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Building Social Space in Singapore -
The Working Committee's Initiative in Civil Society Activism
Author : Singam, Constance, Tan Chong Kee; (Editors), et al

These 17 papers explore the rationale and activities of The Working Committee, an informal grouping of Singaporeans who in 1998/9 worked together to identify and mobilise present and future roles for civil society activities. The overview of Singapore's civil society includes some reference to the pre-1959 period and experience of the Family Planning Association 1949-1968, AWARE -- Association of Women for Action and Research, the Nature Society, SPUR, Forum Theatre, SINTERCOM and associated personalities. Part 3 traces the course of the nascent TWC's activities and experience. Issues faced included foreign funding, internal disagreements, the uses of IT, and the process of building trust. Part 4 looks at future scenarios and highlights the state-centric (of present day Singapore), the people-centric (of USA, Taiwan) and the hybrid, a possible compromise which is perceived as likely to be largely stultifying. This is a thoughtful and stimulating study of considerable importance for anyone concerned with Singapore's future. Summaries of the statements, programmes of TWC are appended.

Pub : Working Committee, Singapore Year : 2002 Bib : PB 210pp
ISBN : 9814022195 Price : US\$ 15.00

Alternate Identities: The Chinese in Contemporary Thailand
Tong Chee Kiong & Chan Kwok Bun (Editors)

Series : Asian Social Science Series : 1

This is the first volume of the new Brill/NUS Asian Social Science Series. 14 sociologists explore Chinese identity/assimilation in Thailand and the complex and changing political, linguistic, occupational gender and educational factors which have influenced their position in Thai society.

Pub : Times Academic Press, Singapore Year : 2001 Bib : 329pp PB 23cm ISBN
: 981210142x Price : US\$ 29.90

Rediscovering America
American Studies in the New Century

Editor : Kousar J Azam

The present volume is an edited collection of papers presented at an international conference entitled 'Rediscovering America : American Studies in the New Century' at the Indo-American Centre for International Studies at Hyderabad in March 2000. The conference was planned to attempt a rediscovery of America - the USA -the Symbol and the signifier, and

For a reinvention of American Studies in Consonance with the emerging perceptions of America, the bearings they have on The new world order / disorder, and the discourses they spawn within and outside the US.

Pub : South Asian Publishers, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : 23cm HB x, 358pp with Index ISBN : 8170032547
Price : US\$ 18.50

Ageing and Human Development : Global Perspectives
edited by Ishwar Modi

Contents: Introduction/Ishwar Modi. I. International perspectives: 1. The United Nations and ageing/Yogesh Atal. 2. Cross-culturally comparative structural constraints affecting the social aspects of aging/A.L. Sinikka Dixon. 3. Centenarians in France, Georgia, Hungary and Sweden: social characteristics/Gillis Samuelsson, Mary Ann Johnson and Michel Allard. 4. Discourses, voices and visions on aging in Mexico city/Veronica Montes de Oca. 5. Uniqueness of the Israeli over 70 age group/Debra Markus. 6. Demography of ageing and pattern of old age security in Bangladesh/Ripter Hossain. 7. Changing family networks and relationships in two Swiss Cohorts of elderly (1979-1994)/Nathalie Vollenwyder, Jean Francois Bickel, Christian Lalive d'Epinay and Carole Maystre. 8. Family and community care for elderly people in Spain/Maria-Teresa Bazo. 9. Community care and social support for older persons in UK, USA and China: an international perspective/Sheying Chen and Yuhwa Eva Lu. 10. Social Isolation, loneliness, and the health of older adults in Manitoba, Canada/Betty Havens and Madelyn Hall. 11. Successful aging-dependent on cultural and social capital? Reflections from Finland/Marjatta Marin. 12. Ageism at school: images and stereotypes of ageing and the old age in Argentina/Liliana Gastron, Haydee Andres and Jorge Vujosevich. 13. Coping in old age: considerations from the point of view of case studies from Brazil/Lucia Rabello de Castro and G. Rabello de Castro. 14. The forgotten majority: images of older women and their lives in Italy/Isabella Paoletti. 15. Reconstructing life after a death: psychological adaptation and social role transition in the medium and long term for older widowed men and women in the UK/Kate Davidson. 16. The assessment of functional fitness and attitudes towards physical fitness of Greek elderly people/Chris N. Kabitsis and Yvonne S. Harahousou. 17. The global ecology and the older adult in the 21century: senior involvement in sustainability achievement/Carl D. Ekstrom, Stanley R. Ingman and Thomas Benjamin. II. Indian perspectives: 18. Population ageing in India: demographic and health dimensions/Rahul Dev Bhawsar. 19. Integration of strategies for the care of older persons: a cross cultural study/Damodaran Sivakumar. 20. Intergenerational issues in elder care/D. Jamuna. 21. Intergenerational households of Indian-Americans: the elder's experience/Ramaa Prasad and Sally Bould. 22. Institutional care of the aged/Pushpa Mary Rani. 23. Life satisfaction among institutionalised and non-institutionalised elderly/Rajan Gaur and Amarjot Kaur. 24. Institutionalisation of elderly and quality of life/P.V. Ramamurti. 25. On being old and female: some issues in quality of life of elderly women in India/Indira Jai Prakash. 26. Personality characteristics of working and retired aged people/B.K. Choudhary, Sushil Jha and K.P. Krishna. 27. Elderly and the community mental health/S.K. Verma and Ashima Nehru. 28. Role adjustment and status of

aged: a case study of Bengali population of Meghalaya/Mrinmayi Banerjee and Deepak Tyagi. 29. Influence of the old on the perspectives of the young on human life/Joni C. Joseph. 30. Leisure time activities and Indian elderly/N.K. Chadha and M. Easwaramoorthy. 31. Sex differences in psycho-physical effects of psychotropic drugs among the elderly/Ghizala Khan and Akbar Husain. 32. Euthanasia and psychiatry/A. Venkoba Rao. 33. Death, dying and living/R.S. Bhatnagar.

Pub : Rawat Publications, Jaipur Year : 2001 Bib : 406pp HB ISBN : 8170336864
Price : US\$ 29.00

Hindu Diaspora : Global Perspectives
edited by T. S. Rukmani

"Diaspora Studies' have emerged as a major academic discipline in the past few decades as large groups of people have moved away from their places of birth to settle in foreign lands. This book deals with the 'Diaspora' phenomenon and in particular with the 'Hindu Diaspora phenomenon' as we know that Hindus are now settled in more than one hundred and fifty countries around the globe. In this book the contributors reflect and examine the myriad ways in which Hindu migrants negotiate their identity in the midst of alien cultures. Some scholars deal with historical perspectives, while others use their personal experiences in foreign lands, within a broad theoretical framework, in order to highlight some negative imaging they have encountered both in educational institutions and at places of work. Some others reflect on the kind of temples that Hindus have built in their adopted countries, while still others ponder on questions like the impact of 'food' on being 'Hindu' and also on the role of 'women' in maintaining one's religious identity. Dealing as it does with a contemporary sociological issue which will be relevant for a long time to come, this book will add one more dimension to the ongoing Diaspora studies

Pub :Munshiram Manoharlal, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib :xx, 473 p. ISBN : 8121510392 Price : US\$ 20.00

Population in South Asia : Migration as a Survival Strategy Author : Naveen Mishra

Contents: Preface. 1. Migration: an introduction. 2. Population movements in South Asia. 3. Colonialism and migration. 4. Migration in South Asia. 5. Migration in Bangladesh. 6. Migration in Sri Lanka. 7. Migration in to the Nepal Tarai. 8. Urbanisation and migration. 9. Human development in South Asia. Appendix. Bibliography. Index.

Pub : Authors Press, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : 372pp ISBN : 8172730667 Price : US\$ 21.75

Population of India 2001 : Based on the Preliminary Census Report of Govt. of India
Author :Surendra Nath Dubey

Contents: Preface. 1. Population explosion in India. 2. Growth rate and distribution of population. 3. Population projections. 4. Population density. 5. Sex ratio. 6. State of literacy. 7. General information—statistical tables. 8. Population growth and family planning in India. Appendix. Bibliography. Index.

Pub : Authors Press, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : 314 p. ISBN : 8172730756 Price : US\$ 19.25

Refugees and Human Rights

Social and Political Dynamics of Refugee Problem in Eastern and North-Eastern India
edited by Sanjay K. Roy

"In the post-World War II period refugee problem emerged out to be one of the biggest problems before the international community. India has also experienced it at a large scale. Factors such as rise of religious nationalism, ethnicisation of politics, state terrorism, anarchic majoritarianism and above all state's refusal to conform to norms set by the international refugee regime, rendered the refugees stateless and subjects for inhuman treatment. On the other hand, historical forces like religious, linguistic or ethnic nationalism and regional economic disparity continue to generate refugees in the eastern and north-eastern regions of India. Faced with unfriendly state, both in the country of origin and the country of adoption, the refugees struggle to find the ways and means for a healthy living, and wherever possible they make efforts to put up an organised movement for their 'human rights'.

"Written against this contextual backdrop, the articles in this volume are historical, social and political narratives on the major refugee groups in the eastern and north-eastern states of India, like Bengali refugees, Tibetan refugees, Bhutanese refugees, Chakma refugees and Arakanese refugees. The authors explore the genesis of each of these refugee groups and the areas of human rights violation in their treatment. Another feature of the book is the 'critical angle' from which the authors review the shifting, ad hoc and confusing stands of the state machinery in India in the treatment of various refugee streams. The inadequacies of the international regime for the protection of the refugees in India have also been examined. The effort to locate the refugee problem in the frame of international relations theory and globalisation ideology has added analytical flavour to the volume.

Pub : Rawat Publications, Jaipur Year : 2001 Bib : 413pp HB ISBN : 8170336872
Price : US\$ 25.00

2001 Census as Social Document

Author : A. Kumar

Contents: Preface. 1. Introduction. 2. Agency for carrying out enumeration. 3. Method, nature and unit of enumeration. 4. Census and ethnography. 5. Significance of Census data. 6. The social significance of the census. 7. Indian Census: How good a window to the world of work. 8. Organising the second largest Census in the world. 9. India's sex ratio. 10. The 2001 Census. 11. Population projection for short-term and long-term planning: a new approach. 12. Role of Census in planning and policy making. 13. Consultations with data users and publicity to Census operations. 14. Professionalisation of Census department. 15. The Census of India—past and future. Annexures: 1. Organisational structure and functions of the office of registrar general. 2. Historical demography. 3. New prospects for historical demography in India. 4. Census tests and Census Calendar.

Pub : Anmol Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : 230pp HB ISBN : 8126110112
Price : US\$ 15.00

Social Development and the Empowerment of Marginalised Groups Perspectives and Strategies

Editor : Debal K SinghaRoy

In the wake of globalisation, a paradigm shift in the development strategy of the state, proliferation of Grassroots mobilisations and the emergence of a new collective identity among marginalised groups, the concepts Of social development and empowerment have acquired new connotations. Bringing together original contributions From scholars, researchers and social activists, this volume explores the initiatives, strategies and potential Obstacles in the way of social development and empowerment of the marginalised in the current scenario.

Pub : Sage Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 0761995595 Bib : 23cm HB 248pp with Index Price : US\$ 15.00

WHISPERS AT THE PAGODA. Portraits of modern Burma
Author : Julie Sell

The author set out to discover Burma through her contact with the Burmese people. Despite significant potential risk to themselves, many people were willing to tell their remarkable stories, This book offers a unique insight to a country that the world has nearly forgotten.

Pub : Orchid Books, Bangkok Year : 2000 ISBN : 9748304361 Price : US\$ 30.00

THE TAI WORLD: A digest of articles from the Thai-Yunnan newsletter Tapp, Nicholas and Andrew Walker (editors).

This collection of articles and translations from the old Thai-Yunnan Project newsletter has been prepared in the belief that back issues of the newsletter contained so many priceless gems of Thai and Tai folklore and history, cultural and ritual, that a well chosen selection of them collected together would form a valuable book. This collection also forms a tribute to the late Dr. Gehan Wijeyawardene who was the founder and maintainer of the project newsletter.

Pub : Australian National University, Canberra Year : 2001 Price : US\$ 18.00

Vietnam, children and women : a situation analysis

Pub : United Nations Children's Funds, Hanoi Year : 2000 Bib : 115pp ill col map 30cm Price : US\$ 18.00

Youth Research Institute
Prevention of trafficking in women in Vietnam,
compiled by, Le Thi Quy

Pub : Labour and Social Affairs Pub House, Hanoi Year : 2000 Bib: 276pp ill 21cm
Price : US\$ 30.00

Child abuse in the Philippines : an integrated literature review and annotated bibliography
Editors : Elizabeth Protacio-Marcelino ... [et al.].

Pub: University of the Philippines Center for Integrative and Development Studies,
Quezon City Year : 2000 Bib : 323pp ill 23cm Incl. Bib References and Index
ISBN: 971742036X Price : US\$ 25.00

Old ties and new solidarities : studies on Philippine communities
edited by Charles J-H Macdonald and Guillermo M. Pesigan.

Pub : Ateneo de Manila University Press, Quezon City Year :2000 Bib : 360 p. : ill.
(some col.) ; 23 cm. Includes bibliographical references (p. 324-350) and index.
ISBN: 9715503519 Price : US\$ 22.50

The Quest for Freedom and Dignity
Caste, Conversion and Cultural Revolution
Author: Vishal Magalwadi

Nine Chapters. Five fact-n-fiction stories of the liberation struggles of Indian Dalits.
Historical and logical Debates on the right to shred the centuries old shackles of
casteism and yearning for liberty and freedom.

Pub : Gospel Literature Service, Mumbai Year : 2001 Bib : 222pp HB Price : US\$
8.00

Children and women in Viet Nam : the Unicef perspective.

Pub : UNICEF, Hanoi Year : 2000 Bib : 36p col ill maps 30cm
Price : US\$ 15.00

HIV/AIDS country profiles
Compiler : National Aids Committee of Vietnam.

Pub : National Aids Committee of Vietnam, Hanoi Year :1999 Bib : 68 p. : col. ill.,
col. map ; 30 cm
Price : US\$ 20.00

Interaction of the bhils with other communities : A historical perspective
Author : L P Mathur

Pub : Publication Scheme, Jaipur Year : 2001
ISBN : 8186782494 Price : US\$ 10.00

Women workers and the law
Author : G O Mir

Pub : Anmol Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8126110260 Bib : 402pp
23cm HB Price : US\$ 18.75

Care of the Elderly in India : Changing Configurations
Author : Arun P Bali

Pub : Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Simla Year : 2001 Bib : 277pp 23cm
ISBN : 8185952965 Price : US\$ 13.50

Child abuse : A social work perspective
Author : Manju gupta

Pub: Mangaldeep Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8175940859 Bib :
294pp 23cm HB Price : US\$ 22.75

Exploited Children : Child labour and disabled society
Author : Santosh Sarna

Pub : Commonwealth Publishers, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8171696767 Bib :
277pp 23cm HB Price : US\$ 20.00

Genetics of Castes and tribes of India
Author : M.K.Bhasin ; H Walter

Pub : Kamla-Raj Enterprises, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib ; 511pp 23cm HB ISBN :
8185264260 Price : US\$ 18.50

Indian Tribal life
Author : Chaturbhuja sahu

Pub : Sarup & Sons, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8176252093 Bib : 397pp 23cm
HB Price : US\$ 21.75

Child labour challenge and response : a status report on initiatives towards the
elimination of child labour.

Pub: National Resource Centre of Child Labour, Noida (V.V. Giri National Labour
Institute)
Year : 2001 Bib : 28pp., col., ill., 24cm Price : US\$ 7.00

Enduring conundrum, India's sex ratio :
essays in honour of Asok Mitra

Edited by : Vina Mazumdar, N.Krishnaji

"Centre for Women's Development Studies"

Pub: Rainbow Publishers, New Delhi Year : 2001
Bib : 207pp, maps, 25cm, Includes statistical tables. Inc. bib. ref. and index. Price :
US\$ 12.00

Forest and civilizations
Edited by : Yoshinori Yasuda

Contributed articles on the relationship between the forest and the human
community, reflecting upon our current understanding of civilizations.

Pub: Roli Books, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN: 8174361456
Bib : 200pp., ill, maps, 29cm, Includes bib. ref.
Price : US\$ 50.00

In Search of fair play : street and working children speak about their rights

Author : Claire O'Kane

(Report on Indian street and working children and their rights.)

Pub: Mosaic Books, New Delhi Year:2001 ISBN:8185399557
Bib : viii, 63pp., ill., 25cm
Price : US\$ 10.00

The Indian railways strike of 1974 : a study of power and organized labour
Author : Stephen Sherlock

Pub: Rupa & Co., New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN: 8171675344
Bib : 513pp, 22cm, Includes bib. ref. and index
Price : US\$ 13.25

Protective Discrimination : Ideology and Praxis
Author : A.K.Lal

Protective discrimination seeks to offset systematic and cumulative deprivation. It comprises compensatory programmes to lift the deprived and exploited communities. Preferment is available to ensure a share of power and opportunity to the historically disadvantaged to promote their advancement until "they can hold their own without it". It thus represents a legislative device to steer the process of mobility among the depressed classes. The book provides an expert discussion on its usefulness in different sectors and at diverse levels among different communities. Distortions and lapses in implementation of this policy are identified to suggest their needed ratification. The future implications of unbridled proliferation in aspirations for State protection are discussed.

Pub: Concept Pub. Co., New Delhi Year : 2002 ISBN: 8170229332
Bib : 167pp, 23cm, Inc. index
Price : US\$ 9.00

Sunshine & Shadows : the autobiography of Dr. Fatima Shah
Author : Fatima Shah (Translated, edited and a labour of love by her daughter, Raihana A. Hasan)

Autobiography of a Pakistani blind social worker

Pub: Ferozsons, Karachi Year : 1999 ISBN: 9690015621
Bib : 343pp, ill, 25cm Price : US\$ 25.00

Child Labour in Dhaka City
Author : Mohammad Khan

Pub: Hakkani Publishers, Dhaka (Dist:- Popular Publishers) Year : 2001
Bib : 231pp, 22cm, Inc. bib. ref.
Price : US\$ 9.00

The socio-legal status of Bangali women in Bangladesh : implications for development
Author : Saira Rahman Khan

Pub: University Press, Dhaka Year : 2001 ISBN:9840515454
Bib : Xxii, 320pp, 22cm, Inc. bib. ref. and index
Price : US\$ 15.00

Child labour in Bangladesh : the early years
Author : Khaleda Salahuddin

Pub: Palok Publishers & Bangladesh Women Writers Association, Dhaka
Year : 2001 Bib : 80pp, 23cm, Inc. bib. ref.
Price : US\$ 5.00

The Chittagong hill tracts : living in a borderland
Author : Willem van Schendel

Pub: University Press, Dhaka Year : 2001 ISBN:9840515535
Viii, 327pp, ill, (some col)., maps, 25cm, Inc. bib. ref. and index. Price : US\$ 50.00

Studies in Pakistani culture : an international perspective
Author :Kalim, M.Siddiq

Pub: Vanguard, Lahore Year : 2001
2001, x, 235p, 22cm, Includes bibliographical references
ISBN : 9694023491 Price : US\$ 25.00

Directory of Social Science Libraries and Information Centres in India
(Indo Dutch Programme on Alternatives in Development Exchange of Literature,
Documents and Data)
Edited by : Dr. K.G.Tyagi & Nutan Johry

With the multifarious growth of social science research institutes in the country many libraries and information centers have also been established since independence. This directory provides an extensive guide to about 450 social science libraries and information centers located through out India and highlights their activities, services and structure. The main objective is to inform the users of social science information about the resources of these libraries and help them to locate and contact the right libraries of their interest without wasting time and energy. The special feature of the directory is that the information and data are authoritative and reliable as the data are collected through sending questionnaire directly these libraries and information centers.

Pub: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN: 8178270196 Bib :
794pp+xxxiv
Price : US\$ 33.50

Poor in Urban India : Life in the Slums of a Western Indian City
Author : Lancy Lobo and Biswaroop Das

Contents: Glossary. 1. Introduction. 2. Slums and slum dwellers of Surat city. 3. Panchsheel and its people. 4. Coping with livelihood and other problems. 5. Entertainment and celebrations. 6. Communal riots and coping mechanisms. 7. Governmental and non-governmental interventions. 8. Epilogue. Appendices. Bibliography. Index.

Pub : Rawat Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : 203 p. ISBN : 8170336902
Price : US\$ 13.50

CRIME AGAINST CHILDREN
Author : Arunima Baruah

Pub : Kalpaz Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8178350823 Bib : 363pp
23cm HB Price : US\$ 26.50

PERSPECTIVES ON INDIAN SOCIETY AND HISTORY: A Critique
Hetukar Jha (Ed.)

Pub : Manohar Publishers, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8173044228 Bib : 123pp
23cm HB Price : US\$ 9.00

LAW AND CHILD LABOUR IN INDIA
Author : V Venkat Kanna

Pub : Anmol Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8126110333 Bib : 165pp
23cm HB Price : US\$ 15.00

INDIAN POLICE AND NEXUS CRIME
Author : James Vadackumchery

Pub : Kalpaz Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : 291pp 23cm HB ISBN :
8178350386 Price : US\$ 23.00

SIPIS
SOUTH INDIA POPULATION INFORMATION SYSTEM : VOLUME 1
TAMIL NADU AND PONDICHERRY

WHAT IS SIPIS?

SIPIS is a software designed to browse maps and statistics concerning South India's villages and towns. These maps and data are created with a customized application that has been developed especially to explore regional maps and data.

With SIPIS, you will also be able to consult the database by pointing at localities on a regional map with all villages and towns, as well as many other information "layers" such as roads, rivers, elevation or railways. To explore the map, you can from one area to another and zoom in or out to areas of your choice.

You may also locate specific places (Villages, taluks, etc) retrieve all available statistics about these localities and create new maps for statistics of your interest, by displaying labels, classifying data and changing the aspect of the map (colour, scale, legend, etc)

Does SIPIS cover all India?

No. SIPIS covers only South Indian States and will comprise four volumes (Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala). The first SIPIS volume

available is for Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry. A brief Tamil introduction is included in the Help menu of the software.

IS IT DIFFICULT TO USE SIPIS?

Not at all. SIPIS has been designed to be user friendly and to allow inexperienced end users to look at maps and data. You first have to install SIPIS on your IBM-compatible computer using your CD drive. The Setup programme will prompt you through the installation process.

When you launch SIPIS, the first screen you see is a default map of Tamil Nadu as shown on the left. The main SIPIS window has a command menu at the top. Below this menu are icons that represent shortcuts to many useful functions such as zooming or moving around your map, searching for localities or printing your windows.

Each map is a combination of layers that correspond to geographical objects such as administrative boundaries, urban and rural localities, roads, railways, drainage system, etc. On the left, in the legend bar, you will recognize the name of the different layers that compose each map. A scale bar in km is also provided.

Finding a locality on your map

The layers menu allows you to select the type of places you want to see on the map (districts, taluks, villages, towns). If you are familiar with the regional map, you may simply use the zoom tools to enlarge your map as desired. You can also move along your map by using the move button. All these facilities are directly accessible by a right-click of your mouse.

To find a particular place, use the Find button, by entering the village or taluk name. You may also check on the map tips facility on the lower right of your map and select the information you want to display temporarily on the map such towns names (default).

How to change a map with SIPIS?

SIPIS maps are composed of a succession of superimposed layers put on the top of each other. You may easily add layers by selecting new layers in the layer or background menus. Layers can temporarily be hidden and rearranged using the legend bar on the left.

Ordinary layers can be changed in many ways, by changing the appearance of each map unit or adding text labels onto the map.

Background (picture) maps such as for irrigation percentage, population sex ratio or elevation have been prepared by the SIPIS team and may not be changed at all.

To change the appearance of a layer, you first have to click twice on the layer's names in the left window. You may then choose different ways to change your map such as changing the style or the labels. SIPIS allows you also to perform a data analysis and to map the results as shown on the sample map of South Tamil Nadu.

Other features of SIPIS include :

- Printing maps
- Saving map projects that can be used later
- Saving maps as pictures (BMP and EMF format)
- Zooming to specific areas or perform queries to select localities with specific features
- Retrieving data about localities by pointing to them with the information button
- Viewing the full table of data

Data and maps

Most raw statistical data are copyrighted Census of India. They have been corrected whenever possible. The database was prepared by the team working in the south India Fertility Project, a research project on fertility decline in South India co-ordinated by CZ Guilmoto.

However, in view of the paucity of quality maps of South India, there may remain many discrepancies left in our database. For accurate physical administrative boundaries, refer to maps by the Survey of India.

Credits

The SIPIS team in Pondicherry was co-ordinated in Pondicherry by Christophe Z Guilmoto (IRD) and Sebastien Oliveau (Universite Paris I) Sattianarayanin Vingadassamy (French Institute of Pondicherry) and R.Amuda (South India Fertility Project) were in charge of the preparation of the database.

This project was made possible by a generous grant from the United Nations Fund for Population (UNFPA, New Delhi). Other Support from the department of Social sciences (French Institute of Pondicherry), the Wellcome Trust (London), and the French Research Institute for Development (IRD, Paris) is gratefully acknowledged.

Requirements :

- Ø An IBM PC with a CD-ROM drive. Large data processing requires a Pentium processor.
- Ø 95 MB for full installation (you can also sun SIPIS from the CD)

Price : US\$ 15.00(Vol.1) + Postage