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The characteristics and processes of identity formation and representation have been crucial preoccupations in social science and historical studies of Sarawak and the wider Borneo. We have examined Brooke and colonial policies on ethnicity, and political party formation, state-federal relations, nationalism and ethnicity in the post-independence period. We have considered inter-ethnic relations and the encounters between minorities and the state in the context of development and socio-economic change. However, Professor Zawawi's book demonstrates that in spite of this level of interest and activity there is still much to do. We have tended to concentrate on particular groups at the expense of others. Detailed studies of the Bidayus and Malays, for example, are few. We still know very little about ethnic relations in

urban settings and the politics of identity in relation to tourism development. We need to explore much more thoroughly the interrelationships between ethnicity and other principles of social organisation, including class, gender and patron-clientage.

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USA: Borneo Research Council, Inc, 1998
314p,; 24cm
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Cage of Freedom: Tamil Identity and the Ethnic Fetish in Malaysia / Andrew C. Willford
Singapore : NUS Press, 2007
Originally Published by University of Michigan Press in 2006
360p.
978-9971-69-391-6
\$ 27.00

In Cage of Freedom, Andrew Willford uses detailed ethnographic accounts of public and private rituals to examine a resurgence of Hindu religious practice within the Tamil community of Malaysia. Faced with a state-driven ethnic and religious nationalism, Malaysia's Tamil minority employs the idea of a greater "India" to blur ethnic boundaries, and an ecumenical and transcendental Hinduism to counter the modernist Islam promoted by the state. The author argues that the logic of nationalism in Malaysia and a legacy of social divisions have caused the Indian community to remain weak and disunited. This intimate portrait of the anxieties and desires of a diasporic community offers powerful insight into ethnic relations and nationalism.

Traditional health practices in Sri Lanka / Machiko Higuchi
Amsterdam : VU University Press, c2002
218 p. : ill. ; 25 cm.
Sri Lankan Studies 9
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\$ 19.50

[Sri Lanka represents one of those increasingly rare instances in which a system of traditional medicine has managed to survive despite its stepmother status, first under colonial rule, then under national governments, the indigenous system of medicine endures, serving about 50 per cent of the health care needs of the Sri Lankan population.

A lively introduction to traditional, age-old health practices in Sri Lanka, this volume examines the factors and processes by which people make choices between modern and traditional medicine.]

The Lion and the Sword : An ethnological study of Sri Lanka – Vol. 2 / Asiff Hussein
Sri Lanka : Asiff Hussein, c2008
293 p. ; 23 cm.
978-955-97262-3-4
\$ 24.00

[The work titled The lion and the Sword. Volume 2 is the second of its series and is by far the most comprehensive work so far on the country's caste system. It is the culmination of much research, inquiry and field studies on the various caste groups inhabiting the island, settlements, occupations and family names of the country's different caste groups.]

Society, state and religion in premodern Sri Lanka / Amaradasa Liyanagamage
2nd Print
Colombo : Social Scientists' Association, c2008
xlvii, 327 p. ; 23 cm. Includes maps.
978-955-9044-46-X
\$ 25.00

Austronesian in Sulawesi / Truman Simanjuntak (Ed)
Depok: Center for Prehistoric and Austronesian Studies (CPAS), 2008
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The strategic geographical position of Sulawesi in the center of the archipelago, makes this island as a crossroad for human and cultural diaspora throughout the time. One of the most outstanding role of Sulawesi is concerning the dispersal and development of Neolithic, which is believed as the Austronesian culture. Radiometric dates from Minanga Sipakko and other sites confirmed that Neolithic had well developed in this island since 3,500 BP. This is the oldest convinced date so far in Indonesian Archipelago, meaning that Sulawesi has an important role in the regional Austronesian-speaking people diaspora in prehistoric time.

Acting Authoritatively : How Authority is Expressed through Social Action among the Bentian of Indonesian Borneo / Kenneth Silander
Helsinki : Swedish School fo Social Science, University of Helsinki, 2004
X, 388p.
ISBN : 952-10-0362-0
ISSN : 1235-0966
Research Institute : 17
\$ 40.00

Majapahit / Trowulan
Jakarta: Indonesian Heritage Society, 2006
149p,; 30cm
ISBN: 9789799563460
\$ 49.50

This companion book was published on the occasion of the exhibition "The Grandeur of Majapahit' held at the Museum Nasional in Jakarta (November 14, 2006 - December 15, 2006).

Friglerin Gizemli Uygarligi - The Mysterious Civilization of the Phrygians / Hakan Sivas, Taciser Tufekci Sivas (Eds)
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295p,; 29cm
ISBN: 9789750813528
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Unravelling the Mosaic : Spatial Aspects of Ethnicity in Nepal / Pitamber Sharma

Lalitpur : HIMAL Books, c2008

111 p. ; 28 cm.

978-99933-43-91-2

\$ 15.00

[Unravelling the Mosaic : Spatial Aspects of Ethnicity in Nepal is being published at a time of rising identity consciousness in Nepal. Public discourse is dominated by the idea of reconfiguring the state along federal lines and a number of competing models of a federal state have been offered, ranging from those that hark back to an atavistic past that would federate the state along traditional territories of origin of some dominant groups to those that claim a basis in economic rationalism.]

Drokpa : Nomads of the Tibetan Plateau and Himalaya / Daniel J. Miller

Kathmandu : Vajra Publications, c2008

132 p. ; 21 cm.

978-99946-506-05-2

\$ 50.00

[Drokpa is a stunning portrait of the nomads of the Tibetan Plateau and Himalaya. Once widespread throughout the world, nomadic cultures are vanishing, High and remote, the grazing lands of Tibet and adjoining areas of Bhutan, India and Nepal still support nomads and their livestock. With evocative photographs and insightful text, the American rangeland ecologist Daniel Miller presents a visual record of these remarkable people who make a living moving with their animals in one of the harshest environments on earth.]

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Kathmandu : Vajra Publications, c2008

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Selected Bibliography

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xv, 289 p., [8] p. of plates : ill. (some col.) ; 24 cm.

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France : CNRS,2008

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Includes Bibliography.

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People of the Jungal : Reformulating Identities and adaptations in crisis / Edited by Marine Carrin and Harald Tambs-Lyche

New Delhi : Manohar publishers and distributors, c2008

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[Societies in the South Asia wilderness-jangal-are closely tied to the environment but peripheral to the systems of power. For them, the landscape is symbolically charged, and the meaning with which natural and social surroundings are invested tends to produce an identification as against others, expressed in terms of ethnicity. Changes at the symbolic level imply a danger of losing identity.]

People of India : West Bengal – Volume XXXXIII, Part 1 and 2 / Edited by K.S. Singh

Kolkata : Seagull Books, c2007

xli, 1397 p. : ill. ; 24 cm

Includes Bibliography and Index

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\$ 35.00

Household Fertility Behaviour and Children's Schooling Amongst Tribals / Sumanash Dutta

New Delhi : Mittal Publications, c2008

xiv, 146 p. ; 22 cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index.

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\$ 12.00

Socio-Cultural and Religious Life of Mao Naga Tribe / M.Daniel
New Delhi : Mittal Publications, c2008
viii, 121 p. ; 220 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index.
81-8324-151-4
\$ 8.00

Material Choices: Refashioning Bast and Leaf Fibers in Asia and the Pacific / Roy W Hamilton & B Lynne Milgram (Eds); Contributors: Sylvia Fraser-Lu ... (et al)
Los Angeles : Fowler Museum, 2007
187p,; 31cm
Fowler museum textile series no. 8
Includes bibliographical references and index
ISBN: 9780974872988
1. Plant fibers - Asia
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Asia is renowned for the production of fine handwoven cottons and luxurious silks - important items of trade for centuries. In addition to these celebrated fabrics, however, weavers throughout the region produced cloth from ramie, hemp, pina, and banana fibers (including Philippine abaca and Okinawan ito basho), as well as a number of lesser-known plant fibers. Over the course of the twentieth century, many of these Asian plant fiber weaving traditions became marginalized or hovered on the brink of extinction, given the advent of synthetic fabrics, growing industrialization, and increased international textile trade. As the essays in this book testify, however, they have not vanished altogether. Rather, in recent times weavers have purposefully chosen to pursue various efforts directed at their preservation, revival, or reinvention. In many cases, the production of bast and leaf fiber textiles is now thriving in newly globalized situations.

This volume presents eight essays documenting the current state of bast and leaf fiber weaving traditions in Vietnam, Borneo, Korea, Burma, Okinawa, the Philippines, Japan, and Micronesia. The processes that have nurtured or buffeted attempts to preserve or revive the production of these textiles are examined and abundantly illustrated with color photographs.

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