

Recent Books of Women Studies – March 2001

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Anthropological Explorations in Gender
Intersecting Fields

Author : Leela Dube

The author addresses a range of interrelated themes in a study of gender, kinship and culture, by bringing together extensive field-work, personal narratives, a corpus of ethnography and theory.

Pub : Sage Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 0761994858 Bib : Hb 23cm
268pp with Index Price : US\$ 14.25

Women Education through the Ages
Author : N.L. Gupta

Pub : Concept Pub Co, New Delhi Year ; 2000 Bib : 248pp 22cm ISBN : 8170228263
Price : US\$ 11.75

The House I grew up in
Five Indian Women's Experiences of Childhood Incest and its impact on their lives

Pub : Rahi, New Delhi Year : 1999 Bib : xx, 113p 22cm ISBN : 8190115804 Price :
US\$ 10.00

Dowry Death
Author : Kamakshya Prasad, Ahmad Khan, Hari Nath Upadhyaya

Collection of Judicial Decisions on Dowry Death

Pub : Modern law Publications, Allahabad Year : 2000 Bib : xxviii, 172p 24cm ISBN :
8187629045 Price : US\$ 8.00

Women and Politics
France, India and Russia

Editor : Bharati Ray
Series : Monograph/ Dept of History, University of Calcutta : 19

Pub : K.P. Bagchi & Co, Calcutta Year : 2000 Bib : xii, 196p 22cm ISBN :
8170742242

Price : US\$ 11.75

Nayar Women Today

Author : Renjini D

This is a study of the Nayars of Kerala. Marriage customs and polyandrous unions of nayars have attracted scholars from all over the world. This book focuses on the changing status of Nayar women especially the changes that happened in the position of women in both the matrilineal and patrilineal systems.

Pub : Classical Pub Co, New Delhi Year : 2000 ISBN : 8170543037 Bib : HB
23cm108pp Price : US\$ 8.00

Advocating for Women's Effective Political Participation

Authors : B.K. Anitha; Pius Antony; V. Gayathri

Series : NIAS Report R2-99

Pub : National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore Year : 1999 Bib PB 66pp
Price : US\$ 5.00

Women & Development

The Indian Experience

Author : Mira Seth

This book is a comprehensive and analytical account of women's development programmes since India's independence. Replete with comparisons from around the world, it discusses the status of Indian women based on regional, religious, caste and class divides.

Pub ; Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 0761994874
(HB) 0761994882 (PB) Bib : 23cm 283pp with Index Price : US\$ 16.00

Gender and Slum Culture in Urban Asia

Author : Thorbek S

This study of slum culture and gender relations compares two slums in Asia - Ratmalana in Colombo and Khlong Toey in Bangkok - show how the impact of urbanization, economic change and national politics has differed significantly in Sri Lanka and Thailand, despite their common cultural background of Theravada Buddhism.

Pub : White Lotus Co, Bangkok Year : 2000 Bib : 233pp 15pp ill 22cm PB Price : US\$
10.00

Gender Discrimination in the Kashmir Valley

(A Survey of Budgam and Baramulla Districts)

Author : Bashir Ahmad Dabla, Sandeep K Nayak, Kurshid Ul IslamT

The book portrays the existing reality, in statistics and description, related to the phenomenon of gender discrimination in the Kashmir Valley.

Pub : Gyan Publishing House, New Delhi Year : 2000 ISBN : 8121207509
Bib : 23cm HB 219pp with Index Price : US\$ 15.00

Women and Human Rights
Author : Lina Gonsalves

This book describes the lack of attention to the human rights of women and indicates a range of issues where equal rights for women are still denied.

Pub : APH Publishing Corporation, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8176482471
Bib : 23cm HB 331pp with Index Price : US\$ 20.00

India Calling
The Memories of Cornelia Sorabji, India's First Woman Barrister

Author ; Cornelia Sorabji; Editor : Chandani Lokuge

First Published in 1934 by Nisbet & Co, London.

Sorabji was India's first woman barrister. This is her autobiography from early childhood to adulthood. Written with a radically feminist perspective, it traces the author's self-development . and depicts the status and lifestyle of orthodox Hindu women, to the amelioration of whose legal and personal status she dedicated herself.

Pub : Oxford University press, New Delhi Year :2001 ISBN : 0195649745 Bib :23cm HB 262pp Price ; US\$ 16.50

Women in Transition in South Asia

Author : Deepa Mathur

This book outlines the various theoretical perspectives on women and development. It studies the changes that are taking place in the conditions of women in South Asia.

Pub : Kalinga Publications, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 818764415x Bib : 23cm HB 162pp with Bibliography & Index Price : US\$ 11.75

Ideals, Images and Real Lives
Women in Literature and History

Editor : Alice Thorner; Maithreyi Krishnaraj

The papers in this collected volume reflect the refinement of theoretical approaches in many ways. They exemplify both the advances in feminist theory, especially in regard to notions of and interconnections between gender, male power and ideology, and the course of women's movements in the third world. An important theoretical contribution of third world scholars - unlike western theory which ignored imperialism - has been the examination of changes in gender relations brought about by the impact of colonialism.

Pub : Orient Longman, Hyderabad for Sameeksha Trust, Mumbai Year : 2000 ISBN : 8125008438

Bib : HB 23cm xiv, 353pp with Index Price : US\$ 11.75

Fields of Protest
Women's Movement in India

Author : Raka Ray

This book explores the political and cultural circumstances under which groups of women organise to fight for their rights and self-worth. Starting with Bombay and Calcutta, Raka Ray discusses the creation of "Political Fields" - structured, unequal and socially constructed political environments within which organisations exist, flourish or fail. Women's organisations are not anonymous or free agents; rather, they inherit a 'field' and its accompanying social relations, and when they act, they act in response to it and within it. Drawing on the literature of both social movements and feminism, Ray analyses the striking differences between the movements in these two cities.

Pub : University of Minnesota Press, USA (In India Kali for Women, New Delhi) ISBN : 8186706232 Bib : HB 23cm xiii, 217pp with Index Price : US\$ 8.50

Endangered Daughters
Discrimination and Development in Asia
Author : Elizabeth Croll

This unique and groundbreaking book seeks to re-focus gender debate onto the issue of daughter discrimination - a phenomenon still hidden and unacknowledged across the world. It asks the controversial question of why millions of girls do not appear to be surviving to adulthood in contemporary Asia. In the first major study available of this emotive and sensitive issue, Elisabeth Croll investigates the extent of discrimination against female children in Asia and shifts the focus of attention firmly from son-preference to daughter-discrimination. This book brings together demographic data and anthropological field studies to reveal the multiple ways in which girls are disadvantaged, from excessive child mortality to the withholding of health care and education on the basis of gender. Focusing especially on China and India, the book reveals the surprising coincidence of increasing daughter discrimination with rising economic development, declining fertility and the generally improved status of women in East and South Asia. Essential reading for all those interested in gender in contemporary society. Case studies include:

- * China
- * Republic of Korea
- * Taiwan
- * Vietnam
- * India
- * Pakistan
- * Bangladesh

Pub : Routledge, London Year : 2000 ISBN : 0415247640 Bib : 24cm 224pp HB
Price £45.00 (US\$ 67.50)

Gender, Religion and "Heathen Lands"
American Missionary Women in South Asia (1860s-1940s)

Author : Maina Chawla Singh

Series : Gender, Culture and Global Politics

This cross-cultural study examines the work of American missionary women in South Asia. It focuses on Isabella Thoburn and Ida Scudder, who founded some of the women's colleges and hospitals in British colonial India. The book also draws on the narratives of South Asian women who attended such institutions in the 1940s.

Pub : Routledge, London Year : 2000 ISBN : 0815328249 Bib : 22cm HB 200pp
Price £33.00 (US\$ 49.50)

Sex Work in Southeast Asia
The Place of Desire in a Time of AIDS

Author : Lisa Law

Series : Routledge Pacific Rim Geographies 2

Southeast Asian sex workers are stereotypically understood as passive victims of the political economy, and submissive to western men. The advent of HIV/AIDS only compounds this image. Sex Work in Southeast Asia is a cultural critique of HIV/AIDS prevention programmes targetting sex tourism industries in Southeast Asia.

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3. Cartographies of desire: mapping Southeast Asian sex industries
4. Negotiating the bar: sex, money and the uneasy politics of third space
5. Beyond the bar: lives, community and transient identities
6. Sex work, HIV/AIDS and blame: mandatory HIV antibody testing
7. Prostitute victim/sex worker agent: the global discourse of NGOs
8. Conclusion

Pub : Routledge, London Year : 2000 ISBN : 0415218055 Year : 2000 Bib : 24cm
HB 160pp
5 line drawings and 6 b+w photos
Price £50.00 (US\$ 75.00)

Bitter Sweet Truth
Recollections of an Anglo-Indian Born during the Last Years of the British Raj

Author : Esther Mary Lyons

Autobiography of an Anglo-Indian Woman.

Pub ; Originals, New Delhi Year : 2001 ISBN : 8173052235 Bib : HB 23cm 402pp
Price : US\$ 20.00

The Fair Sex in Tribal Culturings
Problems and Development

Author : Samita Manna

The major thrust of this book is on exploring the nature of the problems of the tribal women belonging to different cultures- hunting and gathering (the Lodha and Birhor), basket making(the mahali), cultivation (santal and munda) and the Hinduised tribe (the bhumij) who live in a similar ecological zone.

Pub : Gyan Publishing House, New Delhi Year : 2000 ISBN : 812120643x Bib : 23cm
HB 283pp
Price : US\$ 14.00
