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Regionalism and Globalism in Southeast Asia, 1900-2000

Author : Eero Palmujoki

The book examines the regionalist debate in Southeast Asia from the end of the Cold War up to the beginning of the new Millennium. It focuses on the Organization of the ASEAN and covers the political, economic and security issues characterizing its development.

Pub : Palgrave Books, UK Year : 2001 (f/c) Bib : 256pp 22cm ISBN : 0333734777
Price : US\$ 67.50 (15% Discount for all Palgrave Titles)

Community, Empire and Migration
South Asians in Diaspora

Editor : Crispin Bates

This is a collection of essays concerning the history, politics and anthropology of migration in India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, as well as in the numerous overseas locations such as Fiji, Africa, the Caribbean and USA, where South Asians migrated in the colonial world and after. It addresses the connections between migration, problems of identity and ethnic conflict from a comparative perspective and highlights the role of shared colonial experiences in providing 'communal' solidarities and discord

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Gandhi's Dilemma
Nonviolent Principles and Nationalist Power
Author : Manfred B Steger

Critically investigating Mahatma Gandhi's claim that his anti-colonial nationalism can remain untainted by violence, this study addresses important and timely questions that are central to the study of nationalism, and more broadly, to other forms of collective identity formation as well.

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Drugs in South Asia
from the Opium trade to the Present Day
Author : M. Emdad Ul Haq

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Aithor : Hasan-Askari Rizvi

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Rethinking Indonesia
Postcolonial Theory, Authoritarianism and Identity

Author : Simon Philpott

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Pakistan's Arms Procurement and Military Buildup 1979-99
In Search of a Policy
Author : Ayesha Siddiqa-Agha

The strategic Imperative is held as the primary explanation for Pakistan's military buildup. This book presents a fundamental departure in presenting an analysis of the internal dynamics of defence management and decisionmaking in Pakistan - a new nuclear weapon state. This is an in-depth study of Pakistan's security link with its arms suppliers and defence industrial capacity, and the influence of Pakistan's Army on conventional and non-conventional defence decisions. The analysis os backed with numerous case studies of defence decisions carried out from 1979-99

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The Security Dilemmas of Southeast Asia
Author : Alan Collins

The book utilizes a key security concept to examine one of the most dramatic regions of the world. Focusing on ethnic tensions, intra-ASEAN rivalries and the emergence of Chinese Hegemony, the security dilemma is used to provide insights into a wide range of the region's contemporary security issues. In addition, the book expounds upon some of the new uses of the security dilemma, exploring both its applicability to ethnic tensions and a new variant, a state-induced security dilemma

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Democratic Transitions in Asia

Editors Johannsen, Uwe & James Gomez

Post-Asian crisis developments show that the countries of the region are seeing greater demands for freedoms by its peoples. The symbol of the region's democratisation struggle was marked with the awarding of the Nobel Peace Prize to South Korean President Kim Dae Jung in 2000, who joined the list of recent Asian Nobel laureates including Aung San Suu Kyi, the Dalai Lama, Bishop Carlos Belo and Jose Ramos Horta. But where does the region stand in real terms with regards to democratisation? Indonesia under Gus Dur struggles to overcome the shackles of too many years of authoritarian rule, and is discovering that democracy comes at a heavy price. In the Philippines, "People Power 2" brought down Joseph Estrada, but Gloria Magapagal Arroyo is not ensured of a smooth rule. The Thais elected Thaksin Shinawatra premier even though he was under investigation for corruption. In Malaysia, the sacking and conviction of the former Deputy Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim has heightened political awareness. In Singapore, there is much talk of a civil society but the rules of the game have not changed. And, in Myanmar, SLORC changes its name, but not its game, and Aung San Suu Kyi remains under house arrest. Meanwhile, the socialist regimes in Vietnam and Laos are still reluctant to open up. but they may have no choice. The politics of violence continues to plague Cambodia. In this environment, politicians, activists, journalists and academics go beyond the usual theory and talk about how to translate democracy into practice. In this volume they examine the reforms needed for democratic transitions to take place. Independent political institutions, human rights, the rule of law, free media, civil society, demilitarisation, local economy and the development of free market economy are examined. Contributors include Marzuki Darusman, Wan Azizah Wan Ismail, Martin Lee, Aquilino Pimentel Jr., Gen. Agus Wijoyo, and academics Don Emmerson and Harold Crouch.

Pub : Select Publishing in association with Friedrich Naumann Foundation, Singapore
Year : 2001 Bib : PB 286pp ISBN : 9814022179 Price : US\$ 35.00

Before & After Reformasi

Author : Buchori, Mochtar

Mochtar Buchori has been a long-time advocate of Reformasi, long before the movement took root in the waning days of the New Order regime in Indonesia. A teacher, researcher, newspaper columnist, and political commentator, Mochtar steadfastly fought for educational reform and democratic change. This collection of his writings, compiled from The Jakarta Post, focuses on the successes and failures

of Reformasi since late 1997. The author's integrity during his long career in education, and more recently, in politics as a member of parliament, serves as an inspiration to those committed to working for a better Indonesia. His has been an all too lonely a voice of morality and humanity in public life.

Pub : The Jakarta Post & The Asia Foundation, Jakarta, Indonesia Year : 2001 ISBN : 9798519051 Bib : 241pp PB Price : US\$ 20.00

Publish and Perish: The Censorship of Opposition Party Publications in Singapore
Editor : James Gomez

An overview on the censorship and publication difficulties of opposition political parties in Singapore. These 48 articles were published in English between 1993 and 2000 in the newsletter of the National Solidarity Party. The wide range of subjects discussed includes issues such as ministerial salaries and the construction of constituency boundaries, and more general matters of authority and public morale. Edited by James Gomez, founder of the Think Centre.

Pub : National Solidarity Party, Singapore Year : 2001 Bib : 261pp PB ISBN : 9810427867
Price : US\$ 24.00

The Singapore Dilemma, The Political and Educational Marginality of the Malay Community Author : Lily Zubaidah Rahim

Considered by many as a seminal work on the Malays in Singapore. Based on the author's doctoral thesis, this volume sets out the background factors and the post-1959 events associated with the continuing marginality of the Malay community in Singapore. Part 1 assesses identity, attitudes and ideology; Part 2 is on political development and its tailoring; and Part 3 approaches the vast subject of education on a wide basis. Lily Zubaidah Rahim, daughter of a well-respected Singapore civil servant and diplomat, now teaches at the University of Sydney.

Pub : Oxford University Press, Kuala Lumpur Year : 1998 ISBN : 9835600325 Bib : 302pp HB
Price : US\$ 70.00

A Siamese for All Seasons, Collected Articles by and about Puey Ungphakorn by Ungphakorn, Puey

These 20 articles are by and about Dr Puey Ungphakorn (1917-1999), the eminent Thai economist, educationalist, resistance leader, public servant and inspiration of many Thai reformers. Many of Dr Puey's principled policies led him to spend years abroad, and this volume enables the contemporary reader to have access to his ideas.

Pub : Komol Keemthong Foundation : Distributed by Kledthai Co, Bangkok
Bib : 372pp ISBN : 9747232685 Ed : 5th Edition Year : 2000 Price ; US\$ 35.00

Elections in Singapore: Are They Free and Fair?

an Open Singapore Centre report on the conduct of parliamentary elections in Singapore.

by Open Singapore Centre

A referenced critical appraisal of the post-1955 electoral process in Singapore. Some structural and institutional impediments to a free and fair system are defined; the 1997 General Election is considered in some detail. Seven safeguarding measures are recommended to ensure "fair and free" elections in future. The Open Singapore Centre is a non-profit organisation set up in 1999 and spear-headed by opposition leaders J.B. Jeyaretnam and Chee Soon Juan.

Pub : Open Singapore Centre, Singapore Year : 2000 Bib : 46pp PB ISBN : 9810433913
Price : US\$ 12.00

Social Justice, Democracy and Alternative Politics: An Asian-European Dialogue papers and reports from an international seminar in honour of Mr Pridi Banomyong's Centenary, May 2000 Editor : Manivannan, Ramu

The May 2000 conference at Ayadhaya celebrated the centenary of the birth of Pridi Bononyong (1900-1982), the "founder" of Thai democracy and liberating leader of the country 1945-47 who spent the last 36 years of his life in exile. Pridi Bononyong's ideas and ideals were the springboard for these 12 conference papers with discussion notes which explore Asian and European perspectives on cultural values, social justice democracy, national development and Europe/Asia dialogue.

Pub : Spirit in Education Movement : Sathirakoses-Nagapradipa Foundation : Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Bangkok Year ; 2001 Bib ; 177pp PB ISBN : 9742601739
Price : US\$ 30.00

Perspectives on the Indian Corporate Economy
Exploring the Paradox of Profits
Author : Ananya Mukherjee - Reed

Series : International Political Economy Series
General Editor : Timothy Shaw

Central to the Dynamics of India's post interventionist era has been the performance of its corporate sector. A lot of hope has been placed on its ability to deliver increased growth rates and levels of 'development'. In the light of this view, the author here examines critically the nature of the Indian corporate sector as a specific socio-historical and political-economic formation. Particular emphasis is placed on the nature of corporate profitability in India, its historical roots and its effects on development

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The Sino-Vietnamese Difference on the Hoang Sa and Truong Sa Archipelagoes

Author ; Luu Van Loi

Pub : The Gioi Publishers, Hanoi Year : 1996 Bib : 24cm 157pp Price : US\$ 18.00

Le Duc Tho - Kissinger Negotiation in Paris

Editor : Luu Van Loi

Pub : The Gioi Publishers, Hanoi Year : 1996 Bib : 21cm 571pp Price : US\$ 30.00

Fifty Years of Vietnamese Diplomacy

Author : Luu Van Loi

Pub : The Gioi Publishers, Hanoi Year : 2000 Bib : 21cm 327pp Price : US\$ 20.00

Files on Vietnam

Frequency : Bi Monthly (Once in 2 Months)

General Information about various branches and industries, as well as newly promulgated laws, regulations, decrees, resolutions and other legislative documents of the vietnam State and Government

Pub : The Gioi Publishers, Hanoi Bib : 27cm 32pp per issue 1st Issue in Sept-Oct 2001 Price : US\$ 35.00 per annum

Meanings of Globalisation
Indian and french Perspectives

Editor : Rama S Melkote

The meanings and implications of globalisation are not uniform nor universal for all states. As the two countries, India and France, experience globalisation in multiple ways, an analysis of issues confronting the two can enhance our understanding of contemporary processes of globalisation

Pub : Sterling Publishers Pvt Ltd, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8120723759 Bib : 23cm HB xxvi, 272pp Price : US\$ 20.00

Towards a bi-polar polity & Elections, 1999
Author : K.K. Bhardwaj

Pub : Independent Pub co, New Delhi Year : 2000 Bib : 215p 22cm ISBN : 8185359121 Price : US\$ 18.75

Rajiv Gandhi's Assasination
the Mystery Unfolds
Author : Ramesh Dalal

Pub : UBSPD, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8174762779 Bib : vii, 334p ill 22cm Incl Index Price : US\$ 13.25

The Impact of Economic Development on Political Participation
A Micro Study

Pub : Himalaya Pub House, Mumbai Year : 2000 Bib : vi, 288p maps 23cm Incl Stat.
Tables ISBN : 8174938230 Price : US\$ 15.00

Terrorism in the Tarai
A Socio-Political Study

Author : Jitinder Kaur

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Refe ISBN :8120205413 Price : US\$ 6.00

Functioning Local Government in South India
Author : U.B. Singh

Pub : Gyan Pub House, New Delhi Year : 2000 Bib : 246p 22cm Incl Bib ref
ISBN : 8121207150 Price : US\$ 16.50

Uttarakhand Statehood
Dimensions of Development
Editor : M.C. Sati & S.P. Sati

Pub : Indus Pub Co, New Delhi Year : 2000 Bib : 360p maps 23cm Incl Bib ref. ISBN
: 8173871140 Price : US\$ 18.50

Indonesia in Transition
Social Dimensions of Reformasi and Crisis

Edited by Chris Manning and Peter van Diermen

Indonesia enters the new millennium at a time of transition. It has experienced several crises -- in particular the economic crisis of 1997-98, a severe intensification of its environmental degradation, and more recently the East Timor crisis, the ongoing Aceh demand for independence, the change of government from the autocratic Soeharto regime to one democratically elected and under the leadership of President Abdurrahman Wahid, and the outbreak of a number of violent communal conflicts. These crises were separate but have interlinked social and political dynamics. This major volume is the first wide-ranging analysis of recent developments. It analyses the social and political dimensions of reformation: poverty and income, environment and livelihood, civil society and legal institutions, and Islam and politics. Contributors include Indonesian and Australian scholars from a range of social science disciplines.

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TERMS OF REFUGE
The Indochinese Exodus and the International Response

Politics in Contemporary Asia Series

Author : W Courtland Robinson

For half a century, much of Southeast Asia has been racked by war. In the last 20 years alone, some three million people fled their homes in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia. This book is their story and that of the international community's response. Spearheading this was the United Nations agency responsible, UNHCR. It pioneered innovations like the Orderly Departure Programme, anti-piracy and rescue-at-sea efforts, and later on, ambitious reintegration projects for returnees. Today the camps in Southeast Asia are closed. Half a million people have returned home. Over two million have started new lives in the United States, Canada, Australia and France.

This compelling book is the history of this modern exodus. It also takes stock and poses important questions. How did the flight of refugees and international response evolve? How do we measure the achievements and the failures of that international effort? What has been the legacy in Asia itself? And what lessons can be drawn for use in other refugee situations around the world?

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BURMA: INSURGENCY AND THE POLITICS OF ETHNICITY

Author : Martin Smith

REVISED & UPDATED EDITION

Burma remains a land in deep crisis. The popular uprising of 1988 swept away 26 years of military rule under General Ne Win in name only. The National League for Democracy of Aung San Suu Kyi won a landslide victory in the 1990 election. But, as this book relates, the military remained in control and the future of Burma looks more problematic than ever.

With unparalleled command of largely inaccessible Burmese sources and interviews with many of the leading participants, Martin Smith charts the rise of modern political parties and unravels the complexities of the long-running insurgencies waged by opposition groups, including the Communist Party of Burma, the Karen National Union and a host of other ethnic nationalist movements.

The book vividly explains how one of the most fertile and potentially prosperous countries in Asia has collapsed to become one of the world's poorest.

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War, Religion and the New Order in Afghanistan

Politics of Contemporary Asia Series

Author : Peter Marsden

The Taliban are yet another manifestation of the growth of radical Islam worldwide. This book explores what they stand for and the factors leading to their rapid rise to military and political dominance over Afghanistan. It considers the many influences on their ideology emanating from within the country, the Indian sub-continent and the Middle East. It describes the war which continues to afflict the Afghan people as well as the geo-political context and the possible part played by certain powers in the region, and by the United States, in the Taliban's dramatic expansion.

Peter Marsden examines the unique and complicated character of an Islamic revivalist movement like the Taliban. He confronts the issue of international responsibility in situations of chronic conflict brought on by external interference, and considers the dilemmas faced by humanitarian agencies in seeking to reconcile the evident need for assistance with the often difficult political and human rights context in which they are working. He examines the cultural conflict between Western thinking and the Taliban's interpretation of Islamic values, particularly in relation to gender, and asks how the international community should deal with this conflict.

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Bangladesh: Promise and Performance

Edited by Rounaq Jahan, Columbia University

The movement for Bangladesh was carried forward in the name of creating Sonar Bangla (Golden Bengal). Implicit in the idea of Sonar Bangla was the vision of a society economically prosperous, free of exploitation, democratically governed, tolerant of pluralism and respectful of people's rights.

This study, a collection of articles by some of the best known scholars on Bangladesh, is an attempt to analyze how the country has performed in the three decades since her independence. The articles illuminate the critical debates that have defined Bangladesh's politics and policies since her birth: the identity question; the issue of democratization and community and peoples' participation; challenges of economic growth, human development and poverty alleviation; social transformation and the empowerment of the under privileged groups; and the role of civil society and effective governance in fostering democracy and development. The articles describe the dynamics of the political economy, the composition of the ruling elites and their political strategies to hold on to state power on the one hand and the demands of the excluded groups on the other seeking expanded participation in the political system. The book presents a complex picture of the gradual evolution of interactions between state, society and external actors.

The volume is designed to serve as a standard textbook for courses on Bangladesh and South Asian studies.

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Fiji : A Precarious Coalition

Author : Shubha Singh

Perceptive analysis of Fiji's political evolution in the past two centuries.

Pub : Har-Anand Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : 183pp Price : US\$ 10.00

Vietnam and American Doctrine for Small Wars

Author : Johnson, W. R.

Vietnam and American Doctrine for Small Wars is the first comprehensive treatment of the evolution of U.S. military doctrine for countering guerillas and other irregular forces in small wars. Since its inception, the United States has been engaged in small wars, or low intensity conflict, and has contested irregular opponents in each. The end of World War II ushered in what has since become known as the "counterinsurgency era," its genesis arguably the containment strategy of the Truman Doctrine of 1947, upon which policy-makers and military planners constructed rudimentary counterinsurgency doctrine for combating communist guerrillas in Greece. Yet Vietnam was the real test for counter-insurgency doctrine, and the war in Vietnam has remained the touchstone for American involvement in small wars ever since.

With the end of the Vietnam War, small wars doctrine has risen or fallen according to the perceived threat to the national security interests of the United States, concurrent with the success or failure of scholars and military professionals in persuading the national security bureaucracy to make qualitative changes in doctrine and force structure. In that light, this study examines the roots of American military doctrine for small wars and its subsequent evolution from "counterinsurgency" in the 1960s to "stability and support operations" in the 1990s, and concludes with an analysis of the legacy of Vietnam and the implications for emergent military doctrine in the post-Cold War era.

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Non-Traditional Security Issues in Southeast Asia

Editors : Tan, Andrew T. H. & J. D. Kenneth Boutin

A ground-breaking discourse on an increasingly vital topic that moves away from the traditional concept of security -- as demarcated in the framework of deterrence, power balancing and military strategy. With rapid developments in communications and information technology, and the unstoppable march of globalisation, it is inevitable that security issues be viewed on a wider dimension. Particularly in Southeast Asia, severely hit by the 1997 financial crisis, non-traditional security issues have become even more accentuated. This volume is based on a Ford Foundation-sponsored study convened by the Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies in Singapore and covers the following areas: Globalisation and Security, Regional Institutions and Security, Governance in Plural Societies and Security, and Environmental Security. Among the topics covered are the problems in post-Suharto Indonesia, including Aceh and East Timor, the future of the expanded ASEAN, and the role of other regional groupings.

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The Armageddon Factor : Nuclear Weapons in the India-Pakistan context Author :
Sanjay Badri-Maharaj

Pub : Lancer Publishers & Dist, New Delhi Year : 2000 Bib : 290p maps 22cm Incl.
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