volume provides critical insights to understand the major challenges of tribal development in India. Why do we discuss the challenges of tribal development even after 74 years of India's independence? Is tribal development a priority to the successive governments? If so, why scheduled tribe (ST) communities are still lagging

much behind as compared to rest of the social groups, including scheduled castes, in social, political and economic indicators? Why is tribal development a major challenge? This volume offers a fairly comprehensive account of a wide range of insights with reference to such issues across the states. It is evident from the available data that most of the wealth from the tribal areas is being driven for the development of non-tribal areas in India. This itself constitutes one of the major challenges of tribal development in India. The authors find that areas such as education, health, displacement, forest, governance, livelihood promotion, poverty etc. constitute the biggest challenge to tribal development. What is needed to address the challenges of tribal development is a strong will of the state and a sound social determination among various civil society groups. The present volume, while discussing the issues pertaining to agriculture, decentralisation, displacement, education, forest rights, governance, health and livelihood with reference to scheduled tribes in India, also suggests some policy measures. It covers a range of research areas on tribal studies in the interdisciplinary perspective.

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A Kashmiri Century : Portrait of a Society in Flux / Khem Lata Wakhlu
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A Kashmiri Century is a powerful and rare compilation of human-interest stories. Spanning a full century, it throws a compassionate light on the innocent and hard-working people who live in the beautiful valley of Kashmir. The stories are all based on the author's personal experiences, and her intimate understanding of what it means to be a Kashmiri-speaking native. They cover the period from the late 19th century to the present day. None of the available political treatises have ever delved deeply into the sociological and the human sides of living in the valley. The author's intimate insights into Kashmiri society, its evolution in an enticing, remote valley, and how her people dealt with Kashmir's bitter and tempestuous history, are sprinkled liberally across the book.

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Beyond the Metros : Anglo-Indians in India's Smaller Towns and Cities /
Robyn Andrews, Anjali Gera Roy
Delhi, Primus Books, 2021

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Beyond the metros: Anglo-Indians in India's smaller towns and cities focuses on Anglo-Indians residing in a number of small towns and cities, away from the metropolitan centres of modern India, such as Kolkata, Mumbai, Delhi and Chennai. It provides a socio-historical account of what it means to be an Anglo-Indian in cultural and materially varied environments, highlighting the impact on the formation of identities.
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Women in Social Change : Visions, Struggles and Persisting Concerns /
Ghazala Jamil, Manoranjan Mohanty
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Women in Social Change: Visions, Struggles and Persisting Concerns captures the evolution of key debates on women's rights in independent India. Authored by eminent scholars and emerging experts of their time, the articles encapsulate developments which have given the women's rights movement and women's studies imaginative new models. They also indicate fundamental concerns that have endured over decades. The articles have been grouped into categories that cover diverse themes such as the conceptualization of women's rights and laws pertaining to the same, changing notions of women as workers, women's political participation and cultural representation, and, finally, the impediments, roadblocks and violence experienced by women. The editor's introductions provide critical historical context for the juridical-political paradoxes and internal contradictions that confront the women's rights movement today. The sectional introductions place each article in a larger context, pointing out the importance of their approach, methodology and salient arguments.
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India's Tribes : Unfolding Realities / Vinay Kumar, Srivastava, Manoranjan Mohanty
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India's Tribes: Unfolding Realities brings together critical essays on tribal communities, some of the most marginalized people in India. The chapters, authored by eminent scholars who made significant contributions to the field of Tribal Studies, present important research on resource appropriation, poverty, education, health, economy and the tribal situation. They discuss issues such as problems of development-induced displacement, labour exploitation, sustainable livelihoods, politics of religious conversion, tribal women's issues, resistance movements and policy responses. The editor's introductions reflect on predicaments of tribal people in contemporary times, besides presenting a comprehensive perspective on the contribution of the selected essays to an understanding of tribal life. The series 'Social Change in Contemporary India' brings together key texts published in the prestigious journal Social Change, from 1971 till present times. These writings, most of which are considered canonical, address important issues in health, education, poverty and agriculture, with special focus on the disadvantaged groups. The essays will help readers identify key points in the history of policymaking in India and major discourses and debates and their impact.

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Caste, Communication and Power / Biswajit Das, Debenture Prasad Majhi
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Caste, Communication and Power explores communication and the constitution of caste in Indian society. Intimately connected, both communication and caste are determined by historical developments. The book looks at communication as a lens to study caste and power relations, with its immense potential to shape perception and affect ground reality. It also studies the evolution of the conceptual and theoretical foundations of caste and power relations, and maps their emergence from communicative resources and practices. These communication practices are inevitably linked to the social structure, with their reliance on symbolic forms of self-

expression, often revealing the underlying ideological attitudes. The book studies this interface of culture and media, evaluating the caste question and the associated power relations in terms of modes of communication practised in the society.

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Restless in The City : Conversations with Young People in Resettlement Colonies / Nirantar

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Restless in the City gives us access to the unfiltered voices of young people from urban poor communities speaking about their expectations from the state, their engagement with the city and neighbourhood, and their personal and familial relationships. The book uncovers deep-rooted injustices within the current workforce, examining cases where young men aspire to work in the public sector even as they hold low-paying jobs in private firms which reinforces their sense of marginalization. The stark difference between rural and urban youth's relationship with technology, and how it affects their feelings towards love and friendship, is another focus of the conversations we encounter in the book, a focus which also highlights the limits of agency accorded to young women on the margins. Restless in the City is a rare study that delves deep into overlooked issues faced by young people from less privileged localities of Delhi who are constantly navigating the politics of their changing urban milieu.

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Social Hegemony In Contemporary India / R. Thirunavukkarasu

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This edited book offers insights into the social inequalities that plague India and are often hidden behind terms like 'law and order' and 'constitutional democracy'. Though the market-driven economy was once expected to radically transform the heavily hierarchical Indian society into a more egalitarian order, the society remains unequal despite almost three decades

of liberalization. Therefore, the liberal rhetoric of a democratic order and the free market guaranteeing social justice needs to be reappraised. Social Hegemony in Contemporary India demonstrates how socially privileged sections after acquiring and consolidating power at an alarming rate are now even more dominant over the lives of common Indians than at any time after 1947. Consequently, many communities like Davits and other neglected minorities—have been disempowered and pushed to the margins. Any resistance to the dominant social order and its status quo is punished through ostracization and violence. The mission for social justice, therefore, needs a fresh approach and actionable change from those who aspire for a truly liberated India, unshackled from inequity and bias.

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Dark Interiors : Essays on Caste and Dalit Culture / Raj Gauthaman, S.

Theodore Baskaran

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‘Except women and dalits, I do not think there is anyone discriminated at birth.’

These words give an idea of Raj Gautama’s succinct and provocative critique, translated into English for the first time by Theodore Baskaran. The essays engage with dalit liberation politics, the relationship of dalits with Tamil history and the many strands that constitute radical dalit culture. Gauthaman discusses dalit history and what the progress of non-Brahmin politics in Tamil Nadu has meant for dalits. This analysis of the alternative cultural expressions of dalits, politics, art and literature comes from essays written in 1992–2002.

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Radical City : Imagining Possibilities for the Indian City / Pithamber R.

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In the next few decades a billion people will be urbanised. There will be over 40 megacities-more than 10 million inhabitants-most of which will be located in the 'global south', especially China and India. Cities already stretched to the seams will explode. The accelerated global warming and extreme weather events will only make the situation worse resulting in unimaginable consequences. *Radical City: Imagining Possibilities for the Indian City* argues that we should urgently reflect on the question raised by the luminaries of Congress International architecture Modern (CIAM) nearly a century back, 'Should our cities survive because the Functional City-a conglomeration with differentiated zones of activity and transportation of people and materials between the zones-invented by CIAM has outlived its usefulness. Rethinking the city, therefore, cannot be the province of planners and technocrats alone. Instead, this book brings together artists, architects, writers, poets, designers, urban planners, social scientists, humanists and others to think about the city and its possibilities. <http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=774394>

Gendering Minorities : Muslim Women and the Politics of Modernity /
Sherin B.S, Susie Tharu

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Gendering Minorities: Muslim Women and the Politics of Modernity explores the politics of framing Muslim women's identity in India. Against the backdrop of colonial modernity, nationalist movements and post-Independence dialogues, it provides details of the 'feminist enterprises' that Muslim women in Kerala were involved in at several historical junctures. Examining Muslim women's negotiations with their cultural and religious identities, the author also analyses the exclusion and homogenisation that did not allow them to be viewed as active political agents. Through oral narratives, folk songs, journal entries, little magazines and historical documents, the chapters address the subjectivity of Muslim women in Kerala through their participation in diverse fields such as religion, governance, Sufism, and in early twentieth-century reform movements in Kerala. The author also examines the popular novel *Balsa* by Khadija Muftis in the context of discourses on Islam in Kerala, stating that its construction of the Muslim woman as defined only by Islam is problematic. Through her engagement with women and Islam in Kerala, the author presents Muslim women as heterogamous subjects of differently conceived ideas of religion,

shaped by different variables of time, region, class, ethnicity and culture.
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In Defence of the Ordinary : Everyday Awakening / Dev Nath Pathak
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'A splendid work of art, In Defence of the Ordinary returns drama, pleasure and awakening to everyday life ... in the tradition of cultural critics like Ashes Mandy and Umberto Eco... The book is one of a kind.'

-Prathama Banerjee is a noted historian of the global south and Professor at Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), New Delhi. '[A] flanker of our everyday spheres of life, [the author] excavates the multiple layers of social, political and artistic thinking and experimentation ... with an unparalleled lightness of prose worthy of a Balthasar Gratian and Georg Lichtenberg.' -Ramin Jahanbegloo is a philosopher and Vice Dean and Director at Mahatma Gandhi Centre for Peace Studies, O.P. Jindal Global University, India.

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Neighbourhoods in Urban India : In Between Home and the City / Sadan Jha, Dev Nath Pathak, Amiya Kumar Das
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In the last couple of decades, the global South, in general, and India, in particular, have witnessed a massive growth of cities. In India, more than one-third of its population lives in cities. However, urban development, growth and expansion are not merely about infrastructures and enlargement of cityscapes. This edited volume focuses on neighbourhoods,

their particularities and their role in shaping our understanding of the urban in India. It locates Indian experiences in the larger context of the global South and seeks to decentre the dominant Euro-American discourse of urban social life. *Neighbourhoods in Urban India: In Between Home and the City* offers an understanding of neighbourhoods as changing socio-spatial units in their specific regional settings by underlining the way value regimes (religiosity and subjectivities) give neighbourhoods their social meanings and stereotypes. It unpacks discourses and knowledge practices, such as planning, architecture and urban discourses of governance. It further discloses the linkages and disjuncture's between the social practices of neighbourhoods and the language, logic and experiences of dwelling, housing, urban planning and governance, and focuses on the particularities and heterogeneities of neighbourhoods and neighbourliness.

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