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Pakistan's Experiment in Political System and Other Essays / Mahboob Popatia  
Saliksons Publishers, Karachi, Pakistan 2018

x, 140p.

\$ 35.00 / HB

400 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=744594>

Living On The Edge : Pakistan-Iran Relations : Challenges and Prospects / Raza Ali Khan

Paramount Books (Pvt) Ltd, Karachi, Pakistan 2020

xxvi, 350p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789696378464

\$ 50.00 / HB

800 gm.

The fundamental reason to write this book is my strong conviction that there exists so much in common between Pakistan and Iran that these two neighbours deserve far better relations.

This relationship started off on an upbeat note. Iran was the first state that recognized Pakistan following its independence in August 1947. The Pakistani government reciprocated the act in February 1979, when Islamabad pioneered in recognizing the Islamic Republic of Iran subsequent to the Iranian Revolution.

The bond of commonality between Pakistan and Iran runs through common history to common civilization and also through common faith to common culture and common borders. Surely, these relations have not always been smooth but still never remained extremely rough. Iran has all along supported Pakistan in crises. Pakistan too has been helped towards its neighbor in difficult times.

This book is therefore an attempt to identify those common grounds which if genuinely discovered may bring Islamabad and Tehran well knitted to work for the betterment of the region. Through this book, I have endeavoured to analyse all conceivable factors and trends impacting these relations with a view to suggest the way forward for improvement in relations. It explores the state of strategic, economic, political, security, and other relations between the two neighbours. Also examined are the areas of convergence and divergence amongst these two states.

This book will be useful to students of international relations, carrying out research on security politics of South Asia affecting Pakistan, Iran and Afghanistan. It will also be a good guide for policymakers/opinion-builders focusing on foreign affairs and security of Pakistan especially with regard to Iran and Afghanistan.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=744593>

Pakistan's Perpetual Crisis and Civil-Military Relations (2008-12) Internal and International Factors / Nasreen Akhtar

Royal Book Company, Karachi, Pakistan 2020

xiv, 294p.

9789694074948

\$ 40.00 / null

350 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=744592>

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Turkey and Russia in Syria : Testing the Extremes / Hasan Yukselen

SETA Publications, Ankara, Turkey 2020

330p.

9786257040860

\$ 45.00 / null

380 gm.

This book will answer the key research question of which characteristics (changing or enduring) of the Syrian War caused Turkey and Russia to oscillate between the extremes of war and alliance. By focusing on these characteristics in Syria, commonly accepted as a proxy war but with subtle changes to the definition due to its context, this book shows how the changing character of war influences state behaviors and relations both between and among them. Addressing the underlying question of what makes states cooperate while carrying on and/or being forced to accommodate diverging strategic ends, conditioned by unbalanced military power and laden with contentious agendas, uncovers the embedded controversies of the process that facilitates this oscillation. Finally, to reveal the broader implications, highlight the relevance, and to make a contribution to the literature based on the research, this study addresses the overarching question of how proxy wars alter interstate relations and relations within alliances.

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The Bureaucratic Policy Capacity of The Turkish Ministry of the Interior (2002-2016) / Mehmet Akcay

Turk Idari Arastirmalar Vakfi Iktisadi Isletmesi (TIAV), Ankara, Turkey 2020

330p.

9786056972379

\$ 75.00 / null

600 gm.

This research project assesses the bureaucratic policy capacity of the Turkish Ministry of the Interior (MoI) to understand and describe the complex capacity of the one of the most important public Turkish departments. It explores the coherence, interrelationships and integration of the three competences (i.e. the analytical, administrative, and political) in terms of three resource levels of capacity (i.e. individual, organisational and systemic).

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Solved! : how other countries have cracked the world's biggest problems and we can too / Andrew Wear

Black Inc. Books, Australia 2020

324 pages : charts ; 24 cm

9781760641641

\$ 29.99 / null

445 gm.

Sometimes the solutions are closer than we think. Denmark will reach 100 per cent renewable electricity by 2030. Iceland has topped gender equality rankings for a decade and counting. Singaporean students beat almost all others in maths and reading. South Koreans will soon live longer than anyone else on Earth. The US city of Boston, global epicentre of biotech, has the most innovative square mile on the planet. How have these places and more achieved such remarkable success? Policy adviser Andrew Wear examines what has worked around the world and how we can apply the lessons at home, introducing us to inspiring community leaders, renowned authorities and visionary policymakers transforming the globe. We don't have to look far to tackle humanity's most pressing concerns. Solved! is a much-needed dose of optimism in an atmosphere of doom and gloom, a toolkit for those seeking social change. Informative, accessible and revelatory, it shows the solutions exist – we just need to know where to find them.

Social change. | Climate change mitigation. | Education. | Crime prevention. | Sex discrimination. | Multiculturalism. | Equality. | Democracy. | Public health. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691162>

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Oil under troubled water : Australia's Timor Sea intrigue / Bernard Collaery

Melbourne University Press, Australia 2020

xxi, 466 pages : illustrations, portraits ; 24 cm

9780522876499

\$ 39.99 / null

655 gm.

In May 2018 Bernard Collaery, a former Attorney-General of the Australian Capital Territory and long-term legal counsel to the government of East Timor, was charged by the Australian Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions with conspiracy to breach the Intelligence Services Act 2001. He was forbidden from talking about the charges against him, but under parliamentary privilege independent MP Andrew Wilkie revealed what has since been described as 'Australian politics' biggest scandal'. Five years earlier, after ASIO officers raided Collaery's home and office, Collaery told journalists that ASIS had been bugging the East Timorese government during negotiations over Timor Sea oil. He was about to represent East Timor; as well as calling the evidence of a former senior ASIS agent known publicly only as Witness K, at The Hague in a case against the Australian government. Oil Under Troubled Water relates the sordid history of Australian government dealings with East Timor, and how the actions of both major political parties have enriched Australia and its corporate allies at the expense of its tiny neighbour and wartime ally, one of the poorest nations in the world.

Collaery, Bernard. | Australian Secret Intelligence Service. | Petroleum reserves -- Timor Sea. | Offshore oil industry -- Australia. | Offshore oil industry -- Timor-Leste. | Intelligence service -- Australia. | Official secrets -- Australia. | National security -- Australia. | Espionage -- Australia. | Australia -- Foreign relations -- Timor-Leste. | Timor-Leste -- Foreign relations -- Australia. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691160>

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Nothing Human is Alien to Me: Aijaz Ahmad in conversation with Vijay Prashad / Aijaz Ahmad, Vijay Prashad

Left Word Books, New Delhi 2020

220p; pb; 22cm

9788194728719

\$ 8.75 / null

350 gm.

Some radical critics may have forgotten about Marxism; but Marxism, in the shape of Ahmad's devastating, courageously unfashionable critique, has not forgotten about them." – Terry Eagleton's blurb for Aijaz Ahmad's celebrated book, *In Theory: Classes, Nations, Literatures* (1992).

Two features characterize the entire body of Aijaz Ahmad's work, which offers us a way to read the history of the present. First, his evident wide reading about the history and sociology of the world, which allows him to provide the necessary global context for his study and for our new times that remain tied to the contradictions of a longer history. Second, his grip on Marxism, a living Marxism, a Marxism that has absorbed both the streams of Western Marxism and of national liberation Marxism.

Vijay Prashad writes that it is impossible for him to think without thinking alongside the work of Aijaz Ahmad. In this fascinating and wide-ranging conversation, he draws out Ahmad, separating and interweaving strands of his thought, and in the process inviting us, the readers, to take a look at the method that drives his analysis. In the process, we learn to think through the present, better.

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Police and government in Australia : who's in charge and who should be in charge? / Ian Killey

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

xiv, 475 pages ; 24 cm

9781925801804

\$ 87.99 / HB

890 gm.

Ian Killey examines what should be a simple question: Who controls the body exercising the policing power of the state? He finds the current understanding is both confused and concerning. Previous examinations and changes to Australian legislation have been made without considering basic elements, such as the parliamentary intention of earlier legislation; the doctrine of ministerial responsibility; the Canadian review of the same statutory model; and the intention of the founder of modern policing, Sir Robert Peel. Despite these and other serious inadequacies, the legal or conventional independence of police is now widely believed to exist. Yet Australian parliaments have also routinely provided governments with indirect and non-transparent means of influencing police by reducing the security of tenure of Police Commissioners. Dr Killey argues that Australian police forces have the elements of the worst of all possible worlds: a confused mixture of asserted police independence based on bad history and poor legal analysis combined with provisions which encourage police subordination by non-transparent, indirect government influence. His book undertakes a complete assessment of the constitutional relationship of Australian police with government and proposals for law reform for the establishment of a clear, coherent and constitutional relationship between them.

Police -- Australia. | Police -- Government policy -- Australia. | Law enforcement -- Australia. | Police power -- Australia. | Separation of powers -- Australia. | Constitutional law -- Australia. | Law reform -- Australia. | Australian.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686906>

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Being left-wing in Australia: identity, culture and politics after socialism / Geoff Robinson

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

xviii, 388 pages ; 23 cm

9781925801798

\$ 93.99 / null

615 gm.

In the last three decades the Australian Left has shaped national life. The collapse of the socialist project in the eighties enabled the rebirth of the Australian Left as a force of government. The Left of the Labor Party has moved from the fringes to a central position in the party while the Greens have built an electoral basis outside Labor. Questions of legal liberalism, indigenous rights and sexual identity have become central to Left politics, but mostly not economics. This new Left has grappled with the remnant past radicalisms, such as Marxism and radical feminism, but also new challenges: religious fundamentalism, right-wing populism, the crisis in many Indigenous communities, the global economic crisis and the rise of the Greens as a challenge to Labor. This new Left has been underpinned by the rise of intellectual celebrities and practices such as human rights law and a left-wing way of everyday life.

Australian Labor Party -- History -- 1990- | Australian Greens -- History -- 1990 - | Right and left (Political science) -- Australia. | Socialism -- Australia -- History. | New Left -- Australia -- History. | Australia -- Politics and government -- 1990- | Australian  
<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686910>

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Contest for the Indo-Pacific : why China won't map the future / Rory Medcalf  
La Trobe University Press 2020

x, 310 pages : maps, illustrations ; 24 cm  
9781760641573  
\$ 32.99 / null  
480 gm.

What we call different parts of the world, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, seems innocuous. But the name of a region is totemic: a mental map that guides the decisions of leaders and the story of international order, war and peace. In recent years, the label 'Indo-Pacific' has gained wide use, including among the leaders of the United States, India, Japan, Australia, Indonesia and France. But what does it really mean? Written by a recognised expert and regional policy insider, Contest for the Indo-Pacific is the definitive guide to tensions in the region. It deftly weaves together history, geopolitics, cartography, military strategy, economics, games and propaganda to address a vital question: how can China's dominance be prevented without war?

Geopolitics -- Pacific Area. | Geopolitics -- China. | Geopolitics -- Indian Ocean Region. | Security, International. | Economic forecasting. | International economic relations. | China -- Foreign relations -- 21st century. | Indian Ocean Region -- Foreign relations -- 21st century. | Pacific Area -- Foreign relations -- 21st century. | Pacific Area -- Politics and government -- Forecasting. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691144>

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City on fire : the fight for Hong Kong / Antony Dapiran

Scribe Publications, Australia 2020

x, 320 pages, 8 unnumbered pages of plates : colour illustrations ; 20 cm  
9781922310002  
\$ 34.99 / null  
465 gm.

Through the long, hot summer of 2019, Hong Kong burned. Anti-government protests, sparked by a government proposal to introduce a controversial extradition law, grew into a pro-democracy movement that engulfed the city for months. Protesters fought street battles with police, and the unrest brought the People's Liberation Army to the doorstep of Hong Kong. Driven primarily by youth protesters with their 'Be water!' philosophy, borrowed from hometown hero Bruce Lee, this leaderless, technology-driven protest movement defied a global superpower and changed Hong Kong, perhaps forever. In *City on Fire*, Antony Dapiran provides the first detailed analysis of the protests, and reveals the protesters' unique tactics. He explains how the movement fits into the city's long history of dissent, examines the cultural aspects of the movement, and looks at what the protests will mean for the future of Hong Kong, China, and China's place in the world. *City on Fire* will be seen as the definitive account of an historic upheaval.

Protest movements -- China -- Hong Kong -- History -- 21st century. | Hong Kong (China) -- Politics and government -- 21st century. | Hong Kong (China) -- Social conditions -- 21st century. | Australian  
<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=691145>

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The manner of their going : Prime Ministerial exits in Australia / Norman Abjorensen ; foreword by Frank Bongiorno

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2020

x, 273 pages ; 23 cm

9781925984064

\$ 75.00 / null

445 gm.

For those who want to understand Australian politics today - 'Norman Abjorensen doesn't shy from judgement in this meticulously researched, detailed and illuminating book on the last days of our leading politicians. Only one Prime Minister, Robert Menzies, has ever voluntarily departed politics for a graceful retirement, while three died in office; the remaining twenty-three were all forced from office in one way or another. Here, armed with the forensic skill of a surgeon and the insight of an expert observer, Dr Abjorensen picks apart the fatal flaws that contributed to their failure.'

Prime ministers -- Australia. | Politicians -- Australia. | Australia -- Politics and government -- History. | Australian

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686904>

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India: Liberal Democracy and the Extreme Right / Aijaz Ahmad

Nava Telangana Publishing House, Hyderabad 2020

112p; pb; 21cm

9789387858657

\$ 3.00 / null

230 gm.

The RSS was founded ninety years ago, in 1925, on an uncannily Gramscian principle that enduring political power can arise only on the basis of a prior cultural transformation and consent, and this broad based cultural consent to the extreme right's doctrines can only be built through a long historical process, from the bottom up. What follows from this ideological articulation of the long-term strategy is that if the RSS succeeds in constituting a certain sort of social subjectivity for the great majority of Hindus in India who are said to constitute some 80 per cent of the Indian population (we shall come later to this claim) and if they can all be unified, positively, in pursuit of a civilisational mission, and, negatively, in permanent opposition to a fancied enemy (Muslim and Christian minorities in the countries), as the Nazis sought to unite the German nation against the Jews, then the demographic majority can be turned into a permanent political majority. In that case, what the left might designate as the extreme right could rule comfortably through the institutions of liberal democracy in India that have already adjusted themselves to low-intensity but punctual use of violence against religious minorities.

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The Ultimate Goal: A Former R&AW Chief Deconstructs How Nations Construct Narratives / Vikram Sood

Harper Collins Publishers, Uttar Pradesh 2020

xviii; 348p; hb; 24cm  
includes index

9789353579517

\$ 17.50 / HB

620 gm.

In The Ultimate Goal, Vikram Sood, former chief of India's external intelligence agency, the Research and Analysis Wing (R&AW), explains 'the narrative' and how a country's ability to construct, sustain and control narratives, at home and abroad, enhances its strength and position. Intelligence agencies invariably play a critical role in this, an often-indispensable tool of statecraft.

A 'narrative' may not necessarily be based on truth, but it does need to be plausible, have a meaning and create a desired perception. During most of the twentieth century, intelligence agencies helped shape narratives favourable to their countries' agendas through literature, history, drama, art, music and cinema. Today, social media has become crucial to manipulating, countering or disrupting narratives, with its ability to spread fake news disinformation, and provoke reactions.

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Party list system : its advocacies, functions, and program involvement / Belarmino, Alexis

Galda Verlag, Glienicke, Germany 2018

xii, 136 pages : illustrations ; 23 cm

9783962030513

\$ 39.99 / null

280 gm.

The Philippine Research Colloquium series offer highly specialized works from the Philippine humanities and social sciences. In many cases, these are award-winning dissertations by promising young scientists.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712916>

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The True Mirror : Malaysian Journal of the Legislature Volume 1, Issue 1, July 2020 /

Priyankas Enterprise, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia 2020

xii, 140p.

ISSN: 2462-1080 ; 9772462108006

\$ 25.00 / null

300 gm.

The True Mirror: Malaysian Journal of the Legislature is the first Malaysian Journal of its kind to be published that focuses exclusively on the Parliament.

The first issue of the Journal features articles from former Dewan Rakyat Speaker, His Excellency Tan Sri Pandikar Amin Mulia; and former Dewan Negara Deputy Speaker Datuk Doris Sophia Brodie.

The True Mirror focuses on the current issues, reforms, and challenges facing Malaysia's Parliamentary Democracy. Topics featured in Issue 1 include the Vote of No Confidence in Parliament, the position of the Speaker of the House in the Constitution, need for a Constitutional Court in Malaysia and Parliamentary Privilege.

The periodical publication seeks to encourage greater research and the sharing of ideas, experiences and information on issues relating to the legislature and parliamentary democracy in Malaysia.

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The Great Reset : 100 Days of Malaysia's Triple Crisis / Liew Chin Tong

Research for Social Advancement, Kuala Lumpur 2020

226p.

9789675942181

\$ 15.00 / null

332 gm.

There is talk that Perikatan Nasional is going to call a general election, banking on the hope that Malays will vote for a Malay government, and even deliver a two-thirds majority to Perikatan Nasional.

Let me put it in simple terms, if I ever believe that only Chinese would vote for a Chinese party, I would not have joined the DAP in 1999; the year when Kit Siang and Karpal Singh both lost in constituencies with a high concentration of Chinese voters.

Back in the early 2000s, we believed that Chinese and Indian voters would eventually vote for a multi-ethnic party, and that would be the DAP, and that with a multi-ethnic coalition, the Malays would come on board.

Now, twenty years later, I still don't believe that Malays will vote for a Malay government simply because it is Malay in character, and without considering whether it is full of crooks or not.

I believe many of my colleagues and comrades are in politics because we believe in the Malaysian Middle. We believe that there is a sizable middle group among Malay voters and among all ethnic groups who want to achieve clean government, smaller income gaps, and a country that we can all be proud of. It is our conviction that we can articulate a Malaysian civic nation or a new nationalism that every Malaysian can subscribe to and belong to.

Malaysians who believe that the idea of Malaysia is one that is worth fighting for would have to rise to the occasion to lead the Great Reset for a better Malaysia.

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The Politics of South China Sea Disputes / Nehginpao Kipgen

Routledge, New Delhi 2020

xii,135p.;22cm

Includes Index, Bibliography

9780367512064

\$ 17.50 / null

250 gm.

This book is a comprehensive political study of the South China Sea (SCS) disputes. With over US \$5 trillion worth of trade passing through it every year and a history of military flashpoints, the SCS is invariably a hotbed of great power rivalry. This book: Traces the history of the disputes from the 19th century until recent developments; Examines recent arbitrations including the ruling on the case filed by the Philippines at the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) at the Hague, the Netherlands; Studies these disputes in a theoretical framework, utilising international relations theories, particularly realism, liberalism and constructivism; Explores how the ASEAN states approach the SCS disputes, and analyses dispute settlement under international law. Drawing on extensive fieldwork and interviews with experts and those directly involved with the disputes, this book is indispensable for students and researchers of maritime studies, security studies, politics and international relations, geopolitics and Asian studies.

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Southeast Asian Affairs 2020 / Malcolm Cook and Daljit Singh

ISEAS 2020

426 p

9789814881302

\$ 48.83 / HB

905 gm.



"Southeast Asian Affairs, first published in 1974, continues today to be required reading for not only scholars but the general public interested in in-depth analysis of critical cultural, economic and political issues in Southeast Asia. In this annual review of the region, renowned academics provide comprehensive and stimulating commentary that furthers understanding of not only the region's dynamism but also of its tensions and conflicts. It is a must read." - Suchit Bunbongkarn, Emeritus Professor, Chulalongkorn University "Now in its forty-seventh edition, Southeast Asian Affairs offers an indispensable guide to this fascinating region. Lively, analytical, authoritative, and accessible, there is nothing comparable in quality or range to this series. It is a must read for academics, government officials, the business community, the media, and anybody with an interest in contemporary Southeast Asia. Drawing on its unparalleled network of researchers and commentators, ISEAS is to be congratulated for producing this major contribution to our understanding of this diverse and fast-changing region, to a consistently high standard and in a timely manner." - Hal Hill, H.W. Arndt Professor of Southeast Asian Economies, Australian National University

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Advocacy in a Time of Change : Business Associations and the Pakatan Harapan Government in Malaysia, 2018 -20 / Michael T. Schaper

ISEAS, Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020

48p.

Includes Bibliographical references

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881821

\$ 9.00 / null

120 gm.

There are at least 80-100 business associations in Malaysia today, representing over 600,000 firms. In February to April 2020, a range of chamber leaders and officers were interviewed to record their experiences of the recent Pakatan Harapan administration, and any future lessons for business associations in post GE-14 Malaysia.

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GE2020 : Fair or Foul? / Bertha Henson

Epigram Books, Singapore 2020

232p. ; 152x225mm.

Includes Index

9789814901512

\$ 26.00 / null

380 gm.

Singapore's 2020 general election saw its fair share of drama and comedy, and the results were not unexpected. But beyond the polls, the hard truth is impossible to avoid—the electoral system is in dire need of an overhaul. Former journalist and university lecturer Bertha Henson takes you through the days leading up to 10 July 2020 and peels back the veneer of Singapore politics. Aided by a team of NUS undergraduates, she draws on her past experience covering Singapore's polls to give you a blow-by-blow account of the campaign

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Look East to Act East : Transforming India-ASEAN Relations in Modi Era / Sudhir Singh

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi 2020

247 x 319 x 31 (mm)

9788194283713

\$ 37.50 / HB

Act East Policy launched in 2014 has been one of the signature foreign policy approaches of Modi-1 government and is a proactive foreign policy initiative. The movement from Look East to Act East was necessitated by the changing contours of security architecture in the larger context of the Indo-Pacific region. Act East Policy has further expanded the geography within its imprint; Myanmar to Australia comes under its domain. ASEAN and East Asian countries expect India to play a counter-balancing role within the region. Under Modi government, India has taken a principled stand on disputes like South and East China Seas stating that all disputing parties must adhere to international laws. This policy provides a broad canvass for issues ranging from economy, culture to strategy. The re-election of Modi with a larger majority in May 2019 is bound to consolidate the Act East Policy. India has developed convergences with many important countries of the region under the ambit of this policy and it is bound to pay more dividends in the foreseeable future for India`s national interests.

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Making India Great: The Promise of a Reluctant Global Power / Aparna Pande

HarperCollins,Noida,U.P 2020

xxviii,208p, 22cm,hb

Includes,Index

9789353578015

\$ 15.00 / HB

390 gm.

India will be the world's most populous country by 2024 and its third largest economy by 2028. But the size of our population and a sense of historical greatness our ambition to become a global powder. Our approach to realize this vision needs more than just planning for economic growth. It requires a shift in attitudes.

The New India holds all the promise of greatness that many of its citizens dream of. Can it become a reality? The book delves deep into this question.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=716902>

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Dismantling Jammu and Kashmir / Prakash Karat,(Et.Al);Nellore Narasimha Rao(Ed.)

Nava Telangana Publishing House,Hyderabad 2019

128p.;22cm.

9789387858367

\$ 4.00 / HB

180 gm.

Can you hear it too,  
the beating of her heart?  
Everything burnt away years ago  
The fire alarm has been  
ringing for decades  
The sirens have been going on for months  
The Violence in the street  
has aged beyond its expiry last supper  
The bullbul now only sings the death song

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=688296>

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China Reconnects: Joining A Deep-rooted Past To A New World Order / Gungwu Wang

World Scientific Publishing Co Pte Ltd 2019

xx, 188p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789811203602

\$ 30.00 / null

420 gm.

The book shows how the Chinese are now confident of their capacity to learn all they need from the developed world and are keen to know which parts of the past they would need to build a modern Chinese civilization. They are very conscious of the challenges coming from the United States, and are looking for ways and means to respond to a superpower that wants to preserve its dominant position in the international status quo. The book seeks to explain what China is doing and what its immediate and long-term interests are. It is not to defend or judge China. It does not employ theoretical frameworks that are not appropriate for describing Chinese conditions. It calls for understanding why history is particularly relevant to the Chinese state and most of its people. That way, we also see how the present and hopes for the future changes our perspectives of the past.

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Global Leaders' Views On The Belt and Road Initiative, 1st Edition / Sun Chao

Gale Asia (Cengage Learning Asia), Singapore 2021

440p.

9814922730 ; 9789814922739

\$ 150.00 / HB

The Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) was unveiled by Chinese President Xi Jinping during his visits to Central and Southeast Asia in 2013. Also dubbed as the Silk Road Economic Belt and the 21st Century Maritime Silk Road, the BRI aims to promote policy coordination, connectivity of infrastructure and facilities, unimpeded trade, financial integration, and closer people-to-people ties through a consultative process and joint efforts, with the goal of bringing benefits to all. Over the years, support for and participation in the initiative has grown to involve more than 140 countries and 80 international organizations. All of these epitomize the world's keen expectations for equality, cooperation, and development.

Global Leaders on the Belt and Road Initiative brings together the voices of leaders from various partner countries and international organizations in a collection of 36 interviews. Conducted by Sun Chao, these interviews offer unique insights into the opportunities, challenges, and prospects of the BRI through the words of ambassadors, high-ranking government officials, and top executives actively involved in it. As the world continues to face challenges on a global scale, this book represents an addition to the ongoing discussions on the ever-crucial topic of international connectivity and cooperation.

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The Politics of Poverty Reduction in India: The UPA Government, 2004 to 2014 / James Chiriyankandath, Diego Maiorano, James Manor

Orient Blackswan, Hyderabad 2020

192p.;

9789352878482

\$ 14.50 / null

In 2004 the Congress-led United Progressive Alliance coalition unexpectedly came to power in India, promising to govern in the interests of the 'aam aadmi'. Over the next decade, it introduced several rights-based laws and welfare programmes targeting mass poverty. However, how fully did the UPA deliver on its promise to meet the needs of the poor?

In *The Politics of Poverty Reduction*, four internationally-reputed specialists in Indian politics and public policy answer this by offering a critical review of the five most important initiatives: the National Food Security Act, the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, the Integrated Child Development Services, the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission, and the Forest Rights Act.

The first systematic review of the politics and policy-making behind the UPA's anti-poverty programmes, this book unearths the constellation of interests that shaped their legislation, and the key roles played by central, state and local governments, senior politicians, bureaucrats, civil activists, courts and the private sector in influencing the UPA's agenda. Focusing on political dynamics and the crucial issue of implementation, the authors address how concerns such as coalitions of interest, resource availability, and local and state administrative capacity shaped what was thought possible at the implementation stage.

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Selected Topics on Defence Economics and Terrorism / Olcay Colak and Sevilay Ece Gumus Ozuyar

Ekin Yayinevi (Ekin Basim Yayin Digiitim), Ankara, Turkey 2020

200p.

9786257090896

\$ 39.50 / null

350 gm.

This study, titled "Selected Topic on Defence Economics and Terror-ism", has been aimed to address the issues that are missing in the field of terrorism and defence economics from different perspectives. The currentness and the timeliness of the topic has always lured the attention of academicians and policy makers working in this field in this context, this study is a kind of manual consisting of up-to-date and original works for ali interested agents in terms of the content of the published works.

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Kashmir Conundrum : Reconciliation, Peace Building and Conflict Transformation / Javaid Hayat and Raja Qaiser Ahmed

Ekin Yayinevi (Ekin Basim Yayin Digiitim), Ankara, Turkey 2020

152p.

9786257090360

\$ 39.50 / null

280 gm.

The partition of the South Asian sub-continent resulted in two sovereign states, India and Pakistan in 1947. That was the year in which India and Pakistan gained freedom. It was also the year in which the people of Jammu and Kashmir began a new era of suffering. Most histories of conflicts have been written in favor of the winner and occupiers and this is true in the case of the Kashmir in which much have been written from Indian or Pakistani perspectives and much less so from a Kashmir perspective.

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Kosovo Issue and Turkey : Nationalism in the Balkans / Mehmet Cem Ogulturk

Ekin Basim Yayin Dagitim, Ankara, Turkey 2020

342p.

9786257090537

\$ 55.00 / null

550 gm.

In international politics, the evaluation of a region with multiple actors such as the Balkans is only possible by means of a many-sided and comprehensive study. The truths that are encountered in relation to the Balkans are the influences of demography, geography and extremal forces on Balkan geopolitics and history. Kosovo is also, because of its geographical location, constituting a crucial point in the Balkans, strategically in a very important region. Because of this fact, from past to present it has become a lot of countries' interest. After the Cold War, with the help of revolutions of 1989, world witnessed the changing movements and democratization process with together the rebirth of nationalism in former communist regime of Central and Eastern Europe. Nationalism dominated the political discussion and analysis of the Balkans in the length of the time. Nationalism became an important instrument in order to activate the hostilities among the ethnic groups before and during the Balkan conflicts. However it is not the only source of the conflict in Balkans. During the post-Cold War period, Turkish foreign policy gained several new aspects and experienced significant changes. With the dissolution of the Soviet Union and breakup of the communist regimes in the Balkans, the Iron Curtain which divided Turkey and Balkan states disappeared and these developments brought out a renewed Turkish interest and connection in the region. However this early optimism gave way to stability and security concerns with the bloody disintegration of Yugoslavia and the emergence of new conflicts and wars in the Balkans. Turkey had to bring forth new approaches and policies in order to face the difficulties in this unstable geopolitical atmosphere. Kosovo issue is also a multifaceted one that has historical foundation. Considering the plans of global powers over Balkans, Kosovo issue seems likely to effect the stabilization of all Balkans, Caucasus, and the Middle East. By Kosovo's declaring its independence the issue became more complicated contrary to come to a solution.

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Trump's Jerusalem Move : Making Sense of U.S. Policy on the Israeli Palestinian Conflict / Kadir Ustun and Kilic B. Kanat

SETA Publications, Ankara, Turkey 2020

208p.

9786057544926

\$ 45.00 / null

350 gm.

President Trump's decision to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and move the U.S. embassy to the city prompted this edited volume. Trump had already promised to make this move on the campaign trail but most of the foreign policy experts did not expect him to go forward with the idea as quickly as he did. Many judged that it would most likely be a promise unkept and the decades-old U.S. policy would hold. The Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995 recognized the city as the capital of the State of Israel and called for Jerusalem to remain an undivided city. However, all the U.S. administrations left the issue to be resolved between the parties as part of the final status negotiations. Prior to Trump's decision, most experts considered the peace process to be real in name only with very little prospect for a two-state solution. In this sense, Trump's decision was essentially a nail in the coffin of the peace process. The U.S. was finally openly admitting what many critics argued for a long time, that is, the U.S. would side with Israel.

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Rethinking Security Initiatives in Nigeria / Babafemi A. Badejo

Yintab Compound, Lagos, Nigeria 2020

xix, 65p.

Includes Index

9789789799909

\$ 20.00 / null

220 gm.

The book reflects a deep and abiding commitment to effecting change in the heightened spate of insecurity in Nigeria and the launching of a complementary security outfit called "Operation Amotekun" as a measure to mitigating insecurity in the Southwestern geopolitical zone of Nigeria.

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Waning Strength of Government : Essays on Nigeria's Governance / Oseloka H. Obaze

Origami (Parresia Publishing Ltd.), Lagos, Nigeria 2020

xxviii, 256p.

9789789813124

\$ 40.00 / null

420 gm.

In *Waning Strength of Government*, Obaze draws on twenty-three of his various speeches, policy briefs, lectures and op-eds, to render exploratory essays that dissect some common patterns and trajectories that point anathematically to factors and conducts, which ought to constitute the strength of government, but don't. In so doing, he unmasks the prevailing weaknesses and waning strength of government - the attendant consequences, and their prevalence and implications for Nigeria.

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Prince of Benicrosia : The Making of New African Nation / Salvation Ngazodo Philip

PurpleBloom Publishers, Nigeria 2020

202p.

9789785725308

\$ 35.00 / null

400 gm.

Growing up I saw first hand the oppressive and exploitative character of the fulani-controlled Nigerian state. This further confirmed to me that something fundamental has been wrong with the British conscripted Nigerian state of irreconcilable forces. A creation primarily to service mainly British and Fulani interests rather than those of the indigenous nationalities. *Prince of Benicrosia: The Making of a New African Nation*, therefore is not just an ordinary literary adventure. The book is rather a spiritual and sociopolitical manifesto. A piece of art that seeks to describe the past, explain the present and forecast the great future that awaits the citizenry of Benicrosia. The book is for every Nigerian, African, international community, elites, humanity, the universal church of God, and so on. A material that cuts across age, gender, ethnicity, faith, and political lineage. It is a trumpet to awaken the present generation of Nigerians for a strategic civil duty to rescue the fatherland. The work is a clarion call not to allow the labours of our founding fathers to be in vain. A Blueprint for the establishment of Benicrosia the new homeland for all the oppressed and exploited indigenous nationalities.

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The Civil Service in Nigeria : Evolution and Challenges / Ebum O. Omoyele

Ebum O. Omoyele, Lagos, Nigeria 2019

xiv, 258p.

Includes Index

9789789695478

\$ 35.00 / null

350 gm.

The book traces the origin of Nigeria Civil Service to the colonization by the British in the nineteenth century of the three territories which together later became known as Nigeria. It discloses that the main purpose of establishing the Service was to assist the colonisers in the maintenance of law and order in the areas being colonised. It deals with the gradual integration of the three services from 1898 until they emerged as one service in 1914.

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The University-Media Complex : A Nigeria's Foremost Amusement Chain /  
Jimanze Ego- Allowes

The Stone Press, Lagos, Nigeria 2018

296p.

9789676866

\$ 35.00 / null

420 gm.

How do nations achieve political stability and economic growth? In a remarkable philosophical blueprint, Jimanze Ego-Allowes maps the way forward with insight and freshness.

Never again will the stability of nations be discussed without reference to some of the ideas introduced in the seminal work .... What astonishes is the depth and spread of unexpected originality that dot this work. Not to read this book is to great injustice to oneself.

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Why Biafra Refuses to Die! : A Piece on the Most Populous Black Nation and Her  
Political Experiences / James Bank

Life Spring Publishing House, Lagos, Nigeria 2020

136p.

9789789825301

\$ 35.00 / null

300 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743304>

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These Times : Selected Writing and Speeches of Nasir El-Rufai, Volume 2 : Inside  
/ Nasir Ahmad El-Rufai

Safari Books Ltd., Ibadan, Nigeria 2020

xiv, 306p.

9789785661385

\$ 55.00 / null

520 gm.

This collection of writings and speeches seeks to promote public discourse on the key public policy issues Nigeria confronts. Volume 1 covers the view from the outside, his newspaper columns as a private citizen analysing the policy choices made by leaders in addressing the challenges of governance. Volume 2 shows the thoughts of an insider, reflected in the speeches he has delivered as Governor of Kaduna State, taking responsibility for many of the issues on which he had previously commented on how others handled them.

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Connecting Oceans : Malaysia as a Nusantara Civilisation / Hans-Dieter Evers,  
Abdul Rahman Embong

Penerbit Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKMPress), Selangor, Malaysia 2020

194p.

Includes Index

9789672388968

\$ 17.50 / null

350 gm.

1. Geopolitics – Malaysia.
2. Geopolitics – Southeast Asia.
3. Malaysia – Foreign relations.
4. Malaysia – Politics and government.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=743774>

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Cabals And Cartels : An Up Close Look at Nepal's Turbulent Transition and Disrupted Development / Rajib Upadhyia

Fine Print, Kathmandu, Nepal 2020

1v.

9789937665629

\$ 35.00 / HB

This absorbing tale of Nepal's trials and tribulations in a challenging period is remarkable both for the depth of analysis and the breadth of its coverage. Focused on the country's dysfunctional transitional Governments of Nepal.

Cabals and Cartels takes us through the early reform years of the 1990s, the insurgency, Gyanendra's reign, the peace process, and finally the new federal system - with Nepal's politico-business nexus as the thread running through it all.

"This absorbing tale of Nepal's trials and tribulations in a challenging period is remarkable both for the depth of analysis and the breadth of its coverage. Focused on the country's dysfunctional transitional politics in relation to development and international aid, the book crafts a lucid story that reaches into critical aspects of Nepal's political economy to highlight a 'dark underbelly that continues to upset the hopes and promises of post-conflict transition."

- Devendra Raj Pandey, Former Finance Minister and author of Nepal's Failed Development

"A brilliant and courageous analysis of how Nepal's pursuit of reform is ultimately shaped by the realities of the cartels and cabals. It keeps the injustices of daily life of Nepal's citizens firmly in view as it walks us through pivotal moments... For those who care about democracy and development, it provides important insights... For Nepali citizens and policy makers, it provides essential reading and a call to urgent action."

- Clare Lockhart, Director, Institute for State Effectiveness and co-author of Fixing Failed States

"Part memoir, part political-economy analysis, this book is a gripping account of Nepal's struggle for development. Cabals and Cartels doesn't mince words, slays a few sacred cows, and provides an analytical narrative that will help the Nepali people-and those of other poor countries-escape poverty."

- Shantayanan Devarajan, Professor, Practice of International Development, Georgetown University and former Chief Economist of the World Bank's South Asia Region

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=710895>

PAP v PAP : The Party's Struggle to Adap to a Changing Singapore / Cherian George and Donald Low

Academia SG, Singapore 2020

xii, 164p.

9789811476587

\$ 35.00 / null

380 gm.

The book, PAP v. PAP: The Party's struggle to adapt to a changing S'pore, will focus on how Singapore's ruling party might cope with new expectations post-GE2020.

The book will be an anthology composed of both George's and Low's numerous commentaries on local politics over the years.

It will also include new essays written in 2020.

As reflected in the title, the book will touch on the ruling party's internal struggles as it attempts to reconcile its long-held traditions with more progressive goals for the future.

In publicity material, George and Low cited a quote by the late Lee Kuan Yew, who as Singapore's first prime minister stated that rejecting activists with new ideas would be "inviting breakdown of the system", something which PAP should internalise in order to adapt to an ever-changing world now.

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Dejavu Nigeria : A Collection of Some Newspaper Commentaries / Obo Effanga  
AMAB Books & Publishing, Minna, Niger State 2019  
x, 328p.  
9789789548491  
\$ 35.00 / null  
550 gm.

It's a collection of some old newspaper essays by the author. It's history captured in a literary and journalistic format with an eye on social justice and human rights. DeJa Vu Nigeria is today, as it happened yesterday. The themes include politics, governance, law, development, human rights, society and culture.

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We The People : Establishing Rights and Deepening Democracy / Nikhil Dey,  
Aruna Roy and Rakshita Swamy  
Penguin Random House India Pvt.Ltd, Gurgaon, Haryana 2020  
xxvi,146p.;22cm  
9780670092970  
\$ 12.50 / HB  
350 gm.

Who are the people of India? What are their rights? What are their claims on the Indian Constitution and on democracy? We the People, the fourth volume in the Rethinking India series, brings together a collection of essays that explores the process of germination and growth of undisputed universal rights, and of them being developed as tangible entitlements in India. The essays also examine the continuing challenge of establishing, realizing and protecting these entitlements. The authors are academics, activists and practitioners who have a strong relationship with social movements. Their narratives trace the use of the rights-based framework of the Indian Constitution by sociopolitical movements in order to strengthen the economic, cultural and social rights of ordinary Indians. The multiple perspectives draw upon and contextualize the complex relationship of the citizen with the state, society and market in democratic India. Their sharp critiques have a counterpoint in stories of creative, successful alternatives designed by peoples' collectives. There is both an explicit and implicit challenge to conservative notions of 'market-led development' that see competition and profits as central to 'progress' and success. The essays showcase the continuing dialectic between established constitutional rights and shifting state policy. They provide invaluable insight at a time when many sacred pillars of neoliberal 'globalization' are crumbling, and the capitalist superstructure is itself turning to the state for survival. They promote understanding and scholarship, and enliven debates as we continue to search for answers in uncertain and challenging times.

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Central Asia and India : Emerging Extended Neighbourhood / kashif Hasan Khan  
New Century Publications, New Delhi 2020  
xxii,122p.;22cm.  
Includes Index  
9788177084986  
\$ 18.50 / HB  
400 gm.

Relations Between India and Central Asian Countries are Centuries old. Despite having deep historical and cultural ties, the two regions have not been very successful in establishing strong economic and trade ties. This Unsatisfactory performance is attributable to a host of factors, the chief being poor logistics, transportation difficulties and geo-political situations.

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Foreign Policy of India in Southeast Asia / Josukutty C.A.  
New Century Publications, New Delhi 2020

xiii,152p.;22cm.  
Includes Index  
9788177085006  
\$ 19.50 / HB  
440 gm.

India's historical and cultural relations with southeast asia have the Potential to realize security and strategic purposes. The earliest sustained contact between India and southeast asia was through southern and eastern coastal states of India during the chola and Kalinga empires.

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China and Covid-19 : Domestic and External Dimensions / Srikant Kondapalli and Shaheli Das

Pentagon Press, New Delhi 2020

xl,440p.;24cm.  
Includes Index

9789390095094

\$ 50.00 / HB

820 gm.

Coronavirus Disease (Covid-19), originating in Wuhan in China and spreading to the rest of the country and the world, is a defining moment in the current human history. By mid-July, it affected over 13 million, consummated over a half-a-million lives, disrupted the socio-economic fabric of many countries and began mutating into a 2nd or 3rd phases. China has been at the centre of this process, although now other countries have taken its place in this tragic contagious epidemic. This volume, written by China experts, is the first comprehensive, inter-disciplinary and area studies` evaluation of China`s domestic and external dimensions of handling the Covid-19. Covid-19 in all likelihood will go down in human history as one of the most decisive events in terms of its global scale, the unprecedented fear that it generated across vast swathes of the world, the kind of economic destruction that it inflicted across the board, barring a few sectors (such as pharmaceuticals and environment) and for the comprehensive dislocation it brough about, including in the regional and global orders. An estimated three billion people are in some form or the other of lockdown in the nooks and corners of the world so as to break the chain of contagion. 18 scholars raised at the China programme at Jawaharlal Nehru University broach the subject of domestic and external dimensions of China and Covid-19 and offer in-depth analyses of the spread of the contagion, by utilising extensively Chinese language and other sources. The first section is focused on the Covid-19 origins and development, governance issues, economy, media coverage, armed forces responses, utilisation of hi-tech gadgets in addressing the Covid-19 and impact on the sports- all within China. The second section has its focus on the external dimension – the spread of Covid-19 to several countries with focus on Taiwan, United States, Russia, Europe, Japan, South Asia, Southeast Asia, Australia, Latin America and Africa. Policy responses of these countries as well as relations with China in addressing Covid-19 are highlighted. Issues raised include the origins of Covid-19 and the controversies thereof, how China`s leadership addressed the contagion, governance issues, impact on the economic production, role of the media, armed forces, hi-tech usage, impact on sports industry. In the external dimensions, systematic analysis of the spread of the contagion abroad, application of different models of addressing and controlling the virus and the problems thereof were made. Given the continuing incidences of Covid-19 spread across the world, this volume is being offered for the policy makers, health professionals, non-traditional security experts, academics, media and the general reader.

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Can You Hear Kashmiri Women Speak?: Narratives of Resistance and Resilience / Nitasha Kaul and Ather Zia

Women Unlimited, New Delhi 2020

xviii,234p.;24cm

9789385606304

\$ 20.00 / HB

500 gm.

Kashmir is hypervisible and enormously powerful in the contemporary Indian imaginary, and can be made to carry different political meanings and messages. The terms Kashmiri Pandit, Kashmiri Muslim, Kashmiri men and Kashmiri women, when used in public discourse perform distinct functions. This volume initiates the reader into a complex understanding of Kashmiri women's life-worlds, in the context of protracted civil conflict and military occupation. The women here speak and write about the aftermath of the shocking abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019; of spectacles and street protests in the Valley; of women's companionship and female alliances; and of the literature of resistance. They analyse the links between gender, militarism and militarisation; and between violence, women's livelihoods, and environmental destruction. Forced into surrendering their rights and their autonomy, the Kashmiri women in this first-of-its-kind anthology shatter the silence and speak truth to power and to society.

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India's Act East Policy / Josukutty C.A.

New Century Publications, New Delhi 2020

Xiii,150p.;22cm.

Includes Index

9788177084993

\$ 19.50 / HB

400 gm.

India's Act East policy has been a significant reorientation in foreign policy towards realizing India's big power ambitions. During the initial years, the focus of the policy was on economic and diplomatic connectivity that centered around the ASEAN. Since then, the policy has evolved to assume greater strategic dimensions with cooperation in security matters and incremental engagement with countries and regions beyond the ASEAN that include East Asia and the whole of Asia-Pacific.

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The Indian Army : Reminiscences, Reforms and Romance / Lt Gen H S Panag

Westland Publications Pvt.Ltd, New delhi 2020

xvi,272p.;24cm

9789389152432

\$ 15.00 / HB

550 gm.

In the essays that comprise The Indian Army: Reminiscences, Reforms and Romance, Lieutenant General H.S. Panag examines burning questions surrounding the Indian Armed Forces: their exploitation by neonationalists; an intrusive medias projection of the army as the sole flagbearer of patriotism; the obsession with Pakistan as an impending threat to national security; the intense militarisation of Kashmir post the abrogation of Article 370; and equal opportunities for women in combat, among other issues. Divided into six sections Human Rights, Reforms, Leadership, Reminiscences, Conflict and Unforgettable Heroes the book compels the reader to think deeper and with greater nuance about a much-discussed and much-maligned institution. The Indian Army is also a glimpse into the General's own life, and reveals hitherto unknown aspects of his long career in the army. A writer who straddles the serious and the idyllic with equal ease, he unequivocally condemns the tying of a citizen to the bonnet of an army jeep in Kashmir in 2017 in one piece, and in another tells the intensely passionate, albeit tragic love story of a soldier and a Kashmiri girl. As candid as it is incisive, The Indian Army is a must-read for every Indian who has stopped to think about the powerful institution that the army is..

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Making Sense of Indian Democracy: Theory as Practice / Yogendra Yadav

Permanent Black, New Delhi 2020

xxxi,390p.;22cm.  
Includes Index  
9788178245461  
\$ 25.00 / HB  
600 gm.

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 psephologist, 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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Bland Fanatics: Liberals, Race and Empire / Pankaj Mishra

Juggernaut Books, New Delhi 2020

218p.;22cm.  
Includes Index  
9789353451196  
\$ 15.00 / HB  
380 gm.

Pankaj Mishra is one of our great thinkers whose essays and books explain the big cultural and political trends of our times moving from Beijing to Cairo, Delhi to Paris, the eighteenth century to the twenty first. In this outstanding collection of his recent writing, Mishra centers on the end of liberalism – its history and the contradictions within it which have led to its decline. Wide-ranging and full of ideas, the essays talk about, among other things, Salman Rushdie, the self-help guru Jordan Peterson, The Economist magazine and Brexit. This is another sparkling, combative book full of ideas and forceful arguments from one of our leading essayists and cultural critics.

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US vs China : From Trade War to Reciprocal Deal / Thomas W. Pauken II

World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., Singapore 2020

xx, 324p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9789811205194  
\$ 25.00 / null  
550 gm.

US vs China: From Trade War to Reciprocal Deal gives readers an up close account on the rough-and-tumble trade talks between the US and China. The book provides a neutral and balanced perspective in addressing the historical, political and cultural backgrounds that had made US-China trade wars inevitable, but also explores how the two richest and most powerful countries and long-time rivals may eventually reach a consensus to support a bilateral trade agreement for the ages.

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Opposing Liberal Democracy : Culture and Political Mobilization in Yogyakarta, Indonesia / David Effendi (Eds) Fauzan A. Sandiah

Penerbit Samudra Biru, Yogyakarta, Indonesia 2020



xxii, 226p. ; 14x20cm.

9786232610514

\$ 35.00 / null

260 gm.

A book that describes the process of rejecting local communities in Yogyakarta against the central government's proposal for gubernatorial elections.

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Dixit 2019-2020, No.28 : Revue Economique, Sociale et Culturelle de Polynesie Francaise /

Editions Creaprint, Papeete 2020

1v.

9791096729029

\$ 70.00 / null

950 gm.

Dixit 2019-2020 - Le magazine de référence de l'économie de Polynésie française - Tahiti Le magazine de référence de l'économie de Polynésie française, présente notamment l'incontournable tableau des 200 premières entreprises décliné par chiffre d'affaires et par ordre alphabétique, et les 200 premiers employeurs. Créé en 1984, le magazine Dixit a été acheté à la Jeune Chambre Economique de Tahiti en 1995. L'ensemble de ses articles constitue une véritable mémoire écrite de la Polynésie.

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Hijack in Malaysia : The Fall of Pakatan Harapan / Francis Paul Siah (Ed) Richard Song Swee Jin

Trac-Wheels (M) Sdn Bhd, Sibu, Sarawak, Malaysia 2020

ix, 207p.

9789671494615

\$ 21.00 / null

"When You are a politician don't even trust yourself." Francis Paul Siah is a veteran Sarawak editor. He has been a journalist for more than four decades and had served in Sarawak, Sabah and Kuala Lumpur. He still writes his regular column and contributes to several publications.

He currently heads the Movement for Change, Sarawak (MoCS), a non-government organisation noted for its fierce anti-corruption stance in The Land of the Hornbill.

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Singapore Lectures 1980-2018 : A Selection / Malcolm Cook and Daljit Singh

ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020

315p.

9789814881913

\$ 46.00 / HB

Over the last 40 years, the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute has been honoured to partner with the Singapore government in hosting 44 Singapore Lectures. The Singapore Lecture series is a unique public platform for world leaders and experts visiting Singapore that reflects the city-state's role as a global hub of ideas and diplomacy. The 21 lectures chosen for this 40th anniversary volume chart the fundamental changes in the global economy and the inter-state system that Southeast Asia and Singapore have successfully navigated over these four momentous decades.

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"The Singapore Lectures reflect the city-state's progress for the past forty years. This selection skilfully captures the highlights from the way Singapore began to learn to read the world to how it became an open and inclusive site of globalization.

The collection might do more. The leaders from the five continents who spoke at ISEAS had come to share their experiences, their wisdom and, not least, their dreams. Following what they offered gives us a multifaceted picture that is instructive. It gives readers the chance to review an era of intense rivalry during which political conflicts were accompanied by unprecedented economic growth, when lessons were learnt from tragic failures and leaping successes.

Read together, the lectures give us hope in a time of unprecedented global turmoil: there will surely be future leaders who could find ways to rid the world of its demons." -- Wang Gungwu, Professor, National University of Singapore (NUS), and former Chairman of the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute Board of Trustees.

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China's Rise in Mainland ASEAN : Regional Evidence and Local Responses /  
Suthiphand Chirathivat , Buddhagarn Rutchatorn

World Scientific, Singapore 2020

428p.

9789811217036

\$ 160.00 / HB

480 gm.

In today's rapid rise and expansion of China's influence all around the world and in ASEAN during the past two decades, there has been an increasing awareness of various countries and regions adjusting themselves to the new trends, both in terms of opportunities and risks alike. This has become necessary due to the rapid changes in many aspects — political landscapes, economic issues, as well as social and cultural considerations. This book, *China's Rise in Mainland ASEAN: Regional Evidence and Local Responses*, provides timely insights on some of the latest issues pertaining to ASEAN and China, rapidly shifting interactions and upcoming geostrategic challenges.

ASEAN can be said to be undergoing a new era, with China becoming more intertwined and involved with the ASEAN region than ever before. The complexity of the regional dynamics means that this phenomenon cannot be captured with a single narrative or discipline of study. In addressing the matters at hand, this book sets out to examine and provide deeper understandings on the regional implications, and local responses from ASEAN countries, and from the perspective of the region as a whole. The underlying rationale is that adequate understanding on the matters involved in this new ASEAN–China era will help to encourage better and mutually beneficial relationships between both sides.

The analysis of this book will be categorized into four main themes — (1) "The Big Picture", concerning China's policies, strategies, and diplomatic stances, (2) "Implications and Responses", dealing with how ASEAN members react and respond to China's actions and regional influence, (3) "Perspectives on Trade, Investment and External Debt", which handles the economic facets of the ASEAN–China interactions, and (4) "Connectivity in Focus", addressing various emerging and existing dimensions of connectivity expansion between ASEAN and China, both physical and virtual.

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China versus the US : Who Will Prevail? / Alfredo Toro Hardy

World Scientific, Singapore 2020

304p.

9789811218514

\$ 42.00 / HB

The heralding of ambitions and hardening of geopolitical and military stances by China has given rise to few questions: Did China challenge the United States too hard and too soon and, by doing so, seriously jeopardize its chances of achieving its objectives? Can Washington still contain China's ascendancy and retain its current leading status?

This book attempts to explore these questions and analyse if China has tried to display its strength to America too soon. It argues that by comparing the comprehensive national power of the two countries, one may be able to answer the above questions.

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Study on International Politics in Contemporary China / Yuyan Zhang

World Scientific, Singapore 2020

636p.

9789811214035

\$ 190.00 / HB

China's guiding principle for foreign relations and its focus on states and regions has shifted a lot from the first 30 years of the founding of the People's Republic of China (PRC) in 1949, to 1978 and beyond, after reform and opening-up. However, PRC's diplomatic practice has been continuous, whether it was participation in the Korean War, breaking up with the former Soviet Union after a honeymoon period, China's self defense war over Sino-Indian border, participation in the Vietnam War, breakthrough in the Sino-US relation, or PRC's self defense war over the Sino-Vietnamese border. These historical events brought the need for theoretical study in International Politics (IP). The development of China's IP research was slow and filled with complications, but it signified a breakthrough from scratch. This book has filled gap by depicting a complete scroll of China's IP research in over 60 years since 1949. This book has followed two principles: one is according to the classification of the IP discipline and the other is to recommend adaptations according to China's actual conditions.

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Nepal's Quest for Survival in a Challenging Geopolitical Setting : A Compendium of Related Essays, Monographs and Occasional Papers / M R Josse , Ananda P. Srestha and Hari Uprety

Nepal Foundation for Advanced Studies (NEPAS), Kathmandu, Nepal 2020

588p.

9789937846950

\$ 45.00 / null

600 gm.

The book deals with foreign policy challenges of Nepal authored by M R Josse

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Nepal and Its Neighbours in the Changing World / Hari P. Chand, Gao Liang and Injina Panthi

Lex and Juris Publication Pvt. Ltd. and Nepal Institute of Foreign Affairs and Prosperity, Nepal 2019

xxiv, 234p.

Includes Index

9789937061667

\$ 20.00 / null

280 gm.

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Best of Abin : Abin's Cartoon Collection, Volume 2 / Abin Shrestha  
BookArt Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal 2019  
220p.  
9789937726252  
\$ 40.00 / HB  
1050 gm.

Collection of Political Cartoons by Abin.

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Living with Myanmar / Justine Chambers, Charlotte Galloway  
ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020

386p.  
Includes Index  
9789814881043  
\$ 32.00 / null

Since 2011 Myanmar has experienced many changes to its social, political and economic landscape. The formation of a new government in 2016, led by the National League for Democracy, was a crucially important milestone in the country's transition to a more inclusive form of governance. And yet, for many people everyday struggles remain unchanged, and have often worsened in recent years. Key economic, social and political reforms are stalled, conflict persists and longstanding issues of citizenship and belonging remain.

The wide-ranging, myriad and multiple challenges of Living with Myanmar is the subject of this volume. Following the Myanmar Update series tradition, each of the authors offers a different perspective on the sociopolitical and economic mutations occurring in the country and the challenges that still remain. The book is divided into six sections and covers critical issues ranging from gender equality and identity politics, to agrarian reform and the representative role of parliament. Collectively, these voices raise key questions concerning the institutional legacies of military rule and their ongoing role in subverting the country's reform process. However, they also offer insights into the creative and productive ways that Myanmar's activists, civil society, parliamentarians, bureaucrats and everyday people attempt to engage with and reform those legacies.

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The Quest for Security : Soviet Union's Postwar Demands from Turkey and the Origins of the Cold War / Idir Lika

Astana Yayinlari, Ankara, Turkey 2020  
106p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9786055010607  
\$ 40.00 / null  
150 gm.

This book presents an academic perspective on Turkey's reaction to the postwar Soviet demands on the Straits and Eastern Anatolia by studying hitherto untapped Turkish archive materials and press articles of the time. It argues that the Turkish elite perceived Soviet demands as an existential threat to Turkey, the first step in the establishment of a pro-Soviet government in Ankara. The postwar Soviet demands completed a paradigmatic shift in Turkish foreign policy, leading to the disintegration of twenty years of Soviet-Turkish alliance and transformed Turkey into an unconditional Western ally. As such, this book strengthens the idea in early Cold War historiography that Turkey was one of the main testing grounds for the Cold War and makes it more cogent. It concludes by discussing the implications of the findings for the matrix of current American-Russian-Turkish relations.

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Eastern Mediterranean and Turkey : Political, Judicial and Economic Perspectives / Kemal Inat, Muhittin Ataman and Burhanettin Duran

SETA Publications, Ankara, Turkey 2020

344p.

9786257040556

\$ 55.00 / null

500 gm.

This book focuses on the contemporary situation in the Eastern Mediterranean, which has become one of the main spotlights of international politics. Especially after the discovery of hydrocarbon resources, the Eastern Mediterranean has been in the agenda of both regional and global powers. While regional actors such as Egypt, Israel, and Greece are attempting political maneuvers in order to benefit from the hydrocarbon resources, international actors such as the United States and Russia have become increasingly more engaged in the affairs of the region. In response to emerging partnerships and coalitions, Turkey, which has the longest shore in the Eastern Mediterranean, has adopted a pro-active policy to defend its rights and interests. This book examines political, legal, and economic dimensions of the Eastern Mediterranean and brings a new insight to the recent developments and the Turkey's policy in the region.

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Building a Nuclear Empire : Nuclear Energy as a Russian Foreign Policy Tool in the Case of Turkey / Mehmet Cagatay Guler

Cinius Publishing, Istanbul, Turkey 2020

128p.

9786257043519

\$ 40.00 / null

200 gm.

This book examines the dynamics of Russian foreign policy between 2000-2019 by specifically focusing on the civilian aspect of nuclear energy and how it shapes Russia's relations with Turkey. It aims to clarify the role and the importance of nuclear energy as a foreign policy tool, specifically in the case of Turkey. To this end, Russian nuclear energy policy is scrutinized in detail. This book reveals that the marketing and trading of nuclear power plants (NPPs) for civilian purposes not only provides surpluses for Russian economy but also increases the influence and power of Russia over those places where nuclear reactors are sold or other nuclear goods and services are supplied. Specifically, it examines the extent of the influence of the exportation of NPPs on the Russian foreign policy dynamics in Turkey. In this context, first a brief historical background information on Russian nuclear power status as well as the utilization of nuclear energy as a foreign policy tool during Putin's presidency is given. This is followed by the Russia's nuclear energy policies towards Turkey and the effects of this policy on the Russian foreign policy dynamics in Turkey. The book concludes that the Akkuyu NPP project will result in Moscow's domination in the foreign policy dynamics between Turkey and Russia. As a result of such dominance Turkey will become much less sovereign in its foreign policy options and will feel the pressure coming from Moscow about the possible consequences of its actions which will not please Russia. The primary methodological tool of the work was qualitative analysis utilizing primary and secondary sources in Russian, English and Turkish on the topic, including academic books, articles, newspapers, magazines and relevant official websites

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The Companion for Women Mediating Armed Conflict in Communities : Peace Through Pluralism / Alice Wairimu Nderitu , Shiru Nyingi

Mdahalo Bridging Divides Limited, Nairobi, Kenya 2019

476p.

9789966190369

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800 gm.

It is very difficult for a woman mediator to lead communities to the point of signing a peace agreement. It is even more difficult to implement it. Being a woman mediator of armed conflict is one of the loneliest jobs in the world. As Jacqueline O'Neill cites in the Foreword of this book, women comprise only 2% of mediators of armed conflict in the world. Therefore, women mediators of such conflicts can rarely benefit from sounding boards and peers with whom to share their day-to-day experiences.

This Companion is primarily for women, but it is relevant across genders. The spoken and written word is a powerful medium for conveying the messages women use in peace processes, and it is important that positive images are conveyed to all genders. This Companion is designed to help people of all genders who are participating in a peace process. If women mediators of armed conflict can learn to detect gender and other forms of discrimination in the dialogues that they lead or are engaged in, they will then be in a position to transfer that knowledge to all genders in their communities, and ultimately apply it into their everyday lives. Likewise, The Companion provides the language to use in discussing gender discrimination within a peace process, and also a way to interact among the dialogue participants when issues of gender discrimination occur.

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The Future of Africa : Reform, Development, Progress or Progressive Decline /  
John W. Forje

Langaa RPCIG, Bamenda, Cameroon 2020

cxx, 426p. ; 234x156mm.

9789956551897

\$ 50.00 / null

880 gm.

This provocative book on The Future of Africa addresses fundamental genealogical developmental challenges of vital concern to Africa's transformation is premised on the orientation that the continent's future is up to Africans, cognizant of the fact that Africans cohabit the same diversified and inter-connected planet with others. The issues addressed include: political, economic, social and technological reconstruction of Africa, the richest but the least developed part of the world; the need to fight the pandemic of inequality and social injustice; chronic corruption; the urgent need to usher the rule of law and of putting in place strategies addressing abject poverty; the empowerment of the female gender and youths; the comprehensive development and proper utilisation of indigenous knowledge systems in partnership with modern science and technology to energize infrastructural development and the industrialisation prowess of the continent.

The book unveils vast inadequacies that need to be rectified to give the continent a new face uplift. It is a comprehensive, Afro-centric cross-cutting edge publication that structurally examines outstanding issues plaguing Africa as it advances critical priority policy proposals for the future of the continent. Policymakers, students, organisations and institutions will find the book indispensable for the sustainable transformation of the continent. The underlying message is 'development with a human face' and without leaving anyone behind.

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Evaluation of the C.Y. Leung Administration / Joseph Yu-Shek Cheng

City University of Hong Kong Press, Hong Kong 2020

xx, 728p.

9789629374310

\$ 50.00 / null

1000 gm.



"Did C. Y. Leung achieve his goals? Did he perform his duty to the Hong Kong people as their third Chief Executive?" To answer these questions, this book presents a rational, research-based critique of the C. Y. Leung Administration that governed in Hong Kong from 2012 to 2017. It is a sweeping and original publication that covers various aspects of governance, including politics, economics, healthcare, human rights, civil service, housing, urban planning, youth, and legislative council elections as well as Hong Kong's relationship with Taiwan, Mainland China, and Western countries. Written by a team of expert authors from various fields, this book is one of the first comprehensive academic discourses on issues facing the Administration. The first chapter sets the tone of the book, with the subsequent chapters providing additional details confirming the general conclusions of the authors concerning the C. Y. Leung Administration. Written for scholars and community members interested in Hong Kong governance, this book is an anthology of articles that present a complex and comprehensive critique of one specific Chief Executive's period of influence and how his administration's policies still affect the Hong Kong community today.

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From Grassroots Activism to Disinformation : Social Media in Southeast Asia /  
Aim Sinpeng and Ross Tapsell

ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020

225p.

Includes Index

9789814951029

\$ 28.00 / null

This book reflects on the role of social media in the past two decades in Southeast Asia. It traces the emergence of social media discourse in Southeast Asia, and its potential as a "liberation technology" in both democratizing and authoritarian states. It explains the growing decline in internet freedom and increasingly repressive and manipulative use of social media tools by governments, and argues that social media is now an essential platform for control. The contributors detail the increasing role of "disinformation" and "fake news" production in Southeast Asia, and how national governments are creating laws which attempt to address this trend, but which often exacerbate the situation of state control.

From Grassroots Activism to Disinformation explores three main questions: How did social media begin as a vibrant space for grassroots activism to becoming a tool for disinformation? Who were the main actors in this transition: governments, citizens or the platforms themselves? Can reformists "reclaim" the digital public sphere? And if so, how?

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Federal-State Relations under the Pakatan Harapan Government / Tricia Yeoh

ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020

55p.

9789814951135

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On 9 May 2018, Malaysia's Barisan Nasional (BN) government lost the country's 14th general election (GE14). Replacing it was the Pakatan Harapan (PH) coalition, made up of four parties, three of which had had experience cooperating with each other for a decade, namely Parti Keadilan Rakyat (PKR), the Democratic Action Party (DAP) and Parti Amanah Negara (Amanah). The fourth was the new Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia (PPBM) led by Dr Mahathir Mohamad. The election also saw equally significant changes at the state government level. PH now controlled seven states in total, up from two, while BN went from controlling ten states to retaining but two. PAS regained Terengganu and with its control over Kelantan now held the two East Coast states. The Sabah state government, held by Parti Warisan Sabah (Warisan) aligned itself with PH, while the Sarawak state government chose to stick with BN.

As many as ten of the sixty promises listed in the PH 2018 election manifesto related to federalism and Sabah and Sarawak, an indication of the growing importance of these two states (and of state issues more generally).

The PH administration's two significant set-ups were the Special Select Committee on States and Federal Relations and the Special Cabinet Committee on the Malaysia Agreement 1963 (MA63). Serious attempts were made to address concerns by both committees, with achievements being more visible in the Special Cabinet Committee on MA63, possibly due to the greater attention given on Sabah and Sarawak. Issues brought up within the Parliamentary Special Select Committee were not substantively addressed.

PH's time in power saw how states aligned to it maintained a smooth working relationship with the federal government. What was more interesting to note was that even non-PH aligned states such as Kelantan, Terengganu and Perlis also received favourable attention from the federal government.

Federal-state relations were much more aggressively tackled under the PH government than under any other preceding administration.

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The Power of a People / Kuik Shiao-Yin

Epigram Books, Singapore 2019

48p. ; 120x175mm.

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\$ 6.00 / null

80 gm.

Former Nominated Member of Parliament Kuik Shiao-Yin shares the concerns of young voters and how a new generation of leaders can rise up to serve them.

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A Manifesto for Arts Funding / Alfian Sa'at

Epigram Books, Singapore 2019

41p.

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\$ 6.00 / null

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The Silhouette of Oppression / Kirsten Han

Epigram Books, Singapore 2019

48p. ; 120x175mm.

9789814845069

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80 gm.

Activist and journalist Kirsten Han examines the relationship between government and political journalists in Singapore.

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China is Messing With Your Mind / Bilahari Kausikan

Epigram Books, Singapore 2019

48p. ; 120x175mm.

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\$ 6.00 / null

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Former diplomat Bilahari Kausikan highlights two global trends that can shape Singapore's future—identity politics and the rise of China—and how China is using them to influence the Singapore identity.

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A Seat at the Table : New Zealand and the United Nations Security Council 2015-2016 / Grahan Hassal and Negar Partow

Massey University Press, Auckland, New Zealand 2020

392p.

Includes Index

9780995137806

\$ 60.00 / null

550 gm.

This fascinating look at global politics follows New Zealand's fourth term as a non-permanent member of the United Nations Security Council, from 2015 to 2016. Its engrossing chapters by key players, from the then Minister for Foreign Affairs Murray McCully to the two-term New Zealand President of the Security Council Gerard van Bohemen, offer real insights into the Council's day-to-day workings. This book examines New Zealand's efforts to improve Council processes, and asks: Given the dominance of the P5 - the United States, China, Russia, France and the United Kingdom- is there a role on the Security Council for smaller nations? And can they effect meaningful change for those suffering in war-torn and corrupt countries?

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The Quest for Peace : The GRP-NDFP Peace Negotiations : Kodao Productions Reports (Volume I) 2016-2017 / Raymund B. Villanueva

: Kodao Productions, Inc. & Pantas Publishing & Printing, Inc., Quezon City, Philippines 2020

280p.

9786218156067

\$ 25.00 / null

280 gm.

"This is a journalism that is heavily invested in the necessity of changing the unjust social and economic structures that are the root cause of civil strife in the country and which the peace talks are supposed to seek a negotiated solution to. It is a journalism that questions the dominant narrative by confronting it with the contrary and invariably uncomfortable truths happening in the dark or remote recesses of the land that the glaring floodlights of the mainstream rarely reach."

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On the Question of People's War in Capitalist Countries : Initial Critique of Infatile Maoism / PRISM

International Network of Philippines Studies for PRISM, Philippines 2019

84p.

9781628479362

\$ 15.00 / null

100 gm.

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Living with Myanmar / Justine Chambers, Charlotte Galloway  
ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020  
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The Bersih Movement and Democratisation in Malaysia : Repression, Dissent and Opportunities / Khoo Ying Hooi  
ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute & SIRD, Singapore/Malaysia 2020  
208p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9789814951128  
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Beginning in 2005 as a small electoral reform committee, the Coalition for Clean and Fair Elections--or Bersih--soon became Malaysia's most prominent social movement, mobilising five mass demonstrations on the streets of Kuala Lumpur and other cities at home and abroad, becoming a prominent voice not only for electoral reform, but also against corruption and authoritarianism.

Based on participant observation approach and first-hand interviews with key actors, this is the first academic book that looks into how Bersih operated within an authoritarian system that turned into a movement that aggregated the collective grievance of Malaysians and enabled Malaysian socio-political activism to force the government to concede to elements of electoral reform. Engaging with social movement theory, the author locates Bersih at the centre of the movement for democracy in Malaysia, thus creating a platform for citizen participation and mobilisation that helped form the basis of a new democratic ethos.

Along the way, she notes the way in which Bersih evolved out of earlier civil society activism and the Reformasi movement to place political protest and popular mobilisation as important forces in Malaysian politics. This book makes a major contribution to the scholarly work on social movement theories in the Southeast Asian context, and to the growing literature on social movements and democratisation.

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Johor : Abode of Development? / Francis E Hutchinson and Serina Rahman  
ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020  
539p.  
9789814881272  
\$ 38.00 / null

In 1990, the Malaysian state of Johor—along with Singapore and the Indonesian island of Batam—launched the Growth Triangle to attract foreign direct investment. For Johor, this drive was very successful, transforming its economy and driving up income levels. Today, Johor is one of Malaysia's "developed" states, housing large clusters of electrical and electronics, food processing, and furniture producing firms.

While welcome, this structural transformation has also entailed important challenges and strategic choices. After three decades, Johor's manufacture-for-export model is under question, as it faces increasing competition and flat-lining technological capabilities. In response, the state has sought to diversify its economy through strategic investments in new, mostly service-based activities. Yet, Johor retains pockets of excellence in traditional sectors that also require support and policy attention.

The state's economic transformation has also been accompanied by far-reaching political, social, and environmental change. Not least, Johor's growing population has generated demand for affordable housing and put pressure on public services. The strain has been exacerbated by workers from other states and overseas. These demographic factors and large-scale projects have, in turn, put stress on the environment.

These economic and social changes have also had political ramifications. While Johor is a bastion of two of the country's oldest and most established political parties, the state's large, urban and connected electorate has made it hospitable terrain for new political organisations. Beyond electoral politics, Johor is also the home of a powerful and influential royal family, with very specific ideas about its role in the state's political life.

Building on earlier work by the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute on the Singapore-Johor-Riau Islands Cross-border Region, this book focuses on this important Malaysian state, as it deals with important domestic challenges on one hand and strives to engage with international markets on the other.

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Non-Traditional Security Issues in ASEAN : Agendas for Action / Mely Caballero-Anthony and Lina Gong

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2020

x, 354p.

Includes Index

9789814881081

\$ 32.00 / null

500 gm.

The book takes an issue-specific approach to investigating how ASEAN states and societies govern many of the pressing non-traditional security issues, such as climate change, food security, environmental protection, humanitarian assistance and disaster response, health security, nuclear security, and human trafficking and forced displacement.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712809>

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From Tao Guang Yang Hui To Xin Xing : China's Complex Foreign Policy Transformation and Southeast Asia / Pang Zhongying , Ooi Kee Beng

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2020

36p.

Includes Bibliographical references

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881807

\$ 9.00 / null

100 gm.

Traces China's foreign policy transformation from 2013 to the present. The book also examines Deng Xiaoping's doctrinal response to the political crises of 1989-1991 and compares it to current Chinese foreign policy doctrines.

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Memento : Introduction A L'Etude Des Institutions Politiques Et Administratives De La Polynesie Francaise : Loi organique statutaire di 27 fevrier 2004 / Alan Moyrand ,Herve Raimana Lallemand-Moe

Editions Creaprint, Tahiti 2020

160p.

\$ 28.00 / null

350 gm.

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India Tomorrow :

Conservations with the Next Generation of Political Leaders / Pradeep Chhibber,  
Harsh Shah

Oxford University Press, New Delhi 2020

xvii,319p.;22cm

9780190125837

\$ 20.00 / HB

570 gm.

This book takes a deep-dive into the current domain of Indian politics and pre-empt the course the young republic will take in decades to come. In its format, the authors interview many prominent young and dynamic politicians in India- below the age of 50- from across the country and the vast political parties' spectrum. The exercise taps into their brand of politics; local, national, and global concerns; challenges and goals, as well as the political future each of them imagines for their constituencies and the country. The interviews include those from Priyanka Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi, Akhilesh Yadav, Omar Abdullah, Aditya Thakeray etc.

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Constitution-Making Under UN Auspices : Fostering Dependency in Sovereign  
Lands / Vijayashri Sripati

Oxford University Press, New Delhi 2020

xxviii,475p.;22 cm.

Includes Index

9780199498024

\$ 42.50 / HB

700 gm.

In 1949, United Nations Constitutional Assistance (UNCA) was conceived to promote the Western liberal constitution. This book scrutinizes UNCA and its offshoot, UN/International Territorial Administration (ITA), including their historical origins and revival from 1960 to 2019. Sripati argues that although the United Nations (UN) uses UNCA to help developing sovereign states secure debt relief, it undertakes UNCA to 'modernize' them with a view to 'strengthen' their supposedly weakened sovereignty. By doing so, the UN is seeking these states' adoption of a Western liberal-style constitution, thus violating their right to self-determination.

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Citizenship in a Caste Polity : Religion, Language and Belonging in Goa / Jason  
Keith Fernandes

Orient Blackswan Private Limited, Hyderabad, Co Published by New India  
Foundation, New Delhi 2020

xv,361p.;22cm.

Includes Index, Bibliography

9789352879946

\$ 24.50 / HB

600 gm.



In the mid-1980s, Goa witnessed mass demonstrations, violent protests and political mobilizing, following which Konkani was declared the official language of the Goan territory. However, Konkani was recognized only in the Devanagari script, one of two scripts used for the language in Goa, the other being the Roman script. Set against this historical background, citizenship in a caste Polity: religion, language and belonging in Goa studies the contestations around the demand that the Roman script also be officially recognized and given equal status. Based on meetings and interviews with individuals involved in this Mobilisation, the author explores the interconnected themes of language, citizenship and identity, showing how, by deliberately excluding the Roman script, the largely lower-caste and lower-class Catholic users of this script were denoted as less-than-authentic members of Civil society. As citizens of a former Portuguese territory, the Goan Catholics experience of Indian citizenship does not fall entirely within the framework of British Indian history. This allows for a construction of the post-colonial Indian experience from outside of the British Indian framework, and its focus on Catholics enables a more nuanced study of Indian secularism, while also studying a group that has remained largely underrepresented in research.

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Party Mergers in Myanmar : A New Development / Su Mon Thant , Ooi Kee Beng  
ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2020

52p.

Includes Bibliographical references

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881784

\$ 9.00 / null

100 gm.

Party mergers are a new development in Myanmar politics. Given that such mergers often assist the consolidation of new democratic regimes, some broader system-wide effects may also occur. This volume examines this new phenomenon.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=712811>

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Why Did Bersatu Leave Pakatan Harapan? / Wan Saiful Wan Jan , Ooi Kee Beng  
ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2020

52p.

Includes Bibliographical references

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881890

\$ 9.00 / null

120 gm.

The Pakatan Harapan coalition won Malaysia's 14th general election on 9 May 2018, the first time a regime change took place in the country. However, it lost its majority in late February 2020, when Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia left the coalition. This book explores why.

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The 6 Albatrosses Around Nigeria's Neck / Oti Egwu

Magic Wand Publishing, Lagos, Nigeria 2019

98p.

9789789739844

\$ 20.00 / null

160 gm.

Why do men with little or no substance forage out of the woodwork to control a high-functioning machine as Politics in Nigeria? How do simple men of tricks shine Nigerians on through the acts of religious subjectivism? Why has Nigeria continued to suffer from the crisis of identity? These questions and other fundamental issues militating against Africa's most populous nation are critically examined in the "The six albatrosses around Nigeria's neck". Partly written in dialectical forms and largely divided into three parts, the book examines the problems impinging Nigeria's social growth and x-ray the nature and character of her society. A bold, thought-provoking and ripsnorting treatise about a country unaware of her biggest obstacles.

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The Danfo Driver in All of Us and Other Essays / Niran Adedokun

Prima (Narrative Landscape Press), Lagos, Nigeria 2019

xvi, 252p.

9789785699012

\$ 35.00 / null

350 gm.

The Danfo Driver in all of us and other essays is a compilation of Niran Adedokun's personal reflections and interventions on a variety of topical national issues in the space of five years between 2013 and 2018. Although a few of the articles were published in some other newspapers, most of the articles in this collection were published in The PUNCH and thecable.ng where Adedokun is a weekly columnist. His largely non-partisan pieces advocate for responsible and responsible governance as well as a dutiful and alert citizen. He argues that these are two non-negotiable characteristics of a progressive society and that unless everyone wakes up to their responsibility Nigeria will remain a dream.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718124>

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Reflections: A Collection of Short Essays / Wale Olaitan

Noirledge Limited, Ibadan, Nigeria 2019

xiv, 118p.

9781705651605

\$ 20.00 / null

240 gm.

Reflections: A Collection of Short Essays contains thoughts on Nigeria's contemporary political issues, commentaries on relevant political news headlines in the last four years and ideas on how Africa's most populous nation can reach its full potentials through the implementation of well-thought-out public policies. Wale Olaitan weaved together analyses of recent political events in Nigeria laced with humour often associated with political discourse among millions of social media users in the country. This book particularly explores the growing subjectivity of truth in this era of "Fake News" and its close links to the—"Hailing Hailers" and the "Wailing Wailers" followership phenomenon in Nigeria. There is also a bit of international flavour in the book, with commentaries on a few international news headlines. No matter your level of interest in politics, this is a book for you. The author's simple and captivating writing style makes the book a good source of information for students of contemporary politics and those who are interested in good governance in the developing world.

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The Boko Haram : From Nigerian Preachers to the Islamic State / Abdulbasit Kassim and Michael Nwankpa

Ouida Books, Lagos, Nigeria 2019

xvi, 530p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789785634402

\$ 65.00 / null

800 gm.

Since it erupted onto the world stage in 2009, people have asked, what is Boko Haram, and what does it stand for? Is there a coherent vision or set of beliefs behind it? Despite the growing literature about the group, few if any attempts have been made to answer these questions, even though Boko Haram is but the latest in a long line of millenarian Muslim reform groups to emerge in Northern Nigeria over the last two centuries.

The Boko Haram Doctrine offers an unprecedented collection of essential texts, documents, videos, audio, and nashids (martial hymns), translated into English from Hausa, Arabic and Kanuri, tracing the group's origins, history, and evolution. Its editors, two Nigerian scholars, reveal how Boko Haram's leaders manipulate Islamic theology for the legitimisation, radicalisation, indoctrination and dissemination of their ideas across West Africa.

Mandatory reading for anyone wishing to grasp the underpinnings of Boko Haram's insurgency, particularly how the group strives to delegitimise its rivals and establish its beliefs as a dominant strand of Islamic thought in West Africa's religious marketplace.

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The Free and Open Indo-Pacific Beyond 2020 : Similarities and Difference between the Trump Administration and a Democrat White House / John Lee (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2020

44p.

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88 gm.

American Indo-Pacific policy will be driven by its China policy, regardless of whether there is a second-term Donald Trump administration or a first-term Joe Biden administration.

The Republicans will continue to frame the major challenge as “balancing” against Chinese power and “countering” the worst aspects of Beijing's policies. Establishment or moderate Democrats under Biden will choose the softer language of seeking a favourable “competitive coexistence” in the military, economic, political and global governance realms, and the reassertion of American leadership and moral standing.

In advancing the FOIP, the current administration argues that disruptiveness and unpredictability are necessary to reverse what they see as the “normalization” of Chinese assertiveness, coercion and revisionism. They also point to the closeness of US cooperation with Japan, Australia and India and burgeoning strategic relationships with Vietnam. A second-term Trump administration will continue to seek out “fit-for-purpose” existing institutions and relationships, or prioritize new ones.

Establishment Democrats believe that the “America First” unilateralist approach is unsettling for allies and partners. In advancing a favourable “competitive coexistence” with China, Democrats will seek to expand the tools of statecraft and achieve a better balance between military/economic/political/governance approaches.

Prima facie, a Biden administration might position America as a more consultative guarantor of a preferred order. However, there will be greater pressure on Southeast Asians to accept more collective responsibility to advance common objectives. This means hedging in a manner more suitable to American rather than Chinese preferences. Failing that, more emphasis might be placed on greater institutionalization of the Quad and ad hoc groupings.

A Bernie Sanders administration, now an unlikely prospect, would be a disaster for US standing and power in the region, and therefore for Southeast Asia.

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Shaheen Bagh and the idea of India: Writings on a Movement for Justice, Liberty and equality / Edited by Seema Mustafa

Speaking Tiger Books LLP, New Delhi 2020

294p, pb, 21cm, 450g, Includes Photos.

9789389958157

\$ 15.00 / null

450 gm.

The first comprehensive book on one of the most important civil rights movements in the history of Independent India.

On 15 December 2019, police in riot gear stormed Delhi's Jamia Millia Islamia University and attacked unarmed students protesting against the Citizenship (Amendment) Act (CAA), which makes religion a factor in the process of granting Indian citizenship. In neighbouring Shaheen Bagh, mothers and other relatives and friends of the students came out into the streets in outrage and anguish. They sat on a main road demanding repeal of the CAA, which, twinned with the National Register of Citizens (NRC), could make Indian Muslims aliens in their own homeland. Within days, similar protests broke out across the country. Free India had never seen anything like it.

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The Roots of Resilience : Party Machines and Grassroots Politics in Singapore and Malaysia / Meredith L. Weiss

NUS Press, Singapore 2020

xiv, 274p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789813251212

\$ 32.00 / null

480 gm.

The Roots of Resilience examines politics from the ground up in Singapore and Malaysia—two regimes that blend politically liberal and authoritarian features in their governance. Although curbed civil liberties and a dose of coercion help sustain these regimes, selectively structured state policies and patronage, partisan machines that effectively stand in for local governments, and diligently sustained clientelist relations between politicians and constituents are equally important. Although key attributes of Singapore and Malaysia differ, affecting the scope, character, and balance among national parties and policies, local machines, and personalized linkages—and notwithstanding a momentous change of government in Malaysia in 2018—many similarities remain in the way their dominant political parties have evolved and developed their relationships with the ground.

As Meredith Weiss shows, taken together, these attributes accustom citizens to the system in place, making meaningful change in electoral mobilization and policymaking all the harder. This authoritarian acculturation is key to both regimes' durability, but, given weaker party competition and party-civil society links, stronger in Singapore than Malaysia. High levels of authoritarian acculturation, amplifying the political payoffs of what parties and politicians actually provide their constituents, explain why electoral turnover alone would be insufficient for real regime change in either state.

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Manifeste Pour Un Peuple Caledonien : ou la Construction à venir d'une Nouvelle-Calédonie « arc-en-ciel » , « petite nation » dans la France ultramarine : Essai – Version courte / Frédéric Angleviel

Edition du GRHOC, Noumea, New Caledonia 2019

114p.

\$ 36.00 / null

220 gm.

Ce deuxième essai est la suite logique de Comprendre les référendums de 2018-2022 en Nouvelle-Calédonie. Il s'agit de se poser, au-delà de la question lancinante du débat-combat pour l'indépendance ou pour le maintien dans la France ultramarine, une interrogation bien plus porteuse de sens et d'avenir : le peuple calédonien appelé de ses vœux par Maurice Lenormand dès 1958 existe-t-il ?

Nous répondons « oui ». Les graines ont étéensemencées lorsque le parti autonomiste multiracial Union calédonienne prit comme devise : « Deux couleurs, un seul peuple ». La germination a commencé quand Jacques Lafleur a déclaré en 1977 : « Ceux qui ont doivent donner à ceux qui n'ont pas. » Le préambule de l'accord de Nouméa a lancé une nouvelle dynamique.

On est passé d'un état végétatif à un état de gestation quand l'accord de Nouméa a permis aux deux principes opposés de convoler. Un bébé en est né : le peuple calédonien. Ses parents continueront-ils à se disputer ou donneront-ils le meilleur d'eux-mêmes au fruit de leurs entrailles. Tout dépendra de vous, de nous, d'eux, d'ils et d'elles !

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Manifeste Pour Un Peuple Caledonien : ou la Construction à venir d'une Nouvelle-Calédonie « arc-en-ciel » , « petite nation » dans la France ultramarine – Essai / Frédéric Angleviel

Edilivre, Paris, France 2019

174p.

9782414325528

\$ 40.00 / null

300 gm.

Ce deuxième essai est la suite logique de Comprendre les référendums de 2018-2022 en Nouvelle-Calédonie. Il s'agit de se poser, au-delà de la question lancinante du débat-combat pour l'indépendance ou pour le maintien dans la France ultramarine, une interrogation bien plus porteuse de sens et d'avenir : le peuple calédonien appelé de ses vœux par Maurice Lenormand dès 1958 existe-t-il ? Nous répondons « oui ». Les graines ont étéensemencées lorsque le parti autonomiste multiracial Union calédonienne prit comme devise : « Deux couleurs, un seul peuple ». La germination a commencé quand Jacques Lafleur a déclaré en 1977 : « Ceux qui ont doivent donner à ceux qui n'ont pas. » Le préambule de l'accord de Nouméa a lancé une nouvelle dynamique. On est passé d'un état végétatif à un état de gestation quand l'accord de Nouméa a permis aux deux principes opposés de convoler. Un bébé en est né : le peuple calédonien. Ses parents continueront-ils à se disputer ou donneront-ils le meilleur d'eux-mêmes au fruit de leurs entrailles. Tout dépendra de vous, de nous, d'eux, d'ils et d'elles !

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Nouvelle-Caledonie le Oui minoritaire une belle promesse de liberte et de souverainete / Hamid Mokaddem (et al.)

Expressions, Noumea, New Caledonia 2019

ISSN: 2647-4735 ; 9782917270233

\$ 24.00 / null

100 gm.

Depuis 2005 les éditions Expressions de Nouméa et la courte échelle/ transit de Marseille publient, dans la collection Kanaky-Calédonie, de courts ouvrages qui ont l'ambition d'apporter un éclairage et des connaissances sur un processus de décolonisation qui, à bien des égards, ressemble le plus souvent à un processus de recolonisation. C'est ce que Hamid Mokaddem, enseignant, chercheur et écrivain de Nouvelle-Calédonie, démontrait dans notre précédent tiré à part Pour défendre sa souveraineté et son indépendance en Océanie, la France recolonise-t-elle la Nouvelle-Calédonie ? publié en octobre 2018. Le référendum du 4 novembre 2018 que ton disais couru d'avance a semé l'effroi dans le camp colonial et rendu espoir aux peuples kanak et à tous ceux qui sur ce territoire souhaitent un avenir commun et souverain. Les prochains référendums aujourd'hui inévitables se préparent dans d'autres conditions. Dans ce nouveau tiré à part prennent la parole également Georges Waixen Wayewol et Luc Enoka Camoui, poètes et philosophes kanak, une jeune chercheuse, Aurore Hamène, tous vivant en Nouvelle-Calédonie, tandis que Makoto Katsumata apporte le regard extérieur d'un chercheur japonais.

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Les Fédéralismes / Jean Yves , Florence Faberon  
Recherches sur la cohésion sociale, New Caledonia 2020  
480p.  
9782492091018  
\$ 70.00 / null  
800 gm.

Le présent ouvrage n'est pas un traité du fédéralisme. Il n'est pas une théorie. Le fédéralisme est une dynamique institutionnelle propre à établir des formes d'États composés fondés sur la conciliation des principes d'autonomie et de solidarité des collectivités membres. Cet ouvrage collectif expose un état actuel des différentes mises en œuvre des idées fédérales. Il dresse des tableaux dont la diversité nous éloigne d'une introuvable synthèse : ces fédéralismes sont un état d'esprit, non une recette. Ils n'appliquent pas un dogme mais expriment une éthique. Il revient aux sociétés humaines disparates de s'en inspirer pour tisser leurs liens. Comment s'y prendre pour fédérer ? Cela dépend des cas toujours différents des multiples cités des êtres humains. Nous voulons montrer que si, partout, le fédéralisme est un mode volontariste du vivre ensemble, on ne peut qu'observer les fédéralismes en œuvre dans tant de sociétés plurielles forgées par les temps. On peut admirer dans chaque cas comment on s'y est pris devant des identités diverses pour nouer et garantir des enrichissements réciproques au lieu de continuer à laisser les oppositions se déchirer. L'irénisme du fédéralisme forge et renforce les valeurs communes qui constituent le ciment entre tous. Les fédéralismes sont des accords de paix et de progrès, de protection mutuelle et de liberté. Dans la conception fédérale, la collectivité membre n'est pas pénalisée par ses faiblesses car elle reste forte de la solidarité de son État fédéral, qui cependant respecte son identité propre. En matière de fédéralismes, il n'y a que des formules originales, dont la solidité doit s'enraciner dans les conditions toujours spécifiques de chaque Cité.

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Act east to act Indo-Pacific : India's expanding neighbourhood / Prabir De  
KW Publishers Pvt.ltd., New Delhi 2020  
Xxiv, 348p.;22cm.  
9789389137309  
\$ 25.00 / null  
450 gm.



India is known as a leading voice in international affairs. India's economic size, vast and growing market, democratic institutions, access to ocean and foundation of science largely explain why India continues to play an important role in global and regional affairs. India is the only country in Asia having the heft to counterbalance China and thus welcomed by many countries in Asia and the Pacific. India has embarked on a period of radical changes in its foreign and economic policies. Faced with a major slowdown of India's trade with Southeast and East Asia in 2014-15, the government responded by initiating far-reaching Act East Policy (AEP) aimed at greater economic integration with South, Southeast and East Asian nations. Started with a fresh vigour in 2014, AEP has gained a new momentum while acting on the east. The Act 'East' is now getting transformed into Act 'Indo-Pacific'. This book presents short essays written by the author on several key aspects of India's economic relations and the challenges faced by India in the post-AEP period. Ten broad themes are analysed in this book: BBIN, BIMSTEC, SAARC, ASEAN, MGC, Act East-North East, BCIM, BRI, Act Far East and Indo-Pacific. This volume highlights what, in author's best judgement, should be the direction for India's expanding neighbourhood. It is an economist's insight and field experience based analysis that offers guidelines for international cooperation. This volume is an invaluable companion for the policymakers, academia, students of international relations, diplomats and the general readership as well.

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Democracy in Indonesia : From Stagnation to Regression? / Thomas Power and Eve Warburton

ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020

393p.

Includes Index

9789814881517

\$ 42.00 / HB

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Democracy in Indonesia : From Stagnation to Regression? / Thomas Power and Eve Warburton

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Indonesia has long been hailed as a rare case of democratic transition and persistence in an era of global democratic setbacks. But as the country enters its third decade of democracy, such laudatory assessments have become increasingly untenable. The stagnation that characterized Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono's second presidential term has given way to a more far-reaching pattern of democratic regression under his successor, Joko Widodo.

This volume is the first comprehensive study of Indonesia's contemporary democratic decline. Its contributors identify, explain and debate the signs of regression, including arbitrary state crackdowns on freedom of speech and organization, the rise of vigilantism, deepening political polarization, populist mobilization, the dysfunction of key democratic institutions, and the erosion of checks and balances on executive power. They ask why Indonesia, until recently considered a beacon of democratic exceptionalism, increasingly conforms to the global pattern of democracy in retreat.

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Indonesia's Ministry of Religious Affairs under Joko Widodo / Syafiq Hasyim, Norshahril Saat

ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute, Singapore 2020

25p.

9789814951234

\$ 9.00 / null

Indonesia is the most populous Muslim country in the world, with 87.18 per cent of its 260 million population embracing the Islamic faith. However, Indonesia is neither an Islamic state nor a secular one. It adopts Pancasila as the state ideology but has a Ministry of Religious Affairs (MORA) overseeing six official religions.

MORA has its genesis in Dutch colonial rule (1602–1942). It was strengthened during the Japanese occupation (1942–45) and then sustained by the post-independence Indonesian government (after 1945). The decision to keep MORA was to compensate those who had aspired for the enactment of the Jakarta Charter in the era of Sukarno but failed.

MORA has always been the arena for contestation between the traditionalist Nahdlatul Ulama (NU) and the modernist Muhammadiyah. Both organizations eye not only the minister post, or leadership positions in the bureaucracy, but also lower ranking positions.

This article examines how MORA has been managed under President Joko Widodo (Jokowi) from 2014 till the present. It highlights similarities and differences in Jokowi's control of the influential ministry compared to his predecessors. In 2014, even though Jokowi was elected on a reform agenda, he left MORA untouched.

After the 2019 election, Jokowi appointed Fachrul Razi, a retired general as Minister of Religious Affairs, departing from past practices of naming a religious scholar (ulama) or a religiously trained person (santri) to that position. This demonstrates a wish on the part of the President to shake up the ministry and to exert control over the institution. This decision, however, has alienated core supporters in NU who helped him get re-elected in 2019.

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Sri Lanka's Future Challenges and the Quest for a New Constitution / Darshan Weerasekera

Sarasavi Publishers (Pvt) Ltd, Nugegoda, Sri Lanka 2020

282p.

9789553118585

\$ 20.00 / null

360 gm.

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A Factual Appraisal of the OISL Report : A Rebuttal to the Allegations Against the Armed Forces - Revised and Updated / Dharshan Weerasekera

Sarasavi Publishers (Pvt) Ltd, Nugegoda, Sri Lanka 2020

160p

9789553118592

\$ 18.00 / HB

250 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=703177>

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Foreign Presence in Sri Lanka / Latheef Farook

Sri Lankan Journalists for Global Justice, Colombo, Sri Lanka 2020

290p.

9786245242009

\$ 35.00 / HB

520 gm.

The book, Foreign Presence in Sri Lanka by veteran journalist Latheef Farook, is about the presence of rival foreign powers and their inevitable impact on the country known for its independent foreign policy with which it won the hearts of the entire Third World.

This book covers developments up to 16 November 2019 presidential elections, including the mysterious 21 April 2019 Easter Sunday bombing and killings.

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Pakistan and the Muslim World / Mathew Joseph C.

KW Publishers Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xv, 263 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9789387324930

\$ 27.00 / HB

550 gm.

Pakistan and the Muslim World is the outcome of an international seminar organised by the UGC-Centre for Pakistan Studies at the MMAJ Academy of International Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi. Unlike other Muslim countries, Pakistan came into being in the name of Islam and Muslim nationalism. ...

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The Bisi Akande Phenomenon? : Governance, Economy and Politics (1999-2003)  
/ Lai Olurode and Dhikhrullah Adewale Yagboyaju

University of Lagos Press and Bookshop Ltd, Lagos, Nigeria 2019

xvi, 238p.

Includes Index

9789785659610

\$ 65.00 / null

350 gm.

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Strategic Intervention in Governance, Volume 1 : An Essential Compilation of  
Critical Speeches, Thoughts and Experiences in Nation Building / Tunde Bakare  
Present Truth Publishers Limited, Lagos, Nigeria 2015

xxiv, 614p.

Includes Index

9789789453306

\$ 100.00 / null

1140 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686994>

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Democracy and Its Enemies : The Goodluck Jonathan Years / Jide Oluwajuyitan  
Sibon Books Limited, Lagos, Nigeria 2016

vi, 154p.

9788012329 ; 9799788012329

\$ 30.00 / null

250 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=686995>

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Nigeria and Crises of Nation Building / Jide Oluwajuyitan  
Sibon Books Limited, Lagos, Nigeria 2016

viii, 156p.

9788012337 ; 9799788012336

\$ 30.00 / null

260 gm.

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Women, Veiling and Politics: The South Asian Conundrum / Imtiaz Ahmed (ed)  
The University Press Limited, Dhaka, Bangladesh 2020

xvi, 284p.  
Includes Index  
9789845062749  
\$ 35.00 / HB  
550 gm.

Never in the history of human civilization has the veil, hijab or purdah become so much of a contentious issue. At the root of the contention, however, it has always been politics. This volume mainly focuses on South Asia, where the veiling of women has been a part of its age-old civilization, indeed, more as a marker of civility and not always from the standpoint of masculinity. But then in recent times, the territoriality of societies in the name of 'modern state' and the power of both patriarchy and masculinity reinforcing it made the veiling of women, in one form or another, an exercise in patriarchy, masculinity or gender politics, often crisscrossing national, ethnic, racial and religious boundaries, with women as its main victims. This volume attempts to overcome our 'ignorance' in so far as the veil is concerned. Demystifying the politics of veiling can certainly contribute to emancipatory politics in South Asia and beyond.

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The Light of Christ in Philippine Politics : The Interventions of the Catholic Church in State Affairs (1972-2005) / Jose Maria De Nazareno

ST PAULS, Makati City, Philippines 2016

xxviii, 404p.  
Includes Bibliography

9789710042326

\$ 25.00 / null

540 gm.

At first glance, the title of the book suggests that the material might be another work sold for pious consumption; however, flipping upon the pages of De Nazareno's work shows that this monograph is a product of rigorous academic research from an interpretivist analysis of official statements issued by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines. The discourses fleshed out from these statements served as the framework which guided the engagement of the organization to the Philippine political realm starting from its foundation in 1972 until the mid-period of Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's presidency in 2005. Works employing discursive analyses of CBCP's pronouncements and political stances are not scarce as several papers regarding the topic were already published. Despite the presence of this corpus, De Nazareno's book was prefigured by a similar monograph published in the Filipino vernacular language. Bestowed with a lengthy title in Filipino language, Demetrio's *Ang Mga Ideolohiyang Politikang ng Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines: Isang Pag-aaral sa mga Piling Pahayag mula sa Limang Panahon ng Kontemporaryong Ekle-siastiko-Politikang na Kasaysayan ng Pilipinas* (The Political Ideology of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines: A Study on Selected Documents from Five Periods of the Ecclesiastical-Political History of the Philippines) dissected the different political themes present among CBCP pastoral letters and located them in a binary classifications, namely, progressive-retrogressive and liberal-authoritarian wherein the former is categorized into five inclinations: radical, liberal, moderate, conservative and reactionary. In relation, De Nazareno's work also looked for lingering political themes; however, these themes were interpreted to shed light in order to understand the varying patterns of CBCP engagement in every administration from Marcos to Arroyo.

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Impossible Is Not So Easy : A Life in Politics / Joel Rocamora

Bughaw (Ateneo de Manila University Press), Quezon City, Philippines 2020

x, 294p.

9789715509442

\$ 30.00 / null

500 gm.

They are the footprints of a life spent working for difficult political causes. This is not history; half of the book is on Duterte, and on federalism. Except for a few, more academic pieces, most of the selections are short, easy-to-digest analyses.

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Final Frontier: India and Space Security / DR Bharath Gopalswamy

Westland Publications Ltd, Chennai 2019

xvi, 256p.; 23cm.

9789388754903

\$ 17.75 / HB

450 gm.

Space, the final frontier. As nations attempt to secure strategic and military influence over adversaries, it is beyond the earth's skies that they look. Superpowers such as the US, Russia, France, the UK and China have had robust space programmes since the end of the Second World War. India joined the race a little later, with research activities intended strictly for civilian use. However, China's stealthy Anti-Satellite Weapon Test (ASAT) in 2007 initiated a debate about space security in India, surrounded as it is by rogue nations that send out terror threats to its existence. Understanding India's Approach to Space Security is a deeply revelatory history of how India's space programme gradually grew to emerge as an important player in space weaponisation. In his groundbreaking new book, Dr Bharath Gopalswamy examines both the ethicality of using space assets as well as India's technical and political options to defend and expand them.

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Fire and Fury: Transforming India's Strategic Identity / Anil Kakodkar, Suresh Gangotra

Rupa Publications India Pvt, Ltd., New Delhi 2019

xiii, 194p.; ill. 22 cm.

Includes Index.

9789353337285

\$ 12.50 / HB

400 gm.

In March 2006, George W. Bush, President of the United States of America, visited India to finalise the landmark Civil nuclear deal between the two countries. But far from the hum of expectations, the US negotiating team was hard at work in South block—making every possible attempt to alleviate the concerns raised by Anil Kakodkar, Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC), and Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy (DAE). Kakodkar's firmness paid off and the US team conceded to the demands made in the interest of India's strategic autonomy. Little wonder then that when Kakodkar was introduced to President Bush, he asked, 'so you are that Kakodkar? Are you happy?' It is this courage of conviction and firm resolve that has defined the remarkable life and times of Anil Kakodkar, one of India's most respected nuclear scientists.

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Unleashing The Vajra: Nepal's Journey Between India and China / Sujeev Shakya

Penguin Books India (P) Ltd, Gurgaon 2019

xvii, 414p.; 22 cm.

Includes Index.

9780670093083

\$ 15.00 / HB

620 gm.

Nepal's great advantage is its location between India and China, particularly now as these two Asian giants are set to be the world's leading economies in 2050. Nepal has historically been at its most prosperous when it has leveraged this geographical position. Today, this opportunity emerges again-and in order to take advantage of the growth of India and China, Nepal needs to hitch its wagon to the fast-moving engines to its north and south.

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Amit Shah and the March of BJP / Anirban Ganguly

Bloomsbury Publishing India pvt.ltd, New Delhi 2019

xviii, 296p.; ill. 24 cm.

9789388134118

\$ 10.00 / null

500 gm.

The story of Amit Shah's political life, struggles, rise and triumph is little known. For a leader who is often referred to as the Chanakya of Indian politics, who has dominated India's fast-paced and complex political stage since 2014, has altered its electoral map by leading the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) to successive historic victories post the May 2014 general elections, there is very little that is recorded or narrated. So, it's no surprise that the curiosity he evokes is ever on the rise.

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Ayodhya: city of faith, city of discord / Valay Singh.

Aleph Book Company, New Delhi 2018

xv, 383 pages ; 23 cm

Include Index

9789388292245

\$ 35.00 / HB

560 gm.

Ayodhya: City of Faith, City of Discord is the first comprehensive biography of a sleepy city in northern India, which has been a place of reverence for many faiths for millennia, but has also been a place of violence, bloodshed and ill-will. Ayodhya lodged itself permanently in the national consciousness with the demolition of the Babri Masjid in 1992. The destruction of the mosque was the climax of the Ram Janmabhoomi movement that has been at the heart of Indian politics for a quarter century since the BJP first campaigned on the promise of building a Ram temple at the site of the mosque. The demolition was followed by large-scale riots that killed thousands of people and permanently communalized the polity of the country. In the first section of the book, the author tells the complex story of a city holy to many faiths—Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam and Jainism. Through a comparative analysis of the various versions of the Ramayana in which it features, Valay Singh goes back almost 3,300 years in time to when Ayodhya is first mentioned. He then traces its history showing its transformation from being an insignificant outpost to a place sought out by kings, fakirs, renouncers and reformers. He looks at the propagation of an aggressive Hindu cultural and religious consciousness in the city that was exacerbated during the period in which the East India Company became a military power in north India in the eighteenth century. The second section seeks to bring together the disparate events and developments after India's Independence in 1947 that were responsible for launching Ayodhya to centre stage in Indian politics and the political imagination. This section goes deep into the violent years leading up to the demolition and its aftermath through which the right wing gained decisive ground in electoral politics. Drawing on archives, current scholarship, numerous interviews with key players from various castes, communities and religions in the city and the surrounding region, Ayodhya: City of Faith, City of Discord is a balanced chronicle of faith, fanaticism and the war between secularism and religious fundamentalism in a key battleground in modern India

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The Predatory Delay Diaries: The Petroleum Industry's Survival Campaign to Slow New Zealand's Transition to a Low Carbon Economy / Terrence Loomis



PrismaPrint, New Zealand 2020

226p.

Includes Index

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450 gm.

The climate crisis is worse than previously thought, according to scientists. 100 fossil fuel companies are responsible for over 70 percent of the world's runaway emissions. UN Secretary General Guterres has called for urgent government action to end drilling. When the Labour-led Coalition came to power promising to end the country's reliance on fossil fuels and transition to a low-carbon economy, the petroleum industry saw the writing on the wall. Led by the Petroleum Exploration and Production Association of New Zealand (PEPANZ) in collaboration with the political right, it embarked on a predatory delay campaign to slow transition, prolong the country's dependency on oil and gas and encourage a popular backlash against government policies threatening the industry's future. The Predatory Delay Diaries is a continuation of investigations Dr Loomis began in his 2017 book Petroleum Development and Environmental Conflict in Aotearoa New Zealand. The research identifies the key players and alliances behind the campaign; the lobbying strategies, misinformation and PR spin that PEPANZ and industry executives have adopted or borrowed from overseas; and how these have influenced Coalition Government policies. Loomis's study suggests further supply-side measures besides the exploration ban the Government could adopt if it heeded the Secretary General's call and urgently phased out oil and gas exploration and production. If you care about climate change and want to know where the petroleum industry's predatory delay campaign is vulnerable to concerted citizen action as well as bolder Government measures, then this book is essential reading.

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India: The Wrong Transition / Anand K Sahay

Aakar Books, Delhi 2019

288 p.; 22 cm.

9789350026144

\$ 15.00 / HB

520 gm.

In the absence of institutional restraint, and of independent journalism, which is not afraid to excavate the wrong-doings of the rulers and expose the mechanism through which their dark deeds are performed, democracy in India can today be said to be on the brink of a precipice. It has never been laid so low before, though there have been bad times for democracy in the past and unedifying policy failures. The present government's actions show that it has been ideology-driven & has limited inclination for the material development of society. Its aim appears to be no less than the transformation of both state and society in India along prescriptive religious lines through the misuse of state power.

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From Kargil To Pulwama: The Story of Pakistan Misadventure with India / R.C. Mehta

Shubhi Publications, Haryana 2019

289p.; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography.

9788182903012

\$ 37.75 / HB

630 gm.

The partition of India was unpleasant one. Since independence Pakistan has been behaving as an enemy, rather than a peaceful neighbor. Their policy has been to create conflict with India rather than the development of own people. And this policy of theirs has resulted in three major wars and birth of a new country Bangladesh. On the pretext of peace former Prime Minister late Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee was invited to visit Lahore and at the backdrop, their army tried to annexe Kargil.

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Cyril's Choices: Lesson from 25 Years of Freedom in South Africa / John Matisonn (Ed)

Ideas of Africa (Pty) Ltd (Missing Ink), South Africa 2019

272p.

9780639840437

\$ 34.00 / null

400 gm.

CYRIL'S CHOICES: Lessons from 25 years of freedom spells out the choices before Ramaphosa and South Africa.

For the first time, Matisonn explains work he began at the time he met Nelson Mandela a day after the future president left prison. In September, 1991 he resigned his job as a foreign correspondent in South Africa to study the problem first at the University of Chicago, then in Japan and Russia.

Drawing on experience from Moscow and Kyoto, Harare and Bangui, and the highways and byways of South Africa, the author shows that rapid growth and job creation are a policy choice that can be made by changing how we identify drivers of rapid South African growth.

Since his study visit to Russia in 1992, the author has traced the rise of the Russian oligarchs who befriended President Zuma and other African leaders to sell nuclear plants and take over mines, and how the immigrant Indian Gupta family became South Africa's own oligarchs.

Since Japan's was the most successful economic transformation in history before China, and the first so-called "developmental state," Japan provides guidance as South Africa sets a new course.

Cyril's Choice is a sometimes humorous but seeringly frank portrayal of where we went wrong. It offers clear answers to a South Africa in search of hope: we must learn from others as we develop our own unique African success story, if we are again to provide a beacon of respect and success on the African continent.

South African voters are getting impatient with all the major parties. Without decisive progress, the ruling African National Congress and the official opposition Democratic Alliance are at risk of being overtaken by new forces we cannot yet see. What do they need to change to reverse public disillusionment? And what will replace them if they don't?

We can't change the past, but we can draw on strengths we've shown we have in order to change the future.

For his latest work, John Matisonn draws on more than 40 years in journalism, government and the United Nations. Now he connects the dots like nobody else can

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The Bosasa Billions: How the ANC Sold Its Soul for Braiipacks, Booze and Bags of Cash / James-Brent Styan & Paul Vecchiatto

LAPA Publishers (Pty) Ltd, South Africa 2019

xx, 260p.

9780799396089

\$ 32.00 / null

400 gm.

Just as South Africans were starting to come to grips with the staggering cost of state capture, the Bosasa bombshell hit the country. This grand-scale corruption scandal cost South Africa billions of rands while the politicians involved were bought for as little as braai packs and booze.

While investigating state capture, The Zondo commission of inquiry blew the lid off the tangled web of bribery that was Bosasa. Gripping testimony before the commission about "little black books", cash bribes and walk-in vaults held the public in thrall while a new realisation dawned: The notorious Gupta family had not been the only ones pillaging the country.

In *The Bosasa Billions*, best-selling author James-Brent Styan and co-writer Paul Vecchiatto uncover the sordid story of how one company exploited the greed of corrupt politicians and bureaucrats to establish an extensive tender network stretching right to the top of the ANC government.

Its cast of characters include:

\* Angelo Agrizzi, the whistleblower who makes new revelations to Styan about the secrets behind Bosasa's glittering profit margins,

\* Vernie Petersen, the prisons boss who waged a lonely battle against the dark forces taking over his department, and

\* Gavin Watson, the ultra-religious Bosasa puppet master who parlayed his family's struggle credentials into vast wealth while leading his employees in prayer every morning.

Ultimately, however, Bosasa was not in the business of saving souls, but selling them.

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Election 2019: Change and Stability in South Africa's Democracy / Collette Schulz-Herzenberg & Roger Southall (ed)

Jacana Media (Pty) Ltd, South Africa 2019

xiv, 258p.

9781431428861

\$ 30.00 / null

400 gm.

The sixth general election since the arrival of democracy occurs at a critical moment in South Africa's history. The immediate question this book poses is will the ANC manage to manufacture a sixth electoral victory despite its disastrous record in government since 2014? It finds the answer in the personal popularity of Ramaphosa, the ANC's capacity to forge political unity when confronted by the risk of losing power, established voting trends amongst older voters, a sharp decline in participation among the youth which might otherwise have produced electoral shifts, and the failure of opposition parties to present themselves as viable alternatives. The subsequent question is what the consequences of a sixth successive election victory for the ANC will be for South African democracy. Will the ANC's triumph provide a sufficiently strong mandate for Ramaphosa to turn South Africa around, or will he fail to overcome Zuma's allies within the party? Whether he succeeds or fails, will the ANC manage to hold itself together? Is the future and quality of South African democracy dictated by whether the ANC stays together or splits into rival parts? Election 2019 covers the context of the election, analyses changing voter participation and attitudes, outlines party campaigns, and explores the role of gender and the media before evaluating the result. At its heart is the issue of whether South African democracy will survive.

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Race, Class and the Post-Apartheid Democratic State / John Reynolds, Ben Fine & Robert van Niekerk (ed)

University of KwaZulu-Natal Press, South Africa 2019

386p.

Includes Index

9781869144197

\$ 50.00 / null

600 gm.

This book provides an overdue critical re-engagement with the analytical approach exemplified by the work of Harold Wolpe, who was a key theorist within the liberation movement. It probes the following broad questions: how do we understand the trajectory of the post-apartheid period, how did the current situation come about in the transformation, how does the current situation relate to how a post-apartheid society was conceived in anticipation, and what are the implications of what have been failed ambitions for progressives? The contributions to this volume cohere around the following themes: labour and capital in post-apartheid South Africa, the post-apartheid South African economy, the state and transformation of South African society, and social policy in post-apartheid South Africa. The aim is not to provide a common or coherent theoretical perspective, but rather to probe a core problematic and set of theoretical concerns. The contributing authors explore not only historical and contemporary specifics, but deploy and reflect on theoretical tools that allow us to make sense of those specifics and to engage with the dynamics of race and class, and the form and functioning of the state, including its articulation with an increasingly financialised form of global capitalism.

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The Nepal Nexus: An Inside Account of the Maoists, the Durbar and New Delhi /  
Sudheer Sharma

Penguin Books India (P) Ltd, Gurgaon 2019

xiii, 521p.; ill. 23 cm.

9780670089307

\$ 17.75 / HB

740 gm.

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The RSS Roadmaps for the 21st Century / Sunil Ambekar

Rupa Publications India Pvt, Ltd., New Delhi 2019

xvii, 230p.; 22 cm.

Includes Index.

9789353336851

\$ 12.75 / HB

400 gm.

The Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) continues to make headlines, despite several books tracing its journey. Curiosity about the functioning of the RSS has increased phenomenally as swayamsevaks have risen to top positions in government and the Sanghs core ideas of Hindu Rashtra and Ekatmata have become the mainstream lexicon of our social and political space. So, what is the RSSs imagination for India? If India becomes a Hindu Rashtra, what will be the place of Muslims and other faiths in it? How big is the RSS project of history writing? Will Hindutva override caste politics? And what is the RSS view of social issues pertaining to the changing nature of family, the rights of people with different sexual orientations and the third gender? These contentious questions are just a few of the myriad political and social issues that Sunil Ambekar, a high-ranking pracharak, analyses in his book, The RSS: Roadmaps for the 21st Century. Displaying a deep understanding of facts, clarity of thought and attention to detail, Ambekar presents a blend of past milestones, present achievements and future ideas. Having worked at the heart of the Shakra system, he also highlights the internal working of the Sangh—the decisionmaking process, the effective coordination system and means of expansion..

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The Indian Conservative: A History of Indian Right-Wing Thought / Jaithirth Rao  
Juggernaut Books, New Delhi 2019

viii, 261p.; 22 cm.

9789353450625

\$ 15.00 / HB

440 gm.

Right-wing thought has a long and ancient tradition in India. In this riveting book, Jaithirth Rao traces its history, explores its philosophical underpinnings and different manifestations, and defines it as conservatism a philosophy that rejects radical, reactionary and utopian positions and argues for change that evolves gradually and peacefully, preserves features of the past that are constructive and worth cherishing, and believes in a minimalist state that protects individual liberties even as it promotes policies that work on the ground. Hindu nationalism and the Bharatiya Janata Party are among the many offshoots of this tradition. Focusing on five areas the economy, politics, culture, society and aesthetics Rao examines the rich contribution that Indian conservatism could make in each of these fields in contemporary India. Lively, eloquent and provocative, this is a book that will stimulate much thought, discussion and debate as it challenges the dogmas of the left and the extreme right and raises the key issues that engage India today.....

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The ISIS Peril: The World's Terror Group and Its Shadow on South Asia / Kabir Taneja

Penguin Books India (P) Ltd, Gurgaon 2019

xvii, 186p.; 22 cm.

9780670091560

\$ 12.75 / HB

400 gm.

As early as 2014, after the fall of Mosul, maps of ISIS showing a desire to take over South Asia started to appear on social media. But how far has that borne fruit? Or has it always been more of an ill-conceived chimera? One of the shortcomings of our understanding of ISIS in India-and indeed in South Asia-is that neither the media nor the public discourse seems to know what ISIS itself is.

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Soul Rivals : State Militant and Pop Sufism in Pakistan / Nadeem Farooq Paracha

Vanguard Books, Lahore, Pakistan 2020

128p.

9789694026220

\$ 35.00 / HB

340 gm.

Sufism has always been a contested space in Pakistan. Successive governments, political parties and religious organizations have attempted to co-opt it or reject it to suit their own political agendas. Since the turn of the millennium, however, the Pakistani government has made a conscious effort to recast Pakistan as a 'Sufi country'—a whitewashing endeavor. In the past few decades, Pakistan's image has taken a severe beating, ravaged as the country is by the rise of religious extremism. A focus on the synthetic culture of Sufism was seen as a way to reverse this damage without the need to explore more secular narratives and alternatives as almost every attempt at genuine reform has triggered extreme reactions from the politico-religious segments of the society that were empowered through various controversial constitutional amendments and laws between 1974 and the late 1980s. Soul Rivals discusses the many strands of Sufism (State, Pop and Militant) that have emerged in the course of the country's attempts to re-imagine Sufism. In this close look at the religion-political space in Pakistan, Nadeem Farooq Paracha is as insightful as he is entertaining.

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France's Africa Relations: Domination, Continuity and Contradiction / Nicasius

Achu Check, Korwa Gombe Adar & Ajume Wingo

Africa Institute of South Africa (AISA), South Africa 2019

xxiv, 202p.

9780798305297

\$ 50.00 / null

450 gm.

This edited book is a compendium of research work on France's contentious and sometimes complicated African policy. It attempts to assess France's policy issues that may have contributed or influenced the consistent economic, political, social and security crises in former French colonies on the African continent.

The book highlights how the Franco-African foreign and security policies, especially in the post-colonial era, perpetuate the colonial policies of assimilation, association and integration. In the pursuit of these policies, the chapters in the book highlight instances of domination, continuity and change in France's economic, cultural and political grip on Francophone African countries.

The book provides a good historical perspective of France's Africa policy and critical insight into the political, economic, security, cultural and social problems generated by the nature of France-Africa relations. The book provides useful insight into the nature of France-Africa relations, drawing on a good mix of sub-regional perspectives and country case studies. It presents the issues discussed with accuracy, using relevant source materials.

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A House Divided: The Feud That Took Cape Town to the Brink / Crispian Olver

Jonathan Ball Publishers, South Africa 2019

xii, 308p.

Includes Index

9781868429684

\$ 32.00 / null

450 gm.

It's 2018 and Cape Town is wracked by its worst drought on record. The prospect of 'Day Zero' - when the taps will run dry - is driving citizens into a frenzy. Then the ruling Democratic Alliance removes control of the water issue from Mayor Patricia de Lille.

While politicians turn on each other, revealing deep-lying faultlines and new enmities, it raises a critical question: who will lead the Mother City through the crisis? Against this fraught backdrop, author and academic Crispian Olver resolves to explore how the city of his childhood is run, and he sets his sights in particular on the relationship between local politicians and property developers.

Interviewing numerous people - including many dropped from the City administration in often-questionable circumstances - he uncovers a Pandora's box of backstabbing, infighting and backroom deals. Olver explores dodgy property developments in the agriculturally sensitive area of Philippi, on the scenic West Coast and along the glorious - and lucrative - Atlantic Seaboard, delves into attempts to 'hijack' civic associations and exposes the close yet precarious relationship between the mayor and City Hall's 'laptop boys'.

And in blistering detail he gets to grips with the political meltdown within the DA and the defection of De Lille to form her own party.

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The Stellenbosch Mafia: Inside the Billionaires' Club / Pieter du Toit

Jonathan Ball Publishers, South Africa 2019

xvi, 224p.

Includes Index

9781868429189

\$ 32.00 / null

350 gm.



'Comrade president, Stellenbosch is a big problem. We know your proximity to Stellenbosch ... we have not elected Stellenbosch here ... we have not elected the Ruperts here.' - Julius Malema addressing President Cyril Ramaphosa in the National Assembly on 22 May 2019

THE BEAUTIFUL TOWN OF STELLENBOSCH, nestled against vineyards and blue mountains that stretch to the sky, lies a short drive from Cape Town. Here, some of South Africa's richest individuals live: all male, most Afrikaans - and all fabulously wealthy.

Julius Malema refers to them scathingly as the 'Stellenbosch Mafia', the very worst example of white monopoly capital. Their critics rail about their influence over the state and the economy. But who are these rich individuals, and what influence do they wield?

Journalist Pieter du Toit explores the roots of Stellenbosch, one of the wealthiest towns in South Africa and arguably the cradle of Afrikanerdom. This is the birthplace of apartheid leaders, intellectuals, newspaper empires and more. He also closely examines this 'club' of billionaires. Who are they and, crucially, how are they connected? What network of boardroom membership, alliances and family connections exists? Who are the 'old guard' and who are the 'inkommers'? The Stellenbosch Mafia is the first attempts to not only investigate if this group actually exists, but also to determine whether the town has an excessive influence on South African business and society.

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Governance and the Postcolony: Views from Africa / David Everatt (ed)

WITS University Press, South Africa 2019

x, 330p.

Includes Index

9781776143443

\$ 38.00 / null

650 gm.

Civil society, NGOs, governments, and multilateral institutions all repeatedly call for improved or 'good' governance – yet they seem to speak past one another. Governance is in danger of losing all meaning precisely because it means many things to different people in varied locations.

This is especially true in sub-Saharan Africa. Here, the postcolony takes many forms, reflecting the imperial project with painful accuracy. Offering a set of multidisciplinary analyses of governance in different sectors (crisis management, water, food security, universities), in different locales (including the African Union and specific regional contexts from West Africa, Zambia, to South Africa), and from different theoretical approaches (network to adversarial network governance, and beyond), this volume makes a useful addition to the growing debates on how to govern. It steers away from offering a correct definition of governance, or from promoting a particular position on postcoloniality. It gives no conclusion that neatly sums up all the arguments advanced. Instead, readers are invited to draw their own conclusions based on these differing approaches to and analyses of governance in the postcolony.

As a robust, critical assessment of power and accountability in the sub-Saharan context, this collection brings together topical case studies that will be a valuable resource for those working in the field of African international relations, public policy, public management and administration.

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Africa and the World : Navigating Shifting Geopolitics / Francis Kornegay Jnr and Philani Mthembu

Mapungubwe Institute for Strategic Reflection (MISTRA), Johannesburg, South Africa 2020

xxvi, 448p. ; 234x156mm.

Includes Index

9780639995564

\$ 58.00 / null

780 gm.

Africa and the World: Navigating Shifting Geopolitics is one of the first books to analyse the global geopolitical landscape from an African perspective, with a view to the opportunities and challenges facing the African continent. Authors in this edited volume argue for the need to re-imagine Africa's role in the world. As a cradle of humanity, a historical fountain of profound scientific knowledge, an object of colonial conquest and, today, a collective of countries seeking to pool their sovereignties in order to improve the human condition, Africa has a unique opportunity to advance its own interests. Authors reflect on all these issues; they outline how developments in the global political economy impact on the continent and, inversely, how Africa can develop a strategic perspective that takes into account the dynamics playing out in a fraught global terrain.

Central to this evaluation is the notion of 'island Africa': a vast island – with resources that extend into the oceans around it – that is a strategic centre by virtue of its geographic location, its endowments and its long-term potential. Authors assert that the positioning of 'island Africa' presents unique political, security and geo-economic benefits. Yet they also acknowledge that, as has happened historically, these very advantages can serve as a basis for new forms of domination and exploitation. In addition, this volume takes into account the socio-psychological factors that influence how nations of the world receive and interpret the present, and assess prospects for the future.

The authors go beyond analysis of what is, to venture concrete proposals on what can be, with Africa exercising its agency. This requires the strengthening of continental integration and cohesion in pursuit of ideals that the African Union has enshrined in Agenda 2063. In this way, Africa would be able to engage – in a systemic and disciplined manner – with external powers to assert the continent's own interests which, in their framing, are also the interests of humanity. A continent united in both purpose and action can be an active agent in shaping the evolving global order. This volume makes a strong case for precisely such a perspective and contributes to what should be an ongoing effort to analyse geopolitics with Africa as a critical frame of reference.

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Research and Realities : Politics in the Third World / G. Rebullida

The University of the Philippines Press, Quezon City, Philippines 2020

x, 264p.

9789715429108

\$ 30.00 / null

450 gm.

1. Developing countries – Politics and government.
2. Philippines – Politics and government.
3. Thailand – Politics and government.
4. Malaysia – Politics and government.
5. South Korea – Politics and government.
6. Developing countries – Social conditions.

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The Defeat of Barisan Nasional : Missed Signs or Late Surge? / Francis E. Hutchinson and Lee Hwok Aun

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2019

xxviii, 510p.

Includes Includes

9789814843898

\$ 36.00 / null

920 gm.

The results of Malaysia's 14th General Elections of May 2018 were unexpected and transformative. Against conventional wisdom, the newly reconfigured opposition grouping Pakatan Harapan (PH) decisively defeated the incumbent Barisan Nasional (BN), ending six decades of uninterrupted dominant one-party rule. Despite a long-running financial scandal dogging the ruling coalition, pollsters and commentators predicted a solid BN victory or, at least, a narrow parliamentary majority. Yet, on the day, deeply rooted political dynamics and influential actors came together, sweeping aside many prevailing assumptions and reconfiguring the country's political reality in the process. In order to understand the elections and their implications, this edited volume brings together contributions from ISEAS - Yusof Ishak Institute researchers and a group of selected collaborators to examine the elections from three angles: campaign dynamics; important trends among major interest groups; and local-level dynamics and developments in key states. This analytical work is complemented by personal narratives from a selection of GE-14 participants.

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New narrative of Malaysian foreign policy / Azhari Karim

Penerbit Universiti Sains Malaysia (Universiti Sains Malaysia Press), Malaysia  
2019

xvi, 126p.

Includes Index

9789674613464

\$ 15.00 / null

350 gm.

1. Government publications - Malaysia
2. International relations - Malaysia
3. Malaysia - Foreign relations
4. Malaysia - Politics and government

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Nepal's Road to Federalism: From the Perspective of Grassroots Democracy /  
Damodar Adhikari

Research Triangle Institute, Nepal 2020

xiv, 200p.

Includes Bibliography

9789937065436

\$ 20.00 / null

400 gm.

This book aims to contribute to Nepal's nation building process firstly by discussing key issues and challenges that have emerged in the federalism process. Secondly, it offers some key insights and lessons from other countries from which Nepal can learn to adapt a more devolved federal system. Thus, grassroots democracy can be fostered in the future creating a solid foundation for more a democratic, prosperous and resilient society. This is the first research-based book to specifically address the key issues and challenges of federalism in a comparative basis since the introduction of federalization in Nepal. It also intends to contribute to the existing body of knowledge by documenting and offering Nepal's decentralization experience, federal constitutional provisions, its practice and learning.

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Leveraging Federalism: Economic Growth and Doing Business for Prosperity / Jai  
Venaik, Sambriddhi Acharya

Samriddhi Foundation, Nepal 2018

viii, 184p.

Includes Bibliography

9789937894777

\$ 20.00 / null

300 gm.

Leveraging Federalism: Economic Growth and Doing Business for Prosperity is an attempt to provide for a dialogue exploring the economic angle of the federal debate. The report has been divided into two parts – Part 1 takes a look specifically at Federal Nepal and explores the economic history, political developments, constitutional evolution, economic capacities and the characteristics of the federal structure of Nepal. This background study provides the foundational base which helps decipher the nature and scope of different federal principles seen in Nepal. Furthermore, it also explores the future developmental plans that Nepal is heading towards and the resultant effects they would have on the Nepalese federation. Part 2 discusses the existing literature available exploring the subject of economic governance under the new structure. Targeted focus has been given to the doing business component with a further exploratory study in regulatory aspect of banking and financial institutions, labour markets and business corporations, and sectoral review of agriculture and tourism.

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Fiscal Federalism in Nepal / Ashesh Shrestha & Jai Venaik

Samriddhi Foundation, Nepal 2019

xiv,70p.

\$ 10.00 / null

150 gm.

With the transition from a unitary structure to a federal structure, there are many opportunities as well as challenges that lies ahead to Nepal. One of the most important challenges that Nepal currently faces is the management of various fiscal aspects under federal structure for successful implementation of Federalism. This paper attempts to study existing fiscal arrangement (assignment of expenditure responsibilities and revenue rights among various tiers of government) and intergovernmental fiscal transfers among various tiers of government. Furthermore, this paper has attempted to study various principles of fiscal federalism and has also used the series approach to compare six federations and their workings on the above-mentioned topic. Finally, the paper has also identified various issues that need to be dealt with and has proposed some reforms to deal with these issues to help advance the timely and balanced implementation of Federalism in the country.

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The Menace: Reflection on Corruption and Anti-Corruption in Nepal / Surya Nath Upadhyay & Dipesh Ghimire

Sangri-La Pustak P. Ltd., Nepal 2019

192p.

9789937734295

\$ 18.00 / null

200 gm.

The present book takes initial steps toward theorizing corruption. The book begins with a detailed definition of corruption, sketches the history of corruption and describes the measures taken in Nepal to control it. It then goes on to show that corruption is fundamentally socially rather than individually rooted. Another powerful shaper is the allegiance to political party machines that cannot be greased without corruption.

More concretely, the book argues that the existing regime of political parties and electoral financing are key "promoters" of corruption. Maintaining a cadre of political and personal supporters – both at the party and individual levels - not only during the elections but through the years - further contributes to the financial "burden" of a political leader. This burden is generally shouldered by engaging in corruption, often as "donations" in lieu of a promise regarding a specific policy, program, contract, influence with senior political leaders, etc. Similarly, the book regards the pervading condition of impunity as a prime incentive for corruption. - Prof. Chaitanya Mishra

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Digital Insights : E-Governance in Cambodia / Christopher Perera & Robert Hor (ed)

Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Cambodia 2019

178p.

\$ 45.00 / null

550 gm.

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Rebirth: Reformasi, Resistance, And Hope In New Malaysia / Kean Wong (ed.)

SIRD-Strategic Info Research Development Centre, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020

xiv, 214p.

9789672165811

\$ 22.50 / null

400 gm.

More than a year after ordinary Malaysians did the extraordinary and voted out a government in power since 1957, a raw reality has set in. On the eve of a once-idealised 'Vision 2020' of modern Malaysia, Rebirth: reformasi, resistance, and hope in New Malaysia questions an uncertain nation's possible futures.

In a special series on Malaysia from the ANU's New Mandala, classic Malaysiakini reportage of the fraught 14th general elections, and new essays pondering the country's future, the book also explores how Malaysia's two decades of democratisation via movements such as reformasi and Bersih have forged ambivalent urges for change – and where prospects of a new Malaysia might lie. Celebrating fact-based reporting and evidence-based policy debates, Rebirth examines the centrality of Sabah and Sarawak in any successful idea of Malaysia, its vexed federalism, an economy buffeted by trade wars and the climate emergency, and the exigencies of the racialised and religious politics bleeding the nation dry.

Was Malaysia saved from kleptocracy by the world's oldest prime minister, and does it finally transform itself into a sustainable democracy with another longstanding putative leader? Is there a younger generation of Malaysians with the gumption to make that difference? These are the questions that inform this book.

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Local Democracy Denied? A Personal Journey Into Local Government In Malaysia / Lim Mah Hui

SIRD-Strategic Info Research Development, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020

xx, 148p.

Includes Bibliography

9789672165712

\$ 12.50 / null

320 gm.

There are plenty of books on federal government and politics in Malaysia but very few on local governments. Yet it is the level of government that is closer to us and impacts our lives most directly, and is the one least understood by the average person in the street. This book addresses that problem.

Local Democracy Denied? Take a unique and comprehensive approach to discussing local government - one that is political, analytical, personal, historical, and forward looking. It begins with an author's personal journey to becoming a councilor for six years on the Penang Island City Council, as a representative of civil society. It then provides a brief history of how local councilors. There follow an examination of the structure of local government, its relationship with state government, and some of the crucial functions it performs - planning, enforcement, and provision of urban services, filled with real stories of how council decisions are made and implemented, and the frequent gap between the two. The book ends with a call to revive local democracy by strengthening public participation in local government, empowering it and restoring local election preferably based on a proportional representation rather than first past the post.

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From High Hopes To Shattered Dreams?: The Second Mahathirist Revolution / Azly Rahman

SIRD-Strategic Info Research Development, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2020

xviii, 194p.

9789672165781

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380 gm.

What is the meaning of Mahathir Mohamad's return as Prime Minister of Malaysia? And what does it mean for the future of the country? In *From High Hopes to Shattered Dreams?* Azly Rahman argues that, as against a more fundamental transformation of Malaysian society, the change of government which took place post-GE14 has continued to reproduce old trends which have long kept Malaysia from the promise of an equal and forward looking nation, from a feudal mentality, to religious exclusivism, racial divisiveness and the continuing 'bumi agenda'.

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Imagining Asia(s): Networks, Actors, Sites / Andrea Acri

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2019

x, 438p.

Includes Index ; Bibliographical references

9789814818858

\$ 40.00 / null

600 gm.

As a continent lying to the east of Europe, Asia has been malleable to different spatial and temporal imaginations and politics. Recent scholarship has highlighted how the seemingly self-contained regional configurations of West and Central Asia, South and Southeast Asia, and East Asia carved by the Area Studies paradigm reflect changing (geo) political and economic interests than historical or cultural roots.

This volume advances the question as to what Asia is, and as to whether there existed one or many Asia(s). It seeks to explore Asian societies as interconnected formations through trajectories/networks of circulation of people, ideas, and objects in the *longue duree*. Moving beyond the divides of area studies scholarship and the arbitrary borders set by late colonial empires and the rise of post-colonial nation-states, this volume maps critically the configuration of contact zones in which mobile bodies, minds, and cultures interact to foster new images, identities, and imaginations of Asia.

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Airconditioned Nation Revisited : Essays on Singapore Politics / Cherian George

Ethos Books, Singapore 2020

320p. ; 150x220mm.

9789811448201

\$ 22.00 / null

450 gm.

Air-Conditioned Nation Revisited is an anthology of essays on Singapore politics by Cherian George. It draws upon his influential collection *Singapore: The Air-Conditioned Nation* (2000), on the country's politics of comfort and control, and from *Singapore, Incomplete* (2017), on its underdeveloped democracy. Updated for the impending transition to a new generation of leaders, this 20th anniversary edition of *Air-Conditioned Nation* offers critical reflections on continuity and change in Singapore's unique political culture.

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The Vietnam-US Security Partnership and the Rule-Based International Order in the Age of Trump / Le Hong Hiep and Ooi Kee Beng

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2020



34p.

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881548

\$ 9.00 / null

120 gm.

Vietnam-US relations have kept strengthening since bilateral normalization in 1995, including in the defence and strategic domains. This has turned the two countries into increasingly important security partners for each other.

The shared perception of the China threat, especially in the South China Sea, provided the strongest momentum towards bilateral strategic rapprochement in recent years despite the strategic uncertainties generated by the Trump administration. Such strategic dynamics also shaped Vietnam's supportive view of the US-led regional and global orders.

In the short to medium term, challenges for bilateral relations include the further improvement of mutual trust and the building up of Vietnam's capacity to participate in more substantive defence cooperation initiatives with the United States. In the long run, how to balance its strengthening ties with Washington and the troubling yet important relationship with Beijing remains a challenge for Hanoi.

Vietnam's support for the US-led rules-based international order should remain persistent, but will vary depending on the shifting dynamics in Vietnam's relations with China as well as Sino-US strategic competition.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=688283>

Region, Nation and Homeland : Valorization and Adaptation in the Moro and Cordillera Resistance Discourse / Miriam Coronel Ferrer

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2020

xiv, 242p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789814843713

\$ 28.00 / null

380 gm.

Movements tell stories of oppression and liberation. They critique the power relations that exist. They offer alternative visions of the homeland they hope to build. This volume looks at the Moro and Cordillera movements as told in their own words. Within and among these movement organizations in the Philippines, their constructed identities and claims for demanding the right to self-determination differed and evolved over time. The author shows the significant intertextuality in the discourse of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front, which broke away from the Moro National Liberation Front. She traces the drift to heightened ethnonationalism in the case of the Cordillera Peoples' Liberation Army when it split from the national democratic Cordillera People's Democratic Front. She reflects on where these mobilizations are now, and the strands of discourses that have remained salient in current times.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=688282>

The Great Bondscam Cover-Up : The Mother of All Cover-Ups : An Expose / Ajith Nivard Cabraal – Nawala

Ajith Nivard Cabraal, Colombo.Sri Lanka. 2019

328p. ; 30cm.

9786249579002

\$ 35.00 / null

920 gm.

This book is on the Bond Scandal that erupted on 27th February 2015 that shocked all Sri Lankans by its sheer magnitude and impunity and made headlines almost every day thereafter, during the so called 'Good Governance Period'

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681620>

Love and Trust For Peace, Volume One : People's Movement Seizes Power in Sri Lanka / Tassie Seneviratne

Tassie Seneviratne, Gampaha, Sri Lanka 2019



60p.  
9789559710240  
\$ 8.00 / null  
100 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=681622>

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Your Obedient Servant : The Fate of the Bureaucrat in Sri Lanka / Surendra Sumithraarachchi

Sarasavi Publishers (Pvt) Ltd, Nugegoda, Sri Lanka 2019  
280p.  
9789553117502  
\$ 20.00 / null  
360 gm.

This book deals with the bureaucracy in Sri Lanka during three distinct periods, namely the Kandyan kingdom and the period up to independence, the post independent period up to the adoption of the presidential system of rule, and the period under the presidential system.

He identifies six different regimes during this period and the behaviour of rulers during these regimes. He also identifies the bureaucrats that served during the regimes, how their dispositions were formed, the capital that they possessed and the capital they acquired, and provides a theory based explanation as to why bureaucrats behave in different ways at different times. He concludes by providing an explanation as to why some present-day bureaucrats are subservient to today's rulers.

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Re-forming India: The Nation Today / Niraja Gopal Jayal

Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., Haryana 2019  
xxxix, 639 p.; 25 cm.  
Includes Index.  
9780670090983  
\$ 20.00 / HB  
1020 gm.

India's social and political landscape has, in recent times, witnessed many significant transformations. This book offers a wide-ranging review of how India has, over the last few years, fared on the most critical dimensions of our collective life-politics, economy, governance, development, culture and society.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=534152>

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Indo-Pak Relations: Beyond Pulwama and Balakot / U V Singh

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi 2019  
lxi, 306 p.; 24 cm.  
Includes Index.  
9789386618825  
\$ 25.00 / HB  
720 gm.

This book deals with the fundamental causes of the Indo-Pak conflict—why it is difficult, if not impossible, to have peace between the two neighbors. Also it explores the short spurt of Pulwama-Balakot stand-off or a game of one-upmanship. It analyses the perennial conflict scenario and goes to stress that for Pakistan, in recent times.

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Spy War in South Asia: Intelligence Failure, Reforms and the fight against Cross border Terrorism in Pakistan, Bangladesh, India and Afghanistan / Musa Khan Jalalzai

Vij Books India Pvt.Ltd, New Delhi 2019

vii, 252 p.; 22 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9789388161664

\$ 31.25 / HB

460 gm.

The central intelligence agencies have earned the wrath of the government for failing to sufficiently warn local agencies. Why do our secret intelligence agencies fail repeatedly? Is it because of the lack of adequate intelligence, the dearth of trained manpower in the intelligence sector, failure to apply latest sophisticated technology in surveillance, lack of proper intelligence sharing between the Centre and the states, lack of action on available intelligence, or the lack of sensible intelligence reforms?

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=680292>

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Jammu and Kashmir: A Battle of Perceptions / AS Chonker

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi 2019

xxvi, 362 p.; 23 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9788194163442

\$ 32.75 / HB

770 gm.

The resolution of the complex Jammu & Kashmir problem cannot be over-emphasized. However, a web of external and political-social-legal-economic factors within the country has created a knotty problem which require long term strategizing and a whole of the government approach to find solutions that improve the overall security situation and foster peace and prosperity. This book has tapped a vast knowledge bank and experience of various sections of society in the form of a Net Assessment. Based on these inputs, it has analyzed the perceptions of various actors and have come up with viable strategies for short, medium and long term.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=680291>

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India's National Security: A Maritime Security Perspective / Suresh R. (ed)

vij Books India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2020

viii, 169 p, 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9789389620061

\$ 31.25 / HB

450 gm.

Maritime security is one of the latest additions to the field of international as well as national security. The concept has received growing attention especially due to the intensification of concerns over maritime terrorism since 2000. The rise of modern piracy, maritime crimes such as human trafficking, and the increasing importance of the 'blue economy' and issues relating to freedom of navigation, maritime environmental protection and resource management have resulted in increased significance of maritime security studies.

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Indian Cultural Diplomacy: Celebrating Pluralism in a Globalised World /  
Paramajit Sahai

Vij books India Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xxi, 571 p.; 24 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9789388161077

\$ 36.25 / HB

1050 gm.

The Book is a window on Indian cultural diplomacy, which is set against the backdrop of its ethos of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' (The World is a Family). It is pivoted to the 'Idea of India' that gets manifested through acceptance of diversity and celebration of pluralism.

The Book in 15 chapters under 8 sections provides a comprehensive picture on the concept of cultural diplomacy; its relationship with public diplomacy and soft power; its place in the diplomatic architecture and its growing centrality. Unlike soft power, cultural diplomacy is not in the paradigm of power.

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United Service Institution of India: Strategic Year Book 2019 / P K Singh

Vij Books India Pvt.Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xvii, 249 p.; 28 cm.

9789388161534

\$ 46.00 / HB

980 gm.

There is a widespread perception amongst the intelligentsia that India lacks strategic culture. In our view, the deficiency if any perhaps lies in our reluctance to articulate our perceptions on strategic issues, as also to formulate a long-term strategic view. As the oldest think tank in Asia, USI decided to address the above issue and how we could contribute to the evolution and dissemination of strategic thought on challenges facing the Nation. To this end, for the last three years, USI has continuously published three 'Strategic Year Books', which have been widely received and appreciated for its quality and contents. This current issue of the Year Book contains series of articles by eminent experts on various aspects of National Security; National Security Overview, Internal Security Environment, Pakistan-China Strategic Challenge, India's Strategic Neighbourhood, and National Security Capacity Building. The aim is to provide a strategic perspective, which will create awareness and also help the policymakers in giving a strategic direction for India to transform into a developed society and a secured nation. We hope that readers will find this publication useful and interesting. We would welcome suggestions for improvement of subsequent issues.

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India in Global Affairs: Changing Dynamic and Emerging Role / Sanjeev Kumar Tiwari

Pentagon Press, New Delhi 2020

xx, 251 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9788194163497

\$ 25.00 / HB

600 gm.

The dawn of the current regime in 2014 has witnessed the ushering of a new era of Indian stronghold in global affairs. The fundamental changes in the global affairs are affecting India's domestic and international politics. The attitude of Indian dispensation therefore has been geared towards meeting these challenges; the conventional approach to understanding India's foreign policy has strategically been replaced by reasoning and sine qua non. In the current scenario, India is shifting gears by not only emerging as a global power in terms of economy, defense and clout but also by influencing and shaping the different dimensions of global agendas as per its prerequisites and national interests. In this light, India in Global Affairs: Changing Dynamics and Emerging Role discusses the evolution, continuation and the paradigm shifts that have taken shape in the global affairs with relation to India and establishes the fact that increasing influence of India in the global affairs is now bringing India to the forefront where India's diverse, plural democracy stands out and sets an example for rest of the world to emulate.

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Radicalization in India: An Exploration / Abhinav Pandya

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi 2019

xxiii, 212 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9788194163466

\$ 22.00 / HB

500 gm.

Kashmir has been in turmoil since the past three decades or so. The state of dissatisfaction in that part of a free, democratic, secular Indian nation is a rather perplexing development, the question being that how can any well groomed group of citizens, anywhere in the world, want to complain about their political rights in such a free and tolerant environment. The answer is not straightforward. There are many layers of kaleidoscopic events which have marred the Kashmir scene – Kashmir Valley in fact, a small terrestrial part of Kashmir that hosts the majority population - over the past seven decades. It began with Pakistan instigated and aided rapine by co-religionists in the name of consolidation of Pakistan`s religious identity. Kashmir is then sought the safety of the Indian Union. For the next three decades they prospered under more or less self-governance with the Union`s full support. The sense of security and freedom, instead of consolidating democratisation of the society, led to the Union`s callous overlook of Pakistan`s overt and covert instigation of the Kashmiri people with a promise of Islamic way of life and great rewards that would supposedly bring them.

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India-Nigeria Experience in Combating Terrorism / BK Sharma, Narender Kumar

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi 2020

xix, 196 p.; 25 cm.

Includes Index.

9788194283720

\$ 25.00 / HB

510 gm.

The United Service Institution of India (USI) and the Nigerian Army Resource Centre (NARC) have taken an initiative to collaborate to document experiences and methodology of dealing with the terrorism and insurgencies in their respective nations. India and Nigeria are dealing with the violent extremism, secessionist movements and insurgencies due to economic, political and social reasons. Both nations have suffered economically and the conflicts are affecting internal harmony and social fabric of the states. The challenge to the governments is to restore peace, harmony and economic development.

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Pakistan Insights 2019 / Tilak Devasher

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi 2020

xxv, 166 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9788194163473

\$ 25.00 / HB

430 gm.

In February 2018, the Vivekananda International Foundation (VIF) set up the Pakistan Study Group (PSG) to discuss and debate issues relating to Pakistan in a holistic manner. Meeting almost every fortnight since its inception, the discussions have been forthright and candid as also enriching and valuable.

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China's Strategic Deterrence / Anshuman Narang

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi 2019

xxviii, 673 p.; 24 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9789386618955

\$ 75.00 / HB

1250 gm.

Chinese Comprehensive Strategic Deterrence, Great Multi-Domain Wall and Expanding Global Reach: Implications for Indo-Japanese Cooperation is a well researched attempt to analyse the fast-paced progress made by China and its People's Liberation Army (PLA) in the military-cum-geo-political landscape. President Xi Jinping's ambitious dream for Chinese rejuvenation is to lead the world in Comprehensive National Power by 2049. The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) has its core interests and is not ready to compromise. They are, therefore, advancing them on all fronts while simultaneously avoiding war. This book reveals the contours of this policy, identifies the key stratagems of the Chinese Grand Strategy, its implications and key deterrence facilitators.

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Pakistan's Internal Security challenges and the Army's Ability to Overcome Them / Brig Shaman Chodha

Vij Books India Pvt.Ltd, New Delhi. 2019

ix, 271 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9789388161862

\$ 25.00 / HB

570 gm.

Pakistan faces serious internal security challenges in form of communal, sectarian, political, ethno-nationalist, Islamist divide and violence as well as ever increasing terrorist and insurgent attacks. Most of these internal security challenges stem from ideology of Pakistan and the state's failure to develop an inclusive form of nationalism. Moreover, Pakistan's insistence of using Islamist groups as levers of its foreign and security policy has further complicated the security environment of the nation. The policy of nurturing some militant groups as assets and eliminate those who fight the state has failed. Over the years it has created a society where these militant groups have spread their tentacles and are now well entrenched.

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Gender and Politics: Perception and Politics (Role of women in Punjab Politics) / Ajaypal Kaur

Rawat Publications, New Delhi 2020

x, 244 p.; 23 cm.

Includes Index.

9788131610879

\$ 28.00 / HB

470 gm.

This work is focused on deciphering perception and participation of women in Punjab politics, both qualitatively and quantitatively. It tries to reflect on cultural gender of social mind as evident in literature and folklore. This is the first of its kind study which explores hitherto totally ignored area of participation of women in Punjab politics from the perspective of performance appraisal of women legislatures and the experience of contemporary leading women leaders of Punjab.

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Perspectives on BRICS / Rashmi Doraisamy

Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xxiii, 151 p.; 23 cm.

Include Index.

9789378314506

\$ 21.00 / HB

430 gm.

The Evolution of BRICS. Will BRICS be able to sustain itself and grow as an organisation or would it begin to lose steam in its second decade of existence.

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Political Representation in India: Ideas and Contestations 1908-1951 / Abhay V.Datar

Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2019

ix, 255 p.; 23 cm.

Includes Index.

9789388271783

\$ 32.75 / HB

500 gm.

Political Representation in India: Ideas and Contestations, 1908–1952 maps extensive and wide-ranging debates, marked by contestations and strident demands on political representation in colonial India. Further, it explores these themes during the Constitution-framing process. These debates, previously overlooked, are significant for they helped shape the institutional structures of political representation in the form of the electoral system of Indian democracy. It assists in providing an answer to why and how independent India came to adopt its current electoral system characterised by the First-Past-The-Post (FPTP) system. It also analyses how and why the alternatives to FPTP, primarily any form of proportional representation, were rejected.

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Secularism, Religion, and Democracy in Southeast Asia / Vidhu Verma

Oxford University Press, New Delhi 2019

xiii, 255 p.; 23 cm.

Includes Index.

9780199496693

\$ 37.75 / HB

480 gm.

Secularism, Religion, and Democracy in Southeast Asia tries to understand the rise of religion in modern democracies and how everyday economic, social, and political conditions aid this post-secular phenomenon in Southeast Asia. Setting itself apart from most studies of religion in Southeast Asia through its regional focus, this volume explores the ideas, practices, state responses, and anxieties related to the religious–secular divide in this geopolitical region.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=680262>

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Changing Narratives of Terrorism: India's Security Challenges / Indramohan Jha

Jnanada Prakashan(P&D), New Delhi 2019

xi, 253 p.; 23 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9788171399918

\$ 23.00 / HB

550 gm.

The book presents the evolution and changing nature of terrorism since its modern origin during the reign of terror following the french revolution.

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Whither India in 2022? / Surendra Kumar

Har-Anand Publishers Pvt.Ltd, New Delhi. 2019

200 p.; 23 cm.

9789388409261

\$ 17.00 / HB

470 gm.



Contrary to Cynics, a lot has been achieved in India since independence, especially in the last 30 years. Yes, the view that India should have grown faster like several other countries is a valid point. The book offers kaleidoscopic perspectives of maturing of democracy in a bewilderingly diverse India, fault lines of governance, urbanisation, trade and industry, future of India-US relations and the vision of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas. This collection offers a dispassionate discourse; it highlights what deserves to be applauded and doesn't shy away from calling a spade a spade, if needed. A must read for those who want to figure out where India is heading to.

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US Strategy and India Interest, Policy and Media: A Study with Special Reference to India's Territorial Conflicts / Shanta Nedungadi Varma

KW Publishers Pvt.Ltd, New Delhi 2020

xvi, 184 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9789389137262

\$ 23.00 / HB

450 gm.

The book then juxtaposes this interest matrix with images constructed by the US print media of India and its conflicts, underscoring the international and strategic dimensions of political communication. How did the free press of a democratic US conduct itself? What were the links between image contouring and interests of policy? How did Cold War trajectories that impaired India's security inform the negative stereotyping of India?

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Asian Defence Review 2019 / KK Nohwar

KW Publishers Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2020

xiv, 273 p.; 24 cm.

9789389137200

\$ 27.00 / HB

620 gm.

The pace at which the geo-political landscape has changed across the world since the last issue of this publication has left many breathless, as both the well-being of the planet as well as world peace are threatened. The decisions of President Trump to withdraw from two agreements entered into by the previous US Administration bear mention here. First was the decision to pull out from the Paris Agreement.

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Democracy and Authoritarianism in Pakistan: The Role of the Military and Political Parties / Shiraz Sheikh

KW Publishers Pvt.Ltd, New Delhi 2020

xxii, 393 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9789389137248

\$ 37.00 / HB

730 gm.

A Set of reasons have been attributed to the question why Pakistan has oscillated between democratic and military regimes? In Democracy and Authoritarianism in Pakistan: The Role of the Military and Political Parties the author has attempted to untangle this intriguing riddle. In this nuanced and detailed study of the process of democratisation and its correlation with the military and civilian regimes the book traces the democratic process and institutions in Pakistan.

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Craft of Politics: Power of Patronage / Ravindra S Mathur

Manas Publications, New Delhi 2019

247 p.; 23 cm.

Includes Index.

9788170495543

\$ 17.00 / HB

480 gm.

Power, patronage and privilege have been amongst the defining traits of the Governance system and the polity of India since Independence. This book offers a peep into the interplay of different players in the processes, structures and institutions of governance, as seen from the perspective of an insider who had been an integral part of the system for almost 37 years. Craft of Politics is divided into 7 sections. Each section is a vantage point for the reader in terms of time-frame and operating levels, offering a view and an insight into the system in operation.

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Restructuring Jammu Kashmir and Ladakh: The Modi's Government Operation  
Kashmir / R.C. Mehta

Shubhi Publications, Haryana 2019

ix, 261 p.; 23 cm.

Includes Bibliography

9788182904903

\$ 25.00 / HB

600 gm.

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Hindu Power in the 21st Century: Resistances, Fears and Obstacles / Francois  
Gautier

Har-Anand Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi. 2020

192 p.; 23 cm.

9789388409520

\$ 17.00 / HB

460 gm.

Why a book about Hindu Power, you may ask? Firstly, as I will explain at length all along, Hindu power is absolutely secular in essence, as Hindus have always accepted the diversity of the Divine and thus every persecuted religion found refuge in India, from the Jews to the Parsis, from the Armenians to the Tibetans today. Secondly, it has been a one-way traffic and Hindus have been at the receiving end of Islamic violence and Christian missionaries to convert them - and this is why Hindus MUST take power - and keep it. Thirdly, I am one of the few Western journalists and writers to defend Hindus because I think that they are the holders of the last Knowledge that can save the World: 'who am I, why live, what is death, what is an avatar, what is karma, what is dharma,' etc.

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Don't Look Right: Or, why the media gets it wrong / A.R. Sinha Roy

Har-Anand Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2019

134 p.; 23 cm.

9789388409315

\$ 15.00 / HB

400 gm.

National personalities/eminant thinkers/noted editors Ashok Kumar Tandon, B.K. Kuthiala, B.N. Uniyal, K.G. Suresh, K.N. Govindacharya, Mark Tully, Nalini Rajan, Pankaj Vohra, Prem Shankar Jha, Rajeev Srinivasan, Sanjaya Baru, Sanjay Kumar, Santosh Desai, Sharat Pradhan, Swaminathan S. Anklesaria Aiyar, Swapan Dasgupta and Vir Sanghvi have tried to answer in thought-provoking essays why the Press gets it wrong, why is media reportage not always balanced and why is the media increasingly being termed partisan and biased? Do elements of the media see events through ideologically-tinted glasses? Do they misread or is it that they don't want to accept what is staring at them large in the face? And, then they go on to file reports which are in parts make believe, wishful thinking and plain fiction. Is it ideological bias or lack of knowledge, understanding, know how, effort and application? It is easy to be 'briefed' by politicians in luxurious Lutyens' bungalows and in state capitals. Why endure the hardship of travelling to the remote interiors for a first-hand understanding when your political contact gives you his take on reality, even if it is biased and out of touch with facts? This diverse collection of readable essays hopefully will provide some meaningful insights and answers and, more importantly, spark off a wider debate on best practices by the media.

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Scaling India-Japan Cooperation in Indo-Pacific and Beyond 2025:  
Corridors,Connectivity and Contours / Jagannath P.Panda

KW Publishers Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2020

xxxii, 331 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9789389137293

\$ 32.00 / HB

640 gm.

This book aims to examine the scope and potential of India-Japan cooperation factoring infrastructure connectivity and corridors in Indo-Pacific. The volume examines the bilateral, trilateral and multilateral contours of the growing partnership in the backdrop of a rising China that is rapidly changing the geo-political order of the region.

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Ayodhya Ram Temple and Hindu Renaissance / Subramanian Swamy, Satya Paul Sabharwal

Har-Anand Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2020

142 p.; 23 cm.

9789388409575

\$ 15.00 / HB

400 gm.

In this book, the authors have concentrated on an understanding of the nature of a Hindu Renaissance and the concept of Hindutva in the context of the building of the Grand Temple of Maryada Purushottam Bhagwan Ram at the place where their faith tells them that Lord Ram was born and stresses the authors' right to have access and pray at the exact same spot. Securing authors' and every citizen right to exercise such faith, belief and worship are enshrined in the Basic Structure of the Constitution of India and are so stated in its preamble.

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Securing India's Strategic Space with Valour Unlimited / Pushendra Singh

KW Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xxiv, 266 p.; ill. 24 cm.

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As the fastest growing major economy, India ought to have by now achieved major power status with a permanent UNSC seat. But over a decade of ineffectual defence modernisation has led to anaemic 'Comprehensive National Power'. Unsurprisingly therefore, the Lowy Institute's 2019 Asia Power Index concludes that "India underachieves relative to both its size and potential". Her 'Act-East-Policy' underperforms both in economic relationships and defence networks. In this context, a galaxy of security experts with lifetimes of experience provides deep insights into "Securing India's Strategic Space". Without a National Security Doctrine, our strategic approach is necessarily fuzzy. Hence, dealing with China, the Afghan dilemma, great power play in Central Asia and the Indo-Pacific remain reactive and diffident.

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China's Strategic Behaviour / Sanjeev Chauhan

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi 2019

xvi, 232 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9788194163480

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China's Strategic Behaviour takes us on an enticing and a grand journey. It traces China's past and present and translates - Chinese thoughts, choice and behaviour. The book attempts to unlock the overwhelming complexity and energy of a country which has been misunderstood owing to the cloak with which it has kept itself chaste. As China continues its inexorable rise and regains its position of strength as a result of its incredible economic growth, it feels justified in asserting its rightful place in the new world order.

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Formatting Religion: Across Politics, Education, Media and Law / Marius Timmann Mjaaland

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Emotions, Mobilisations and South Asian Politics / Amelie blom & Stephanie Tawa Lama-Rewal

Routledge, London Manohar Publishers & Distributors, New Delhi 2020

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Includes Index.

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"This book highlights the role of emotions in the contentious politics of modern South Asia. It brings new methodological, theoretical and empirical insights to the mutual constitution of emotions and mobilisations in India, Pakistan and Bangladesh. As such, it addresses three distinct but related questions: what do emotions do to mobilisations? What do mobilisations do to emotions? Further, what does studying emotions in mobilisations reveal about the political culture of protest in South Asia? The chapters in this volume emphasise that emotions are significant in politics because they have the power to mobilise. They explore a variety of emotions including anger, resentment, humiliation, hurt, despair, and nostalgia, and also enchantment, humour, pleasure, hope and enthusiasm.

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Democratic Transition in Bhutan: Political contests as moral Battles / Sonam Kinga

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China-Pakistan Military Nexus: Implications for India / Lt Gen PC Katoch

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Pakistan and China enjoy exemplary friendly ties, which have been expanding and becoming even deeper with time. China's main geopolitical focus in South Asia is to restrain India as a competitor by using Pakistan as a proxy. China's growing economic and security relation with Pakistan, and the unholy nexus between the two, remains a major worry for India as the growing Chinese involvement is bound to erode India's influence in the region.

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Narender Kumar is Professor at the Centre for Political Science at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India. He has previously taught at three central universities: University of Delhi; Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi; and Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow. He has six authored and edited books to his credit apart from contributing to various journals. His latest volume is Dr. Ambedkar and Democracy (edited with Christophe Jaffrelot, 2018).

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The year 2022 marks the seventy-fifth anniversary of India's independence. By then, Prime Minister Narendra Modi envisions transforming India into a New India—a strong, secure and prosperous nation where everyone has access to opportunities of development. The scale of this vision is certainly unprecedented, considering the nation's status as a democracy with 1.3 billion people, of contrasting social and economic backgrounds. With four years gone and four more to go, we are almost mid-way into this journey which started with the swearing in of the Modi government in 2014. It is now an opportune time to reflect on the impact of various initiatives and reforms implemented by the government thus far.

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From Hierarchy to Ethnicity: The Politics of Caste in Twentieth- Century India / Alexander Lee

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Caste and ethnicity have been crucial in shaping the discourse around identity politics in modern South Asia. This book critically discusses two important trends in twentieth-century Indian politics - The rise in the political salience of caste identities, and a shift in the way caste identity was conceptualized;

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Election Commission of India: Institutionalising Democratic Uncertainties / Ujjwal Kumar Singh, Anupama Roy

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Responding to a pressing need for a focussed study of India's public institutions, Singh and Roy put together the first comprehensive monograph-length study of the Election Commission (EC) of India. They probe the consistent credibility that the EC enjoys as a non-partisan constitutional body entrusted with the responsibility of conducting elections in India. The EC is generally seen as a regulatory body which enforces rules to conduct elections effectively and efficiently. The authors...

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Radicalization in South Asia: Context, Trajectories and Implications / Mubashar Hasan

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Radicalization in South Asia: Context, Trajectories and Implications presents a critical overview of radicalism, violence and terrorism in South Asia, a region that is diverse in terms of demography, religion, culture and political ideologies. While diversity could have worked as a push factor in strengthening democracies in the region, historically, fault lines in the South Asian faiths, culture, ethnicity, nationalism and political ideologies have triggered radical movements, and unleashed violence and terror attacks to destabilize democracies in the region.

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Re-Engineering Grassroots Governance: Electoral Interventions / Mrudul Nile  
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Politics, Governance and Development in Bangladesh / Muhammed Sayadur Rahman

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Bibliography Includes Index.

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This book explores the relationship between bureaucrats and elected politicians in Bangladesh and discusses how this impacts governance and development in the country from an empirical perspective. It looks at the interplay of politics and bureaucracy in ancient societies, western democracies and in the developing world while highlighting the uniqueness of the Bangladesh experience and its indigenous contexts of local governance. The author presents a historical overview of the nature of political development, shift of regimes in Bangladesh, and the role of various agents and stakeholders.

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India, The West, and International Order / Kanti Bajpai, Siddharth Mallavarapu

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The Strangeness of Tamil Nadu: Contemporary History and Political Culture in South India / M.S.S. Pandian

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Constitutional and Democratic Institutions in India: A Critical analysis / Sudha Pai  
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Do weak institutions call for reform and regeneration? Or are they a reflection of rapid social change, of strong traditional societies, and the lack of honest and committed political leadership? Can institutions be understood in terms of universal frameworks, or are they shaped by the specificities of each country? These are the central questions that Constitutional and Democratic Institutions in India grapples with. The first part explores theoretical approaches to the study of institutions in India, while the remaining four parts cover the Parliament, the higher judiciary, the Election Commission of India, and some federal and social institutions, respectively.

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People-Party-Policy Interplay in India: Micro-dynamics of Every Politics in West Bengal c.2008-2016 / Suman Nath

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Making Of India's Northeast: Geopolitics of Borderland and Transnational Interactions / Dilip Gogai

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This book examines India's Northeast borderland – strategically positioned at the confluence of South Asia, East and Southeast Asia – from the perspective of international relations. The volume interrogates the geopolitics of region-making in both colonial and postcolonial times and traces the transformation of Northeast India from a British strategic frontier into a securitised borderland. It situates the region in transnational interactions both in conflict and cooperation with its immediate neighbouring regions of China, Bangladesh, and Myanmar, especially in the context of India's Look East/Act East policy.

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Dawn of Democracy in the Eastern Himalayan Kingdoms: The 20th Century /  
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Democratic Accommodations: Minorities in Contemporary India / Peter Ronald de Souza

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The Politics of Belonging in Contemporary India: Anxiety and Intimacy / Kaustav Chakraborty

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Human Security in south Asia: Concept, Environment and development / Adluri subramanyam Raju

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This book delves into the theory and praxis of human security in South Asia. Home to almost a quarter of the world's population and fast emerging markets, South Asia holds social, geopolitical and economic significance in the current global context. The chapters in the volume: examine the challenges to human security through an exploration of environmental issues including water availability, electric waste, environmental governance and climate change; explore key themes such as development, displacement and migration, the role of civil society, sustainable development and poverty; and discuss developmental issues in South Asia and provide a holistic picture of non-military security issues. Bringing together scholars from varied disciplines, this comprehensive volume will be useful for researchers, teachers and students of international relations, human rights, political science, development studies, human geography and demography, defense and strategic studies, migration and diaspora studies, and South Asian studies.

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Evolving Geopolitics of Indo-Pacific Region: Challenges and Prospects / Commander Subhasish Sarangi

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The "Indo-Pacific" has emerged as a strategic pivot in the evolving balance of power. The region encompasses about 60 per cent of the world population, three of the ten largest economies, five of the ten most populated countries and three of the ten largest countries. It is home to an enormously populous and diverse mix of ethnicities, cultures, political systems, religions, and economic models. Global trade and energy linkages bind the oceans such that events across the region are strongly interrelated and mutually dependent.

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The United Nations Organization: (In) Securing Global Peace and Security / Tatah Mentan

Langaa RPCIG, Cameroon 2020

xxviii, 42p. ; 229x152mm. ; Colour Illustrations.

9789956551637

\$ 80.00 / null

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Saving succeeding generations from the scourge of war was the main motivation for creating the United Nations. Given the ongoing conflicts, wars and terrorist attacks today one is forced to ask: Is there Hope for International Peace and Security? Where have the safeguards gone to? Has the United Nations become powerless in the face of absence of the "safeguards"? In this book, Professor Tatah Mentan examines the transformation in UN peace and security operations, analysing its changing role and structure. Tatah Mentan argues that the enemy of peace and security in the global system is the dictatorship of predatory bailed out monopoly capitalism that tells us that building war ships is more important than building alternate energy infrastructure. The real enemies are therefore the publicly bailed-out monopolies, Big Media, Big Pharma, Big Oil, the Military Industrial Complex, etc. that deny the truth about conflicts and insecurity. As he emphasises, the enemies are those who refuse to think critically, not being intellectually curious, and accepting the supremacist, fascist, and misgovernance that is reducing the world collectively to being cogs in a diabolical machine of neoliberal global capitalism.

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Chinese Counter Terrorism: Double Standard Policy / S.L. Soni

Prashant Publishing House, New Delhi 2019

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While making an epic attempt not just to eradicate potential terrorist activity from within from its border, but to effectively erase the muslim faith itself, the chinese government has, at the same time ,exercised its united nations security council vote to be block the addition of a name UN's global terrorist blacklist.

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Hard Realities: India, Pakistan, China in an Emerging New World / Amarjit Singh

Lancer Publication and Distributors, New Delhi 2020

xxx,432 p,23 cm.

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Hard Realities presents ideology and strategies for Indian pre-eminence. Some of the interesting takeaways are:- Irrefutably, Pakistan's existence is not in India's interest. The time is ripe for dismantling Pakistan as India's neighbor. Thus, Baluchistan, Sindh, West Punjab, and Kashmir must spin out of Pakistan in different ways, while the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) must be legitimately returned to Afghanistan. Consequently, India has no choice but to prepare its forces with a sense of urgency for the upcoming world economic disruption in the 2020s. However, India has shortcomings, such as historical failures by the Indian leaders to strategize properly with respect to Pakistan and China; deficient investment in engineering disciplines, and failure to boost its economy timely through indigenous defense production. Mostly, India's personality is inappreciable.

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2019 How Modi Won India / Rajdeep Sardesai  
HarperCollins Publishers India, Uttar Pradesh 2020

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On 23 May 2019, when the results to the general elections were announced, Narendra Modi and the BJP-led NDA coalition was voted back to power with an overwhelming majority. Regardless of one's political standpoint, one thing was beyond dispute: this was a landmark verdict. In 2019: The Modi Election, Sardesai relives the excitement of the various twists and turns that have taken place over the last five years, and culminated in the NDAs victory. In the process, he tries to understand and make sense of the contours and characteristics of a rapidly changing India, its politics and its newsmakers. If the 2014 elections changed India, 2019 might well have defined what new India is likely to be all about. 2019: The Modi Election takes a fascinating look at that story, which is still developing...

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China's Great Leap Forward-II: The China Pakistan Economic Corridor and Strategic Reshaping of Indian Neighbourhood / Lt Gen Gautam Banerjee

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Development of the China Pakistan Economic Corridor is a fulcrum of the One Belt One Road Initiative through which China seeks to realise the 'Chinese Dream' to be a global power and a regional hegemon. The Corridor connects China's Western Xinjiang with Pakistan's Makran Coast, traversing through one of the most challenging geographic as well as human terrain that would require extraordinary engineering resources to execute, massive amounts to fund and extreme political acumen to manage the untameable societal fissures. That indeed is a tall and complex order.

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India-Russia-China and the Emerging World Order in 21st Century / Ashutosh Kumar

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Multipolarisation and globalisation remain the broader trend across the world, although the international community seems to be returning to the era of great power competition.

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Towards a New Malaysia? : The 2018 Election and Its Aftermath / Meredith L. Weiss and Faisal S. Hazis

NUS Press, Singapore 2020

xiv, 286p.

Includes Index

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Malaysia's 2018 election (GE14) brought down a ruling party in power since independence in 1957. This book tells the full story of this historic election, combining a sharp analysis of the voting data with consideration of the key issues, campaign strategies, and mobilization efforts that played out during the election period in April and May 2018. This analysis is then used to bring fresh perspectives to bear on the core debates about Malaysian political ideas, identities and behaviours, debates that continue to shape the country's destiny. However optimistic many Malaysians may be for the possibility of a more representative, accountable, participatory, and equitable polity, the authors do not see GE14 as a clear harbinger of full-on liberalization in Malaysia. While the political aftermath of the election continues to play out, the authors provide a clarion call for deeper, more critical, more comparative research on Malaysia's politics. They complicate well-known angles on and elevate too-little-studied dimensions of Malaysian politics, and suggest agendas for empirically interesting, theoretically relevant further research. They also point to the broader insights Malaysia's experience provides for the study of elections and political change in one-party dominant states around the world.

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India - The Future of South Asia: Rise of the New Power of Peace! / Karan Kharb (ed)

Turning Point Publishers, Uttar Pradesh 2019

xv, 291 p.; 25 cm.

9788193783153

\$ 30.00 / HB

680 gm.

India - The Future of South Asia is a prophetic analysis of South Asia's economic, geopolitical and security challenges, opportunities, and imperatives. India's unmatched growth story including its emergence as a new 'Global Power' underscored by strategic initiatives such as the Balakot airstrike, A-Sat 'Mission Shakti' and significant diplomatic advances in today's world, has been comprehensively explained in this book.

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How Will Shifts in American Foreign Policy Affect Southeast Asia? / Daljit Singh

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS-Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2019

48p.

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Patel: Political Ideas and Policies / Shakti Sinha Himanshu Roy

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xlii, 237 p.; 23 cm.

Includes Index.

9789352808533

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Patel: Political Ideas and Policies comprehensively presents the different facets of Sardar Patel's political life, his ideas and their applications. The book provides a detailed analysis of his perspectives on liberal democracy, nationalism and the state—the three pillars of his political life. Patel's role in the Constituent Assembly, transfer of power, integration of princely states with independent India and their territorial reorganization, administrative reforms, formation of the Planning Commission and creation of India's foreign policy were decisive to the consolidation and the very survival of India as a nation. He played an equally decisive role in the formulation of India's economic policies. After Patel's death in 1950, his contributions to the nation have often been undermined and various negative characteristics have been attributed to him. This book aims to debunk these notions. It is based on the collected works of Patel and attempts to fill in the gap created by the absence of any significant academic work on his life and work.

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India's Pursuit of Energy Security: Domestic Measures, Foreign Policy and Geopolitics / Ashok Sharma

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., New Delhi 2019

xxxiii, 379 p.; 23 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9789353285395

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650 gm.

This book is a comprehensive examination of the dynamics of India's energy security policy in the domestic and international context. Over the past decade and a half, energy security has been a constant driver of India's foreign policy. Successive Indian governments have emphasized it as a major concern, next only to food security.

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India's Foreign Policy: Dilemma over Nonalignment 2.0 / Sudhanshu Tripathi

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., New Delhi 2020

xii, 203 p.; 23 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

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India's Foreign Policy Dilemma over Non-Alignment 2.0 presents the story of India's quest for renewed focus on the doctrine of Non-Alignment. It begins with a discussion on the evolution of India's Foreign Policy along with the origin of its most important pillar, Non-Alignment, and its cumulative effect in India and abroad.

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Left Front and After: Understanding the Dynamics of Poriborton in West Bengal / Jyotiprasad Chatterjee Suprio Basu

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2020

xiv, 255 p.; 22 cm.  
Includes Index  
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500 gm.

The politics of West Bengal was long known for the uninterrupted rule of the Left Front from 1977 to 2011. For a long period, the politics of the state was marked by overt absence of caste-, religion- and ethnicity-based contestations and this made West Bengal an exceptional case.

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Rethinking Pluralism, Secularism And Tolerance: Anxieties of Coexistence / Neera Chandhoke

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xvi, 223 p.; 22 cm.  
Includes Index.

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How can people who speak different languages, worship different gods and subscribe to different conceptions of the good live together with a degree of civility, dignity and mutual respect? It is not easy to find an answer to this troubled question, given recent political developments in many parts of the world. Today, the world is marked by extreme intolerance towards racial, sexual, religious and ethnic minorities and refugees.

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Reconstruction of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh: An Overview / Ashutosh Kumar and M.K.Singh

Prashant Publishing House, New Delhi 2020

vi, 287 p.; 24 cm.  
Bibliography Includes Index

9789388526272

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Peacebuilding in jammu and kashmir includes confidence-building measures at a nation a state level between the governments of india and pakistan, track two diplomacy, as well as initiatives by non governmental organisation institutes and individuals.

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Doklam Standoff Implications for India, China and Bhutan / S. Chandra

Prashant Publishing House, New Delhi 2020

vi, 270 p.; 24 cm.  
Bibliography Includes Index

9789388526258

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Doklam is a tri junction between India, china and Bhutan. the crisis started in the mid of June, when India called off china for constructing a road in the disputed territory toward doklam region, which was also opposed by Bhutan's royal army.

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What Ails The IAS and Why It Fails to Deliver: An Insider's View / Naresh Chandra Saxena

Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi 2019

xix, 245 p.; 22 cm.  
Includes Index.  
9789353286484  
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An unorthodox and maverick administrator, the author worked in top policy positions, but the system rejected the reforms that he advocated. In his career he followed the economic philosophy of 'socialism for the poor and free market for the rich'. However, the political and administrative system in India seemed to believe in 'indifference to the poor and control over the rich to facilitate rent seeking'.

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Jammu and Kashmir: Breaking the Subversive Web and A Way Forward / Mahesh Kaul (ed)

Shubhi Publications, Haryana 2020

238 p.; 22 cm.  
9788182904927  
\$ 20.00 / HB  
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Jammu&kashmir is the frontline state of the indian nation that has stood as the bulwark against the fissiparous tendencies involved in the dismantling of the northern frontier of india.

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Sustainable Good Governance, Development and Democracy / N. Bhaskara Rao

Sage Publication India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xix, 284 p.; 23 cm.  
Includes Index.  
9789352808113  
\$ 26.25 / HB  
510 gm.

Despite seven decades of planned development efforts, there remains disparity in distribution of wealth in India. More than half of the national wealth is owned by merely 1 per cent of the population. In 2050, the Indian Republic completes 100 years.

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Rajiv Gandhi to Narendra Modi: Broken Polity, Flickering Reforms / Parsa Venkateshwar Rao Jr

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., New Delhi 2019

x, 213 p.; 23 cm.  
9789353282981  
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330 gm.

From Rajiv Gandhi's confession about how and why he came into politics, Narendra Modi's graphic description of his inner agony during the Gujarat riots, Vajpayee's disarming confession about Nehru, Narasimha Rao's stoic stance in a letter to his childhood friend, Advani's confessions in the Lok Sabha about why television was pressed into service during the Kargil War, what emerges is a historical drama of Shakespearean range and an intensity which is more than what brilliant historians and acute political analysts can hope to achieve. The book shows that the first draft of history is found in the words of politicians in parliament and in the government. It captures the immediacy of history-in-the-making, and the palest platitudes of politicians that acquire rare poignancy.

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The Possibility of Peace in the Korean Peninsula : Preparing, Building, and Guaranteeing Inter-Korean Peace / Hyug Baeg Im  
Seoul National University Press, Seoul, South Korea 2017  
348p. Includes Index  
9788952119018  
\$ 80.00 / null  
700 gm.

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Strategic Intelligence and National Security in South Asia / S.L.Soni and C.P. Bhargav  
Prashant Publishing House, New Delhi 2019  
viii, 270 p.; 24 cm.  
Bibliography Include Index.  
9789388526241  
\$ 41.00 / HB  
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Experience, Caste, and the Everyday Social / Gopal Guru and Sundar Sarukkai  
Oxford University Press, New Delhi 2019  
ix, 211 p.; 22 cm.  
Includes Index.  
9780199496051  
\$ 27.50 / HB  
400 gm.

This work offers new insights on themes such as the ontology of the social, the way the social is experienced, the nature of social that operates in the world as invisible authority, along with the creation of notions such as social self and social time. Endorsing the concept of 'Maitri', signifying ethical relationship among multiple social entities, the book offers a distinct theory of the social supported by ample empirical observations.

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Conflicting Identities: Travails of Regionalism in Asia / Rabindra Sen (ed)  
Manohar Publishers & Distributors, New Delhi 2019  
271 p.; 22 cm.  
Includes Index  
9789388540230  
\$ 37.75 / HB  
520 gm.

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Partitions of the Heart: Unmaking the Idea of India / Harsh Mander  
Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., Haryana 2018  
xliii, 290 p.; 23 cm.  
Includes Index.  
9780670089772  
\$ 15.00 / HB  
530 gm.

There was one partition of the land in 1947. Harsh Mander believes that another partition is underway in our hearts and minds. How much of this culpability lies with ordinary people? What are the responsibilities of a secular government, of a civil society, and of a progressive majority? In *Partitions of the Heart: Unmaking the Idea of India*, human rights and peace worker Harsh Mander takes stock of whether the republic has upheld the values it set out to achieve and offers painful, unsparing insight into the contours of hate violence.

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*Disaster Relief and the RSS: Resurrecting 'Religion' through Humanitarianism* / Malini Bhattacharjee

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2019

xxiii, 238 p.; 22 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index

9789353285517

\$ 21.25 / HB

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*Disaster Relief and the RSS: Resurrecting 'Religion' Through Humanitarianism* studies the political implications of the humanitarian work of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) by examining the institution of seva (service) in disaster situations. This book provides a refreshingly new perspective of the RSS by recognizing its 'compassionate' aspects and understanding its appeal from the point of view of its benefactors. It examines the religious, moral, intellectual and instrumental heritage of seva and discusses the possible reasons for its continual resurrection in modern India.

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*Ayodhya Verdict 2019: Justice Denied* / Sahmat

Safdar Hashmi Memorial Trust, New Delhi 2019

136 p.; 22 cm.

9789380536873

\$ 6.25 / null

270 gm.

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*Social Justice: Interdisciplinary Inquiries from India* / K.V. Cybil (ed)

Routledge, London. Manohar Publications and Distributors, New Delhi 2019

xiii, 182 p.; 22 cm.

Includes Index.

9780367424176

\$ 25.00 / HB

400 gm.

This book explores the political and philosophical underpinnings of exclusion and social injustice in India. It examines social movements, anti-caste uprisings, reformers like Ambedkar and Narayana Guru and writers like Foucault and Serres to establish a link between the political and social milieu of the idea of nationhood. Going beyond the legal framework of justice, the essays in the volume reassemble the social from popular perception and the margins, and challenge Rawlsian and Eurocentric paradigms which have dominated discourse on social injustice. The volume also draws on instances of history as well as contemporary issues, as well as locating them in the context of social and post-colonial theory.

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*Secular Sectarianism: Limits of Subaltern Politics* / Ajay Gudavarthy

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2020



viii, 280 p.; 22 cm.  
Includes Index.  
9789353286774  
\$ 27.75 / HB  
500 gm.

Secularism is a tenet that is fundamental to Indian democracy and enshrined in the Constitution. However, its practice has been severely hampered in recent times largely due to the secular sectarianism pursued by secular, democratic and progressive political formations. This implies the tendency of specific secular political movements to act as if their agenda are exclusively important. Secular sectarianism has gradually polarized communities and advanced a woefully limited political imagination, leading to the proliferation of conflicts between various marginalized groups—Dalits, tribals, OBCs, Muslims, women and the Left. *Secular Sectarianism: Limits of Subaltern Politics* includes several accounts of such conflicts, opening up a new area of study for further conceptualization.

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*Violence in South Asia: Contemporary Perspectives* / Pavan Kumar Malreddy (ed)  
Routledge, London. Manohar Publications & Distributors, New Delhi 2020

ix, 247 p.; 24 cm.  
Includes Index.

9780367463854

\$ 25.00 / HB

510 gm.

This volume explores new perspectives on contemporary forms of violence in South Asia. Drawing on extensive fieldwork and case studies, it examines the infiltration of violence at the societal level and affords a comparative regional analysis of its historical, cultural and geopolitical origins in South Asia.

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*Gender, Citizenship, and Identity in the Indian Blogosphere: Writing the Everyday* / Sumana Kasturi

Routledge, London. Manohar Publications and Distributors, New Delhi 2020

xi, 195 p.; 24 cm.

Includes Index.

9780367898281

\$ 25.00 / HB

430 gm.

This book examines the role of women bloggers in the Indian blogosphere. It explores how women use new media technologies to create online spaces that share knowledge, raise awareness, and build communities. A unique work at the intersection of digital culture, feminist theory, and diaspora/transnationalism studies, this book brings to light layered and complex issues such as identity, gender performativity, presentation of self, migration, and citizenship. This volume will be useful for scholars and researchers of cultural studies, political studies, gender studies, women's studies, sociology, diaspora studies, feminist theory, media and Communication studies.

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*McMahon Line: Then and Now* / Amitabh Bhatt

Prashant Publishing House, New Delhi 2020

276 p.; 24 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9789388526265

\$ 36.25 / HB

660 gm.

The McMahon line is a demarcation line on map referred to in the Simla convention, a treaty between Britain and Tibet signed in 1914.

Pakistan's Response Towards Terrorism: A Case Study of Musharraf Regime /  
Shabana Fayyaz

Vanguard Books, Pakistan 2020

viii, 264p.

9789694026107

\$ 40.00 / HB

600 gm.

This book provides an extensive overview of Pakistan's response towards terrorism under the General Pervez Musharraf-led military regime from 2001 to 2008. With the changing geo-political environment, the study argues Pakistan cannot deal with terrorism by piecemeal steps. An effective response necessitates a holistic, multi-dimensional and sustainable counter-terrorism policy that may entail redefining the role of the state as a facilitator of both traditional and non-traditional security concerns of the people of Pakistan.

The central question addressed is, "How did the Musharraf government respond to terrorism in post 9/11 Pakistan, and did its response amount to the continuity of or a change in the country's traditional national security policy?" What military, political, social, economic and cultural reforms were introduced by the Musharraf regime as part of his internal security policy and reform agenda? Was there congruence between Pakistan's external security policy and internal security policy contrived to fight the threat of terrorism? What specific steps did the Musharraf government take to ensure citizen security, to combat terrorism within the state and do remodel foreign policy? And finally, did 9/11 and the emergence of threats to international peace perceived by the international order from non-state actors inform and change Pakistan's traditional national security doctrine? The book aims to fill this gap by deconstructing and analysing the actual steps taken by the Musharraf regime to combat the evolving menace of terrorism. In doing this, it aims to provide a vantage point for assessing and planning future policy on countering terrorism. The conceptual framework proposed by this study is based on the critical analysis of the existing literature on the subject of security at the international, regional and national levels, while staying within the Westphalian system of Weberian states. Thus, state remains the unit of analysis and referent object of security and in starting out to understand the behaviour of the Pakistani state. The book conceives an integrated framework of security with an added emphasis on the citizen as the prime consumer and beneficiary of the state's national security framework. Hence, aiming to go beyond Pakistan's traditional national security policy framework.

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Ganga to Pulwama: India's False Flag Operations / Junaid Ahmad & Ibnul Hasan Rizvi

AJA Publishers, Pakistan 2019

xii, 412p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

9789692316965

\$ 55.00 / HB

800 gm.

The book "Ganga to Pulwama – India's False Flag Operations" presents a critical evaluation of India's constant False Flag Operations against Pakistan and an eye opener for everybody to see that how India, with its planned game of deception has been hoodwinking the world by portraying Pakistan a terrorist country. The book covers comprehensively eight of India's False Flag Operations starting with Hijacking of Ganga aeroplane in Jan 1971; India Parliament Attack in Dec 2001; Arson in Train at Godhra leading to Gujarat Carnage in 2002; Samjhota Express Arson in Feb 2007; Mumbai Attacks in Nov 2008; Pathankot in Jan 2016; Uri Attack in Sept 2016; and Pulwama in Feb 2019.

From the above incidents, the book has derived a definite pattern which should be enough to squash and rebut India's allegations. The purpose of the book is to serve as a warning to Pakistanis and the international community against India's ultimate game of deceptions.

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The Battle for Pakistan: The Bitter US Friendship and a Tough Neighbourhood /  
Shuja Nawaj

Liberty Publishing, Pakistan 2019

xxxviii, 378p.

Includes Index ; Selected Bibliography

9789698729097

\$ 45.00 / HB

600 gm.

The Battle for Pakistan showcases a marriage of convenience between unequal partners. The relationship between Pakistan and the United States since the early 1950s has been nothing less than a whiplash-inducing rollercoaster ride. Today, surrounded by hostile neighbours, with Afghanistan increasingly under Indian influence, Pakistan does not wish to break ties with the US. Nor does it want to become a vassal of China and get caught in the vice of a US-China rivalry, or the Arab-Iran conflict.

Internally, massive economic and demographic challenges as well as the existential threat of armed militancy pose huge obstacles to Pakistan's development and growth. Could its short-run political miscalculations in the Obama years prove too costly? Can the Trump administration help salvage this relationship?

Based on extensive travel in the region, frequent policy interactions and many on-the-record interviews with key leaders, The Battle for Pakistan untangles the complex US relationship in the past decade. Shuja Nawaz identifies the path forward, provided US and Pakistani leaders make the right choices for the longer term.

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Decoding Political Discourses in Children's Magazines / Tugba Kara

Libra Kitapcilik ve Yayıncılık Ticaret A.S., Istanbul, Turkey 2020

120p.

Includes Index

9786057884923

\$ 35.00 / null

180 gm.

This book inspects the reflections of the ideological aspects of a nation-state's over childhood issue of the political powers of both the early Republican era and the AKP government concerning two different children's magazines called Gürbüz Türk Çocuğu and Sevgi Bir Kuş. Hence, it is significant to examine the literary products in the children's magazine published by the "Children's Protection Agency", one of the official instruments of the State, to see how the discourse of the power changed over time in the context of children's policies and a nation-state. This book deals with following questions: What characteristics did children's magazines possess concerning the language and the wording? Was the language used in the magazines appropriate for the child readers and leveled with the daily language? Was the wording used in the magazines didactical and peremptory? Who were the readers or the targeted audience of these magazines? Did the magazines only address the children? What were the ethical elements that were idealized? What kind of bond was established between the analyzed era and the ethical understanding that was valorized? How did this situation affect the idealized ethical virtues? Did the ethical understanding have a discourse shaped in the axis of the necessities of the daily practices? Did ethical values have different determiners or definitions for boys and girls? How did they cover these cases in the narratives?

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Turkish – American Relations in World War II :Survival of Turkish Neutrality /  
Hakan Gungor

Gece Akademi (Gece Kitapligi/Gece Publishing), Ankara, Turkey 2019

204p.

9786257046473

\$ 65.00 / null

280 gm.

The Turkish government determined to pursue a neutral policy when the Second World War broke out in 1939. Turkish statesmen used diplomacy as a tool in international relations to maintain their neutrality. Turkey was one of few countries to sign non-aggression pacts both with Axis and Allies during the war. However, the survival of Turkish neutrality is a multifaceted phenomenon that could not be attributed to a single cause or an end.

In addition to the determination of the Turkish government, the United States' entrance into the war and their support of the Turkish government, and international law toward neutral states empowered and enabled the Turkish non-belligerent policy to endure throughout the war. This comprehensive work sheds light on the survival of Turkish neutrality and Turkey-U.S. relations during the war.

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The Jadid Movement and Nation-Building in Azberbaijan / Cengiz Cagla

Efe Akademi Yayinlari, Istanbul, Turkey 2020

viii, 19p.; 135x195mm.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9786257957328

\$ 35.00 / null

200 gm.

At the end of the 19th century, a distinguishing characteristic of the Russian Empire was its cultural, religious and ethnic heterogeneity, in relation to which, a number of significant questions could be raised: to what extent are modern theories of nationalism relevant in explaining the centrifugal tendencies of borderland peoples in Russia at the turn of the 19th century? How could the nation become the main concern of the masses, transcending both religious and economic values? How specific was this process to Southern Caucasus? This book is an attempt to answer these questions with reference to a historical/geographical evaluation of Azerbaijan, the uniqueness and particularities of its political processes. In this context, class conflict, Western and Russian influences, inter-ethnic tensions, the Jadid reformism and the relative autonomy of political elites will be discussed, and it will be argued that if Azerbaijan could form the first secular state of the Muslim world, it was due to its well-educated nationalist intelligentsia, backed by an enlightened bourgeoisie.

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Renewed Hope : Botswana Under Masisi / Batlang Comma Serema, Alfred Tsheboeng

Botswana Democratice Party, Gaborone, Botswana 2019

60p.

9789996808081

\$ 20.00 / null

180 gm.

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Towards a People's Constitution for Botswana / Oagile Bethuel Key Dingake

Marapa Publications,Papua New Guinea 2019

ix, 75p.

Includes Index

9789980909121

\$ 30.00 / null

150 gm.

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Terrorism in Indonesia After "Islamic State" / Quinton Temby (Series Ed) Ooi Kee Beng

ISEAS Publishing (ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute), Singapore 2020

32p.

ISSN: 0219-3213 ; 9789814881586

\$ 9.00 / null

68 gm.

The emergence of the Islamic State (IS) movement in Indonesia in 2014 re-energized violent extremism in Indonesia. As a result of effective counterterrorism policing, however, IS networks have been decimated and the structure of jihadism in Indonesia has shifted from organizations to autonomous networks and cells, increasingly organized via the Internet.

Although support for violent extremism in Indonesia remains marginal, cells of IS followers maintain a low-level capacity to conduct lethal attacks against civilian and government targets.

Most IS operations in Indonesia are sporadic and low-level attacks against the Indonesian police. Religious minorities have also been high-profile targets, as in the Surabaya church suicide bombings of 13 May 2018. There are some indications, however, of militants' renewed interest in attacking foreign targets, such as tourists on the resort island of Bali.

IS returnees from the Middle East have begun to play a role in recent attacks. The presence of this population in Indonesia raises the risk of militant capabilities being enhanced above their current relatively low level. Most returnees are women and children, and the increasing involvement of this cohort in IS attacks promises to complicate counterterrorism operations. The rise of pro-IS charities in Indonesia, poised to service returnees and reintegrate them into Indonesia's jihadist community, further exacerbates this problem.

The overall threat of terrorism to the Indonesian state and to the stability of the Joko Widodo administration remains low. Surprise attacks by unknown cells, however, have the potential to shock the Indonesian political system, provoking government repression of Islamists and exacerbating political polarization and community tensions.

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Role of the State in Bangladesh's Underdevelopment / Muinul Islam

The University Press Limited, Dhaka, Bangladesh 2020

xvi, 436p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789845062770

\$ 35.00 / HB

680 gm.

The book is the outcome of five years of painstaking research by the author on the role of the state in Bangladesh's underdevelopment following the methodology of the political economy of underdevelopment. Theoretically, underdevelopment is conceptualised as 'retarded development'. The roles of the colonial state of the British East India Company and the direct colonial rule by the British state, the neo-colonial bondage under the Pakistani state and the role of the Bangladesh state in the post-independence forty-five years up to 2016 in the underdevelopment of Bangladesh have been analysed in the nine chapters of the book in the light of appropriate theoretical framework and with the help of elaborate facts and evidences. The main hypothesis of the book is that Bangladesh state remains neo-colonial, peripheral capitalist, bureaucratic and extractive, which is responsible for the underdevelopment of the country. Therefore, the main task before the people of Bangladesh is to transform the system that runs the country from 'an agent causing underdevelopment' to 'an agent of development'.

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Neoliberal Development in Bangladesh : People on the Margins / Mohammad Tanzimuddin Khan and Mohammad Sajjadur Rahman

The University Press Limited, Dhaka, Bangladesh 2020

xii, 356p.  
Includes Index  
9789845062664  
\$ 35.00 / HB  
650 gm.

This book is a collection of eleven critical essays covering some of the implications of neoliberal development in Bangladesh. One of the major themes of this book is how the paradigm of neoliberalism, with its sole focus on free market, has transformed the very nature of the state. For the neoliberal states, market is both the ends and means of social wellbeing. While this 'market-directed' development approach can ensure certain levels of economic growth, it also brings out degrading quality of life, ecology and political governance. Bangladesh's experience with neoliberal development is an important case study because the country has already been recognized as a 'development paradox'. While some hail the development spree and bask in the glory of a fast-growing economy, critics of the traditional economic growth-oriented model of development point their fingers at the downsides of the same economy. The topics discussed in this book, among others, include microfinance, energy, higher education, agriculture, gender and, corruption. The editors hope that this book will serve as a useful guide and resource for understanding contemporary critical scholarship on neoliberal policies in Bangladesh.

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