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### *Agriculture*

A Geographical Analysis of Landuse, Cropping Pattern & Trends with Special Reference to Horticulture Crops in Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh / K. Kanthi Kiran  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
196p.;  
9789391844172  
\$ 23.75 / hb  
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### *Anthropology*

Identity and Marginality in Northeast India: Challenges for Social Science Research / Hoineilhing Sitlhou  
Hyderabad, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
xxviii, 324 p.; 22 cm  
9789354423871  
\$ 31.25 /pb

Northeast India is home to numerous ethnic communities. Considered a marginal geographical space, this region is as diverse as India itself in terms of its languages, cultures, and ethnicities. However, the dominant tendency is to conceptualise the Northeast as a singular, homogenous territory, and this problematic construction both implies a shared identity among different ethnic communities and determines the way the region is governed by the Indian state. Identity and Marginality in Northeast India rectifies this construction and highlights the heterogeneity of the different groups and their unique experiences, contestations, and conflicts.  
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The Nilgiri Hills: A Kaleidoscope of People, Culture, and Nature / Paul Hockings (Ed)  
Hyderabad, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
254 p.;  
9789354423963  
\$ 25.00 / pb

The year 2019 marked the bicentenary of British contact with the indigenous people of the Nilgiri Hills, in south India. This contact was initiated by John Sullivan, a local official from Coimbatore, who over a few years founded the town of Ootacamund from scratch. Interestingly, and contrary to many accounts of colonial expansion, there is no indication anyone here was harmed by the outsiders, let alone enslaved or killed. Thus south India's first hill station came into being, in 1821. The Nilgiris District is a bare 1,000 square miles in extent, yet it remains one of the most heavily researched areas of India.  
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Feeding a Thousand Souls: Women, Ritual, and Ecology in India- An Exploration of the Kolam / Vijaya Nagarajan  
New York, USA: Oxford University Press, 2023  
xxvii, 301 p.;  
9780197761137  
\$ 37.50 / pb

This is the first comprehensive study of the kōlam in the English language. It examines its significance in historical, mathematical, ecological, anthropological, and literary contexts. The culmination of Vijaya Nagarajan's many years of research and writing on this exacting ritual practice, Feeding a Thousand Souls celebrates the experiences, thoughts, and voices of the Tamil women who keep this tradition alive.

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Socio-Cultural Life of the Kolhas Tribe / Minati Hansda  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023  
xxi, 261 p.;  
9789391685287  
\$ 32.50 / hb

The eastern India in general and the state of Odisha in particular is very rich in tribal culture heritage. The highest number tribal group of the country is found in this state and the highest number of tribal groups of the state are residing in this present study region of Odisha. These tribal groups are separated from one another on the basis of their socio-cultural life, subsistence pattern, physical features, etc.

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Intoxicating Beverages: The Hill Bonda Tribe / R.P. Mohanty  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023  
xii, 109 p.; 23 cm  
9789391685348  
\$ 22.50 / hb

In the recent times this piece of study is first of its kind. It describes on the traditional techniques and the knowledge base of the Bonda highlanders, an allopatric primitive tribal community of the state of Odisha, India, on preparation of different kinds of intoxicating beverages, their uses, rules and norms, taboos, preservation methods etc.

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Contact and conflict: a contextual survival strategy of Delta / Basu, Krishna  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023  
xxii+105p.;  
9789391685300  
\$ 21.25 / hb

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Ethnohistory of the Bathudi Tribe / Kumarmani Nayak  
New Delhi: Maya Publishing House, 2023  
364p.;  
9789391642136  
\$ 37.50 / hb

The Ethnohistory of the Bathudis of Mayurbhanj' makes an indepth study of a major tribe of India. It is also a matter of regret that literatures on the tribes, namely Bhumij, Gond, HO, Oraon, Santal, Sabar and Sounti have been highlighted. But the tribes like Bathudi, Hill Kharia, Birhor and another least known as well as forgotten tribe Ujia have been Severely neglected due to the lack of Significant empirical study.

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Ethnographic Profile of Pauri Bhuinya / Surendra Kumar Jena  
New Delhi: Maya Publishing House, 2023  
202P.;  
9789391642051  
\$ 25.00 / hb

The present work is an ethnographic study of the PauriBhuinya, a hill tribe of northern Orissa now Odisha. Though the name of the PauriBhuinya occurs in many anthropological literatures, an in-depth published work of standard is not available so far. Thus came up the idea of the present study. In Chapter-III discusses the history of the Bhuinya. Who were the Bhuinyas and how they are different from the hill or PauriBhuinya. the social organization like kinship, family, marriage and political organization has been delineated in Chapter-IV. The Pauri Bhuinyas are shifting cultivator and now they have become settled agriculturists.

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Kalkhunta: A Living Ancestral Heritage: A Panorama of Baster / K. M. Sinha Roy, Rajesh Roshan  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2022  
146p.;  
9789391685256  
\$ 21.25 / hb

The Book about living ancestral heritage of Bastar region. The study is present megalithic culture of the Gond. Their belief, rituals in relation to the erection of memorial stone in the memory of ancestor is still practice among different Gonds. Ancestor worship is found in almost all culture of the world. Ancestor veneration is based on love and respect for the departed soul. Ancestor worship fosters kinship values, such as filial piety, family loyalty and continuity of the family lineage. The living progeny expresses its love and veneration for its deceased ancestors in many ways. Ancestor worship is also based on the belief that the dead have a continuous existence and have the power to influence the lives of the living, that they bestow their blessing if they are propitiated properly.

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Researches In Ancient Indian Archaeology, History And Culture / Rajiva Kumar Sinha, Sanjay Kumar Manjul  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2022  
xvii, 317p.;  
9789391685102  
\$ 75.00 / hb

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Folklore of Corruption In The Eyes of Anthropologists / Amitabha Sarkar, Samira Dasgupta  
New Delhi: Maya Publishing House, 2023  
170p.;  
9789391642037  
\$ 37.50 / hb

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Cultural identity of primitive tribe of Kerala: with reference to Koragas / K. Vijaya Kumari  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023  
xi, 138 p.;  
9789391685119

\$ 27.50 / hb

History would have been rich, if the history of the marginalized indigenous people, who were not a part of mainstream, were recorded and their voice were heard. There are sections of people who were considered as polluted and backward and hence their socio-economic and cultural life was not recorded.

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Social, Cultural and Health Issues of The Juang / Prasanna Kumar Patra, Mitali Chinara (Ed)

New Delhi: Maya Publishing House, 2023

xxiii, 267 p.;

9789391642082

\$ 50.00 / hb

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A Study of Acheulian Industries of Bargarh Upland: With Special Reference To The Jira River Valley, Odisha / Neena Thakur

New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023

xxviii, 316 p.; 26 cm.

9789391685126

\$ 62.50 / hb

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Dhārī Devī, Goddess of the Floods : Development, Disaster and the Transitions of a Place of Worship / Frances Anke Niebuhr

Heidelberg, Germany: HASP-Heidelberg Asian Studies Publishing, 2023

xviii, 294p.

9783948791490

\$ 55.00 / PB

480gm.

The trajectory of the Dhari Devi Temple epitomises the idea of catastrophes as watersheds. In particular, flood disasters have accompanied transformation processes of the site located on Alaknanda River in the Indian Himalayas. As early as 1894, a flash flood had a significant impact on the site and the identity of the deity. Local flood legends gained new topicality with the planning of a hydroelectric power plant in the vicinity. They became part of debates surrounding the construction scheme that required the relocation of the sacred site. This case study explores flood discourses and illuminates their influence on a development project. It further demonstrates how previous controversies framed the public interpretation of two flood disasters in 2012 and specifically of the "Himalayan Tsunami" in 2013.

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Anthropological Perspectives on Health and Disease / Suman Chakrabarty

New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2023

xiii, 173 p., 22 cm.

9788194340188

\$ 37.50 / hb

This edited book contains thirteen original articles covering Anthropological perspectives of health and disease. The articles mainly focus on the interrelationship between human health outcomes and culturally driven human action. The essays in this edited book synthesize various comprehensive theoretical models with the help of empirical findings. In fact, these selected articles are the true reflection of the "Anthropology of Health and Disease" and its beyond at regional, national and international levels. We hope that the

book will be established as useful academic material for scholars and general readers to understand the multiple emerging and traditional human health crises. This book is an essential guide for students and researchers of Anthropology throughout the globe.

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From Villages To Palaces: An Archaeological History of Early Farming and Early Historical Cultures of Odisha / Umakanta Mishra, Sibnarayan Bihari

New Delhi: Research India Press, 2023

313p.;

9789351711681

\$ 75.00 / hb

The book explores the threads and traces of the development of complex society from the time of the beginning of the first farming communities in 2 millennium BC up to 4 century CE. Generating and analysing data from the explorations and excavations of archaeological sites, the book employs the conceptual category of heterarchy rather than hierarchy as a more meaningful category to understand the nature of complexities of archaeological settlements, as well as the continuity and changes there in different temporalities. The work pleads for adopting fruitful theoretical frameworks to understand periodisation and nature of material cultures of Odisha. In a sense this is the first work which tries to construct the past of early farming and early historical cultures of Odisha.

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The Sacred Ganga- A Spiritual, Archaeological and Artistic Vision / Jī. Ke Lāmā

New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2024

xi, 216 p.; 25 cm.

9789391952655

\$ 112.50 / hb

A symbol of India's age-old culture and civilization, the River Ganga executes a magic which has captured the hearts of men since times immemorial. In Vedic times, saints and seers meditated by this sacred stream to unravel the mysteries of life and death, so also the secrets of the universe. Hindus are never tired of singing the glories of Mother Ganga and every Hindu desires to take a dip at least once in his life in this sacred river. Many wend their way to the Ganga to spend the evening of their lives and to meet their end on her banks Hindus carry the ashes of their dead to consign them to the holy Ganga. To touch it, to drink its water, to take bath in it when alive, to be washed in it when dead, goes the belief, is to be cleansed within and without for life and beyond. The Ganga being one of the unifying factors of the people of India from the Cape to Kailasha and from Dvaraka to Kamakhya.

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Fusion of Indian Culture on Asia / G.K. Lama

New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2023

xii, 248 p.;

9789391952075

\$ 75.00 / hb

The present book deals with India's cultural contacts with South-East Asia. Further, it throws light on the impact of various aspects of Indian culture on the countries like Afghanistan, Central Asia, China, Tibet, Bhutan, Nepal, and Japan. The journey of culture was not one way traffic so it was also tried to show how much the elements of foreign culture influenced the Indian society. The author has tried his best to present not only the glorious past of the Indian culture but its continuity and importance in the world.

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Jagannatham- Recent Archaeology and Contemporary Approaches (A Special Volume in Honour of Professor J.N. Pal) / J. N. Pal, Brjeśā Rāvata (Ed), Surabhi Srivastava  
New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2023  
390 p.; 28 cm.  
9789391952464  
\$ 125.00 / hb

It gives me immense pleasure that an edited book is being published in the honour of Professor JN Pal by some brilliant scholars of Archaeology and History. Professor JN. Pal needs no introduction in the field of Ancient History and Archaeology not only at national level but across the world. An ingenious scholar, explorer and excavator on field and simultaneously his personal virtues like honesty, humility, dedication and passion for self-study make him the most venerated academician I shall not be exaggerating in pronouncing him the most luminous star on the horizon of Indian archaeology. I greatly admire his contribution to this field.

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Cultural heritage and archaeology: Ajoy Kumar Sinha commemoration volume / Ajoy Sinha, Chitta Ranjan Prasad Sinha  
New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors in association with Research India Press, 2023  
xxvi, 252 p.; 28 cm.  
9789391952471  
\$ 112.50 / hb

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## Architecture

Pierre Jeanneret and Chandigarh / Shivdatt Sharma  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
176p.;  
9789391125639  
\$ 62.50 / hb

Chandigarh is a dream city that got its character from the fascinating work of two gifted Swiss-French architects—Charles-Édouard Jeanneret, better known as Le Corbusier and Pierre Jeanneret. The vision and approach of these two cousins, both masters of modernism, helped Chandigarh emerge as a beautiful, planned city. Over the years, however, it has been Le Corbusier who has been largely talked about and, unfortunately, Pierre Jeanneret's amazing contribution in shaping this city remained unknown. It is this gap that the book Pierre Jeanneret and Chandigarh aims to fill. For the author, Le Corbusier was the dreamer and Pierre Jeanneret was the implementer and it is their partnership that created the 'City Beautiful', as Chandigarh is known. Pierre Jeanneret designed housing for government employees and buildings for health and education services, including the sprawling Panjab University campus. He arrived in India in 1951 and left Chandigarh in 1965, with the expressed desire that his ashes be submerged in Sukhna Lake, as he wanted to stay with his creation even after his death. The author brings alive Pierre Jeanneret's days in Chandigarh, portrays the brilliance of the architect, the humility and simplicity of the man, as well as shows how he worked with dedication to leave a lasting impact on the world of architecture.

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Unique Features of Buddhist Monasteries / Jī. Ke Lāmā  
New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2023  
xx, 305 p.; 28 cm.  
9789391952495

\$ 112.50 / hb

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Sacred centre Bhubaneswar revisited / Kailash Chandra Dash

New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2024

ix, 129 p.; 28 cm.

9789391952631

\$ 75.00 / hb

Bhubaneswar is the capital of Odisha State from 1948 and now it has completed seventy-five years. As the capital of Greater Odisha from 1948 it has grown to be a famous urban centre in India. But the significance of Bhubneswar has to be considered from fix vast antiquities and in place in the cultural space in India. It was a celebrated religious site in India from the phase of the Nandas and Mauryas which can be known from the epigraphic records of the Maurya Ling Ashoka and Mahameghabahana Kharavela. The special Rock Edicts of Ashoka and the famous Hatigumpha inscription of the Jaina monarch Kharavela definitely indicate its considerable significance as a Buddhist and Jain centre in the early phase.

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#### Art

Kasauli Art Centre, 1976-1991 / Belinder Dhanoa

New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2023

435 p.;

9788195639229

\$ 75.00 / hb

This book on the Kasauli Art Centre, located at Ivy Lodge, Kasauli - which functioned as a centre for the arts and was actively engaged in numerous art activities for a decade and a half, from 1976 to 1991 - contextualizes and examines those events within the broader framework of the cultural scene in India, but through the particularity of what took place at Kasauli. Workshops on developments in the field of the visual arts, experiments in performance, seminars and discussions on arts and culture, the inception of the Journal of Arts & Ideas - these are among the subjects covered in the book. The text is written in brief sections in several registers, and includes the use of devices from fiction writing, including the mediating of time between an event and its recall. The book also has valuable contributions from several artists and scholars who participated in the events, and a detailed timeline of the many art camps, performances, seminars and discussions held at Kasauli. It is richly illustrated with images of artworks and photographs.

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Aesthetics in India: Transitions and Transformations / V.S. Sreenath, Anandita Pan,

Punnya Rajendran

Hyderabad, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023

296p.;

9789354424021

\$ 25.00 / pb

During the classical period, aesthetics was an inward-facing field, not concerned with the socioeconomic reality of everyday life. However, art has always flourished across societies as a direct product of the very realities of caste, class, and gender that aesthetics long ignored. As a result, aesthetics as a keyword in the humanities stands at a crossroads today. Eschewing definitions, this volume attempts to explore what aesthetics can be, to deploy the dissipation of classical aesthetics into a reconstituted

toolkit of critical terms—anger, shock, beauty, form, praxis, affect. The authors signal that aesthetics is to be treated less as a body of knowledge and more as an approach or a method that is both ahistorical and comparatist.

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Forms and Frontiers Of Art Of Pre-Modern India / Tara Kashyap

New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023

448p.;

9789391685133

\$ 17.50 / hb

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Early Bengal Oil Paintings / Hokon Raut

New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023

200p.;

9789391685025

\$ 25.00 / hb

Art work is an accumulated expression of thought process, skill, style and medium. So medium is very important for creation of art. In the field of Bengal Art, it is found that various mediums were used for creating valuable art that contributed in the development of history of Bengal Art. As far as the medium Oil Paint is concerned, it was invented by Jan Van Eye of Netherland in 15th Century. Many remarkable paintings were created in Europe using the medium of Oil Paint. The medium of Oil Paint eventually came to India as well as Bengal and was adopted by Bengal artists, thus creating a new genre of Early Bengal Oil Paintings during 18th to 19th century.

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Art Culture and Heritage

New Delhi: Publication Division, 2023

9789354099649

\$ 5.25 / pb

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Resurrecting Durbal Indian Art Forms / Maneesha Agrawal

New Delhi: Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, 2023

168 p.; 28 cm.

9789354097812

\$ 13.00 / pb

This book is a kind of enchiridion. It is lucidly written, with a purpose to inspire and inform its readers about those performing art forms of India that today stand on the verge of getting lost. Prof. Kiran Seth, founder of SPIC MACAY has pointed out a provocative irony about such endangered performing arts. He observes: When Ustad Asad Ali Khan passed away, it suddenly struck me that future generations would not possibly hear the Rudra Veena played in the majestic 'Khandarvani' style that he had mastered. A legacy passed down through many generations has only one doubtful inheritor. When the tiger was getting extinct the dwindling numbers were carefully recorded and great efforts were and are being made to make sure that our children and their progeny do not miss out on this beautifully evolved animal. However, a treasure chest of our heritage has just disappeared and very little attention is being paid to this fact.

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Floor coverings from Kashmir: kaleen carpets, namdah, gabba, ari rugs and wagoo mats / Promil Pande



New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
236p.;  
9788196405342  
\$ 62.50 / hb

This book focuses on the floor covering traditions of Kashmir, one of the two distinct regions that constitute the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir. Kashmir has been historically famous as a producer of the world- renowned and esteemed pashmina shawl. However, the region also produces a variety of floor coverings that are an essential part of its households and its handicraft industry. The variety of floor coverings produced differs in design, their mode of production, the raw material used and the region of production. Kaleen-weaving is a long-standing tradition, dating back to over 600 years, while floor coverings such as the wagoos mats trace their antiquity to the Indus Valley Civilization.

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Postnational Perceptions in Contemporary Art Practice / Bindu Bhadana  
Heidelberg, Germany: HASP-Heidelberg Asian Studies Publishing, 2023  
viii, 254p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9783948791346  
Media and Cultural Studies, Band 3  
\$ 40.00 / PB  
452gm.

This publication focuses on the works of Chitra Ganesh (b.1974), Tejal Shah (b.1979) and Nikhil Chopra (b.1976) in order to highlight the changing relationship of the gendered body with national identity in contemporary art practice. Ideas of national belonging are challenged precisely through a concerted focus on identities marginalized by the nation. It proposes the 'postnational' as an empowering term to mark the shift away from the nation, and, employing a post-structural framework, it argues that the nature of national identity is in itself a construct.

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Art and architecture of eastern India / Paromita Das  
New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2023  
viii, 168 p.; 25 cm.  
9789391952143  
\$ 75.00 / hb

The cultural ethos of the Indian subcontinent is reflected in regional artistic developments. The sculptures, architecture and paintings of Eastern India all present a richness and synthesis of different elements that was shaped by the history of the land, and the region in particular, forming as it a bridge between the Ganga Valley and Indo-China.

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Indian Art and Heritage / Kota Mrutyunjaya Rao  
New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors in association with, Research India Press, 2023  
98 p.; 25 cm.  
9789391952556  
\$ 42.50 / hb

The book has 11 chapters with an artistic point of view rather than the historical and archaeological approaches. This endeavour describes common characteristics of Indian

Arts such as Indian miniatures, mural paintings, temple art and architecture. The visual art forms of medieval India have acquired an excellent style and character.

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Vision and Visuals: Jatindrakumar Sen's Illustrations For Parashuram's Stories / K.S. Radhakrishnan

New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023

191 p.; 23 cm.

9789389136920

\$ 32.50 / pb

The multifaceted Rajshekhar Basu (1880-1960), who wrote under the pseudonym 'Parashuram', was one of Bengal's great humourists, apart from being an accomplished essayist and lexicographer, and a distinguished chemist. His stories were always illustrated by his friend, the artist Jatindrakumar Sen (1882-1966). Together, the stories and sketches were an intrinsic part of the lives of generations of Bengalis.

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Shringara and Bhakti: Sacred and Profane Love at the Court of Orchha / Konrad Seitz

New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023

260p.;

9788119626007

\$ 112.50 / hb

This lavishly illustrated book, the second volume in the series Orchha, Datia, Panna: Miniatures from the Royal Courts of Bundelkhand (1590-1850), deals with the second and third periods of Orchha painting, which span the years 1605 through 1675. A central theme of the paintings presented in this volume is the love between the archetypal couple Krishna and Radha, which is both mystical-religious and secular-playful in nature. Indeed, it is the confluence of sacred and profane love that gives India's culture and art its unique spirit. The images were created to illustrate poetic works such as the Rasikapriya, whose author, the Orchha court poet Keshavdas, invites his readers to savor the aesthetic and religious delight of Radha-Krishna love through his riti lyrics in the vernacular language of his era.

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A Pottery Story: The Work of Ira Chaudhuri / Itu Chaudhuri

New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2024

256p.;

9788196580353

\$ 62.50 / hb

The book is a simple commemoration of the work of master potter Ira Chaudhuri over seven decades – primarily through more than 150 images of her works, juxtaposed with quotes from the artist. It includes a valuable essay by Ira Chaudhuri which, besides describing her life's journey and career as a self-taught potter, traces the development of ceramic art in India from its nascency to its ongoing and gradual insertion into contemporary art practice. There are also writings by Nilima Sheikh, Trupti Patel and Ella Datta, which serve to excavate other facets of the artist – her artistic temperament, stylistic influences and signature technique. The book is compiled and edited by Ira Chaudhuri's son Itu Chaudhuri and his studio.

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*Biography / Memoirs*

Begum Hazrat Mahal Warrior Queen Of Awadh / Malathi Ramachandran

New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
328 p.; 1 map (black and white); 20 cm  
9789391125417  
\$ 15.00 / pb

Lucknow, 1857. The last Nawab of Awadh has been exiled by the British to Calcutta along with his courtiers and his coterie. Only his beautiful queen, Hazrat Mahal, stays back with young prince Birjis Ali. Hazrat vows to fight the British and win back her beloved Awadh for her people and the crown for her son. She builds a rebel army and high drama ensues as they besiege the Residency, the walled British cantonment, for five months. A fictional saga based on actual events, this book takes you within the walls of the Residency where love and passion rage alongside the battle, and into the world of Begum Hazrat and her loyal band. Will the rebel army storm the British bastion before their relief forces arrive? Or will the tide turn in a wave of loss and grief, crushing Hazrat Mahal's dream for Awadh and her son?

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Wild Treasures and Adventures: A Forester's Diary / Sunayan Sharma  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
208p., Black and White 18 Photographs; Size: 216mm x 140mm  
9789391125349  
\$ 10.00 / hb

Wild Treasures and Adventures: A Forester's Diary is a series of thrilling episodes from the author's life as an Indian Forest Service Officer. From close encounters with tigers, elephants and other ferocious beasts to daredevilry with timber smugglers and poachers of Rajasthan, Sunayan Sharma recounts tales from his life in the service of the nation's wildlife reserves. Through these true-life episodes, readers will witness an all encompassing human-non-human interactive ecosystem—from old hunting tactics to developing innovative habitat infrastructure, to encouraging community participation and awareness, to relocation of endangered keystone species like the tiger.

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Beyond The Trappings Of Office A Civil Servants Journey In Punjab / Rajan Kashyap  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
468p.;  
9789391125585  
\$ 20.00 / pb

Travel with the author, a former civil servant, on a fascinating journey from a childhood spent in the infancy of free India, growing up in a former princely state, to traipsing into the Indian Administrative Service with childlike optimism. Enjoy a renaissance in the University of Cambridge, and a mellow cadence of a fruitful life in a modern Indian city, juxtaposed with a view of the transforming rural economy in Punjab, a state at the heart of India's Green Revolution. In Beyond the Trappings of Office the author offers colourful vignettes of events behind the drab doors of officialdom. He depicts the successes and failures of governments and individual protagonists in attaining power and sustaining it. While being part of the system, he chose not to succumb to the temporal power that goes with it. He describes members of the community of bureaucrats as well as politicians, and their foibles, with a gentle, disarming irony.

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S.N. Malik: An Autobiography / S.N. Malik  
India: Fingerprint! Publishing, 2023  
344p.;  
9789354407857  
\$ 19.00 / hb

Each human being has a story to tell, and S.N. Malik's life journey is a captivating one! This autobiography explores his difficult education, his tenure as the chief of the Government of India's undertakings in the Ministry of Commerce, and some of his difficult life choices that defined his character as a man. • A must-read autobiography • Learn about the risks he took and the rewards he got • Fascinating stories and anecdotes from his life • A commentary on the public service system from his family • A story that will inspire you to always fight the odds  
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Heartfelt: A Cardiac Surgeon's Pioneering Journey / P. Venugopal  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins India, 2023  
280p.;  
9789356993587  
\$ 12.50 / pb

The memoirs of Dr P. Venugopal, the man who performed India's first heart transplant, trace his never-told-before journey from a small town to being the director of India's premier medical institute, the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS). For the first time, an intensely reticent, world-renowned surgeon speaks of his personal and professional trials and tribulations, his crowning achievements in the field of healthcare, and the controversies that surrounded him during his career.  
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Ramanujar: The Life and Ideas of Ramanuja / Indira Parthasarathy  
Oxford, United Kingdom: Oxford University Press, 2023  
9780192871541  
\$ 20.00 / hb

The ancient books which chronicle the life of Ramanujar—Guruparamparai Prabhavam, Yatiraja Vaibhavam, Ramanuja Champu, Ramanuja Divya Charitam, Divyasuri Charitam, Koilozhugu, Yatiraja Saptati, Yatiraja Vimsati—view him with devotional fervour. So, it is not surprising that the story of his life and the history of his times have been the subject of imaginative extensions and constructions.  
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Godavarish Mishra: A maker of Modern Odisha / Akhaya kumar Mishra  
New Delhi: Aayu Prakashan, 2023  
205p.;  
9789391685058  
\$ 22.50 / hb  
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Unbroken: The Untold Story / Indrani Mukerjea  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers, 2023  
xvii, 381 p.; 22 cm.  
9789356994102  
\$ 15.00 / pb

25 August 2015 was to be a happy day for Indrani Mukerjea—a birthday celebration had been planned in the family. But everything changed when she was accosted by a group of officers of the Mumbai Police in plain clothes as she exited Anand Ashram that day. The charge: the murder of her daughter, Sheena Bora. As the news spread and more details unravelled, Indrani found herself in the middle of a sensational murder investigation. A fast-expanding list of suspects, the beginnings of a sinister plot, and the strong whiff of scandal—the media had smelt blood. And, soon, Indrani was under the merciless glare of journalists and television anchors, making her a household name.

Accusations of filicide, broken marriages, a mighty business empire, the gilded lives of the rich and famous, powerful politicians, and a complicated family—this case had it all.  
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Memoirs Of A Maverick: The First Fifty Years (1941–1991) / Mani Shankar Aiyar  
New Delhi: Juggernaut Books, 2023  
400p.;  
9789353451738  
\$ 22.50 / pb

Of India's civil servants, Mani Shankar Aiyar may have arguably had one of the most colourful careers. Known for his lacerating wit and many indiscretions, with a career that has seen great highs and lows, he has been a true maverick. In this extraordinarily honest memoir, he tells the story of his first fifty years – from his childhood at Dehradun where he was raised by his feisty widowed mother to nearly becoming the president of the Cambridge Union, to working as a young diplomat who strengthened Indo-Pak ties by brilliantly managing India's first consulate general in Karachi and then going on to work intimately with Rajiv Gandhi in the PMO.  
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Poet of Humanity: Life and Works of Anand Narain Mulla / Zāhīr 'Alī, Anand Nara'in Mulla  
Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023  
224 P.; 23 cm  
9789350028162  
\$ 17.50 / hb  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860249>

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Emergence of Peasant Politics In Haryana, 1920-46 / Ajayvir Singh  
Delhi: LG Publishers & Distributors, 2023  
116P.;  
9789383723119  
\$ 12.50 / hb  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860250>

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Journeying with India: Reflections of The Inward Eye: Memoirs of A Civil Servant / Y. N. Varma  
New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2023  
188 p.;  
9789354474897  
\$ 15.00 / hb

The history of modern India is almost always told through the careers of well-known political leaders. But the Indian nation, especially in the first decades after Independence, was shaped as much by a few hundred remarkable, largely invisible civil servants—part of the 'steel frame of India'. This fascinating book is the memoir of one such extraordinary administrator.  
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Through The Broken Glass: An Autobiography / T.N. Seshan  
New Delhi: Rupa Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
368p.;  
9789357021968  
\$ 20.00 / pb

2 August 1993: A red-letter day for democracy in India On this day, elections were indefinitely postponed through an order issued by the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC), T.N. Seshan. The CEC, ironically, is tasked to 'conduct' elections, so who in his

right mind would do such a thing in a democracy? Seshan had put everything on the line while signing that order. And it was an indication as to the lengths he would go to prosecute his designated mandate. And the Supreme Court too did not find the order to be unlawful. Before Seshan came on the scene, the Election Commission was increasingly functioning as an appendage of the government. Over and above that, there was evidence that malpractice and lawlessness in elections were reaching alarming levels. If that trend were to continue then further down that track lay the ignominy of a banana republic and the danger of Balkanization.

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Nanaji Deshmukh: An Epitome of Indian Social Work / Bishnu Mohan Dash, Mithilesh Kumar

New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd., 2023

200p.;

9789388937894

\$ 21.25 / hb

The book has made a modest attempt to present the contributions made by Nanaji Deshmukh in the field of social work and rural development. The unique Chitrakoot model of Nanaji Deshmukh and his initiatives in the fields of community development, health care, education, agriculture, environment and sustainable development have been lucidly discussed in the book. The Indian concept and meaning of Sewa and the importance of theory of integral humanism in social work offer a new worldview to develop universal humanism, accomplish social cohesiveness, bring harmony in the society, and to ensure holistic development through community participation.

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Sheikh Mujibur Rahman: From Rebel to Founding Father / Syed Badrul Ahsan

New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023

xvii, 289 p.; 24 cm.

9789383098101

\$ 15.00 / hb

The emergence of Bangladesh as a sovereign state in 1971 is a tribute to the sagacity and leadership of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. Through the long years spent in prison, Mujib, as he is known, burnished his political beliefs and eventually emerged as the single most significant spokesman for Bengali rights in East Pakistan. Author Syed Badrul Ahsan traces Mujib's meteoric evolution from a young follower of the All India Muslim League to a mature political leader who clearly believed that the Bengalis of Pakistan needed to return to their secular traditions.

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Farooq of Kashmir / Ashwini Bhatnagar, RC Ganjoo

India: Fingerprint! Publishing, 2023

332p.;

9789358562231

\$ 17.50 / hb

Written by veteran journalists Ashwini Bhatnagar and R.C. Ganjoo, Farooq of Kashmir is a powerful political biography of the former Chief Minister of Kashmir. Known as a flamboyant politician in India, Dr Abdullah has a penchant for the high life with an equally robust appetite for backroom game of thrones. Farooq of Kashmir provides fascinating insight into his shrewd and dramatic posturing, bringing forth the story of a political leader who has made himself indispensable to the Kashmir political mix.

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Ashoka: Portait of a Philosopher King / Patrick Olivelle

Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers India, 2023  
400p.;  
9789356993228  
\$ 20.00 / hb

Ashoka, the last great Mauryan emperor, is one of the most iconic figures in Indian history. Under his rule (268-232 BCE) the Mauryan empire extended across almost the entirety of the Indian subcontinent. Apart from his effective reign over his vast kingdom, Ashoka is well known for his renunciation of war, his development of the concept of dhamma, his patronage of Buddhism, and his promotion of religious harmony.

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Maharishi Valmiki, Mahatma Gandhi and Babasaheb Ambedkar: A Comparative Study of Their Thoughts / Arjun Yallappa Pangannavar  
New Delhi: New Century Publications, 2023  
xiv, 158 p.; 23 cm  
9788177085570  
\$ 22.00 / hb

Since the dawn of civilization, India has produced many sages, saints, scholars, scientists, poets and singers. Many ancient ideas and traditions have remained alive in all time periods of history, though some of them acquired new forms and dimensions. In this scenario, the lives and ideas of Maharishi Valmiki, Mahatma Gandhi, and Babasaheb Ambedkar assume importance in the contemporary world. The similarities and dissimilarities of their views on different aspects of human life are a subject matter of research and debate among sociologists, economists, political scientists and religious leaders. Valmiki is revered as the first poet (or Adi Kavi) and his Ramayana, the first kavya (poem). According to the legend, Rama sent Sita to the forest. Sita finds refuge in sage Valmiki's ashram, where she gave birth to twin boys Lava and Kusha. Lava and Kusha were Valmiki's first disciples, to whom he taught the Ramayana.

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Gentle Resistance: The Autobiography of Chandi Prasad Bhatt / Chandi Prasad Bhatt (translator Samir Banerjee)  
Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, 2024  
368p.;  
9788178246680  
\$ 22.50 / hb

This autobiography shows us a man whose strength, resilience, largeness of heart, and unshakeable belief in social equality encompass a pan-Indian and international message much larger than Chipko: had Mahatma Gandhi been reborn in the Garhwal Himalaya, he could not have taken better shape than Chandi Prasad Bhatt.

Born into a poor Brahman family of temple priests, Chandi Prasad began life as a peasant who herded cows, tilled fields, and attended village schools. Though he learned Sanskrit to follow the family profession, he soon switched to becoming a ticketing clerk in a private bus company. From the start, however, he felt his calling lay elsewhere, and hearing the Sarvodaya messages of Vinoba Bhave and Jayaprakash Narayan he renounced the security of a salaried career in favour of full-time social work.

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Finding My Self: A Life in Education and Activism / Chand Kishore Saint  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
228p.;  
9789354424670  
\$ 20.00 / pb

Finding My Self: A Life in Education and Activism is an insightful and self-reflective account that spans over seven decades, from the 1940s to the present. Beginning with his experiences as a young man who found his vocation in lands far from home, revered activist and educator Chand Kishore Saint (1932–2022) recounts his life's work across four continents in these memoirs.

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The Day I Became a Runner: A Women's History of India through the Lens of Sport /  
Sohini Chattopadhyay

Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers, 2023

364 p.;

9789356994621

\$ 15.00 / hb

Sohini Chattopadhyay is a journalist and a National-award-winning film critic. Her writing has been commissioned by The New York Times, The Guardian, The Lancet Psychiatry, South China Morning Post, The Hindu, Mint, Süddeutsche Zeitung, and leading national and international publications. Her work has been translated into German, Bengali, Tamil and Malayalam. She is a recipient of the New India Foundation fellowship.

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The Diary of Gull Mohammad: a Kashmiri Muslim Boy's Journey From Kashmir to Kerala /  
Humra Quraishi

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023

x, 172 p.; 23 cm.

9789391050269

\$ 22.50 / hb

This manuscript is written in narrative non-fiction style, as a diary of a Kashmiri Muslim boy. It traces the journey of this young adolescent child from conflict-ridden Kashmir to madrasas in Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, and Kerala. The personal journey of Gull Mohammad highlights the anxieties, insecurities, and sheer terror with which many Muslims (especially Kashmiri Muslims) are leading their everyday lives in contemporary India, marked by the rise of right-wing political formations, pervasive majoritarianism, and ever growing Islamophobia. Skip to the end of the images gallery Skip to the beginning of the images gallery Details This manuscript, written as a diary of a 14-year-old Kashmiri Muslim boy, focuses on the ground

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Being Hindu in Bangladesh: The Untold Story / Deep Halder, Avishek Biswas

Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins India, 2023

272p.;

9789356995802

\$ 10.00 / pb

For those who carry the scars of Partition, more than seven decades after arbitrary lines scarred the subcontinent, home is still on the other side of the Padma river. They pine for those who were left behind as a great mass of humanity moved from the east to the west of Bengal to settle in Hindu-majority India. Where are they today in the land that was then east Bengal, which became East Pakistan in 1947, and then Bangladesh in 1971? According to an estimate from the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics, there were 17 million Hindus in Bangladesh in 2015, though the population is steadily dwindling.

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H-pop: The Secretive world of Hindutva pop Stars / Purohit Kunal

Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins India, 2023

304p.;



9789356995826  
\$ 12.50 / pb

Can a song trigger a murder? Can a poem spark a riot? Can a book divide a people? Away from the gaze of mainstream urban media, across India's dusty, sleepy towns, a brand of popular culture is quietly seizing the imagination of millions, on the internet and off it. From catchy songs with acerbic lyrics to poetry recited in kavi sammelans to social media influencers shaping opinions with their brand of 'breaking news' to books rescripting historical events, 'Hindutva Pop' or H-Pop is steadily creating societal acceptability for Hindutva's core beliefs.

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Being Muslim In Hindu India: A Critical View / Ziya Us Salam  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: Harper Collins India, 2023  
344p.;  
9789356995840  
\$ 15.00 / pb

Being Muslim in Hindu India: A Critical View Anyone who follows the news knows that the Muslims of India are under siege. They face what author Ziya Us Salam calls the gravest challenge to the community, and to the definition of a secular India enshrined in Indias Constitution, since independence. To be a Muslim in India today is to live with the reality of daily stigmatization and ever increasing threats of violence. In several places, Muslims are expected to abide by the preferences of the majority community.

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A Tryst with Nature: Labour, Self, and Language / Savyasaachi  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
224p.;  
9789354424557  
\$ 20.50 / pb

The author discusses two separate aspects of modern life, one that embraces development and conservation as defined by a colonial legacy of instrumental labour in a capitalist economy, and another that embraces the economy of nature that is nourished by the reflexive labor of the forest-dwelling tribes, expressed by the natural landscape water present in all forms of life, for instance, in the universe of the forest.

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Swami Vivekanandha: Spiritual Discipline and Teachings / Rajesh Kr. Singh  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
282p.;  
9789391844455  
\$ 25.00 / hb

Swami Vivekananda was born in an aristocratic Bengali family of Calcutta on January 12, 1863. Swami's parents influenced his thinking— the father by his rational mind and the mother by her religious temperament. From his childhood, he showed inclination towards spirituality and God realization. While searching for a man who could directly demonstrate the reality of God, he came to Ramakrishna and became his disciple. As a guru, Ramakrishna taught him Advaita Vedanta (non-dualism) and that all religions are true, and service to man was the most effective worship of God. After the death of his Guru, Vivekananda became a wandering monk, touring the Indian subcontinent and getting first-hand knowledge of India's condition. He later sailed to Chicago and represented India as a delegate in the 1893 Parliament of World Religions.

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Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar: The Great Leader / S.N. Thakur  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
280p.;  
9789391678050  
\$ 25.00 / hb

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar educated himself as a the most qualified person of his time, inspired untouchable castes to reject Brahmanical Social Order (BSO) that kept them socially degraded, economically poor, culturally despised, economically poor, culturally despised, politically powerless, and denied them the basic human rights. He is also credited with providing a spark for the conversion of hundreds of thousands of Dalits with his Ambedkar (ite) Buddhism. Ambedkar has been honoured with the Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian award.

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Subhash Chandra Bose: Great Leader and Freedom Fighter / Rajesh Kr. Singh  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
260p.;  
9789391844431  
\$ 25.00 / hb

Subhas Chandra Bose born January 23, 1897; presumed to have died August 18, 1945 although this is disputed), popularly known as Netaji (literally "Respected Leader"), was a leader in the Indian independence movement. Subhash Chandra Bose, generally known as Netaji (lit. "Respected Leader"), was one of the most prominent and highly respected leaders of the Indian Independence Movement against the British Raj. Bose was elected president of the Indian National Congress for two consecutive terms but resigned from the post following ideological conflicts with Mahatma Gandhi. Bose believed that Mahatma Gandhi's tactics of nonviolence would never be sufficient to secure India's independence, and advocated violent resistance. He established a separate political party, the All India Forward Bloc and continued to call for the full and immediate Independence of India from British rule. He was imprisoned by the British authorities eleven times.

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### *Cinema Studies*

75 years 75 Films: India's Cinematic Journey / Amitava Nag  
New Delhi: Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, 2023  
260p.;  
9789354098208  
\$ 20.50 / pb

Seventy-five years back, at a cul-de-sac between tradition and modernity, Indian cinema pushed boundaries to devise new meanings out of life and via creative pursuits. Seventy-five years later, Indian cinema is at a brink to cross over to a post-modern vision of life. By exploring seventy-five films in the last seven decades, this book intends to echo the shift in India's socio-political condition as reflected in its fictional cinema. The trends are often not always clear, partly hidden and mostly dubious. Yet, In the films selected in this book, there are diverse experimentations with lyrics, music, dance, storyline, and cinematography. The essays In this book are not superficial film reviews, nor do they delve into strict theoretical mores. Rather, the essays suggest fresh approaches to viewing films, making correlations between cinema and other art forms, thereby providing critical Insights towards film awareness. Contrasting and dissimilar, the films celebrate the speckled mix of Indian diversity.

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Failed Masculinities: The Men in Satyajit Ray's Films / Devapriya Sanyal  
Hyderabad, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
184p.;  
9789354423925  
\$ 24.00 / pb

In his career as a filmmaker, Satyajit Ray consistently created characters that he adapted from literature, often novels written after 1947. One therefore recognises in his films Indians from the post-Independence era, members of the middle-class intelligentsia conscious of their worth as subjects of the Nehruvian nation. We can see them as models for the kind of educated citizenry that newly independent India was producing, as suggested by film critics such as Pauline Kael in her review of Aranyer Din Ratri (1970) in The New Yorker. Categorising these characters and relating them to the changing milieu is what Failed Masculinities sets out to do.

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Modernities and the Popular Melodrama: The Suchitra–Uttam Yug in Bengali Cinema / Smita Banerjee  
Hyderabad, Telangana, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
xx, 290 p.; 22 cm.  
9789354424526  
\$ 26.25 / pb

In popular Bengali cinema, the 1950s–1970s are often referred to as the 'Uttam--Suchitra Yug', an era when the superhit romantic melodramas of actors Uttam Kumar (1926–1980) and Suchitra Sen (1931–2014) reigned supreme. Feted as the ultimate romantic screen couple, the actors became synonymous with love and modern romance and came to define commercial Bengali cinema, revitalising the industry at a time when it was threatened by financial troubles and increasing competition from Bollywood. However, scholarly engagement with popular Bengali cinema and its stars remains limited.

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Critical Social Science Perspectives on Indian Cinema / Bernard Bel, Biswajit Das, Guy Poitevin  
Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023  
284p.;  
9789350028100  
\$ 21.25 / hb

The third and final volume in the series on Communication Processes, Communication, Culture and Confrontation is a bold attempt at breaking conceptual and methodological impasses which stifle communication studies. Departing from established frameworks and dated technological metaphors such as 'transmission', the present volume explores and analyzes different forms of communication media in relation to the cultural configurations and contending forces that permeate them.

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Tear-Drenched Earth: Cinema and the Partition of India / John W. Hood  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2024  
228p.;  
9789354424694  
\$ 22.75 / pb

The trauma of Partition is an indelible part of the collective memory of the citizens of India and Pakistan and, later, Bangladesh. With over 15 million displaced and several million dead on both sides of the Radcliffe Line, this massive exodus remains forever a black mark in history. Partition and its aftermath have been central to much of subcontinental cinema, and found frequent and varied representation on screen. Tear-Drenched Earth looks at landmark films from the 1950s to the 2010s that depict aspects of the Partition, such as Gandhi, Chinnamul, Meghe Dhaka Tara, Viceroy's House, Tamas, Garm Hawa, Pinjar and Toba Tek Singh.

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### *Communication / Journalism*

Digital First: Entrepreneurial Journalism in India / Surbhi Dahiya  
New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023  
464p.;  
9780198879657  
\$ 42.50 / hb

India has the second largest number of Internet users in the world today. In response to this twenty-first century wave of rapid Internet growth and usage, journalism in India is now mainly digital. Challenging the existing forms of print legacies and old media networks are a number of digital media startups that have fuelled and radically altered consumption of information by providing different and innovative forms of content strategies and distribution strategies.

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### *Economics*

The Next New: Navigating the Fifth Industrial Revolution / Pranjal Sharma  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins India, 2023  
256p.;  
9789356295643  
\$ 17.50 / hb

The progression of all the industrial revolutions tells an interesting tale. While the first two had a cycle of over a hundred years each, the third reduced it to around seventy years. With the fourth industrial revolution, the world took a giant leap in connectivity. However, not many would have imagined that the fourth industrial revolution, would give way to the fifth within the next decade, paving the way for exponential technology-led transformation. As you read this, creative destruction of business models taking place across the world in every sector. From the ashes of the old are rising stunning new models.

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Social Sector Expenditure In India / Achal Kumar Gaur  
New Delhi: Synergy Books India, 2023  
xxiii, 286 p.;  
9789392958168  
\$ 44.50 / hb

Provision of affordable and accessible services like medical, education, nutrition, safe drinking water, housing etc. for economically deprived sections of the society cannot be ensured by the market forces and this has been authenticated by outbreak of The

COVID- 19, once-in-a-century pandemic which has compelled the nations, globally to augment expenditure on these services and hence role of the state becomes imperative in this connection to ensure the availability of such services through expenditure under these heads. The importance of such services which are essential for promoting human well-being and ultimately economic development had been duly acknowledged by Indian Constitution. Using time series data of expenditure.

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India Policy Forum 2022, Volume 19 / Poonam Gupta, Pravin Krishna  
New Delhi: Academic Foundation, 2023

278p.;

9789332706194

\$ 25.00 / pb

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Sustainable Sanitation Experiences Challenges and Innovations / Hans V Basil  
Jaipur, India: Rawat Publications, 2023

320p.;

9788131613122

\$ 40.00 / hb

Sustainable Sanitation: Experiences, Challenges and Innovations is a unique collection of articles by scholars from myriad disciplines. It is another useful addition to the publications on sanitation. There are 17 articles analyzing different aspects of sanitation in the Indian context. Interestingly, more focus is on management of sanitation in rural situations, and 'education and sanitation', which are more relevant in the Indian context. As India is witnessing rapid urbanization, the provision of safe sanitation remains crucial. It is estimated that large proportion of urban dwellers lack access to toilets that provide a full sanitation service chain, including containment, treatment, and end-use treatment and disposal.

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Sustainable Smart Cities In India: Challenges And Future Perspectives / Sharma  
New Delhi: Springer, 2023

9783030111403

\$ 75.00 / hb

This book presents fundamental and applied research aimed at the development of smart cities across India. Based on the exploration of an extensive array of multidisciplinary literature this book discusses critical factors of smart city initiatives: management and organization technology governance policy people and communities economy infrastructure and natural environment. These factors are broadly covered under the integrative framework of the book to examine the vision and challenges of smart city initiatives. The book suggests directions and agendas for smart city research and outlines practical implications for government professionals students research scholars and policy makers.

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Large Dams and Displacement In India: Issues of Compensation, Rehabilitation and Resettlement / Chikkala Nagaraju, K. Anil Kumar

New Delhi: Aayu Publication, 2023

297P.;

9789391685270

\$ 62.50 / hb

The Book When the Nations of the World are competing among themselves for 'development' whatever might that mean, there is a rat-race for development. Since the

industrial revolution began, there is unhindered craze among nations for natural resource extraction, urban renewal, infrastructure development like highways, bridges, irrigation canals, construction of huge dams, etc.

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India Banking and Finance Report 2022 / Partha Ray, Arindam Bandyopadhyay and Sanjaya Baru (Ed)

New Delhi: Academic Foundation, 2023

9789332706224

\$ 62.50 / hb

The India Banking and Finance Report (IBFR) 2022 is a comprehensive anthology of articles on the domestic and global financial sector. The report covers a wide vista of important subjects, from recent macro-financial developments to green finance, model risk to people risk and CBDCs to loan melas. Each issue is addressed with cogent and incisive theoretical and data analysis. While the observations and recommendations are factual, the style is crisp, clear and simple. The report highlights the challenges and opportunities in the banking and financial sector in an integrated and turbulent world, necessary reforms and prudential measures to ensure sustainable growth and financial stability, as well as lessons for the future. Hopefully, IBFR 2022 will motivate informed discussions on the BFSI sector among practitioners, regulators and policymakers.

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MNC's investment in Uttar Pradesh / Pawan Kumar Gupta

New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2023

xxvi, 239 p.; 22 cm.

9789391952587

\$ 37.50 / hb

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The Post-Reform Indian Economy: An Unfolding Story / Soumyen Sikdar

Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023

xxxviii, 394 p.; 22 cm.

9789354424588

\$ 31.00 / pb

After more than three decades of economic restructuring and reforms, the consequences of that momentous decision of 1991 are still playing out in India. Meanwhile, the global economy has seen significant shifts—a slow recovery from the destruction of the Global Financial Crisis of 2008, China's rise as a formidable economic force, the steady retreat from WTO-led multilateralism in tandem with a gradual but noticeable erosion of faith in democratic institutions.

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A History of Economic Policy in India: Crisis, Coalitions, and Contingency / Rahul De

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

xiv, 188 p.;

9781009362689

\$ 15.00 / pb

Economic Policy in Independent India provides an immersive, accessible yet rigorous understanding of the Indian economy through a political economy analysis of economic policies. It provides a birds-eye view of the politics, context, and ideas that shaped major economic policies in independent India and argues that they are the product of crisis, coalitions, and contingency - not necessarily choice. Each chapter focuses on specific political regimes: Colonial Rule, Jawahar Lal Nehru, Indira Gandhi, liberalisation under coalition governments, the UPA Government, and the NDA Government. The book

evaluates how well a government executed its policies based on the economic and political constraints it faced, rather than economic outcomes. Using theories to make sense of the economy, political ideology, historical conditions, and international context, the book's framework provides multiple perspectives and analyses economic policies as an outcome of interactions between dynamics in the economy.

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Foreign Trade of India and Foreign Trade Policy 2023 / Sury M M  
New Delhi: New Century Publications, 2023  
xvii, 208 p.; 23 cm  
9788177085563  
\$ 25.00 / hb

Every sovereign state engages in some kind of foreign trade, i.e. exchange of goods and services between different countries in the form of imports and exports. Therefore, it becomes important for a country to make a policy to regulate its foreign trade. In India, Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992, was enacted for regulating imports and exports after the implementation of a new economic policy that emphasized on liberalization, privatization and globalization of the Indian economy. According to the Act of 1992 [which replaced the Import and Export (Control) Act, 1947], the government is authorized to announce foreign trade policy for achieving certain objectives related to foreign trade. Foreign Trade Policy, 2023 (or in short, FTP, 2023) was notified by the Central Government on March 31, 2023, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 5 of the said Act of 1992, as amended from time to time. Ordinarily, government announces its foreign trade policy after every five years. The last foreign trade policy was notified for the period 2015-2020.

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Covid-19 and the Indian Economy A Sectoral Analysis / Raju G & R Vasanthagopal  
New Delhi: New Century Publications, 2023  
xiii, 190 p.; 23 cm.  
9788177085402  
\$ 29.25 / hb

Globally, mankind has experienced / been experiencing an unprecedented period of economic and health crisis due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The virus which originated in China rapidly spread to almost all countries of the world and turned out to be one of the biggest health crises in the history of mankind. The economic cost of this pandemic has already run into hundreds of billions of dollars, leading to a significant contraction in the global economy. India was one of the first countries to put up a concerted and comprehensive action plan to stop the spread of the virus and limit the number of infections. India was one of the few countries which announced a complete lockdown even before the Covid cases in the country were less than 1,000. When the medical crisis started, people demonstrated their full commitment in preventing its spread.

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Regulating Agricultural Markets in India: A Smallholder Perspective / Sukhpal Singh  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
208p.;  
9789354424656  
\$ 14.50 / pb

The Orient BlackSwan 'Policy Studies' series is designed to address, investigate, and analyse public policy in the field of governance. In 2020, contentious agricultural market Acts, popularly known as the Farm Laws, were passed. This led to massive protests by farmers at Delhi's borders for over a year, at great cost to their lives and livelihood.

Though repealed in 2021, these Acts need urgent analysis as they represented a fundamental reorientation of the existing regulatory framework into a package of 'reform' measures, aimed at opening up the domains of agricultural production, trade, and storage to the private sector. *Regulating Agricultural Markets in India*, the first book in our 'Policy Studies' series to examine agricultural market reforms, offers a comprehensive view of changing regulations at the state and the Union levels.

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*Doing Business in Uncertain Times* / Ramesh Nair

Haryana, India: Penguin Books, 2023

224p.;

9780143464457

\$ 10.00 / hb

In the event of a crisis, everyone looks to the leaders for direction. Ramesh Nair is a veteran of steering organizations through the ebbs and flows of economic upheaval including the daunting onslaught of Covid-19 and earlier the debilitating 2008 economic downturn. *Doing Business in Uncertain Times* is a groundbreaking book which offers a comprehensive exploration of the complexities and challenges faced during economic downturns. It is divided into fifty thought-provoking chapters that present a unique and multifaceted perspective on downturns, providing instrumental guidance to entrepreneurs and business leaders through Nair's extensive research and expertise. Shining a spotlight on three key perspectives: business, clients and people, it will teach you to unlearn and relearn, shun past notions, push limits, develop new strengths and realize the potential that lies within you.

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*The Political Ecology of Informal Waste Recyclers in India: Circular Economy, Green Jobs, and Poverty* / Federico Demaria

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023

224 p.;

9780192869050

\$ 37.50 / hb

Waste is increasingly a site of social conflict. The questions related to waste management are not merely technical; what, how, where, and by whom become political questions. This book is about the power relations in recycling. Informal waste recyclers (so called waste pickers) are socially invisible. Their struggle aims to transform this situation. This book focuses on environmental conflicts, with two emblematic case studies from India. First, ship breaking, where the metabolism of a global infrastructure, namely shipping, shifts social and environmental costs to localized communities in order to obtain large profits. Second, the conflict around municipal waste management in Delhi shows how environmental costs are shifted to urban residents, and recyclers are dispossessed of their livelihood source: recyclable waste.

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*Cyclic System of Development: A Journey with Parashu Ram Mishra* / Gopal K Kadekodi

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

93p.;

9789391844356

\$ 7.50 / hb

This is an unusual book, written in memory of late Shri P R Mishra from Jharkhand, a crusader on environmental protection, sustainable land and water management, and welfare of the poor. A recipient of Padmashree award in 2000, Rajiv Gandhi Parti Bhoomi Award in 1997, Indira Priyadarshini Vriksha Mitra Award in 1987 and many more, Shri P R Mishra dedicated his entire life on people led rural development, inventing a mission of



Chakriya Vikas. His single motto was to tell the governments that 'Land belongs to the people. Mother earth enables humans only to use it; government is only an enabler or promoter of people led development. Chakriya Vikas Pranali is the only mantra that can deliver this.' As a recollection since his departure in 2001, this book provides glimpses of his thoughts, the theoretical foundations, and achievements in the direction of thoughts promoted by him during 1970 to 2010. It is hoped that, in turn these writings will motivate governments and NGOs to return to Chakriya Vikas Pranali (Cyclic System of Development) as a long run avenue for land and water sustainability.

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Economics and Commerce: Traditional and Behavioural System Thinking / Mahesh Chandra Prasad

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

292p.;

9789391844363

\$ 40.00 / hb

Traditional and behavioral economics are similar in nature—both fields analyze the behaviors and interactions of economic agents and how those interactions shape our economies. While they seem similar on the surface, behavioral economics enriches the traditional field by utilizing theories from psychology, sociology, politics, and more to create a more realistic picture of the economy. Commerce is a branch of business. It is concerned with the exchange of goods and services. It includes all those activities, which directly or indirectly facilitate that exchange. Commerce looks after the distribution aspect of the business.

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The Journey of Indian Economy in the Last 75 Years: Banking, Insurance, Finance, Taxation etc. / Thorat M.B., Kalyankar P.M. & Mr. Malegaonkar N.P.

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

368p.;

9789391844288

\$ 45.00 / hb

On the occasion of the 75th anniversary of India's Independence 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' and 25th anniversary / 'Silver Jubilee Year' of SMG College; the Department of Commerce & Economics has jointly organized the National E-Conference on 25th and 26th May 2022. India became independent on 15th August 1947. After independence, India adopted a mixed economy. The Indian Government emphasized the development of various sectors through planning. The Growth rate of the Indian Economy at the beginning of the planning period was close to 2 to 3 per cent, increased up to 8 per cent in the Eleventh Five Year Plan. Emphasis was laid on the development of various sectors of the economy through the Five-Year Plans. In the last 75 years, the economy has made great progress in the agriculture, industry and services sector. During the drought period of 1972 our country had to import large quantities of food grains, and now as a result of the green revolution, we are producing large quantities of food grains in our country.

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The Journey of Indian Economy After Independence / Kalyankar P. M., Mr. Malegaonkar N.P. & Thorat M.B.

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

348p.;

9789391844349

\$ 45.00 / hb

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Economic Impact of Tourism in Uttar Pradesh: A Study of Lucknow / Sabeena Rizvi  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

298p.;

9789391844509

\$ 40.00 / hb

This book is a piece of research work which is conducted in Uttar Pradesh and focused on capital city "Lucknow". The book throws light on the role of tourism in economic development in India which is well recognized among the policy circles. Believing that Uttar Pradesh is one of the richest cultural heritage states of India, it gives us numerous reasons to explore, be it culinary tourism, art and craft, festivals, traditions and so on. This book is a good source of study Uttar Pradesh as a cultural tourism and Lucknow as a city of culture.

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India and Climate Change: Issues and Challenges / Deepika V.S.

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

310p.;

9789391844615

\$ 40.00 / hb

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Implementation of Prime Minister Housing for all Mission / Anjuli Mishra, Awadhesh Kumar Gupta & Awadhesh Kumar Singh

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

154p.;

9789391844790

\$ 22.50 / hb

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### *Environment / Ecological Studies*

100 Years of The Waste Land: Indian Responses / K. Satchidanandan

Hyderabad, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023

xxiv, 118p.; ills, 22 cm.

9789354423635

\$ 16.00 / hb

This volume commemorates 100 years of the publication of T S Eliot's epoch-making The Waste Land. It analyses the poem's myriad influences on Indian poetry, writers and academia. The collection features some of the foremost scholars of Indian modernisms and eminent Indian poets, and essays that demystify Eliot and his work for contemporary readers. The volume brings together both personal tributes and scholarly explorations of the poem.

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Three Pillars: Government, Market, and Communities for Environment Management /  
M.N. Murty, Surender Kumar (Eds.)  
New Delhi: Academic Foundation, 2023  
338p.;  
9789332706286  
\$ 35.00 / hb

Government, market, and communities are the three pillars of the economy. The existing books in economics on environmental policy focus on the role of one or two of these pillars in environmental management. This book comprehensively discusses the role of all these three institutions in environmental management drawing from some of the work done at the Institute of Economic Growth, Delhi during the last forty years. The government uses budgetary policy instruments of prices, taxes, public expenditures, and direct policy instruments like pollution taxes, standards, quantity restrictions, and penalties for environmental management.

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Biological Apocalypse: Species Extinction in the Anthropocene / Pronami Bhattacharyya (Ed)  
Delhi: Primus books, 2023  
xvi, 322 p.; 24 cm.  
9789356878655  
\$ 35.00 / hb

The natural world is a web of elaborate, delicately balanced connections; even the smallest intervention can affect an entire ecosystem, leading to irreversible changes in the environment. For humankind to have an ontological understanding of how we are an intricate part of this equilibrium, it is important for us to realize that the disappearance of even a microscopic species in a remote corner of the earth can have catastrophic consequences. Biological Apocalypse: Species Extinction in the Anthropocene highlights our planet's ingress to the Sixth Mass Extinction—a period conceptualized as the Anthropocene. Bringing together seventeen of the most susceptible non-human species falling into the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) categories of Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable, and Near Threatened, this volume inspires appreciation about the natural world, highlights the concept of species extinction caused by humankind, and examines how in the march towards 'progress', we have overlooked the rights of other species to flourish alongside us.

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Siwalik Erosion and The Gujjar Community / Bindu Sahni  
Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023  
226 p.;  
9789382396888  
\$ 13.75 / hb

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### *Education*

Debating Education in India: Issues and Concerns / Maya John  
New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2024  
300p.;  
9788195639243  
\$ 25.00 / hb

The essays in this book highlight how education as a component of cultural inheritance remains a contentious issue. Representing the transfer of knowledge, skill endowment, and so on, education harbours the tendency to support and reproduce social hierarchy, as well as the countervailing propensity towards amelioration of vulnerable socio-economic groups. A rich body of work cutting across disciplines, the volume seeks to establish the contentious past, ambivalent present and uncertain future of education. Concerns deliberated in this book have resonance with issues that are debated internationally during the era of the neoliberal shift.

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National Education Policy 2020: Prospects and Challenges / Minakshi Biswal, Asha Pandey (Ed)

New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2022  
xvi, 256 p.; illus (black and white); 22 cm  
9789394779129  
\$ 22.25 / hb

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860292>

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Education and Society During Covid-19 Pandemic / Abdul Matin

New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2022  
233 p.;  
9789391681326  
\$ 24.00 / hb

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Researching Educational Governance: Realizing UN 2030 Agenda and Beyond / H. C. Pokhriyal

New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
1278p.;  
9789355945075  
\$ 300.00 / hb

Achieving the 'lofty Goal 4' of the UNSDGs, which aims to 'ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all', 'will require the entire education system to be reconfigured'- a fact as aptly underlined in the National Education Policy 2020 of India. This would essentially entail putting in place a very effective educational governance devised and formulated on the basis of cutting edge research outputs. Three Volumes of the present book is a modest yet maiden attempt to comprehend and unfold the blending of diverse research methodologies and amply demonstrate, through empirical findings, that innovative policies and interventions curated on the basis of this approach of research can ensure quality education.

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Education and Development in India / Tilak Jandhyala B G

Jaipur, India: Rawat Publications, 2023  
690p.;  
9789819901630  
\$ 70.00 / hb

Drawing on empirical, interdisciplinary research, this book presents a critical review of some of the major issues that are of interest to researchers, policymakers and planners in developing as well as advanced countries, including specifically in India. It provides an in-depth review of some of the major development policy issues in education in general, and in India in particular, over the past 2-3 decades. Besides presenting an overview of the educational developments in India that reflects issues such as growth, equity, efficiency, foreign aid, decentralization, center-state relations, financing, and cost recovery, the book puts forward in-depth analyses of education poverty, interrelations

between education and poverty, low level of outcomes in elementary education, effects of structural adjustment policies and approaches on education, south-south cooperation, etc.

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Driving The Change: Towards the Sustainable Development Goal of Education / Anjana Mangalagiri

Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023

xviii, 272 p.;

9789350028087

\$ 25.00 / hb

A Royal Rescript issued in 1817 by Rani Gouri Parvati Bayi, queen of Travancore (Kerala), proclaimed that the state would defray the entire cost of education. She envisioned that only free and universal education would enable her state to overcome backwardness and empower its people to contribute to the state's advancement.

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Economics of Education / Mujibul Hasan Siddiqui

New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd., 2023

440p.;

9789354390135

\$ 40.00 / hb

The present volume contains scholarly research articles and papers contributed by the budding as well as seasoned scholars/researchers in the field of education. The major themes, given elaborate treatment herein are—role of principal in institutional planning, model educational planning, education and development, role of education in development of education, developing economics of value-based education, economic development in India through education, education and economic development, education and economic growth in India, progress of secondary education in India under five year plans, changing nature of higher education, education as an investment, legal perspective of government policy of education, human capital formation, HRM and HRD, human development index, costs of education, cost benefit analysis in education, investment in education, economic approaches to education, manpower planning approach, role of education in human capital, supply of education, economic dimension of investment in human capital, return from education, and approaches of planning in education, etc. A veritable mine of information, this book will prove vade mecum to students, researchers, teachers, teacher-trainers, teacher-trainees, policy-makers and educationists.

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Issues and trends in education of Pakistan since 1978: a critical perspective / Khushboo

New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2023

252 p.; 25 cm.

9789391897277

\$ 87.50 / hb

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New Education Policy / Manas Upadhyay

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

260p.;

9789391844462

\$ 25.00 / hb

New Education Policy 2020: A look at the proposals on curriculum, courses and medium of instruction, and the takeaways for students, schools and universities. The National

Policy on Education (NPE) is a policy formulated by the Government of India to promote education amongst India's people. The policy covers elementary education to colleges in both rural and urban India.

In India, a new education policy typically comes along only once every few decades. The first education policy was in 1968, introduced by the administration under Mrs. Indira Gandhi.

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### *History*

A New Idea of India: The Civilizational Republic / Harsh Madhusudan, Rajeev Mantri  
Gurugram, Haryana, India: Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
384 P. ;  
9780670097876  
\$ 20.00 / hb

For the better part of seven decades after independence, the Nehruvian idea of India held sway in India's polity, even if it was not always in consonance with the views of Jawaharlal Nehru himself. Three key features constituted the crux of the Nehruvian way: socialism, which in practice devolved to corruption and stagnation; secularism, which boxed citizens into group membership and diluted individual identity; and non-alignment, which effectively placed India in the Communist camp.

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India's Finance Ministers: From Independence to Emergency (1947-1977) / A.K. Bhattacharya  
Gurugram, Haryana, India: Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
xxvii, 445 p. ;  
9780670094165  
\$ 20.00 / hb

Independent India has so far witnessed twenty-eight finance ministers. But only a handful of them could leave their mark on the exchequer or North Block, the headquarters of the Indian finance ministry. From Independence to Emergency: India's Finance Ministers 1947-1977 is the story of India's unforgettable finance ministers who shaped India's economy in the first thirty years after Independence. The book highlights the significant difference that these finance ministers made to the management of the Indian economy and to the policy evolution of the government, and who thus left an indelible mark on the psyche of Indian citizens.

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Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel: The Man Who Unified India / B. Krishna  
Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, 2023  
340p. ;  
9789353024802  
\$ 12.50 / pb

In his career as a filmmaker, Satyajit Ray consistently created characters that he adapted from literature, often novels written after 1947. One therefore recognises in his films Indians from the post-Independence era, members of the middle-class intelligentsia conscious of their worth as subjects of the Nehruvian nation. We can see them as models for the kind of educated citizenry that newly independent India was producing, as suggested by film critics such as Pauline Kael in her review of Aranyer Din Ratri (1970) in The New Yorker. Categorising these characters and relating them to the changing milieu is what Failed Masculinities sets out to do.

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After the Last Post: The Lives of Indian Historiography / Zachariah  
Oxford, United Kingdom: Oxford University Press, 2023  
xv, 197 p.; 23 cm  
9780192867865  
\$ 25.00 / hb

This book is about the production and consumption of specifically Indian history, framed by concerns with postmodernism and postcolonialism. Several parallel themes crosscut the book's central focus on the discipline of history: its intellectual history, its historiography, and its connection to memory, particularly in relation to the need to establish the collective identity of 'nation', 'community', or state, through a memorialization process that has much to do with history, or at least with claiming a historicity for collective memory. None of this can be undertaken without an understanding of the roles that history-writing and history-reading have played in public debates, or perhaps more accurately in public disputes.

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Hidden Links: How Random Historical Events Shaped Our World / Sangeeth Varghese  
Haryana, India: Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
288p.;  
9780143460237  
\$ 10.00 / pb

Many things with a disproportionate influence on our daily lives-including the philosophies that guide us, religions that we follow and social structures that we adhere to-are the result of some blind random baggage, rather than anything created with a specific intent. This book investigates the disproportional effect of historically unconnected events-of colossal ones like the fall of empires, spread of pandemics, or nomadic migrations, as well as trivial ones like a personal vision, a changed narrative, or a petty squabble-and connects them to our modern lives-on how deeply they affect us in the most unthinkable ways.

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GOA, 1961: The Complete Story of Nationalism and Integration / Valmiki Faleiro  
Haryana: Vintage Books, 2023  
408p.;  
9780670097920  
\$ 17.50 / hb

The subject of the liberation of Goa in 1961 and its integration into the Indian Union in 1962 is sparsely understood at best and misunderstood at worst. What were the events that led to the thirty-six-hour military operation-possibly the first since Independence that occurred entirely at India's initiative? What was the political climate within Goa? What role did Goans themselves play?

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Resisting Dominance: Revisiting Jayee Rajguru: Theory and Theme / Soma Chand, Ajit Kumar Sahoo (Ed)  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023  
202p.;  
9789391685041  
\$ 25.00 / pb

The book Resisting Dominance: Revisiting Jayee Rajguru is an edited volume that owes its beginning to concrete support and concerted efforts of the academicians, scholars, as well as the students. The idea of this book originated right since the inception of a

National Seminar on Jayee Rajaguru in the Department of History, Utkal University in collaboration with Shaheed Jayee Rajaguru Foundation, New Delhi  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860305>

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A comprehensive history of the Koch kingdom / Sainen Debnath  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023  
viii, 377 p.;  
9789391685218  
\$ 75.00 / hb

A Comprehensive History of the Koch Kingdom This book attempts to bring out political, socio-economic and cultural narratives and analyses of the kingdom, preceding which, there is the story of its formation from 1496 to 1515  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860306>

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Shunting The Nation: India's Railway Workers and The Most Tumultuous Decade In Modern Indian History (1939-1949) / Aniruddha Bose  
New Delhi: Speaking Tiger, 2023  
240 p.;  
9789354475290  
\$ 15.00 / pb

The period 1939-1949 was the most turbulent decade in modern Indian history—it saw the tumult of the Second World War, the unrest during the Quit India movement and the final phase of the freedom struggle, and the horrors of Partition. While most studies of this time focus chiefly on the defining contributions of the Indian nationalist leaders and the role played by the British, it is also important to record the efforts of millions of others in meeting the enormous challenges of the period. Shunting the Nation records the contribution of the workers—men, women and children—who ensured the smooth functioning of the railway-based travel and communication system in the Subcontinent, even as regimes changed, new borders were drawn and everything seemed to be falling apart.  
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Maps of Sorrow: Migration and Music In The Construction of Pre-Colonial AfroAsia / Sumangala Damodaran  
New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2023  
171 p.;  
9788195055999  
\$ 21.00 / hb

This book takes readers across the polycentric world of the pre-colonial period in AfroAsia, which involved systems, processes and interactions that were interconnected through long-distance trade, slavery and migration. It was also punctuated by the movement of symbolic forms like music that were in deep interaction with local and regional contexts. Music and musicality are primary entry points into uncovering the connections. The book weaves the story through a description of the travels of a fictional character, Garai, who traverses the AfroAsian world in different periods, from Mapungubwe in southern Africa to northern Africa, southern Spain and India, and back to southern Africa.  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860308>

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Trial of Tilak / Bal Gangadhar Tilak  
New Delhi: Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, 2023  
xiii, 465 p.; 24 cm.  
9789354098673



\$ 15.25 / hb

One of the well-known figures in modern Indian history is Bal Gangadhar Tilak. He was born in 1856 in the Ratnagiri district of the Bombay Presidency. As an aftermath of his opinions published in the Marathi-language journal Kesari, Tilak was booked under sedition in 1897, mentioned in the Section 124A. Many freedom fighters, including Mahatma Gandhi, were tried under the broad and expansive provisions of the charge of sedition, which was added to the IPC in 1870. Tilak was accused of publishing two texts: a poem under an alias called "Shivaji's Utterances" and an unsigned report on the Shivaji festival in June 1897, where Tilak and renowned thinker from Pune, C.G. Bhanu spoke. These writings, according to the administration of Bombay, sparked "disaffection" against the authorities. The assassinations of officers W.C. Rand and Charles Ayerst shortly after were likely spurred by these texts. After six days of trial, the jury found Tilak guilty and ordered him an 18-month prison sentence. The 1897 trial of Lokmanya Tilak is a significant turning point in Indian politics because it signaled the criminalization of dissent. This trial became a huge political spectacle and was widely reported in British India's press.

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The Forgotten Palaces Of Calcutta / Joanne Taylor  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
128 p.;  
9788189738785  
\$ 31.25 / hb

The only documentation on the Raybari's during British Raj  
The Forgotten Palaces of Calcutta reveals the old buildings of the city, where heritage houses and history fill every crowded lane and secret courtyard. The great houses of Bengal's merchant princes have been largely forgotten and rarely photographed. The great families experienced enormous changes in fortune over the centuries, from great wealth and power during colonial times to dramatic economic and social upheaval after India's independence. For the remaining occupants, their ancestral homes are bitter-sweet symbols of family pride, difficult to restore, or sometimes even to maintain. By focusing on Calcutta's heritage mansions and palaces, many of whose interiors have remained the same for over 200 years, The Forgotten Palaces of Calcutta makes an important contribution to the architectural history of both Calcutta and India.

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Invaders and Infidels The khalji Devastation Of Infidel Devagiri / Sandeep Balakrishna  
India: BluOne Ink, 2023  
275p.;  
9789392209499  
\$ 17.50 / hb

The narrative in this book is marked by a flair of vivid historical storytelling, juxtaposing the oscillating fortunes of both Islamic conquests and the ensuing Hindu responses. It unearths a slew of eye-opening and forgotten details about the socio-political and economic life of the era whose impact is visible even today. Written in a fast-paced and engaging style, Book 2 of Invaders and Infidels is a riveting read of a critical juncture in the history of early Muslim rule of India.

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The Seedbed of Pakistan: Cultural Conflicts, Elite Muslim Anxieties and the Congress / Saumya Dey  
New Delhi: Vitasta Publishing Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
viii, 215 p.; 23 cm  
9789390961894

\$ 13.25 / hb

Focusing on the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, the book argues that Pakistan, as a concept, implicitly emerged from the cultural and political insecurities of the ashraf, or the upper strata of the Indian Muslim society, and certain political missteps of the Congress. Once the administrative elite of the Mughal Empire, the ashraf inhabited a cultural paradigm manifested by it—it is termed Islamicate. There was a relative decline in the worldly fortunes of the ashraf under British rule. On the other hand, the Islamicate cultural paradigm, once hegemonic in the ashraf-dominated qasbas, or small towns, was increasingly imperilled with Hindus aggressively asserting their own cultural symbols. The colonial state exacerbated this volatile situation by introducing local self-government.

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Nund Rishi: Poetry and Politics in Medieval Kashmir / Abir Bazaz

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

250p.;

9781009100458

\$ 27.50 / hb

This book embodies Abir Bazaz's enduring engagement with the poetic corpus of Nund Rishi. By unpacking the cryptic philosophical and philological riddles in the poems, Bazaz unearths a negative theology in Nund Rishi's mystical poetry. He argues convincingly that the themes of Islam, Death, the Nothing and the Apocalyptic in these poems reveal an existential politics. Bazaz further suggests that the apophatic style of Nund Rishi's poems is in turn mirrored in mystical poetry across South Asia and the larger Indo-Persian world.

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Memories in the Service of the Hindu Nation: The Afterlife of the Partition of India / Pranav Kohli

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

300p.;

9781009318686

\$ 28.75 / hb

This book is based on fourteen months of ethnographic fieldwork with Partition survivors from west Punjab and the North-West Frontier Province, in Delhi and its surroundings between 2017–18. It locates the global rise of far-right nationalism within globalisation and memories of victimhood. Focussing on Hindu nationalism in India, this book is an important and timely contribution to the literature on South Asian Partition Studies that shows how tragedy begets tragedy. It tries to answer an urgent, provocative but nevertheless necessary question: 'What does it mean to remember the Partition in the time of fascism?' The author shows what makes up cycles of violence by connecting the reinscription of trauma in Partition memories to the self-serving justifications of the contemporary violence of Hindu nationalism. It analyses how the hegemony of Hindu nationalism has structured the narratives of Hindu Partition survivors and recruited them in service of a putative Hindu nation.

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Remaking History: 1948 Police Action and the Muslims of Hyderabad / Afsar Mohammad

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

320p.;

9781009339636

\$ 32.50 / hb

The story this book follows begins on August 15, 1947. As the new nation-states of India and Pakistan prepared to negotiate land and power, the citizens of the princely state of Hyderabad experienced the unravelling of an intense political conflict between the Union government of India and the local ruler, the Nizam of Hyderabad. The author explores how the state of Hyderabad was struggling to produce its own tools of cultural renaissance and modernity in the background of the Union Government of India's deployment of the central army, the Nizam's idea of an 'Muslim state' and the Telangana Armed struggle fostered by leftist parties. With evidence from the oral histories of various sections - both Muslims and non-Muslims - and a wide variety of written sources and historical documents, this book captures such an intense moment of new politics and cultural discourses.

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The Indians: Histories of a Civilization / G N Devy, Ravi Korisettar  
New Delhi: Aleph Book Company, 2023  
650 p.;  
9789395853095  
\$ 32.50 / hb

The Indians is one of the most ambitious projects yet undertaken to map the origins, evolution, and present-day reality of India's civilization and people. Written by over one hundred of South Asia's foremost scholars and domain experts, the essays in the book cover a period of some 12,000 years-from the last Ice Age to the twenty-first century.

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The Quest for Modern Assam: A History 1942-2000 / Arupjyoti Saikia  
Gurugram, Haryana, India: Penguin Random House, 2023  
896p.;  
9780670095704  
\$ 32.50 / hb

The crucial battles of World War II fought in India's north-east followed soon after by Independence and Partition-had a critical impact on the making of modern Assam. In the three decades following 1947, the state of Assam underwent massive political turmoil, geographical instability, and social and demographic upheaval, among others. Later, the truncated state suffered widespread unrest as various groups believed their cultural identity and political leverage were under threat. New social energies and political forces were unleashed and came to the fore.

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The Memoirs of Valmiki Rao:(From the author of JCB Prize-shortlisted 'Gods and Ends') / Lindsay Pereira  
Haryana, India: Penguin Random House, 2023  
320p.;  
9780670098330  
\$ 15.00 / pb

My story may end with sadness, but I want you to remember that it started with love. Mumbai has moved on now. It doesn't think about 1992 or 1993 because it doesn't want to. People in big cities like to think that the past is not as important as the future. But the past doesn't just disappear.'

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1947-1957, India: The Birth of a Republic / Chandrachur Ghose  
Haryana, India: Penguin Random House, 2023  
320p.;  
9780670097104

\$ 20.00 / hb

The first decade after India's independence, 1947-1957, was probably the most crucial in the nation's history. Opening a window to this period, this book weaves a story out of the complex ideas and events that have largely remained beneath the surface of public discourse. The transfer of power, the framing of the Constitution and the formation of the governance machinery; the clash of ideas and ideologies among parties and personalities; the beginning of the disintegration of the Congress and the consolidation of political forces in the opposition; Nehru's grappling with existential problems at home and his quest for global peace; the interplay between democratic ideals and ruthless power play—all these factors impinged on each other and shaped the new republic in its formative decade.

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Medicine and the Raj: British Medical Policy in India, 1835-1911 / Anil Kumar  
Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023  
246 p.; 22 cm  
9789350028094  
\$ 15.00 / pb

The coming of the British in India marked the entry of 'modern' science and technology into the country and the beginning of the subjugation of traditional scientific systems. The British, in fact, used science and technology as a tool for maintaining and expanding the Empire...

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On the Plastic Surgery of the Ears and Nose : The Nepalese Recension of the Suśrutasaṃhitā / Dominik Wujastyk (et al.)  
Heidelberg, Germany: HASP-Heidelberg Asian Studies Publishing, 2023  
x, 90p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9783948791636  
\$ 40.00 / PB  
186gm.

A thousand-year-old Ayurvedic manuscript containing the Compendium of Suśruta was announced to the scholarly world in 2007. The Nepalese manuscript, since adopted by UNESCO as part of the Memory of the World, reveals the state of classical Indian medicine in the ninth century. It enables us to study the changes in this medical classic that have taken place from the ninth to the nineteenth century, when printed texts began to dominate the dissemination of the work. The present monograph describes the research project focused on this manuscript and offers an edition, study and translation of the historically important chapter about the plastic surgery on the nose and ears.

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Knight of The Sea: The Saga of Kunjali Marakkar IV / Mithun Murali  
New Delhi: National Book Trust, 2023  
xvii, 216 p.;  
9789354918841  
\$ 8.00 / pb

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The 13-year-old Queen and Her Inherited Destiny / Aashisha Chakraborty  
New Delhi: National Book Trust, 2023

192p.;  
9789354914928  
\$ 7.00 / pb

Based on the true story of Rani Gaidinliu, this book is a tale of the struggle of the Nagas against the British Raj's horrendous and humiliating regulations at the start of the 20th century. The Rongmei Nagas of Kambiron are waiting desperately for a redeemer when young Dikanang is born with shamanic potential and spearheads the Heraka movement.  
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Bhutan: The Unremembered Nation (In - 2 Vols.) / karma Ura  
New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023  
832p.;  
9780198887362  
\$ 80.00 / hb

The process of modernization has brought discontinuities in collective memory. The books provide an act of collective remembrance, knitting together many voices and stories. They show the readers a world of the past before modernization began in the 1960s. Volume 1 unfolds accounts of births and rebirths in the household, making of houses and matrimony, rearing of children and livestock in a village, and husbandry of lands and forests. After sketching these fundamental aspects of existence, it details seasonable migration, backpack and caravan trade, and travel over different climatic and linguistic areas. Colours, sounds, and other sensory experiences of ordinary people are described before ending with the rhythm of the farming of major crops such as millet, rice, and wheat. Volume 2 covers the monumental architecture of dzongs (castles) and administration of the country, authority and power, cosmological concepts and beliefs, religions and rites, visualization and meditation, visual arts, and folk drama that affected the daily life of the people. Some chapters also dwell on monastic life and monkhood, and Guru Rinpoche's imprints on the land and its people.  
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Building a Free India: Defining Speeches of Our Independence Movement That Shaped The Nation / Rakesh Batabyal  
New Delhi: Speaking Tiger, 2022  
xxxiv, 334 p.; 22 cm  
9789354473579  
\$ 15.00 / pb

'Those who led our struggle for freedom had a vision for India, which we need to recall today more than ever before. Rakesh Batabyal has rendered us an immense and timely service by assembling the writings of more than thirty of the nation's visionaries. We all need to learn from this collection and protect our precious democratic and egalitarian inheritance from the narrow-mindedness that seems increasingly to overwhelm our country.'—Irfan Habib, Professor Emeritus, Aligarh Muslim University  
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Eurasia, India and the Spaces in Between: Essays in Memory of Hari Shankar Vasudevan / Kingshuk Chatterjee  
Delhi: Primus Books, 2023  
viii, 453 p.; 24 cm  
9789356878686  
\$ 42.50 / hb

Hari Shankar Vasudevan (1952-2020) had an interest and engagement with history writings that belied the constraints of time and space. Eurasia, India and the Spaces in Between, is dedicated to his memory with contributions from his colleagues and friends

from across the world, engages with a range of issues to give a sense of the diversity of interests that Vasudevan used to nurture. While prima facie they might appear to be on disparate subjects, each of the essays contribute to the understanding of different aspects of life in the Eurasian region in early modern and modern times, with particular emphasis on Russia, Central Asia and South Asia.

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Delhi and Its Environs Before 1857: The Account of Ramji Das, Sarishtadar / Shama Mitra Chenoy (Tr)  
Delhi: Primus Books, 2023  
xviii, 204 p.; 24 cm.  
9789358520217  
\$ 32.50 / hb

Ramji Das' Zikr-e Umurat-e Am Zila-e Dehli, an account of Delhi and its surroundings, is as unique as the city in which it was written, just before the momentous events of 1857 which completely changed this space. Delhi and Its Environs Before 1857: The Account of Ramji Das, Sarishtadar provides a rare description of the city—the *alam mein intikhab*—where even Lord Indra chose to alight, and this work commands a distinctive place amongst the Persian and Urdu works recorded between the mid-eighteenth and early twentieth centuries. Can history be written through structures? Yes! thought Ramji Das, the newly retired deputy sarishtadar, a great admirer of Saiyid Ahmad Khan and his work, who engaged in a dialogue with the past through the material edifices of Delhi and its neighbourhood.

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Communication [sampsraṇa] In Ancient India: A Case-Study of Ásokan Inscriptions and Śakuntalā of Kālidāsa / Dīnabandhu Paṇḍeya  
New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors in association with Research India Press, 2023  
136 p.; 24 cm.  
9788194340195  
\$ 48.75 / hb

Human beings are blessed with the abilities to seek information, process to received data retain and un-required knowledge and also to retrieve it as and when required. In terms of information technology, the human brain works more or less similar to a computer system. There is data feeding. Data processing, data storage and data retrieval. But in addition, the humans are also endowed with the technique and technology of communicating. All five sense organs receive and disseminate information. But mankind has invented and discovered additional and more efficient ways of communicating. Thousands of languages have evolved with scripts to write. The never ending inventive curiosity of mankind developed means of communicating with large numbers of people simultaneously. Inventions of printing press.

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History of The Backward Castes: Movement in Telangana and Andhra / G. Srujan Kumar  
New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, in association with Research India Press, 2024  
xiv, 300 p.; 23 cm  
9789391952624  
\$ 37.50 / hb

This book is tied "History of the BC Movement in Telangana & Andhra' as a thesis submitted to Osmania University for the award of Ph.D degree The tide of the thesis is "Society and Politics in Telangana: A study of Backward Castes Identity and movements (1980-2014) Though the title is confined to Telangana state, in fact in the part of

research and considering the wider spectrum of Backward Castes spread across the country, the similarities among the BC Identity and common obstacles are faced by the BC Movement this work discussed the initial History of BC Movement in India. Keeping the view of the contemporary political situation, this research is titled only with Telangana state, but up to 2014 it was in the part of erstwhile Andhra Pradesh, hence it also related to Andhra region BC Movement. During the constitutional assembly debates Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in his last speech uttered that we are going to enter into a life of contradictions in politics.

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Human- Landscape Interactions in Assam 1200-1900 / Nilkamal Singha

New Delhi: Research India Press, 2024

x, 197 p.; 25 cm.

9789351710851

\$ 75.00 / hb

The present book is in continuation of our earlier work Early Anam Shaping of the Cultural Landscape authored jointly with Prof. Oinam Ranjit Singh, dealing with myriad changes in the landscape during the stretch from prehistoric era to the eve of Ahom rule. At the onset I would like to thank Prof. Oinam Ranjit Singh, Head of Department of Ancient History and Archaeology, Manipur University for collaborating and authoring jointly the previous part. Unlike the previous part the present subject matter conceived both latent and obvious shift pertaining to the historical period. Most of the sources referred are historical, accessible in libraries and web sources. As I look back, I will always feel indebted to my supervisor late Prof. Abdullah Ali Ashraf of Anthropology department, Gauhati University for mentoring and always showing confidence upon me. I pray his soul may rest in eternal peace.

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Abundance: Sexuality's History / Anjali Arondekar

Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023

176p.;

9789354424540

\$ 24.00 / pb

In Abundance, Anjali Arondekar refutes the historical common sense that archival loss is foundational to a subaltern history of sexuality. Instead, Arondekar theorizes the radical abundance of sexuality through the archives of the Gomantak Maratha Samaj—a caste-oppressed devadasi collective in South Asia—that are plentiful and quotidian, imaginative and ordinary.

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History of urban form of India: from beginning till 1900's / Pratyush Shankar

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2024

304 p.;

9780199468096

\$ 42.50 / hb

This book presents a comprehensive account of the historical spatial development of Indian cities since time immemorial. With case studies from the time cities originated in the Indian subcontinent (3000 B.C in Indus valley) and hand-drawn illustrations of these cities till the ones in recent times, the author discusses the last two hundred years of urban development in India with emphasis on the overall structure of the city, its nature of public places, institutions and housing.

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The Speaking Window: Tales from a Bloodied Timeline / Sandeep Dutt

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023  
272 p.;  
9789391050733  
\$ 32.50 / hb

It has been more than seventy-six years since the Partition of the Indian Subcontinent, but for those who lived through the phase, the memories remain as fresh as ever. Based on interviews of the 'Partition Generation' living across borders (India and Pakistan), 'The Speaking Window: Tales from a Bloodied Timeline' aims to bring together narratives from the generation that would soon be completely lost to time. With its beginnings in a Facebook page called 'Bolli Khidki: The Speaking Window', now being conceptualized as a book, is an important work, based on the premise that people are humane in their natural state; that among the stories of bloodshed and rape that the Partition is most remembered for, there are also stories of religious tolerance and mutual respect. There are also numerous cases of people being given shelter amidst all the carnage that took place, by those belonging to various faiths. This book captures not just memories, but also the resilience of those who suffered and emerged stronger.

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Wandering Women: Travel Writings In Bengali Periodicals, 1900-1940 / Sarvani Gooptu  
Delhi: Primus Books, 2023  
xiv, 451 p.; 24 cm.  
9789356876934  
\$ 41.25 / hb

Travel and writing on travel became a means of self-expression for Bengalis, especially women, in the early twentieth century. Although social and religious restrictions coloured their experiences, these travellers' tales to the East and West reflected their privileged status, their exposure to different forms of knowledge, and their cosmopolitanism and nationalism. Their eagerness to share their experience with other women helped create a world where women of all cultures could bond. Wandering Women presents sixteen travelogues that were originally published in Bengali periodicals (samayik patrikas) like Bamabodhini Patrika, Antahpur, and Mahila, among others, narrating the places these Bengali women visited and the people they met while highlighting nationalist and universalist values.

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I Am an Ordinary Man: India's Struggle for Freedom (1914-1948) / Gopalkrishna Gandhi  
New Delhi: Aleph Book Company, 2023  
xi, 443 p.; 23 cm.  
9789395853781  
\$ 25.00 / hb

This book completes Mohandas K. Gandhi's story that began in Restless as Mercury: My Life as a Young Man. That work contained the story of Gandhi's life in his words from the time of his childhood until 1914 when, after the satyagraha launched by him in South Africa for redressing wrongs suffered there by the Indian community had ended in a measure of success, he returned to India. In this volume, we follow Gandhi's story from the time he returned to India—his hopes, challenges, jail stints, fasts, relationship with his family, and more—completing his narrative in his own words right up to the last day of his life.

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The Bahmani Sufis: Their Spiritual, Intellectual and Sociopolitical Role in Medieval Deccan, AD 1300 to 1538 / Muhammad Suleman Siddiqi  
Delhi: Primus Books, 2023  
xxviii, 455 p.; 24 cm.



9789356870567  
\$ 41.25 / hb

The Bahmani Sufis explores the spiritual, intellectual and sociopolitical role of the Chishtis, the Junaydis and the Qadiris in the Deccan during the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. Documenting the presence of Junaydis Sufis at Daulatabad, this work challenges a long-held assumption that the Chishtis were the earliest to have migrated to Daulatabad and helped the Tughluq administration in the consolidation of Islam.

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Gandhi: A Life in Three Campaigns / M. J. Akbar, K Natwar Singh  
New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing, 2023  
266p.;  
9789356404076  
\$ 20.00 / hb

Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, justly venerated as a Mahatma, dismantled the mightiest empire in world history through the inspirational power of three pivotal mass campaigns across two decades. In 1920 Gandhi liberated Indians from fear through the unprecedented mass mobilization of the non-cooperation movement. In 1930 he turned a pinch of salt into a metaphor for the punitive, heartless colonial exploitation of the impoverished. The 1942 call to 'Quit India' sent a final, unambiguous message to foreign overlords: Indians would prefer to die rather than live in British fetters. Once Gandhi had unchained India, history could no longer remain dormant.

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Shades of Blue: Connecting the Drops in India's Cities / Harini Nagendra Seema Mundoli  
Gurugram, Haryana: Penguin Random House., 2023  
304 P.;  
9780670099696  
\$ 12.50 / hb

For millennia, our cities have prospered and grown in the cradles of civilization-fertile lands blessed with rivers, lakes, seas and oceans. From the origins of life on earth, right down to its downfall, biblical or otherwise, water has been integral to the human story. In this passionate and extensively researched tribute to the elixir that sustains us all, authors Harini Nagendra and Seema Mundoli take us on a panoramic view of the water bodies of India and the urgent need to address their emergent ecological threats. From the Yamuna in Delhi to the Cauvery in Karnataka and the Pichola Lake in Udaipur to the Brahmaputra in Assam, this book is epic in its sweep and yet deeply moving in its intimate concerns.

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Emilie and Subhas: A True Love Story / Kṛṣṇā Basu  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
104 p.;  
9789385285202  
\$ 7.50 / hb

Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose's relationship with his wife, Emilie Schenkl, is one of the least-known aspects of the leader's life. They met in Vienna in June 1934, secretly married in December 1937 in Badgastein, a spa resort in Austria's Salzburg province, and saw each other for the last time in Berlin in February 1943, two months after the birth in Vienna of their daughter Anita. From 1934 onwards, Subhas and Emilie corresponded continuously through letters whenever they were physically separated. Born in 1910 into a middle-class Austrian family of Vienna, Emilie Schenkl nurtured her husband's memory and cultivated a deep attachment from afar to India all her life, until

her death in 1996. She brought up their daughter on her own, working to support herself and Anita.

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Waiting on Empire: A History of Indian Travelling Ayahs in Britain / Arunima Dutta  
New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023

320 p.;

9780198909873

\$ 25.00 / hb

The expansion of the British Empire facilitated movement across the globe for both the colonizers and the colonized. Waiting on Empire focuses on a largely forgotten group in this story of movement and migration: South Asian travelling ayahs (servants and nannies), who travelled between India and Britain and often found themselves destitute in Britain as they struggled to find their way home to South Asia.

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Gendered Publics: Chandraprava Saikiani and the Mahila Samiti in Colonial Assam / Hemjyoti Medhi

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023

352 p.;

9780199482900

\$ 42.50 / hb

This is a first of its kind comprehensive appraisal of the relatively unexplored but highly impactful women's association, the Assam Mahila Samiti (1926 cont.) which led one of the most remarkable women's movements in colonial India; Sucheta Kripalani praised it as the 'largest democratic women's association in India' in 1949. Central to the Assam Mahila Samiti story is its founding Secretary, the firebrand feminist Chandraprava Saikiani (1901–72), who while being an unwed mother and belonging to a lower caste, was a celebrated writer, mobilizer, and publisher. The book traverses these individual and collective journeys from the 1920s to the 1950s, and explores how women's movements evolve in conversation/contestation with both traditional spaces such as naam kirtan and contemporary ones of tribal-caste associations, anti-colonial movements, and international ideological paradigms such as the Bolshevik revolution.

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Camouflaged: Forgotten Stories From Battlefields / Probal Dasgupta

New Delhi: Juggernaut Books, 2023

336p.;

9789353453459

\$ 17.50 / pb

Camouflaged: Forgotten Stories From Battlefields An Olympian army officer is ambushed and lost in the mountains during the 1962 India China war. Yet he makes an incredible comeback and wins an Olympic gold. Amidst the 2006 insurgency in Kashmir, a militant gives up terrorism for love. He strikes an unlikely friendship with an army officer, who gives him a second chance at life. An Indian soldier in WWII defies the odds. He cheats death on land and sea in a scintillating series of captures and escapes. His unconquerable spirit shines through this remarkable journey.

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Ulfa: The Mirage Of Dawn / Rajeev Bhattacharyya

Noida, Uttarpradesh: Harper Collins India, 2023

400p.;

9789356993082

\$ 15.00 / pb

ULFA: The Mirage of Dawn This is the untold story of the outlawed separatist outfit, the United Liberation Front of Asom (ULFA), from its inception in the early 1980s in the backdrop of the historic Assam Movement, to the present when a peace process is on between a faction led by its chairman Arabinda Rajkhowa and the government. The account delves into all major episodes, delineates their causes and effects and debunks interpretations about the movement that have gained currency over the years.

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Origin of the Singh Sabha Movement and its Legacy / Devinder Singh Mangot

India: SLM publisher, 2023

9789391083571

\$ 22.50 / hb

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Passages through India: Indian Gurus, Western Disciples and the Politics of Indophilia, 1890–1940 / Somak Biswas

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

320 p.;

9781009337984

\$ 30.00 / hb

Passages Through India offers a study of the phenomenon of Western Indophilia: romanticised engagements around Hindu ideas of India. It argues that affective practices cultivated between major Indian guru-figures (Gandhi, Tagore and Vivekananda) and their white disciples serviced a larger politics of respectability, tied to exigencies of Indian cultural and nationalist politics. Indophile deployments in transnational projects like the abolition of indentured labour and global Hinduism, while anti-colonial, were not quite emancipatory. Such deployments – in Africa, America, Fiji and India – frequently reproduced deep hierarchies around race, class, caste and gender. Unifying distinct strands of western discipleship within a shared tradition of Indophilia, Passages Through India offers a new methodological framework that situates self and subjectivity as central to processes of global mobility and migration.

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The Muslim Secular: Paity and the Politics of India's Partition / Amar Sohal

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023

352 p.;

9780198911982

\$ 24.75 / hb

Concerned with the fate of the minority in the age of the nation-state, Muslim political thought in modern South Asia has often been associated with religious nationalism and the creation of Pakistan. The Muslim Secular complicates that story by reconstructing the ideas of three prominent thinker-actors of the Indian freedom struggle: The Indian National Congress leader Abul Kalam Azad, the popular Kashmiri Politician Sheikh Abdullah, and the nonviolent Pashtun activist Abdul Ghaffar Khan. Revising the common view that they were mere acolytes of their celebrated Hindu colleagues M.K. Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru, this book argues that these three men collectively produced a distinct Muslim secularity from within the grander family of secular Indian nationalism; an intellectual tradition that has retained religion within the public space while nevertheless preventing it from defining either national membership or the state.

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The Changing World of a Bombay Muslim Community, 1870 - 1945 / Salima Tyabji

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023

358 p.;

9780192869746  
\$ 47.50 / hb

Muslims formed a disparate and unwieldy community in Bombay in the nineteenth century. The Islam that was professedly held in common by various groups could barely provide a sense of unity or cohesion to people so widely diverse in terms of language, customs, and also of forms and practices of belief. By the middle of the nineteenth century, a class of wealthy ship owners, ship-builders, and merchants, belonging to the varied communities that constituted the city, of which Muslims formed an important part, had emerged. This class was outward-looking, modern, and generally reformist in outlook: Gujarati or Maharashtrian, its goals of social reform, education, as well as political awareness, were gradually beginning to be perceived as goals held across communities, and increasingly across different regions.

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Mirabai The Making Of a Saint / Nancy M. Martin  
New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023  
1296p.;  
9780197772591  
\$ 20.00 / pb

From the very first edition, Principles of Anatomy and Physiology has been recognized for its pioneering homeostatic approach to learning structure and function of the human body. The 16th edition continues to set the discipline standard by combining exceptional content and outstanding visuals for a rich and comprehensive experience. Highly regarded authors, Jerry Tortora and Bryan Derrickson motivate and support learners at every level, from novice to expert, and equip them with the skills they need to succeed in this class and beyond.

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The Emperor Who Never Was: Dara Shukoh in Mughal India / Supriya Gandhi  
Noida, Uttarakhand: HarperCollins, 2023  
338 p.;  
9780674296015  
\$ 15.00 / pb

The definitive biography of the eldest son of Emperor Shah Jahan, whose death at the hands of his younger brother Aurangzeb changed the course of South Asian history. Dara Shukoh was the eldest son of Shah Jahan, the fifth Mughal emperor, best known for commissioning the Taj Mahal as a mausoleum for his beloved wife Mumtaz Mahal. Although the Mughals did not practice primogeniture, Dara, a Sufi who studied Hindu thought, was the presumed heir to the throne and prepared himself to be India's next ruler.

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Unboxing Bengaluru: The City of New Beginnings / Malini Goyal, Prashanth Prakash  
Haryana, India: Penguin Random House, 2023  
320 P.;  
9780670098521  
\$ 17.50 / hb

India's tech/startup industry today is estimated to be worth over \$0.5 trillion, employing over 5 million people. And the stage for this incredible 'tech-tonic' rise and transformation of the country into the world's software powerhouse, is Bengaluru. Being the backdrop to this dramatic transition, Bengaluru has changed irrevocably. The city has been through many avatars—pensioner's paradise, PSU capital, garden city, India's Silicon city and pub capital. Once known for secure state and federal government jobs, it

is now a buzzing startup hub attracting job-seekers from India and abroad. And the new monikers will continue. From ed-tech to health-tech, mobility to EVs, Bengaluru is at the heart of the multiple shifts underway in the digital era.

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The Topography of Bhakti: Social Reform Watersheds in Indian Intellectual History / Ravinder Singh

Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

155 p.;

9789382396949

\$ 17.00 / hb

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Beyond the Circle of Violence and Progress: Ethics and Material Development in India and Egypt Anti Colonial Struggle to Independence / Tadd Graham Fernee

Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

403p.;

9789382396963

\$ 18.75 / hb

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M.S. Golwalkar and Hindutva / Manas Upadhyay

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

268p.;

9789391844448

\$ 25.00 / hb

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Bal Gangadhar Tilak: Philosophy for Nation / Reema Chaddha

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

260p.;

9789391678029

\$ 25.00 / hb

Bal Gangadhar Tilak (July 23, 1856-August 1, 1920), was an Indian patriot, social reformer and opportunity warrior who was the principal mainstream pioneer of the Indian Independence Movement and is known as "Father of the Indian turmoil." Tilak was one of the first and most grounded advocates for Swaraj (finish autonomy) in Indian cognizance, and is viewed as the father of Hindu patriotism too. His popular quote, "Swaraj is my inheritance, and I should have it!" is very much recollected in India even today. Respectfully tended to as Lokmanya (signifying "Cherished of the general population" or "Loved by the world"), Tilak was a researcher of Indian history, Sanskrit, Hinduism, science, law and space science.

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K.B. Hedgewar and Hindu Nationalism / S.N. Thakur

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

272p.;

9789391678036

\$ 25.00 / hb

The extremist and nationalist leaders in the Congress were all looking with apprehension at the all-out support given by Mahatma Gandhi to the Khilafat movement in an attempt to exploit the discontent among the Indian Muslims against the British who were enemies of the Khalif of Turkey, the religious head of Muslims. Dr. Hedgewar, with his deep foresight, understood that this sort of appeasement of Muslim communalism, though intended to win them over to the freedom struggle, would in the long run sow

the seeds of separation in the hearts of the Muslims and result in the disintegration of the country. And his fears did prove to be true in the long run.

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Relevance of Raja Ram Mohan Roy / Awadhesh Kumar Singh & Atul Pratap Singh  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

178p.;

9789391844585

\$ 27.50 / hb

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Raja Rammohan Roy: Contributions Towards Transforming India / Awadhesh Kumar Singh & Parvez Ahmed Khan

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

287p.;

9789391678104

\$ 42.50 / hb

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### *Indology*

The Branches of The Rig Veda - Different Traditions In Vedic Period Volume 2 / Andreas Leitz

New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2023

746p.;

9789391952662

\$ 112.50 / hb

The first volume of our work ends with the initiatory rituals for the Soma sacrifice. In this second volume we will look on and discuss the Soma sacrifice performed in the Vedic Period as we get them described in the different Sakha Samhita handed down to us. We will not spend much time with an introduction. We will directly begin with the Soma sacrifice. We imply the reading of the Volume 1 to this work. We will give the other great public rituals in the 3rd volume.

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A Cultural Study of the Kausikasutra of Atharvaveda / K K Sharam

Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

9789382396802

\$ 17.50 / hb

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Patanjali's Vyakaranamahabhasyam Set of 2 Vols. / Maheswar Hazrika

Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

186 p.;

9789382396819

\$ 62.50 / hb

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Sarita Sutrakatha / Ara, Arzuman

Shimla, India: Indian Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

xii, 313 p.;

9789382396864

\$ 21.25 / hb

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## Law

Transgender and Human Rights: Ideology To Reality / Ritu Rani, Jagdeep Singh  
New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2022

91 p.; 22 cm.  
9789391681692  
\$ 12.25 / hb

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Human Rights and Criminal Justice System In The Contemporary World / Pradeep  
Kulshreshtha, Manvendra Singh (Ed)

New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2022  
viii, 220 p.; ills (black and white); 23 cm  
9789394779181

\$ 22.25 / hb

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Changing Paradigm of Law and Policy: A Comparative Assessment / Aditya Tomer, Jane  
Eyre Mathew, Rupendra Singh and Sakshi Parashar

New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2022

x, 351 p.; 24 cm  
9789391681975

\$ 37.00 / hb

Comparative Law caters to the study of legal systems of different countries in comparison with each other. With the emergence of globalization, the area of comparative law is garnering more and more significance in matters of business, crimes, family, media, IPR, technology and so on. A systematic application of the various branches of law helps in understanding the nuances and the emerging issues in the different countries and in adopting the best practices after processing and analyzing these laws. The comparative law jurisdiction is immensely being influenced by the courts across the globe with new practices emerging in this field.

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Environment Conservation Challenges and Role of Law / Yugdeep Kaur

New Delhi: Reliance Publishing House, 2023

9788175102750

\$ 15.00 / hb

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Criminal Justice System: My Experience and The Way Forward / Davinder Pal Singh

New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2023

xvi, 150 p.; 24 cm.

9789390095841

\$ 17.50 / hb

The book provides an insightful examination of India's criminal justice system and offers tangible solutions for its reform. With over three decades of experience in criminal law, the author brings a unique perspective. The author meticulously dissects the system's shortcomings and presents innovative ideas to enhance its effectiveness and accessibility. This engaging and approachable book sheds light on the diverse array of individuals involved, ranging from victims and accused individuals to investigators, judges, and society as a whole. The book navigates through the critical stages of the criminal justice process, addressing pressing issues such as investigations, trials, sentencing, and more. By emphasizing the urgent need for impartiality, efficiency, and ethical standards, the author advocates for a comprehensive overhaul of the system. The author's compelling arguments and practical recommendations will stimulate a much-

needed dialogue on the state of criminal justice in India, empowering readers to envision a fairer and more equitable future.

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New Criminal Laws

Delhi: Young Global Publications, 2023

9789395315234

\$ 22.50 / hb

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Young Global's The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita 2023 (Bare Act)

Delhi: Young Global Publications, 2023

\$ 9.75 / hb

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The Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita 2023 (Bare Act)

Delhi: Young Global Publications, 2023

\$ 5.75 / hb

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The Bharatiya Sakshya Bill 2023 (Bare Act)

Delhi: Young Global Publications, 2023

\$ 3.75 / hb

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You Must Know Your Constitution / Fali. S. Nariman

New Delhi: Hay House Publishers, 2023

520p.;

9788195991723

\$ 22.50 / hb

26 November 1949 marks the date when the longest constitution in the world was formally adopted to guide the largest democracy in the world. It effectively transformed the British Dominion of India into one nation—the independent Republic of India. The supreme law of the land set forth the workings of Indian democracy and polity, and its provisions aimed to secure justice, liberty, equality, and fraternity for the people of India. As drafted and as conceived, the constitution makes provision for a functioning democracy and not an electoral autocracy, and this is how it has to be worked. It is therefore imperative for all citizens to familiarise themselves with its provisions.

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India's Communal Constitution: Law, Religion, and The Making of A People / Mathew John

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

280 p.;

9781009317757

\$ 25.00 / hb

This book speaks to debates on law, constitutionalism, and the contested terrain of political identity in modern India. Set against the overwhelmingly liberal design of the Indian Constitution, the book demonstrates a tendency in the Constitution and its practice to identify the Indian people in parochial and communal terms. This tendency is identified as India's Communal Constitution and its imprint on contemporary constitutional practice is illustrated by drawing on the constitutional practice as it addresses religious freedom, personal law, minority rights and the identification of caste groups.

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The Colonial Constitution / Arghya Sengupta  
New Delhi: Juggernaut Publication, 2023  
256 p.;  
9789353451929  
\$ 15.00 / pb

In December 1946, a diverse bunch of battle-weary Indian nationalists took up the challenge of a lifetime: drafting the constitution of a soon to be independent India. But, curiously, this document seemed divorced from their own experience as freedom fighters. While during the freedom movement, the Government of India Act 1935 had been reviled as a 'charter of slavery', now more than a third of the Constitution was directly borrowed from it. While many members of the Constituent Assembly had experienced the brutality of preventive detention and the law against sedition, the Assembly didn't outlaw either. While Gandhiji had talked about keeping sovereign power close to the people through the gram panchayat, the Constitution gave Indians a powerful, remote Union government.

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Child Rights and The Law: Socio-Economic, Digital and Social Media Perspectives / Mohd Wasim Ali, Deeba Khanam  
New Delhi: New Century Publications, 2023  
xiv, 193 p.; 23 cm.  
9788177085532  
\$ 25.00 / hb

India has 472 million children under the age of 18, accounting for 39 percent of the total population. Out of this, 29 percent are children aged 0 to 6 years. Furthermore, 73 percent of the children in India reside in rural areas, where they frequently lack access to basic requirements such as nutrition, healthcare, education, and protection. Promoting children's rights has been government's utmost priority in India. Rights of children are incorporated in the Constitution of India and duly protected under various laws.

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Women and Law In India / Nishant Anand  
New Delhi: New Century Publications, 2023  
xviii, 305 p.; 23 cm.  
9788177085549  
\$ 41.50 / hb

Empowerment of women has been a leading objective of state policy in India ever since the attainment of Independence in 1947. The principle of gender equality is enshrined in the Indian Constitution in its Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Fundamental Duties and Directive Principles of State Policy. The Constitution not only grants equality to women, but also empowers the state to adopt measures of positive discrimination in favour of women. Gender equality is both a constituent and instrument of holistic development of a society.

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Human Rights, Mental Health and Covid-19 / Lakshmidhar Mishra  
New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2023  
lxi, 514 p.; 25 cm.  
9789391897383  
\$ 62.50 / hb

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Sovereignty, International Law, and the Princely States of Colonial South Asia / Priyasha Saksena  
New Delhi: Oxford University Press., 2023  
272 p.;  
9780198907602  
\$ 17.50 / hb

What constitutes a sovereign state in the international legal sphere? This question has been central to international law for centuries. *Sovereignty, International Law, and the Princely States of Colonial South Asia* provides a compelling exploration of the history of sovereignty through an analysis of the jurisdictional politics involving a specific set of historical legal entities.

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### *Linguistics*

Revelation of Self in Language: Narrative Identity as Emergent in Conversation / Suranjana Barua  
New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2023  
xxii, 195 p.; 25 cm.  
9788195055968  
\$ 23.75 / hb

Human beings have always been storytellers: civilizations have thrived on stories; cultures have been sustained through stories, and societies have always shared stories as a way to reiterate moral notions of good and bad. But what do our personal stories tell people about us? Do personal narratives too reify cultural notions and social stereotypes of good and bad? Or are interpersonal stories more grounded in contextual realities; anchored in embodied, gendered lives and, therefore, fragile re-presentations of our selves for others? This book draws us into such questions about personal identity as may be gleaned from narratives recounted in various contexts.

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### *Literature*

Urdu Crime Fiction 1890–1950: An Informal History / C.M. Naim  
Hyderabad, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
308p.;  
9789354423826  
\$ 22.00 / pb

Humankind, I like to believe, can be divided into two groups: one group swears by science fiction, the other cherishes only mysteries. I belong to the latter.' Thus begins C. M. Naim's homage to the writers who once provided generations of Urdu-speaking mystery-lovers hours of sleepless delight. Meticulously researched, this 'informal history' unravels how crime fiction first originated in Europe and North America in the nineteenth century, how Urdu writers responded to this new stimulus, and the rapid emergence of what then became the *jāsūsī adab* in Urdu. Described as 'wonder-inducing' and 'sleep-depriving,' bearing titles like *Khūnī Chhatrī* (The Murderous Umbrella), *Tilismī Burj* (The Magic Turret), and *Mistriz af Dihlī* (The Mysteries of Delhi), Urdu thrillers sold in the thousands.

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Entering The Maze: Queer Fiction of Krishnagopal Mallick / Krishnagopal Mallick

New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
176p.;  
9789391125905  
\$ 8.75 / pb

Krishnagopal Mallick is a literary rarity: sub-editing for an English daily, giving it up to print and publish Bengali little magazines at a press set up at his own home, and then producing essays, short stories, travelogues, memoirs, and novels marked by a dazzling candour and a beguiling lucidity. His words transport us to a North Kolkata of trams, lanes and by-lanes. His unselfconscious prose pulls us into a life lived with honesty and joy. Rarely has Bengali literature witnessed such clear-eyed narratives of public and private violence, sexuality, and humour. These translations introduce to the readers a craftsman of deadpan story-telling who infuses North Kolkata with a queer radiance unmatched in Indian writing. Once one enters the maze of Krishnagopal Mallick, one cannot emerge unmoved, unchanged, unaffected.

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Voices of Resistance: Telugu Progressive-Political Literature / G N Devy, Vasanth Kannabiran  
Hyderabad, India: Orient Blackswan, 2023  
304p.;  
9789354423772  
\$ 9.50 / pb

Voices of Resistance presents a selection of Telugu writings in English translation that explores articulations on humaneness, justice and social transformation from unlikely locations in time and genre. These poems, songs, stories, and extracts from novels and tracts--by 89 authors from the thirteenth century to the present--open a window into literary imaginations around questions that continue to preoccupy us today: egalitarianism, dignity, oppression, violence and resistance.

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English Romantic Literature / Neeraja Sundaram  
Hyderabad, India: Orient Blackswan, 2023  
x, 262 p.; 22 cm.  
9789354424077  
\$ 16.00 / hb  
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History's Angel / Anjum Hasan  
New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing, 2023  
288p.;  
9789354357206  
\$ 17.50 / hb

Alif is a middle-aged, mild-mannered history teacher, living in contemporary Delhi, at a time in India's history when Muslims are seen as either hapless victims or live threats. Though his life's passion is the history he teaches, the present is pressing down on him: his wife is set on a bigger house and a better car while trying to ace her MBA exams; his teenage son wants to quit school to get rich; his supercilious colleagues are suspicious of his perorations; and his old friend Ganesh has just reconnected with a childhood sweetheart with whom Alif was always rather enamoured himself.

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The Bomb, The Bank, The Mullah and The Poppies: A Tale of Deception / Iqbal Chand Malhotra  
New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing, 2023

xvii, 223 p.;  
9789356402232  
\$ 20.00 / hb

The Bomb, the Bank, the Mullah and the Poppies is a historical account from a forensic perspective of how the Pakistani state innovatively used a dodgy bank, poppy cultivation and trade as a means to finance its nuclear programme. It reveals the convoluted psyche of the men in charge of Pakistan who clandestinely transformed Pakistan into a state where a premium was placed on thuggery, deceit and deception. This enabled Pakistan to grow from being a US pawn in the Reagan administration's war against the erstwhile Soviet Union to a narco-nuclear state with an independent nuclear deterrent. In the process, the patrons of the Pakistani deep state enriched themselves with drug money at the expense of the citizens mired in abject poverty.

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Guilt Trip and Other Stories / Lakshmi Kannan  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
236p., 20cm.  
9789391125745  
\$ 10.00 / pb

The tales in *Guilt Trip and Other Stories* reveal an unbridled exuberance of appetite which mirrors women's hungering for lost opportunities, the sting of indifference to one's aspirations and denied selfhood. All that is atoned for by reaffirming friendships and chance encounters, which have a tendency to change trajectories. The lilting whiff of an aftershave mingling with the splutter of cumin, innocent counting songs giving way to jingling bangles—are a few glimpses from this collection, which champions the cause of enduring courage by bringing together the textures, the hues and the aromas of our daily lives. Whether it is a researcher standing up to her male colleagues to not cook for them or a newly-wed bride escaping her swindling in-laws, the characters try and close the gap between limiting social norms and the desire for freedom to create a space of their own in Kannan's adroit hands.

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The Man Who Walked Backwards and Other Stories / S. Ramakrishnan, Translated from the original Tamil by Prabha Sridevan  
Hyderabad, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
200p.;  
9789354424373  
\$ 16.00 / pb

The stories in this collection are a celebration of eccentricities: they feature characters who defy conventions, and who listen to their inner selves instead of conforming to familial and societal norms. There is the mother who swims endlessly to escape domesticity and abuse; an exceptional father and husband who leaves on a quest for selfhood; the thief who heals dogs and trees; the government clerk who goes around town counting pigeons; the man who walks only backwards; the estate-owner who builds a house with a hundred windows on a hilltop, but not for anyone to live in; the father and the son who measure rain; the forgotten poet who is despised by his own family; and many others whom the world does not understand.

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Theorizing Emotions: An Enquiry into the Emotion Knowledge of Premodern  
Tamil Treatises / Barbara Schuler  
Heidelberg, Germany: HASP-Heidelberg Asian Studies Publishing, 2022  
xii, 96p. ; 245x175mm  
9783948791315

\$ 32.50 / HB  
3216gm.

It is impossible to imagine human history without emotions. But what is known about theoretical emotion knowledge in premodern South India? This volume offers a first systematic examination of emotion knowledge as found in Tamil treatises and commentaries written from the 11th to 17th century. By following different theoretical strands, it sheds light on the questions that were raised by various emotion theorists, as well as their agenda and theorising practices. It points out changes, linearity, and disruptions in their ideas, as well as historically marginal knowledge. Perhaps surprisingly, the only systematic works on emotion produced by medieval and early modern Tamil thinkers were on emotion in poetics.

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Significant Others, Significant Encounters : Essays on South Asian History and Literature / Philippe Borner & Nadia Cattoni  
Heidelberg, Germany: HASP-Heidelberg Asian Studies Publishing, 2023  
xviii, 306p.  
9783948791513  
\$ 75.00 / HB  
636gm.

This volume is dedicated to Maya Burger, professor emerita at the Faculty of Arts, University of Lausanne. It gathers contributions by friends, colleagues, and former students that echo the multiple dimensions of her work. Organised in four parts, Indology, History of Religions, History of Orientalism, and Hindi and Translation, these contributions explore different examples of encounters with "significant others". Analysing original historical and literary sources and reflecting on the methodological dimensions, the authors offer innovative perspectives on various processes of interaction and exchange between the Indian subcontinent and the wider world and within the subcontinent itself.

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Phantom Lovers: Two Novellas / Achala Moulik  
New Delhi: Olive Turtle/Niyogi Books, 2023  
384 p.;  
9788196405335  
\$ 15.00 / pb

Phantom Lovers features two lyrical novellas about how love can triumph over seemingly insurmountable obstacles of distance and time.

With Fate Conspire is centred around an Indian girl and a British officer who fall in love, despite social conventions, against the backdrop of the Revolt of 1857. Their story is mysteriously reflected by another young couple, descended from the same families, as they study in London in the 1960s.

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Gandhi's Vision: Freedom and Beyond / Aparna Dr Basu  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023  
280 p.;  
9789385285936  
\$ 37.50 / hb

- Presents some glimpses from Gandhi's life: how he adopted non-violence as a potent tool in his quest for the 'truth force' and led the path to India's independence

•Showcases some hand-picked photographs from the National Gandhi Museum, which portray various scenes from Gandhi's life with his South African friends, co-workers and Kasturba, his wife. These show his transformation over the years, and a few personal moments as well, which highlight his bonding with family and children

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When The Kurinji Blooms / Rajam Krishnan  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
xii, 296 p.; 22 cm  
9789354425158  
\$ 24.50 / pb

Kurinji then, literally honey of the kurinji flower, is a timeless poem in prose that transports you to the lush Nilgiris where this beautiful blue flower grows wild and to the land of the Badagas who inhabit these hills. It is also Rajam Krishnan's eulogy to a vanished world and way of life. Once in twelve years when the kurinji blooms in these hills, bees store the honey of the kurinji in combs in rock crevices and on branches of trees. When the Kurinji Blooms narrates the family saga of three generations of Badagas who have for long remained untouched by modernity. Then, as the winds of commerce and change invade their tranquil and sheltered lives, innocence and harmony are replaced by conflict and tragedy that herald new beginnings. The struggles and emotional turmoil of a close-knit people who live close to nature and their transition from a traditional way of life towards modernity are chronicled using the motif of the kurinji, which symbolises the passage of time.

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Epic in India / Tutun Mukherjee; Bharathi Harishankar (Eds.)  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
xxxviii, 375 p.; 22 cm  
9789354423765  
\$ 39.50 / pb

Through Indian life and culture, the epics of the subcontinent flow like the subterranean River Saraswati. Like Yuddhishtira, who is faced with the puzzling questions posed to him by the enigmatic Yaksha in the Mahabharata, the Indian Everyman, conscious of dharma and niti, is expected to find answers to ethical and existential dilemmas. While the Ramayana, the Mahabharata and Silappadikaram are the best known of the sacred narratives of the past, there exists a vast reservoir of other epics—many still in the oral tradition. This compendium, the first of its kind, explores the many literary traditions and strands that run parallel but also provide interesting contrasts in the experience of the epics. The multiple frames provide a cultural continuum which shapes and is shaped by the epics.

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The G N Devy Reader: After Amnesia, 'Of Many Heroes', The Being of Bhasha and Countering Violence / Rajeswari Sunder Rajan  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
552p.;  
9789354424717  
\$ 37.25 / pb

A dominated culture not only learns to be like the culture that dominates it, it attempts to conceal its own antecedents. In such cultural encounters, amnesia plays a major role in defining the self-perception of cultures. After Amnesia, first published in 1992, offers an incisive analysis of contemporary literary scholarship in Indian languages by demonstrating how modern Indian languages 'learnt to forget' that literary criticism had been rejected by them during the post-Sanskrit medieval centuries, and how they have

posed before themselves a false choice of intellectual practices rooted in culturally distant Western or Sanskritic traditions.

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Contemporary Urdu Short Stories from Kolkata / Shams Afif Siddiqi, Fuzail Asar Siddiqi  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023

292 p.;

9789389136906

\$ 12.50 / pb

Stories from Kolkata are often assumed to be about bhadrakalok culture and the Bengali way of life. But Kolkata is a city with a multiplicity of stories to share. Contemporary Urdu Short Stories from Kolkata highlights the diversity of recent Urdu short stories from the city. In one story, a writer trying to escape the city wants to find the reason why the railway clock has stopped working, in another, a new friendship sours as soon as it blossoms, while some other stories show how the complexity of human relationships is explored. There is an experiment in abstraction, and legend and reality are brought together when three sleepers of an earlier civilisation wake up in the modern world. Dealing with love and loss, dreams and reality, as well as history and violence, this collection encompasses the whole gamut of human experience, seen through the eyes of current Urdu writers from Kolkata.

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Trailokyanath Mukhopadhyay Tales of Early Magic Realism in Bengali / Mukhopadhyay  
New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023

386p.;

9789389136975

\$ 15.00 / pb

Is virtue what is compromised in an arranged (coerced/'forced') marriage? Is that every girl's horror movie dream? For Little Kankabaty, however, it is a quickly impending reality even while the love of her life promises enlightenment but is a mama's boy leading his life constantly circumspect and carefully. Yet now she is tasked with rescuing him from the clutches of scorned ghostwoman Nakeshwari, of the beautiful nose and broken marriage alliance with Ghyanghon Bhoot, belonging to a community of cutesy spirits from which Lullu has spirited the comely but crafty wife of Aameer away.

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The Literature of Lashkar-e-Tayyaba: Deadly Lines of Control / C. Christine Fair, Safina Ustaad

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023

658 p.;

9780198883937

\$ 37.50 / hb

Since its inception in Afghanistan in the late 1980s, the Lashkar-e-Tayyaba (LeT), also known as the Jamaat-ul-Dawa (JuD), has arguably been the most threatening and disruptive terrorist organization in South Asia and beyond. While there is considerable scholarship on its history and operations, few scholars have exploited the organization's vast publications. This volume is the first scholarly effort to curate a sample of LeT's Urdu-language publications and then translate them into English for the scholarly community studying this group and related organizations.

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Jerusalem – The Signs of the Sacred, The Imprints of the Real: A Picturesque Journey of the Holy Land Through Vintage Postcards, Posters and Photographs / Safdar Nensey  
Goa, India: Cinnamon Teal Design and Publishing, 2023

188p.  
9789393984074  
\$ 120.00 / HB  
1012gm.

Book Details:

Jerusalem: The Signs of the Sacred, the Imprints of the Real is an informally structured attempt to capture the essence of the Holy Land, the city of Jerusalem, which is sacred to three Abrahamic religions. The compendium is based on the author's personal collection of "old" Jerusalem-related ephemera, mainly postcards, photographs, stereographs, and some vintage posters.

Each picture in this visual-gallery is infused with a few lines of text to give some context to the readers. The pictures are largely unedited and provide a rare view into the historic city of Jerusalem from the eyes of an absent visitor who pieced together his personal pilgrimage through vivid picture postcards and photographs.

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Hajj: A Journey Back in Time: A Grace Remembered – A Hope Renewed / Safdar Nensey  
Goa, India: Cinnamon Teal Design and Publishing, 2023

164p.  
9789393984067  
\$ 120.00 / HB  
914gm.

Book Details:

Hajj: A Journey Back in Time is not a discourse on the traditions of the Hajj nor a guidebook on the rituals of the pilgrimage. Instead, the author has compiled vintage and later era postcards and photographs of the Hajj from his personal collection, offering a visual glimpse of the annual pilgrimage to Mecca. His hope is that the readers will be moved by the piousness of this journey and will appreciate this vintage depiction of the Hajj. Images of Madina Al-Munawwar [The Luminous City] are also included in the book; while a visit to Madina is not necessary as part of the Hajj pilgrimage, most pilgrims do so because it is rare that anybody would miss it.

The visuals in this collection span the years from the late 1800s to about the 1980s.

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## Performing Arts

To stage or not to stage: Performing Tagore's Plays / Rajdeep Konar

New Delhi: Social Science Press, 2022

434 p.;  
9789383166527  
\$ 37.00 / hb

Rabindranath Tagore (1861–1941) was a prolific playwright with more than thirty plays to his credit. He is also known for his life-long, passionate engagement with theatre, first at Jorasanko and then at Santiniketan, in multiple roles as actor, director, singer, musician. However, during his own life-time and even after his demise, his experimental plays have proved challenging for directors to stage. Time and again they have been written off as unstageable by prominent theatre makers. Matters have been further complicated by the presence of a spectre of authority around Tagore and his plays often promoted by Visva-Bharati, the institution he founded and which held the copyright of his works till 2001.

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Great composers and musicians of India / V.V.S. Manian



New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023  
150p.;  
9789391685263  
\$ 30.00 / hb

In this first edition, V.V.S. Manian offers music lovers a biographical sketch of 42 composers and musicians. These great composers were fascinating characters who lived simple lives but created wonders and cemented their legacies for the ages. Some lived in poverty, but their minds were rich and fertile in creativity and bhakthi, which led to a free flow of evergreen compositions.

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Kashmir: The Partition Trilogy / Manreet Sodhi  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins, 2023  
328 p.;  
9789356995406  
\$ 12.50 / pb

Maharaja Hari Singh rules Kashmir, a Muslim-majority Princely State expected to accede to Pakistan during the partition in 1947. But Hari Singh dreams of a Switzerland-like status for his Himalayan kingdom. Meanwhile, popular leader Sheikh Abdullah rallies for freedom and the Poonch is in western Jammu revolt, telegramming Jinnah for help; soon, fearsome kabail is carving a swath of savagery and destruction through the kingdom towards Srinagar.

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That Treasured Port: Rabindranath Tagore's Ideational Challenges / Bidyut Chakrabarty  
Delhi: Primus Books, 2023  
ix, 285 p.; 24 cm.  
9789358522341  
\$ 37.50 / hb

Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941) represented an ideational universe in which universal humanism was one of the most significant pillars. In conventional terms, Tagore is conceived as a poet which is, in reality, a partial description of the role he discharged in favour of his distinct politico-ideological priorities. He was a visionary who always privileged humanity above all. That Treasured Port: Rabindranath Tagore's Ideational Challenges demonstrates how a perusal of his enormous oeuvre reveals that while expressing his preference for a poetic voice, he also articulated his particular mode of thinking which was attuned not only to the contemporary context but much beyond. His views were thus transcendental since he dealt with issues which are useful to safeguard humanity, regardless of class, colour and creed. What deserves attention is his ability to understand the prevailing socio-economic and politico-cultural reality from the point of a distinct perception which was based on both Western as well as indigenous discourses.

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Singing Languages: Regional Music Industries in the Hindi Belt / Ratnakar Tripathy  
Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023  
9789382396925  
\$ 19.75 / hb

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860399>

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Migrant Muse: The Third Space In Assamese Literature / K M Baharul Islam  
Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023  
xiii, 100 p.;  
9789382396857

\$ 19.75 / hb

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860400>

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Text and Performance The Interpretative and Narrative Tradition of Indian Theatre / K.G. Paulose

Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

9789382396826

\$ 22.25 / hb

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860401>

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Intangible Cultural Heritage: Revitalizing Tribal Dance Forms of Western Odisha / Arun Kumar Acharya, Rashmi Pramanik

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

87p.;

9789380615516

\$ 12.50 / hb

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### *Politics*

Indo-Pacific: Strategic and Geopolitical Relevance / Imankalyan Lahiri, Ms. Ajitha Menon (Ed)

New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2023

184p.;

9788196136840

\$ 22.00 / hb

This book is the result of a collaboration between the British Deputy High Commission, Kolkata, Jadavpur University & the Jadavpur Association of International Relations (JAIR). Recognising the synergies and opportunities unfolding in the Indo-Pacific, this book is an exhaustive narration of the strategic and geopolitical realities surrounding the region and the emerging vision of UK-India relations. With more than 65 percent of world population and 63 per cent of global GDP, the region has emerged as the economic nerve-centre of the present era.

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Political Communication in the Digital Age: Contemporary Issues and Perspectives from India / Alfarid Hussain and Rishikesh Kumar Gautam

New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2023

219p.;

9788119079131

\$ 22.25 / hb

Political communication in India has undergone a sea change in the age of digital media. The emergence of digital platforms has opened up new avenues for politicians to reach out to the masses and connect with voters in real-time. Social media has given a voice to citizens and has made it easier for them to voice their opinions and concerns. It has also created a new dimension for political discourse and public engagement. Today, politicians have a much wider reach through social media platforms like Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram. They can reach out to millions of people with a single post and engage with them in real-time. This book explores the complexities of political communication in the digital age and the challenges and opportunities it presents.

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Afghanistan: Politics, Society and Regional Challenges / Ramesh Raut, Mohammad Yusuf and, Md Kamal Hossain

New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2022  
173 p.;  
9789394779785  
\$ 19.50 / hb  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860404>

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Taliban's Afghanistan Boundaries and Beyond / Kuldeep Verma and Suchita Sharma (Ed)  
New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2022  
xii, 212 p.; illus, maps; 22 cm.  
9789394779457  
\$ 24.50 / hb

The goal of this book is to look at Afghanistan's challenges before and after the Taliban took over. A hardline government was set up by the Taliban. Experts and researchers believe that the Taliban can put citizens' civil, political and economic rights under a risky umbrella. The rights of women and children have previously been hampered and witnessed cruelty even now in 2021. Taliban could also allow terrorists to grow in their region, which possibly impact the global order. This book provides the readers with insights into the past, present and future of this region. The collection of well-curated and researched articles of this book will serve as a valuable source of knowledge and assist in the research and development of this subject.

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Language, Emotion, and Politics In South India: The Making of a Mother Tongue / Lisa Mitchell  
Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, 2023  
302p.;  
9788178243900  
\$ 15.00 / pb

What makes someone willing to die, not for a nation, but for a language? In the 1950s and 1960s a wave of suicides in the name of language swept through South India. This book asks why such emotional attachments to language appeared. It answers by tracing shifts in local perceptions and experiences of language in general and Telugu in particular, during the preceding century. Winner of the Edward Cameron Dimock, Jr., Prize in the Indian humanities, American institute of Indian studies. Mitchell shows the emergence in India of language as the foundation for the reorganization of a wide range of forms of knowledge and practice.

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Importance Of Shinzo Abe: India Japan And The Indo Pacifics / Sanjaya Baru  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers India, 2023  
283p.;  
9789356993600  
\$ 17.50 / hb

The Importance of Shinzo Abe: India, Japan and the Indo-Pacific Shinzo Abe, who was tragically assassinated on 8 July 2022, is widely regarded as the most influential Prime Minister of post-war Japan. Not only was he Japan's longest-serving Prime Minister, but he is also credited with giving a new direction to the country's economic, foreign and national-security policies. Abe left an indelible imprint on Japan-India relations, establishing close ties with two successive Indian Prime Ministers and signing up to a new global and strategic partnership between Asia's major democracies. He enabled a radical shift in Asian security architecture and India's external

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Hailing the State: Indian Democracy Between Elections / Lisa Mitchell

Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2023  
320p.;  
9788178246765  
\$ 17.50 / pb

In *Hailing the State*, Lisa Mitchell explores the methods of collective assembly that people in India use to hold elected officials and government administrators accountable, demand inclusion in decision making, and stage informal referendums. Mitchell traces the colonial and postcolonial lineages of collective forms of assembly, in which – rather than rejecting state authority – participants mobilize with expectations that officials will uphold the law and fulfil electoral promises. She shows how assembly, which ranges from sit-ins, hunger strikes, and demands for meetings with officials to massive general strikes and road and rail blockades, is fundamental to the functioning of democracy in India. These techniques are particularly useful for historically marginalized groups and others whose voices may not be easily heard.

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*Disaster Risk Governance in India and Cross Cutting Issues* / Pal Indrajit  
Jaipur, India: Rawat Publications, 2023  
426p.;  
9789819901623  
\$ 55.00 / hb

This book provides an analytical discussion of the status of disaster risk reduction and governance in an Indian context, drawing examples and lessons from the output of the national and regional level programs and projects and from other relevant experiences in the country. Different types of disasters faced by Indian states are covered, including geophysical and hydro meteorological hazards. The book incorporates and draws upon some of the key lessons from the pre-disaster phase through the disaster phase and finally to the post-disaster phase, thus establishing an effective framework in the form of key lessons learned. The rich content of the book is based on contributions from various stakeholders, from academicians and practitioners to decision makers and nongovernment organizations related to disaster risk management systems in an Indian context.

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*Contemporary Politics In India: Theory and Issues* / Subhajit Ghosh, Subhadip Mukherjee (Ed)  
New Delhi: Maya Publishing House, 2023  
xv, 99 p.; 23 cm  
9789391642068  
\$ 16.25 / hb

India is the largest democracy in the World and has a rich heritage history in political system. This parliamentary democratic system is the back-bone of the nation. This book specially focuses on some theoretical aspects and some important issues related to challenging areas of conceptual analysis and implications of governmental policies as demanding by the Indian society.

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*Foreign Policy Face of New Vibrant India* / Raj Kumar Singh  
New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023  
xix, 390 p.; 25 cm  
9789391685379  
\$ 75.00 / hb

At the time of country's Independence in 1947, India opted for the policy of Non-alignment keeping in view the national requirements and international milieu in the era of Cold War between the two superpowers of the time, in afterwards, especially in post-Nehru and post-Indira regimes due to complexes of India's relations with China and Pakistan, the earlier strong image of India went on decline slowly but continuously and as a result, country was surrounded by a series of challenges at home and in abroad.

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Urban governance In India / U. B. Singh  
New Delhi: Maya Publishing House, 2023  
xxvi, 217 p.; 25 cm.  
9789391642075  
\$ 37.50 / hb

During twentieth century, especially in later half, India witnessed rapid urban growth. Urban population has shown higher growth than its rural counterpart. Strangely, this tremendous urban growth has not resulted into proportional increase in urban centres and urbanisation level. The urban content is found hovering around one-third mark. Many estimates suggest that the country may touch half way mark in next fifty years.

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How Prime Ministers Decide: An Unprecedented, Explosive Look at How Decisions Are Taken at The Very Top of The Indian Political Establishment / Neerja Chowdhury  
New Delhi: Aleph Book Company 2023  
xxviii, 578 p.; 24 cm  
9789390652457  
\$ 25.00 / hb

India's prime ministers have taken decisions that changed the course of the country's history. This book by Neerja Chowdhury, an award-winning journalist and political commentator, goes beyond the news headlines to provide an eye-opening account of how some of the most important political decisions in independent India were taken. The author analyses the operating styles of the country's prime ministers through the prism of six decisions of historic significance. These are as follows: the strategy that Indira Gandhi devised to return to power in 1980, after her humiliating defeat post the Emergency in 1977; the errors of judgment that led Rajiv Gandhi to undo the Supreme Court's judgment in the Shah Bano case; V. P. Singh's implementation of the Mandal Commission Report to save his government which forever changed the face of contemporary politics; P. V. Narasimha Rao's masterful indecision that resulted in the demolition of the Babri Masjid; the rapidly changing political scenarios that turned the avowed pacifist Atal Bihari Vajpayee into a nuclear hawk who greenlighted the testing of nuclear devices.

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Indian Armed Forces In 2047 At The Centenary of Independence: Commemoration of The 75th Year of Independence / Gautam Banerjee (Ed)  
New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2023  
xvii, 310 p.; 24 cm.  
9789390095803  
\$ 32.50 / hb

The 75th Year of Independence is a milestone in India's march towards a sovereign dispensation characterised by freedom, peace, and prosperity. In that endeavour, the preservation of territorial sanctity, economic sovereignty and political relevance in a competitive intra- and inter-regional dispensation are major challenges.

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Hindus In Hindu Rashtra: Eight Class Citizens & Victims Of State Sanctioned Apartheid / Anand Ranganathan  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: Blueprint/BluOne Ink LLP, 2023  
xviii, 135 p.; 21 cm.  
9789392209475  
\$ 10.00 / hb

Hindu In Hindu Rashtra: Eight Class Citizens & Victims Of State Sanctioned Apartheid To those who claim we are now living in a totalitarian, fascist, Hindu Rashtra, one must ask: What kind of a Hindu Rashtra is this where a billion-strong Hindus have been, through our parliament, through our courts, our education system, and our constitution, reduced to not just second-class but, rather, eighth-class citizens? What kind of Hindu Rashtra is this where Ram Navami, Hanuman Jayanti, Durga pooja processions, and even Garba celebrations, are attacked and stoned with impunity? What kind of Hindu Rashtra is this where a sitting Prime minister says minorities.

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Sovereign Anxiety: Public Order and the Politics of Control in India, 1915–1955 / Javed Iqbal Wani  
New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2024  
320p.;  
9781009337939  
\$ 30.00 / hb

This book studies issues of public order in late colonial and earlier postcolonial India. It identifies various governmental practices, such as curfews, bans and police action, that thrive on extraordinary legislation to maintain public order. The colonial regime often deployed extraordinary legislation to curtail the liberties of individuals and groups by citing potential harm to public order. Through public order, a spectacle of sovereign power and politics of contestation between the citizens and law enforcement emerges.

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India and the Gulf: theoretical perspectives and policy shifts / Harsh V. Pant (Ed), Hasan T. Alhasan  
New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023  
220p.;  
9781009310840  
\$ 25.00 / hb

India's foreign policy in the Gulf has been a confounding situation for years. From the oil boom of the 1970s until Manmohan Singh took office in 2004, the density of India's interactions with the region, in the form of migration, financial remittances, or trade, surpassed by multiple orders of magnitude India's diplomatic and strategic ties with the Gulf states. The volume aims to examine the subject from a variety of theoretical lenses and methodological approaches. It thus brings together various approaches to key contemporary themes of India's foreign policy towards the Gulf region. It treads a range of traditional and emergent themes in India's foreign policy in the Gulf region, including India's alignment choices, its strategic partnerships in the region, the paradiplomacy of Indian states in the region, and the management of Indian immigrants.

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Cold War 2.0: Illusion versus Reality / Madhav Das Nalapat  
Haryana, India: Penguin Random House, 2023  
256p.;  
9780670098415  
\$ 17.50 / hb

Cold War 1.0 was fought principally between the US and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Soon after the collapse of the latter, Cold War 2.0 began. Just as with the earlier Cold War, this is also a battle of systems on an existential trajectory. This time around, the principal protagonists are the US and the People Republic of China (PRC). Those who deny the reality of the new Cold War, believe that Cold War 1.0 has reappeared, this time with the Russian Federation replacing the Soviet Union as the opponent. Such a view ignores the changes to the global order caused by the increasingly visible efforts of the PRC to replace the US as the prime mover influencing the trajectory of the twenty-first century.

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Strange Burdens: The Politics and Predicaments of Rahul Gandhi / Sugata Srinivasaraju  
Haryana, India: Penguin Random House, 2023

336p.;

9780670098859

\$ 17.50 / hb

Strange Burdens is not a biography but a book of political commentary. It examines and analyses Rahul Gandhi's ideas and leadership since he officially entered politics in March 2004. It journeys all the way to the conclusion of the Bharat Jodo Yatra in Srinagar on 30 January 2023 and captures the dilemmas of his disqualification a couple of months later.

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Three Shades of Green: Privatization, Pollution and Protest / Pramod Kumar  
Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023

328p.;

9789350027950

\$ 25.00 / hb

Green, that was not! For the first time, a year-long Farmers' Protest in the post-liberalization phase questioned the economic reforms agenda. The main thrust was that the State was leveraging public resources for private profit and giving impetus to ill-founded and unsustainable development under the banner of the 'Second Green Revolution.' The Three Farm Acts were seen as having a direct impact on the farmers' livelihood, the food security of the people living on the margins, and the country's food sovereignty. The protest was unique in many ways as it was a conglomerate of 32 ideologically competing organizations and a broad-based engagement of people from different socio-economic and religious backgrounds.

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The Theory Of Basic Structure: Saviour Of The Constitution And Democracy / Vijay Kumar

Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023

202p.;

9789350028278

\$ 15.00 / hb

The present book seeks to re-evaluate the theory of basic structure at the theoretical level in the light of spurt of writings on unamendability of the foundational principles of the Constitution in the recent times from the larger canvas of democratic constitutionalism. Therefore, this book is as much an exercise in political theory as in constitutional jurisprudence. After straddling both the domain of case law and theoretical exploration, the book argues that the features of basic structure delineated by the Supreme Court on case to case basis in the last 50 years correspond with the Idea of

India. The book has privileged the identity grounded in the definition of citizenship in the Constitution by subordinating the identity rooted in scripted categories.

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India And The Battle For Earth / Vinode B Ramgopal Ajay Vishwas

Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023

76p.;

9789350028216

\$ 6.25 / pb

"Battling for Earth" sets out the context, and the epistemic logic within which the larger issues of the very sustainability of habitats and living beings may be looked at. The Tract argues that the issue of sustainability will be settled either way depending on what choices India will make in near and not so distant future."

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India's Federal Setup: A Journey Through Seven Decades / R. Mohan

Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023

xii, 252 p.; 23 cm

9789350028179

\$ 20.00 / hb

The book looks at the course travelled by the Indian polity in the post-independence period, by analysing the dominance of a single party. emergence of coalition governments at the State- level and later at the all-India level, relations between tiers of governments, accommodative and conflicting stances in the relations of the governments and the party system, instances of judicial intervention, movements in the public sphere, issues in the fiscal and economic arenas and the political actions of constitutional authorities, especially the Governors. The shifts in the support bases of the political parties and the emerging interests of the dominant social classes are also discussed. Based on these analyses. certain questions about our polity are attempted to be answered.

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Revisiting Ram Manohar Lohia: challenges for the theory and practice of alternative socialism / A. Raghu Kumar

Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023

233 p.;

9789350027943

\$ 20.00 / hb

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Marginalized Mobilized Incorporated: Women and Religious Nationalism in Indian Democracy / Rina Verma Williams

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023

9780197747681

\$ 15.00 / pb

How has the participation of women in Hindu nationalist politics in India changed over time? More broadly, what has their changing participation meant for women, Hindu nationalism, and Indian democracy? In Marginalized, Mobilized, Incorporated, Rina Verma Williams places women's participation in religious politics in India into historical and comparative perspective through a focus on the most important Hindu nationalist political parties in modern Indian history: the All-India Hindu Mahasabha (HMS) and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). She compares three critical periods to show the increasing involvement of women in Hindu nationalist politics over time.

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Explorations in Colonial Bengal: Essays on Religion, Society, and Culture / Achintya Kumar Dutta  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
xxxiii, 350 p.; 22 cm.  
9789354425134  
\$ 37.50 / pb

Bengal was the primary centre of East-West interaction and the first region in India to be influenced by and resonate with British culture during colonial times. Explorations in Colonial Bengal sheds light on some important, yet relatively less-explored aspects of sociocultural changes that took place in Bengal in the colonial milieu. The essays engage with two major themes: Vaishnavism, and the society and culture of nineteenth and twentieth-century Bengal.

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Violence of Democracy: Interparty Conflict in South India / Ruchi Chaturvedi  
Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan, 2023  
272p.;  
9789354424533  
\$ 42.50 / pb

Violence of Democracy tracks the rise of India's divisive politics through close examination of decades-long interparty confrontations in Kannur district of Kerala. Drawing on ethnographic fieldwork amongst workers of political groups in the region and extensive archival research, Ruchi Chaturvedi investigates the unique character of the conflict between the parties on the political left and the right. This conflict, she shows, contradicts all explanations centering on religious, caste, class or ideological differences. It offers, instead, new ways of understanding how everyday interparty competition can produce vengeful political communities.

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Unsealed Covers: A Decade of the Constitution, the Courts and the State / Gautam Bhatia  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers, 2023  
xxii, 472 p.; 23 cm.  
9789356993631  
\$ 17.50 / pb

In Unsealed Covers, Gautam Bhatia provides a snapshot of the Indian judiciary between 2014 and 2023. The 2014 general election saw the installation of the first majority non-coalition government in many decades (the NDA). The 2019 general election saw its return with a greater majority. It is commonly accepted that the NDA years have generated significant conflict within and around various democratic institutions meant to act as checks and balances against majoritarian power. One of the most important theatres of conflict has been the judiciary-in particular, the Supreme Court. Critics have distinguished the Supreme Court's past assertive record with its quiescent and sometimes facilitative attitude towards the NDA government(s).

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We Also Make Policy: An Insider's Account of How The Finance Ministry Functions / Garg Subhash Chandra  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers India, 2023  
xxiv, 494 p.; 24 cm  
9789356994713  
\$ 20.00 / hb

Economic policy has a direct impact on how people live, eat, work and spend. It governs every aspect of life, and finance secretaries are central to how economic policy is made and implemented. In this book, Subhash Chandra Garg, former economic affairs secretary and finance secretary, tells the inside story of how economic policy is made, and unmade, at the highest levels in the Government of India. *We Also Make Policy* is a fly-on-the-wall account of proceedings within the finance ministry. The book talks candidly about controversial decisions from the first tenure of the NDA government, such as the politics of 'minimum support price' to farmers, electoral bonds, recapitalizing of banks, monetizing national assets and the controversial resignation of RBI Governor Urjit Patel, among others. As the author of three Union Budgets, Garg also talks about what it takes to put the Budget together: the pressures, the processes, the calculations and, above all, the politics.

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China and emerging India: political, economic and security aspects / C. Vinodan  
New Delhi: New Century Publications, 2023  
xii, 224 p.; 23 cm.  
9788177085464  
\$ 30.00 / hb

With the rise of China and India as significant players in global political, economic and security architecture, the centre of gravity of international relations has gradually shifted from Europe and North America to the Asian region in the 21st Century. This global power shift has also led to a significant change in politics of powerful countries and the balance of power system. Major powers are trying to re-adjust their policies to maximize advantages and minimize the costs of this change. The increasing power aspirations of China and its more assertive posture in Asia has thrown open many challenges to India's foreign policy. To overcome these challenges, India too is redefining its position and role—both at the regional and global level. Being the world's largest democracy and a growing economic power, emerging India is aspiring for a more proactive role in regional and global politics along with China.

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Feminist and Ferocious: Women Student Activists In Contemporary India / Rahul Kapoor  
New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2023  
xii, 293 p.; 25 cm.  
9789391897505  
\$ 37.50 / hb

India with its rich history of participation of women in the freedom struggle and student activism has laid the foundation of many mass movements in which women students have given their contribution and as an extension to that glorious journey my book titled, 'Feminist And Ferocious: Women Student Activists In Contemporary India' highlights the scope and presence of leadership of women in student activism and mass movements in contemporary India. It documents the influence and impact of feminism on women student activists and broadens the scope of understanding the contemporary issues and concerns of women student activists and their relationship with feminism.

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India's Neighbourhood Policy During Modi's Regime: Issues and Challenges / Shantesh Kumar Singh (Ed), Rajeev Kumar Singh  
New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
xxiv, 215 p.; 25 cm.  
9789391897413  
\$ 37.50 / hb

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Political Empowerment of Muslims in India: Participation and Representation / Ghouse and Mohammed  
New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2023  
319p.;  
9789391897116  
\$ 50.00 / hb

This book is derived out of the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) Post Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) carried out by the author in the Department of Political Science, University of Hyderabad (UoH), Telangana. The book undertakes a theoretical and empirical approach to understanding the question of the political empowerment of Muslims in India through political empowerment of Muslims...  
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Aam Aadmi and the Seven Savants Struggle for Social Justice and Equality / Mishra and Lakshmidhar  
New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2023  
lviii, 302 p.; 25 cm.  
9789391897161  
\$ 37.50 / hb  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860434>

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India's Nuclear Policy In The Twenty First Century / Faridi, M H  
New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
xii, 272 p.; 25 cm  
9789391897444  
\$ 37.50 / hb  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860435>

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Pakistan in turmoil: story of the decline of state, politics and society / Mujahid Hussain  
New Delhi: Pentagon Press, 2023  
xiii, 199 p.; 24 cm.  
9798853280465  
\$ 50.00 / hb

Mujahid Hussain traces the roots of the compressive socio-political, economic, and moral degradation faced by Pakistan at individual, societal, governmental, and state levels. This book presents sharp images of conceptual confusions, policy decisions, and priorities that set Pakistan on a downward slide. It relates how a newly-acquired state ideology (religion) is overlaid on an imperfect democracy in order to achieve a utopia. The ideology, however, paved the way for dictatorship while suppressing cultural and religious diversity, right to express and constitutional guarantees such as equality before law. Besides, the ideology necessitated indoctrination while creating ghost enemies that validated disproportionate defence expenditures at the cost of education, health, and housing. The resort to ideology could not build even the moral fibre of the individual or society, which was soon distinguished as one of the most corrupt among nations.  
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Electoral Practice and the Election Commission of India: Politics, Institutions and Democracy / Manjari Katju  
New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023  
266 p.;  
9781009346863  
\$ 30.00 / hb

'Never before in India's political history has such value been placed on the functioning of institutions that regulate, shape and monitor democratic processes. This excellent work

is an exceptionally timely and valuable contribution to the study of democratic institutions and their significance. Institutions are vital and central to the functioning of democracy. Taking her cue from theories of new institutionalism' that focus on how institutions shape political processes, and to a certain extent how they are impacted by political processes, Manjari Katju has competently and compellingly drawn our attention to this aspect of democracy. This book will help us understand not only the institutional meltdown in our country but also what the implications of this meltdown are. Manjari is to be congratulated.' Neera Chandhoke, Former Professor of Political Science, University of Delhi.

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India's National Security Challenges / N.N. Vohra  
Delhi: Primus Books, 2023

124p.;

9789358520378

\$ 25.00 / hb

The Constitution of India provides that it shall be the duty of the Union to protect the states against internal disturbance and external aggression, and the states shall be responsible for maintaining police forces and securing public order. A large country, with nearly 23,000 km. of land and sea borders, India faces a host of internal, external and varied other serious security challenges. The contributors to this volume, almost all of whom are respected veterans of our three Defence Services have, on the basis of their long experiences, highlighted their concerns and pointed to the way forward.

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India's Experiment with Democracy: The Life of a Nation Through Its Elections / S.Y. Quraishi

Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins India, 2023

600 p.;

9789356993648

\$ 17.50 / pb

Since the founding of the republic, India has been the largest democracy in the world. In many respects it was considered a model democracy owing to its ideals, such as a non-partisan Election Commission and free dialogue and debate. Its abiding features have been non-discriminatory management of diversity, concern for an equitable and equal society, and a profound reverence towards the country's founding document, the Constitution. In India's Experiment with Democracy, former chief election commissioner S.Y. Quraishi examines key questions that face India today: What foundational principles must be definitive to our ideas of nationhood, citizenship and democracy? How may we enliven our national discourse with a renewed spirit of inquiry and imaginative erudition, and mid-course correction?

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Keeping Up the Good Fight / Prabir Purkayastha

New Delhi: LeftWord Books, 2023

228 p.; 22 cm.

9789392018978

\$ 11.00 / pb

September 25, 1975. The students of Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi had called for a strike to protest the expulsion of Ashoklata Jain, an elected councillor of the students' union. Three months before, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi had declared a state of Emergency. It was the second day of the strike and the campus was tense. A black Ambassador car pulled up near a group of students, a few cops in plainclothes got out, and abducted one of them. The student spent the next one year in jail. February 9,

2021. Officers from the Enforcement Directorate raided the home of the founder of an online news portal. The raid lasted 113 hours, over five days. The office of the news portal was also raided. October 3, 2023. Officers of the Special Cell of Delhi Police remanded the founder of the news portal and his colleague to custody under the dreaded Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA). Keeping Up the Good Fight is the story of Prabir Purkayastha, incarcerated by two authoritarian regimes, half a century apart. It is also the story of a young man's political coming of age, told with wit and humour, and of his engagement with some of India's most pressing social, political and economic issues over the decades.

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Hindutva and Violence: V.D. Savarkar and the Politics of History / Vinayak Chaturvedi  
Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2024

480p.;

9788178246819

\$ 22.50 / pb

Hindutva and Violence tells the story of the place of history in Vinayak Damodar Savarkar's political thought. It examines Savarkar's central claim that "Hindutva is not a word but a history." For Savarkar, this history was not a total history, a complete history, or a narrative history. Its purpose was to trace key historical events to a powerful source – the font of motivation for "chief actors" of the past who had turned to violence in a permanent war for "Hindutva" as the founding principle of a Hindu nation. At the centre of Savarkar's writings are historical characters who not only participated in ethical warfare against invaders, imperialists, and conquerors in India, but also became Hindus in acts of violence. He argues that the discipline of history provides the only method for interpreting Hindutva.

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India and the Changing World Order: Emerging Paradigm Shift in The Global Political and Economic Order / S. Gurumurthy

New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2023

328p.;

9789392209482

\$ 20.00 / hb

India and the Changing World breaks free from conventional boundaries, delving fearlessly into the realms of emerging civilizational, religious, and historical matters. Its purpose lies in sparking essential conversations about broader matters, such as civilizational, cultural, and social diversity issues that have been overlooked in the shaping of the post-World War II and post-Cold War global order. As the existing global order confronts unprecedented challenges, this book serves as a catalyst, fueling a discourse that captures the essence of a rapidly evolving world. Through a comparative study, the book offers fresh insights into the contrasting approaches of short-termist liberal democracies and long-termist autocratic China, shedding light on the distinctive qualities of a liberal and civilizational democracy as exemplified by India.

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Soul and Sword: The History of Political Hinduism / Hindol Sengupta

Haryan, India: Penguin Random House, 2023

352 P.;

9780670093786

\$ 17.50 / hb

Political Hinduism was once considered a sort of fringe ideology, shadowy and even misunderstood. Its ideas and narratives seemed, in popular discourse, to lack analytical rigour and were easily dismissed. But history shows that political Hinduism as an

intellectual idea was a pioneering theme in India's nationhood. In fact, it precedes the Indian republic and has been one of the most resilient political theories of India, which survived many bans, boycotts and decades out of power to become, in the twenty-first century, the predominant political force of India. The adherents of political Hinduism are as determined as its detractors—one complains about facing relentless prejudice; the other throws accusations of promoting continuous religious strife. One believes that India cannot be saved without decimating political Hinduism; the other is sanguine that only political Hinduism can save the future of India.

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Bbin Sub-Region: Perspectives on Climate-Water-Energy Nexus / Uttam Kumar Sinha  
New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2024  
xiii, 176 p.; 24 cm.  
9788195189458  
\$ 25.00 / hb

Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal (BBIN) are home to 21 per cent of the world's population. With projected economic growth in the BBIN countries, a consequent increase in the demand for electricity and heavy dependence on fossil fuels are expected despite the pitch for renewable energy. The region also faces unprecedented climate change, particularly in the Hindu Kush Himalaya, the cradle of major sub-continental rivers, and where melting glaciers, unpredictable weather conditions, and rainfall patterns are affecting the life of millions and instigating frequent natural disasters. Since 2014, India has tried to maximise sub-regional interaction with the aim of promoting cooperation in the economic, social, cultural and scientific fields. This has opened new thinking and opportunities, complementing the pace of globalisation and liberalisation. The fear, of course, is that this approach can easily dissipate in the face of security complexities and political difficulties.

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Artificial Intelligence and National Security / Vijay S. Khare, Amit Sinha  
New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2024  
xxiii, 141 p.; 24 cm.  
9788195189496  
\$ 25.00 / hb

The book is a collaborative endeavour of an esteemed academician and a dedicated uniformed soldier, shedding light on India's current position in the dynamic landscape of artificial intelligence (AI). It delves into the heart of the global 'AI Summer,' a transformative phenomenon reshaping industries across the globe. It meticulously chronicles the progress made in AI in India over the past five years, emphasizing the pivotal role played by the Government think-tank, the NITI Aayog, in setting the tone for AI initiatives within the country. Furthermore, it examines the collective efforts of government bodies, industry players, academic institutions, and defence organizations in harnessing AI's potential to fortify national security.

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Turkiye`s Foreign Policy Under the AKP: Implications and Challenges for India / Md. Muddassir Quamar  
New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2024  
xii, 176 p.; 24 cm.  
9788195189427  
\$ 25.00 / hb

During the first two decades of the twenty-first century, besides the structural factors namely geography, history, politics, international system and the world order, five conjunctural factors dominated Turkish foreign policy behaviour and conduct. These

include the Strategic Depth (Stratejik Derinlik) doctrine with 'zero-problem' with neighbours embedded in it followed by the Blue Homeland (Mavi Vatan) doctrine focused on enhancing Türkiye's maritime presence in its immediate neighbourhood and the periphery. Thirdly, and arguably the most important, is the personality of Recep Tayyip Erdogan who as a dominating figure in contemporary Turkish politics has shaped not only the political discourse but foreign policy praxis. Erdogan's personalised style of interventions has undoubtedly had a profound impact on Ankara's interactions and engagements with the wider world.

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Secularism as Misdirection: Critical Thought from the Global South / Nivedita Menon  
Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, 2023

xv, 478 p.; 23 cm

9788178246703

\$ 27.50 / hb

In the performance of a magic trick, misdirection draws attention away from the trick to another place which appears more fascinating. This book shows how secularism creates such a misdirection. Menon argues that secularism stands in as an umbrella term for a range of associated ideas – global science, historical progress, general development, individual freedom, rational choice. Within this grid of meanings linked with secularism, certain features become hyper visible (religion, women) while others are obscured (caste, capitalism, the non-individuated and non-rational self). Secularism, Menon shows, is merely a strategy of rule, being compatible with both democracy and authoritarianism, capitalism and socialism. Only when we are no longer dazzled by secularism's ability to misdirect can meaningful values – democracy, social equality, and ecological justice – emerge centre stage.

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Muslim Politics In India / Hamid Dalwai

Gurugram, Haryana: Penguin Random House, 2023

256 p.;

9780670095957

\$ 12.50 / hb

Hamid Dalwai has been called a Muslim modernizer who relentlessly worked towards promoting reason and justice among Muslims. Historian Ram Guha writes, '[He] worked tirelessly to get Muslims to shed their social and religious prejudices. The pursuit of gender equality was of pre-eminent importance to him; and he waged a long battle against triple talaq.' Born in a lower-middle-class family in rural Maharashtra in 1932, Dalwai was a gifted writer who broke on to the Marathi literary scene as a highly promising writer. His novel Indhan is now recognized as a significant contribution to Marathi literature. Dalwai was attracted by the ideas of Ram Manohar Lohia and became an active member of the Socialist Party. Dalwai's writing displayed the same passion and forthrightness, eloquence and commitment, which informed all his actions as a social worker.

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Social Diversity and Political divergence in Jammu and Kashmir: Identifying the Complexity of Conflicts Situation and the Format for Its Resolution / Rekha Chowdhary  
Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

9789382396871

\$ 21.25 / hb

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The Great Outsider: Shankar Guha Niyogi, Technology and Green Politics In India /  
adhika Krishnan

Shimla, India: India Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

9789382396895

\$ 17.50 / hb

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Dynamics of Triguna Theory In The 21st Century / Brigadier, Jeewan Rajpurohit

Shimla, India: Indian Institute of Advanced Study, 2023

xxi, 258 p.;

9789382396833

\$ 21.25 / hb

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Panchayati Raj: Local Governance and Rural Development in Tribal Society of India / Kamin Modi

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

167p.;

9789391844592

\$ 25.00 / hb

Rural Development can be understood as a process which aims to raise the capacity of people so that they could control their environment within the distribution of benefits. In brief, it is viewed as strategy to bring about improvement in the economic, political and social life of the rural people. The participation of people in rural development is a must because the developmental activities have to be carried out by the government along with cooperation of the locales. For the purpose, the local government is considered as an instrument of the implementing machinery of the state development and welfare programmes, and as a unit of government at the local levels. Panchayati Raj system serves the most effective forms of local governments available where people can participate meaningfully and directly in the developmental process.

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Involvement of Stakeholder's Engagement in last Mile Connectivity along Metro Stations

in Lucknow / Himanshu Chandra & Shachi Rai

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

227p.;

9789391844899

\$ 30.00 / hb

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Urban Sanitation, Septage and Waste Water Management in Uttar Pradesh / A.K. Singh, Shachi Rai & Awadhesh Kumar Singh

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

223p.;

9789391844721

\$ 27.50 / hb

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Impact Assessment of Amrut Reforms Implementation in Achieving Good Urban Governance / Alka Singh & Ajit Kumar Mishra

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

144p.;

9789391844929

\$ 20.00 / hb

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## Religion

Idols: Unearthing The Power Of Murti Puja / Amish Tripathi  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins India., 2023  
328p.;  
9789356994508  
\$ 10.00 / pb

Idols: Unearthing the Power of Murti Puja Why do people worship idols? Why does idol worship stubbornly persist despite many centuries of prejudice, bigotry and violence against it? Can such worship help us find our true purpose in life and ultimately attain peace and prosperity? In Idols, a companion volume to the best-selling Dharma, your favourite cast of fictional characters is back, along with some new ones, to explore the essence and true meaning of idolatry, or idol worship. In this insightful book, Amish and Bhavna tackle burning questions about idol worship through simple and astute interpretations of myths and religious texts. They unearth the symbolic.  
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## Religion - Jainism

Bahubali: 63 Insights Into Jainism / Devdutt Pattanaik  
Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers, 2023  
9789356993457  
\$ 12.50 / hb

Many Historians Believe That Jainism And Other Hermit Schools Were Simply A Reaction To Vedic Ritualism. But For Most Jains, Their Religion Has No Origin: It Has Always Been Around. Jainism Was Rediscovered By Rishabh-dev, The First Tirthankar Of This Era. Rishabh's Eldest Son, Bharat, Became Chakravarti, King Of Kings, And Gave The Country Its Name. Bahubali, Bharat's Younger Brother, Renounced Violence And Followed The Jain Path Of Freedom. Rishabh Was Followed By Twenty-three Other Tirthankars.  
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## Sociology

Challenging the Status QUO Gendered Empowerment and Change / Vinay Rana, Madhu Prabakaran (Ed)  
New Delhi: Bharti Publications, 2022  
vi, 142 p.;  
9789391681722  
\$ 22.00 / pb  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860454>

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Caste Pride: Battles for Equality in Hindu India / Manoj Mitta  
Chennai: Westland Books, 2023  
xxviii, 596 p.; 25 cm  
9789357762946  
\$ 25.00 / hb

In this masterful work, Manoj Mitta examines the endurance and violence of the Hindu caste system through the lens of the law. Linking two centuries of legal reform with social movements, he unearths the characters, speeches, confusions and decisions that have shaped the war on caste, mitigating how this ancient institution discriminated between Hindus across the board. Where they could live, how they could dress, whether

they could go to a shop, a stream, walk a street or mingle, enter a temple, whom and how they could marry, which scriptures applied to whom, whether their actions, innocent or criminal, would attract punishment or impunity.

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Caste In Bengal: Histories of Hierarchy, Exclusion, and Resistance / Sekhar Bandyopadhyay and Tanika Sarkar

Ranikhet: Permanent Black in association with Ashoka University, 2023

616p.;

9788178246758

\$ 30.00 / pb

In West Bengal if you ask the question "Does caste matter in Bengal?", the answer will depend on the caste of the person asked. Many among the Bengali Hindu bhadralok like to think that caste does not matter in Bengali society and politics. The long dominance of the Left in the state has entrenched idioms of class over caste and contributed to the myth of Bengali exceptionalism. "Castelessness", many upper-caste Bengalis believe, distinguishes them from other Indians. By contrast, it has been argued that because everything in Bengal is controlled by the upper castes, it is the most casteist of India's societies.

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Caste as Social Capital: The Complex Place of Caste in Indian Society / R. Vaidyanathan Haryana: Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., 2023

xix, 142 p.; 23 cm.

9780143459491

\$ 7.50 / pb

Many consider caste as an outdated institution, though it thrives in post-liberalization India. That being the case, caste has only been studied from a religious, social and political angle. It is grudgingly accepted that caste has economic ramifications. For instance, the establishment and running of businesses tap into caste networks, both in terms of arranging finance and providing access to a ready workforce. Despite that, any study of this aspect has been limited to looking at caste groups in terms of their per capita income, their representation in various professions and other statistical details.

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Untouchability In Rural India / Ghanshyam Shah | Harsh Mander

Jaipur, India: Rawat Publications, 2023

216p.;

9788131613375

\$ 25.00 / hb

This book is a focused and systematic documentation of the incidence and extent of the practice of untouchability in India. Based on the results of a large survey during 2001-2002, covering 565 villages in 11 states, it reveals that untouchability continues to be widely prevalent and is practiced in one form or another in almost 80 per cent of the villages.

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Sociology of Entrepreneurship in India / Bal Gurpreet

Jaipur, India: Rawat Publications, 2023

284p.;

9788131613177

\$ 32.50 / hb

The book presents a comprehensive and in-depth exploration of various social dimensions of entrepreneurship in India. It covers a wide spectrum from the emergence of capitalism in India with the establishment of East India Company to post-pandemic times. This journey of over four hundred years has not remained a continuous evolutionary process, rather a bouncy road with lot of cleavages of social and political concerns. The foundation of the basic arguments is laid on the interrelationship and interdependency of economy and society in any era of development and the bridge in between is the entrepreneur.

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Key Issues in the Sociology of Education / Domina Thurston (et.al)

Jaipur, India: Rawat Publications, 2023

322p.;

9788131613214

\$ 42.50 / hb

Drawing on current scholarship, Key Issues in the Sociology of Education takes students on a journey through the many roles that education plays in contemporary societies. Addressing students' own experience of education before expanding to larger sociological conversations, Key Issues in the Sociology of Education helps readers understand and engage with such topics as peer groups, gender and identity, social class, the racialization of achievement, the treatment of immigrant children, special education, school choice, accountability, discipline, global perspectives, and schooling as a social institution. The book prompts students to evaluate how schools organize our society and how society organizes our schools. Moving from students to schooling to social forces, Key Issues in the Sociology of Education provides a lively and engaging introduction to theory and research and will serve as a cornerstone for courses such as sociology of education, foundations of education, critical issues in education, and school and society.

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Being Single in India Stories of Gender Exclusion and Possibility / Lamb Sarah

Jaipur, India: Rawat Publications, 2023

234p.;

9788131613269

\$ 30.00 / hb

Today, the majority of the world's population lives in a country with falling marriage rates, a phenomenon with profound impacts on women, gender, and sexuality. In this exceptionally crafted ethnography, Sarah Lamb probes the gendered trend of single women living in India, examining what makes living outside marriage for women increasingly possible and yet incredibly challenging. Featuring the stories of never-married women as young as 35 and as old as 92, the book offers a remarkable portrait of a way of life experienced by women across class and caste divides, from urban professionals and rural day laborers, to those who identify as heterosexual and lesbian, to others who evaded marriage both by choice and by circumstance. For women in India, complex social-cultural and political-economic contexts are foundational to their lives and decisions, and evading marriage is often an unintended consequence of other pressing life priorities. Arguing that never-married women are able to illuminate their society's broader social-cultural values, Lamb offers a new and startling look at prevailing systems of gender, sexuality, kinship, freedom, and social belonging in India today.

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Living Strategy: A Study On Hill and Island Situation / Roy, K.M. Sinha (et al.)

New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023

xiv+132p.;

9789391685201

\$ 22.50 / hb

This book is an outcome of two different ecological setups; here the study is depicting how the populace of Lachenpa and Nicobarese have adopted to the ecological niches to maintain their survival strategy in such harsh conditions. The objective of the book is to represent the nature of ecological adaptation by human beings who depend on environment to continue their existence. (Sikkim)

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The Art of Magic and Magicians In The Contemporary World / Kailash Chander Pandey  
New Delhi: Maya Publishing House, 2023

xiv, 278 p.;

9789391642112

\$ 62.50 / hb

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Children of Teen Mothers: Physical, Cognitive and Behavioural Outcomes / Ramya Bhaskar, M. Komala

New Delhi: Maya Publishing House, 2023

xii, 92 p.;

9789391642129

\$ 25.00 / hb

Teenage pregnancy is one of the significant public health problems in today's world, even though it is a preventable condition but associated with negative sequelae for both teen mothers and their children. World Health Organization fact sheet report indicates that 16 million children are born to women under the age of 20 worldwide during the last decade. India is no different in the issue of teenage pregnancy.

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Religious Culture of Varanasi / V.V.S. Manian

New Delhi: Aayu Publications, 2023

xi, 416 p.;

9789391685188

\$ 100.00 / hb

Situated on the left bank of the Ganges, in UP, Varanasi is one of the oldest cities in the world. It has withstood countless attempts to destroy over the centuries. The city survived thanks to its unshakeable faith in various Gods and Goddesses. It is a wonder that despite the repeated onslaught on Varanasi's Hindus and their places of worship, the temples were rebuilt and retained the essence of bhakti and beliefs. Varanasi has no parallel in history.

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Wives and Widows at Work: Women's Labour in Agrarian Bengal, Then and Now / Deepita Chakravarty and Ishita Chakravarty

Hyderabad, India: Orient BlackSwan, 2023

288p.;

9789354424458

\$ 32.25 / pb

History seems to stand still in Bengal, a province which once played a pioneering role in the nineteenth-century social reform movement. For over a century now, in spite of the drastic politico-economic changes and social upheavals that Bengal has witnessed, important indicators of women's well-being continue to display alarming trends in the region. Colonial censuses as well as recent data indicate low work participation rates of

women, along with very high incidences of underage marriage and widowhood in agrarian Bengal—higher than most other parts of India.

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Dalits in the New Millennium / Sudha Pai (Ed)

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

500p.;

9781009441605

\$ 30.00 / pb

Dalits in the New Millennium interrogates the major aspects of Dalit experience in multiple spheres and traces how Dalit politics is no longer merely content with desire for social justice but has become more assertive and aspirational in its demands. The volume represents the individual voices of the editors and contributors, who are eminent academics and activists, and situates Dalit life amidst all the major changes that have occurred over the last three decades. It aims to provide a more holistic approach to studying the community's socio-economic and political life in the new millennium and adds to the existing literature on Dalit politics, focusing especially on the changes that are taking place in the realm of electoral politics, popular culture, political economy, ideological worldview, and representation, among others.

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Quest for identity: gender, Land and Migration In Contemporary Jharkhand / Nitya Rao

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

330 p.;

9781009358002

\$ 30.00 / hb

This book lays bare the reality of being an Adivasi in India today and beyond that a woman in a globalising world, building commonalities with the author's own personal experiences and life trajectory. The lived experiences of Santal women and men are unfolded here along with the political and economic changes after Jharkhand State was created. Using ethnographic methods, it weaves a multi-dimensional and multi-relational mosaic of the lives and livelihoods, the struggles for resources, gender identities and new narratives of citizenship.

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Caste, Social Inequality And Mobility In Rural India: Reconceptualizing The Indian Village / K. L. Sharma

Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023

xvi, 378 p.; 22 cm

9789350028209

\$ 25.00 / pb

This book investigates and presents a holistic view of today's rural India by analysing different social aspects such as caste, migration, mobility, education and inequalities. It further studies the village social structure comprising peasants, artisans, weavers and the middle class, and the role of education in reshaping the social life of rural people. It challenges current conceptualization and understanding of caste as a system, caste mobility, caste-class polarity and country-town divide. This book also argues that caste as a system has ceased to exist, but caste persists discretely as a non-systemic means of appropriation for political and social ends. This interdisciplinary dynamic study reconceptualizes the 'village' by explaining the emerging social trends and patterns of social stratification in contemporary rural India.

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Rethinking Marxism: India From a Class Perspective / Anjan Chakrabarti, Anup Kumar Dhar  
Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023  
580 p.; 24 cm.  
9789350028186  
\$ 37.50 / pb

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Social Sector Development In North-East India / Ashok Pankaj Atul Sarma Antora  
Delhi: Aakar Books, 2023  
432p.;  
9789350028155  
\$ 20.00 / pb

Social Sector Development in North-east India is the first comprehensive book that makes a strong case for people-centric social sector development of North-east India. This book argues that human capital formation through social sector development should be the strategic goal of development of this region, as the prospect for service sector development is much higher compared to that of the primary and secondary sectors. This needs a course correction in the erstwhile approaches of development, which has been driven by political and strategic considerations such as national security and the territorial integrity of India. This book advances an argument for a shift in approach of development policy from top-down, infrastructure-focused to bottom-up, people-centric and social sector development-focused. It also critiques the mainstream understanding of North-east India that treats it as a geographical entity and a monolithic socio-cultural society, ignoring its rich ethnic diversities, cultural pluralities and regional variations.

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Forest Resource Management and Tribal Women (Abua Bir) / Prabhawati Bodra  
New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd, 2023  
128p.;  
9789388937955  
\$ 11.25 / hb

Forests have played a vital role in the socioeconomic and cultural life of the tribal people of India, majority of whom lives in isolation in the forested regions of the country with perfect harmony, security and trust for many centuries and developed a symbiotic relationship with the forest. Forests are the basic support system for tribals. At the same time the survival and maintenance of forests are also equally dependent on tribals as they are protective for forests. Women have been primary players in the collection, processing, and marketing of forest produce who gather the bulk of food, fodder, fuel, gums, resins, herbal medicines and other forest products.

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Child Abuse in Schools: Psychological Impacts / Sushma Pandey  
New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
288p.;  
9789354390241  
\$ 30.00 / hb

Child Abuse is a social psychological problem which is present at epidemic level within and outside the family around the globe. The causes of abuse are multifarious and impacts are very serious and damaging. The main purpose of the book is to explore the social and psychological bases of child abuse in schools and its psychological consequences on students. Specifically, the contributing roles of environmental and socio-demographic variables in the incidence and prevalence of child abuse in schools

have been examined. Further, identifying the psychological characteristics of abusers/perpetrators, it explores various forms of abuses in different types of schools. Moreover, it tries to examine the impact of school abuse on cognitive, motivational, affective, and behavioural functioning of students.

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Rajput Culture- Amalgamation of Tradition and Modernity / Poonam

New Delhi: Pathak Publisher and Distributors, 2024

xvii, 175 p.; 23 cm.

9789391952563

\$ 30.00 / hb

In recent years, there has been a flood of information through research publications in the social history of Rajputs. The work is not only focused on political strategy but also on the non- parallel social change in the Rajput society. It focuses on the influence of Britishers on ruling class Rajputs and common Rajput society. It highlights the effects of the treaty of 1818 with Jaipur, social culture of Rajputs and attempts to eradicate evil practices. Above all, it explains how education brought reform in the Rajput Society but fragmented them into two groups.

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India Population Report / K.S. James, T.V. Sekher (Ed)

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2023

xxviii, 572 p.;

9781009318860

\$ 37.50 / hb

Description Contents Resources Courses About the Authors India has become the largest populated country in the world in 2023 which has resulted in an increasing attention on India's population and its changing age structure, demo-graphic transitions, and their long-term implications. India Population Report is developed based on landmark surveys and research on population, health, ageing, fertility, nutrition, migration and women and children undertaken by the International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), India. This volume studies various aspects of population and health issues in India providing a holistic narrative of the current scenario and future implications.

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Underprivileged communities in India: trajectories towards empowerment / Mohammed Ghose

New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2023

xiv, 254 p.; 25 cm.

9789391897314

\$ 37.50 / hb

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Tribal World Shifting Boundaries and Contested Terrains / Bharathy Manjula

New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2023

xxvii, 290 p.; 25 cm.

9789391897178

\$ 37.50 / hb

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860478>

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Integration of The Sikh Community In Britain / Akanksha

New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2023

xii, 115 p.; 25 cm.

9789391897499

\$ 18.75 / pb

The debates around Hindus and Muslims, Islam and the West have become ever-more relevant in contemporary politics. In this timely book, historian Raziuddin Aquil conducts a dispassionate and incisive study of Islam in India-from its heyday in the medieval period to its transformation by colonialism. Drawing on texts from the medieval and early modern periods, Aquil reveals the host of factors that contributed to the evolution of Indian Islam and its diverse practices-the orthodoxy of the ulama, the attempts by Muslim rulers to establish religious dominance, the conflict with Sikhism, the impact of Sufi traditions and the rise of Urdu as a popular language.

Ambitious in scope, provocatively argued and painstakingly researched, *The Muslim Question* examines the legacy of the Muslim rule in India and, in the process, presents Islam as a complex and continually changing tradition.

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*Intimacy and Injury: In the wake of #MeToo in India and South Africa* / Nicky Falkof, Shilpa Phadke and Srila Roy

New Delhi: Zuban, 2023

372p.;

9789390514496

\$ 25.00 / pb

This book, a timely mapping of a shifting political field around gender-based violence in the global south, brings together academics and activists from South Africa and India who explore not only the disturbing prevalence of high levels of sexual violence but also the long histories of resistance to it. Using the lens of the #MeToo movement, the authors track the histories of feminist organising in both countries, while also revealing how newer strategies both extended and limited these struggles. In proposing comparative, interdisciplinary, ethnographically rich and analytically astute reflections on #MeToo, this book points to new and potentially transformative directions to scholarly debates and transnational feminist knowledge and solidarity in and across the global south.

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*Insurgent Feminisms: Writing War* / Bhakti Shringarpure, Veruska Cantelli

New Delhi: Zuban Publisher, 2023

542p.;

9789390514571

\$ 25.00 / pb

*Insurgent Feminisms: Writing War* brings together ten years of writing published in *Warscapes* magazine through the lens of gender and advances a new paradigm of war writing. War is always, ultimately, fought upon the backs of women, often under the pretense of saving them. Yet, along the way, the brutalities unleashed on women during wartime remain relentless. In this collection, insurgency emerges in the raw and meticulous language of witnessing, and in the desire to render the space of conflict in radically different ways. There are no paeans to courageous soldiers here, nor pat nationalist rhetoric, nor bravado about saving lives.

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*Women Performers in Bengal and Bangladesh Caught up in the Culture of South Asia: Caught up in the Culture of South Asia (1795-2010s)* / Manujendra Kundu

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2024

352 p.;

9780192871510

\$ 40.00 / hb



Covering nearly 225 years, this volume tries to capture a broad spectrum of the situation of women performers from Gerasim Lebedeff's time (1795), who are considered to be the first performers in modern Bengali theatre, to today's time. The moot question is whether the role of women as performers evolved down the centuries. Whether this question will lead us to their subjugation to their male counterparts, producers, and directors has been explored here to give readers an understanding of when, where, by whom the politics began, and, by tracing the footprints, we have tried to understand if the politics has changed, or remains unchanged, or metamorphosed with regard to the woman's question in the performance discourse. We have explored, in this regard, how her body, mind, and sexuality interacted with and negotiated the phallogocentric hierarchy.  
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The Oxford Handbook of Caste / Surinder S Jodhka  
New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2023  
688 p.;  
9780198896715  
\$ 112.50 / hb

Beginning with the 1990s, the subject of caste has seen a profound increase in interest among scholars. What was until then approached as a fossilized tradition of the ritual-obsessed Hindus refusing to see the progressive spirits of the emerging world and studied as a branch of anthropology, suddenly began to be seen as a complex reality deeply embedded in a range of institutions and social practices, attracting scholars from a wide range of disciplines--sociology, political science, history, literature, and even economics. Underlying this opening of the subject of caste were many factors: epistemic, empirical, and political. Caste is no longer approached through the classical binaries of 'traditional' and 'modern'; the 'East' and the 'West'; or the 'closed' and 'open' systems of stratification. With the growing consolidation of caste-based identities among those ranked lower down in the hierarchy since the 1990s, raising questions of citizenship and dignity, the subject has acquired a new salience.  
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Regional Disparities and Social Sector Development in India: With Social Emphasis on Health and Education / Satyen Sarkar & Tapan Kumar Ghosh  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
440p.;  
9789391844295  
\$ 65.00 / HB

Regional inequalities refer to a condition when the standard of living is considered unbalanced in different parts of a given area. Regional inequalities are a worldwide phenomenon; it is a common fact in both developed and developing economies. Though India is one of the world's fastest-growing economies, it also has one of the most unequal societies. Over the past few decades, inequality has been steadily increasing, and the wealth produced by crony capitalism and inheritance has been concentrated among the wealthiest. They are becoming wealthier at a much quicker rate, while the poor continue to struggle to earn a living income and have access to excellent education and healthcare facilities, which are still underfunded. Every individual is being affected by these expanding disparities and rising inequities.  
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Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace: Status, Awareness and Compliances / Ratna N. Pandey & Awadhesh Kumar Singh  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
283p.;  
9789391844370  
\$ 40.00 / hb

The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India acknowledged the gravity of sexual harassment of working women at the workplace in Vishaka and Others Vs. State of Rajasthan and Others ("Vishaka Judgment") and established regulations requiring employers to prevent sexual harassment and to provide the procedures for the resolution, settlement, or prosecution of sexual harassment. In accordance with Article 141 of the Indian Constitution, the rules made by the Hon'ble Supreme Court were regarded as laws. It was essential to pass comprehensive legislation that focused on preventing sexual harassment and establishing a redress process because more women were working. The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 (hence referred to as the "Act") was finally passed by India in 2013 after 16 years of Vishakha Judgment, for ending the practice of sexual harassment of women at the workplace.

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Bio-Social Research / Milonjyoti Borgohain, Parishmita Gogoi & Dhritiman Sarma  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
186p.;  
9789391844479  
\$ 25.00 / hb

The fundamental theme of this volume entitled "Bio-Social Research" is the important context for understanding the purpose of bio-sociological influences in human behaviour, health and diseases, socio-economic attainments, religious beliefs, customs, traditions, development and indigenous knowledge systems. This volume is handy for research in social science which showcase the value of a biosocial approach to understand the pathways connecting in anthropology, sociology, biology and health across the life course of the people in India and abroad.

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Indian Diaspora Studies: A Collection / Aditya Raj  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
155p.;  
9789391844493  
\$ 25.00 / hb

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Adhyayan: A Bilingual Multidisciplinary Volume / Jonali Boruah, Milonjyoti Borgohain & Bhabani Saharia  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
259p.;  
9789391844516  
\$ 37.50 / hb

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Health Situation in India / M. Thamilarasan  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
497p.;  
9789391844554  
\$ 62.50 / hb

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860701>

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Women Empowerment In India / Awadhesh Kumar Singh & Shiv Pratap Singh  
New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023  
477p.;  
9789391844578  
\$ 62.50 / Hb

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=860702>

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Gender Equality and Transformation In India / Awadhesh Kumar Singh, Om Prakash Shukla & Shiv Pratap Singh

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

358p.;

9789391844608

\$ 50.00 / hb

Gender equality is central to the realization of Sustainable Development Goals. Gender equality, leading to increased work opportunities, enhanced capacities for livelihood developments, enhanced social protection and overall increasing voice may enable women to participate equally in productive employment, contributing to women's development leading to economic growth of the nation. No nation can afford development without considering women who constitute about half of the stock of human resources. Gender equality and women empowerment are the key terms that defined and determined the direction of diverse discourses on women, nationally and globally. The Beijing conference was the most significant milestone in journey towards ensuring gender equality and enriching pragmatic insights into the issues concerning women empowerment.

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Sustainability of Open Defecation Free Cities in Uttar Pradesh / Rajeev Narayan & Nasruddin

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2023

323p.;

9789391844677

\$ 42.50 / hb

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### *Sports*

Mid-Wicket Tales: A Century And More Of Cricket / V. J. Raghunath S. Giridhar

New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Publishing Pvt. Ltd., 2023

380p.;

9789354475986

\$ 12.50 / pb

First published in 2014, Mid-wicket Tales is back almost a decade later, in a revised and expanded edition to delight and entertain cricket fans and scholars alike. Humorous and richly detailed, this marvellous series of essays—written by two 'incurable cricket romantics'—tells the characterful story of one of the most beloved sports in the world.

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