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Colombo: Nanda Senanayake (Self-Published), 2021  
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### Anthropology/Archaeology

Memoirs of the Archaeological Survey of Ceylon, Volume X – Part VIII: Architecture and Town Planning of Sri Lanka During the Early and Medieval Periods: Patimaghara / Roland Silva  
Colombo: Central Cultural Fund, 2016  
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The Bodhisattva Image at Dambegoda / Gamini Wijesuriya  
Colombo: Department of Archeology, 2021  
v, 84p.  
English & Sinhalese Languages  
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Dharmapradipika (The Illuminator of Doctrine) / Gurulugomi (Translator) Prof. Udaya Prasanta Meddegama  
Colombo: Central Cultural Fund, Ministry of Housing, Construction & Cultural Affairs, 2019  
xxiv, 330p.  
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Archaeological Excavations at the Jaffna Fort: A Major Port of the Kantarodai Civilization / Siva Thiagarajah

Colombo: Kumaran Book House, 2022

x, 90p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

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Star Fort Matara / Gamini Wijesuriya

Colombo: Department of Archeology, 2021

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## Art

Urumayaka Arumaya Kelaniya 1 / (Ed) Arjuna Samaraweera (et al.)

Colombo: Department of Archeology, 2018

xiv, 238p.

In English & Sinhalese

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4270gm.

Mainly Photographs on the Kelaniya Temples (Art & Architecture)

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Urumayaka Arumaya Kelaniya 2 / (Ed) Arjuna Samaraweera (et al.)

Colombo: Department of Archeology, 2018

vi, 273p.

In English & Sinhalese

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Mainly Photographs on the Kelaniya Temples (Art & Architecture)

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Roots of Sri Lankan Art / Osmund Bopearachchi

Colombo: Department of Archeology, 2020

viii, 156p. ; Colour plates

Includes Bibliography

9789557457314

\$ 30.00 / PB

370gm.

This book is the first of five volumes that professor Bopearachchi wishes to publish in the near future, on Sri Lankan Art.

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Shared Sanctities / Hasini Haputhanthri & Sujeewa de Silva  
Colombo: International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES), 2021  
xx, 68p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9786245502080  
\$ 40.00 / HB  
616gm.

Since times immemorial, people have experienced the divine spiritual through art and architecture. In *Shared Sanctities*, museologist and writer Hasini Haputhanthri explores some of the historically sacred spaces in Sri Lanka together with photographer and film-maker Sujeewa de Silva, producing five visual narratives on religious confluence.

Hasini and Sujeewa situate Sri Lanka as an island of encounters, where people, ideas and traditions from all over the world arrived via sailboats and ships and then took root, adapted and grew into new forms. By exploring heritage sites of Polonnaruwa, Nalanda, Kandy, Galle and Colombo they document how temples and kovils, churches and mosques have all borrowed, shared and evolved through time, making the island, as Marco Polo says 'undoubtedly the finest island of its size in the world'.

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## Biography/Memoirs

From a Medical Rep to a CEO: 7 Mantras for Success : An Inspiring Story of a CEO's Mantra to Success / T. Sayandhan  
Sri Lanka: T. Sayandhan (Self-Published), 2021  
120p.  
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7 Mantras for Success, for career development and growth. A journey from a medical representative to a Chief Executive Officer.

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Sarath Amunugama: Autobiography, Volume Two (1977-1990) : To Paris and Back (The JRJ Years) / Dr. Sarath Amunugama  
Colombo: Vijitha Yapa Publications, 2022  
500p.  
9786242050249  
\$ 45.00 / PB  
604gm.

In volume II of his autobiography Dr. Sarath Amunugama covers the period 1977 to 1990 aptly sub titled "The JRJ Years". He covers a momentous period in the nation's history and in his own career: JRJ's landslide victory in 1977 and the 2nd Republican constitution which established the executive presidency, his appointment as the youngest Permanent Secretary and his enduring contributions to the development of broadcasting and TV and tourism including the investments by international hotel chains, the open economy which has endured, the emasculation of the opposition and the rise of Tamil militancy in the wider context of the vicissitudes in Indo-Lankan

relations, and the violence unleashed by the JVP. He takes us on his foreign sojourns including those as an international civil servant with perceptive references to world leaders he interacted with and ends with his return home. Dr. Amunugama writes lucidly with a wry wit and an unerring eye for detail whilst providing a deeper contextual insight into leading political personalities and events, including their misadventures, reflecting his academic training in sociology and economics. This volume builds on volume I and is a rich tapestry of the life and times of a brilliant and now preeminent elder statesman whose sagacity and involvement in national affairs is sorely missed. This autobiography will undoubtedly be an indispensable reference for the contemporary history of Sri Lanka.

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My Journey with the Commando Regiment / Lt. Col. Sunil Peiris

Second Edition

Sri Lanka: Lt. Col. Sunil Peiris, 2022

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332gm.

LT Col Peiris recounts his experiences in his own inimitable style interspersed with his own brand of humour. He draws the reader's attention to the widespread and numerous difficulties that he had to face and the various obstacles that were placed in his path at almost every stage in his journey mostly as a result of the petty jealousies, envy, bitterness, and short-sightedness displayed by his seniors, peers, colleagues and even his friends in the Army.

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Changing Attitudes and Values: My Life and Times / Nalini Ellawala

Colombo: Nalini Ellawala (Self-Published), 2021

372p.

9786249870208

\$ 25.00 / PB

592gm.

Nalini Ellawala's memoirs span two centuries and five generations. She writes of the transformations she has witnessed during the course of her life, in our society and in Sri Lanka's physical environment. She also reflects on the remarkable inner journey that she has undergone, because of social activism and her sensitivity to nature.

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In the Line of Duty: Life and Times of a Surgeon in War and Peace / Gamini Goonetilleke (Ed-in-Chief) Sonali Samarasinghe

Fourth Edition

Angoda: Gamma Print Solutions, 2016

322p.

9789556190144

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386gm.

The story of the life and times of a surgeon in war & peace. It is my story of a 25-year career as a surgeon in strife torn Sri Lanka. I have gone much beyond relating the experiences of a surgeon. This is by providing a deep insight into Sri Lankan society and some aspects of the North-East conflict which has now descended into a full-scale war. My experiences in treating battle casualties have been highlighted. I have also visited the so-called "Tiger territory" to obtain first hand

impressions which are recorded. Great attention has been focused to an area of my specialty – treating mine injuries and control of trauma. This is why I believe my book would not only interest medical students and doctors but also other professionals from various walks of life.

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Anecdotes from a Surgeon's Life in Sri Lanka / Channa Ratnatunga

Sri Lanka: Channa Ratnatunga (Self-Published), 2021

128p.

9786249646704

\$ 20.00 / PB

172gm.

Professor Channa Ratnatunga relates through a series of anecdotes, his nearly five decades of experience as a surgeon in various parts of Sri Lanka.

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## Ecology/Environment

The Ecology and Biogeography of Sri Lanka / A Context for Freshwater Fishes / Rohan Pethiyagoda & Hiranya Sudasinghe

Colombo: WHT Publications (Private) Limited, 2021

xiv, 258pp.

Includes Index

9786249837805

\$ 100.00/ HB

1310gm.

Despite a steady increase in the pace of biodiversity exploration and research in Sri Lanka, the origins of the island's fauna and flora have never yet been explored in a synthetic work. This book is a first attempt to draw together the diverse threads that make up this fascinating story. It reviews the historical and recent scientific literature to provide a state-of-the-art context for understanding how the island's biota came to be as it is today. It lays special emphasis on the ecology, biogeography and phylogeography of freshwater fishes, which are arguably the best-studied vertebrate group in the country. The text is richly illustrated with more than 200 figures, photographs and maps, supported also by extensive references to the literature. This volume is intended to serve as a sourcebook for scientists, students and enthusiasts of Sri Lanka's spectacular biodiversity, highlighting not just what is known but also the many gaps in our knowledge that beckon as objects of future inquiry. A clear understanding of how, when and from where the ancestors of the plants and animals that now inhabit the island came – whether from Jurassic Gondwana or Pleistocene India – is perhaps the first and most important step also in deciding future conservation priorities. *The Ecology and Biogeography of Sri Lanka: A Context for Freshwater Fishes*

provides an indispensable foundation for understanding and appreciating Sri Lanka's unique biodiversity in its historical and evolutionary context.

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## Economics

Sri Lanka State of Economy 2022: From Crisis to Recovery: Driving Policy Action Through SDGs  
Colombo: Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS), 2022

352p. ; 25cm.  
9789557397283

1. Sri Lanka – Economic policy.
2. Sri Lanka – Economic conditions.

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830gm.

Sri Lanka's economy faces its harshest economic downturn in 2022 as it seeks to adjust to a severe bout of macroeconomic instability. In April 2022, the country announced its intentions to default on foreign debt settlements in the face of dwindling foreign reserves and acute shortages of imported essentials. The shortages, amidst galloping cost of living pressures, generated widespread public and social unrest in the country.

Policy adjustments to restore macroeconomic stability will result in a painful period of economic hardship in the medium term. The most crucial will be to establish sustainable fiscal frameworks and targets. Tax increases and spending cuts and/or freezes will limit the government's ability to support lower income households that are most disproportionately impacted by the impacts of high inflation. For any recovery to be equitable and sustained, Sri Lanka must pay renewed attention to pursue a development framework that puts the wellbeing of its most vulnerable and disadvantaged as the priority. The Sri Lanka: State of the Economy 2022 report aims to prioritise and analyse these key issues through the framework committed to under the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to drive policy action for economic and social stability.

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Role of Women Farmers in Transforming Food Systems: CSO Recommendations for a People's Food System / (Compiled) Dr. Nisadi Somaratne & Rashimi de Silva  
Colombo: Law and Society Trust, 2021

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On the Move: Gender, Migration and Wellbeing in Four Fishing Communities in Sri Lanka : Country Monograph / Nireka Weeratunge (et al.)  
Colombo: Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS), 2021

xiv, 232p.  
9789555802482  
\$ 30.00 / PB  
432gm.

Every southwest monsoon season, men and women from west coast fishing villages migrate to east coast villages, leaving their homes and their school-age children behind with kin. This monograph is an exploration of the motivations and aspirations that drive an internal process of seasonal fisheries migration. It focuses on the gendered livelihood patterns, collective identities and the social networks that enable or disable a long practice of seasonal coast-to-coast migration. It also examines the contestation of access to resources on the basis of a right to a tradition of migration among migrant communities and a right to ones own local resources among host communities. The study is based on a range of qualitative methods and a quantitative household survey conducted in two migrant sending communities in the Puttalam district and two migrant receiving communities in the Trincomalee district between 2016-2019. The monograph inquires the extent to which seasonal migration contributes to poverty reduction in fishing communities. It concludes that internal coast -to -coast migration is not primarily motivated by poverty or resource scarcity. Instead, it is an adaptive livelihood strategy pursued by men, women and youth in fishing communities in response to monsoonal weather patterns, as well as a way of life to fulfil a complex

combination of material, relational and subjective wellbeing goals. It asserts that an understanding of the causes, processes and relations of internal seasonal migration can facilitate more effective policies and regulations governing the fisheries industry in Sri Lanka.

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The Other Side of Globalization / Sriyan de Silva  
Rajagiriya: The Employers' Federation of Ceylon, 2021  
xxiv, 530p.

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## History

Mahawanso: The Translation of the Volume / George Turnour  
Colombo: Central Cultural Fund, Ministry of Education, 1837 (Reprint 2016)

1v.

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1418gm.

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The Battleground of Sri Lankan History Education: Barriers to Teaching Inclusive Histories /  
Natasha Karunaratne

Colombo: International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES), 2021

xii, 68p.

9786245502004

\$ 25.00 / PB

164gm.

As the separation between those who lived through Sri Lanka's civil war and those who come to learn about the war grows, future generations' understanding of the war becomes the war itself - all factual truth diminishes and makes room for one generation's perception to be passed down to the next. What is key here is that there is no singular perception of an event, but rather competing perceptions - and these perceptions compete in the space of history production.

The teaching of history education is made up of a complex web of barriers that have caused history reforms to fall short. While much research has been done on why and how history education should be used as a tool for peace education, few have explored why after such research, Sri Lankan history education continues to exclude marginalized histories and silo communities over ethno-religious divides. The structure of reform efforts has a way of siloing academics, organizers, policy makers, and educators and because of this siloing, we lack a full picture of who is working on what and how we can work together, to strategize in shared efforts and in solidarity. This paper serves to map the multiple facets of Sri Lanka's history education structure, explore why tried reforms have and have not gained momentum, and theorize as to how multiple stakeholders can strategize together based on lessons learned.

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Game, Set, Match: Sri Lanka's Tennis and Its Future / Dinith Pathiraja (Ed) Angelo Patrick

Sri Lanka: Dinith Pathiraja (Self-Published), 2021

228p.

9786249610101

\$ 40.00 / HB

834gm.

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Ancient Tamil Nadu: Glimpses of the Past (For Young Adult) / K. Indrapala

Colombo: Kumaran Book House, 2022

viii, 76p.

9789556596625

\$ 20.00 / PB

202gm.

This book is written for the benefit of young readers in Tamil Nadu. This state has a long history and a rich heritage. Its history is full of remarkable achievements in various fields. It has impressive archaeological remains dating back to the early centuries of the Common Era (CE). What is more interesting is that there are thousands of stone inscriptions, some of which go back to the second century Before the Common Era (BCE). In addition, a large number of magnificent temples have survived bearing testimony to the achievements of the ancients in art and architecture. The past is fascinating and an enduring source of inspiration. Today breathtaking developments are taking place in science and technology. These can be used to discover more of the past and understand it better. Much remains to be discovered. It is important for the youth to know the past. This helps to understand the present. This book is intended to give a peep into that past.

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The Many Faces of the Kandyan Kingdom 1591-1765: Lessons for our Time / Ganananth

Obeyesekere

Colombo: Sailfish, 2020

200p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

9789557743066

\$ 20.00 / PB

276gm.

Surrounded by magnificent mountains, the city of Kandy, home of the Temple of the Sacred Tooth and the Royal Palace, was the capital of Lanka for about three hundred years. Ganananth Obeyesekere paints a vivid portrait of the kings of these great green highlands of Kandy, revealing a complex and advanced society every bit as violent as any other civilization. Focusing on kings Vimaladharmasuriya 1, Rajasinha II, Sri Vijaya Rajasinha and Kirti Sri Rajasinha, he brings the Kandyan monarchy to life, depicting them not as mythic figures but as real flesh and blood, larger than life characters who ruled over the last citadel of Lankan aristocracy.

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History of Badminton in Sri Lanka / From the Inception to the Mid Nineteen Seventies / Surendran (Dutta) Veeravagu

Dehiwela, Colombo: Surendran (Dutta) Veeravagu (Self-Published), 2022

xiv, 204p.

9786249834408

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## Law

Famous Murder Cases In Sri Lanka, Volume 1 / (Compiled) Sanjeewa Wijepala AAL  
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Famous Murder Cases In Sri Lanka, Volume 2 / (Compiled) Sanjeewa Wijepala AAL  
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Appellate Court Judgments (Unreported), 2019: Vol. I (January to June) & Vol. II (July to December): Criminal Law / (Ed) U.R. De Silva PC (et al.)  
Sri Lanka: The Bar Association of Sri Lanka, 2019  
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Report on the Working of Independent Commissions / Asoka S. Gunawardena  
Rajagiriya: Institute for Constitutional Studies (ICS), 2019  
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Kurunegala Law Journal, 2022, Vol. I / (Ed-in-Chief) Charith Jayasinghe AAL  
Kurunegala: Kurunegala Bar Association, 2022  
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The Chief Magistrate's Court Law Journal, Volume 01, Issue No. 1, 2022  
Colombo: The Colombo Magistrate's Court Lawyers' Association, 2022  
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Law Acquisitions for Public Purpose in Post-War Sri Lanka / Iroma Perera

Colombo: Law and Society Trust, 2020

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LST Review, Vol. 30, Issue No. 348, Nov. 2021: Special Economic Zones and the Port City: Are They the Panaceas for our Ills? [Sri Lanka]

Colombo: Law and Society Trust, 2021

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Understanding Rule of Law, Human Security and Prevention of Terrorism in Sri Lanka / Ermiza Tegal

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"Our Land, Our Life" : People's Land Commission Report 2019-2020

Sri Lanka: People's Alliance for Rights to Land (PARL), 2019-2020

126p.

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Gender Discriminatory Social Norms and Their Impact on Rights and Freedoms of Women: Participatory Research in the Northern Province / Krijah Sivakumar (Translator) Mohamed Firqhi

Colombo: Law and Society Trust, 2021

xviii, 130p.

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Sri Lanka Towards Social Justice and Human Security: Strategic Plan 2020-2025

Colombo: Law and Society Trust, 2020

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Applicability of the Evidence Ordinance in Civil Actions / Dr. U.L. Abdul Majeed

Sri Lanka: Dr. U.L. Abdul Majeed (Self-Published), 2022

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Laws of Sri Lanka / Dr. Jayatissa De Costa

Sri Lanka: Dr. Jayatissa De Costa (Self-Published), 2022

xvi, 304p.

9786249885608

\$ 60.00 / PB

376gm.

Published to mark 50 years as a lawyer, this book by constitutional lawyer, President's Counsel Dr. Jayatissa De Costa gives a broad overview of the many types of laws that have been practiced in Sri Lanka, from Roman Dutch Law, the English Law, Kandyan and many religious laws to the development of a court system, and the legal profession.

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South Asia Judicial Barometer

Colombo: Colombo: Law and Society Trust & FORUM-ASIA, 2020

xiv, 302p.

Includes Bibliography

9789551302948

\$ 50.00 / PB

416gm.

The effective legal protection of migrant workers has emerged as a policy priority having substantial social, political and economic implications in South Asia. Labour migration has continued to advance over time, and the challenges that emerged have increased in complexity. Looking at the changing context around the issues of migrant workers, new approaches are needed. These approaches should ensure the advancement of a fair migration agenda and appropriate addressing of the wellbeing of migrant workers along with legal reform that would respond fairly to the interests of countries of destination and origin, to employers, and the employee.

Efficient judicial measures must be grounded in research. For this, evidence-based research on migrant workers in South Asia is of paramount importance. This priority has been frequently discussed at the national, regional and global levels in relation to the Sustainable Development Goals 2030 and Global Compact for Safe, Regular and Orderly Migration.

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Old Wine in New Bottles: Returning of Old Authoritarianism in the Neo-Liberal / Vidura Prabath Munasinghe & Ishan Chamara Batawalage

Colombo: Colombo: Law and Society Trust, 2019

36p.

Includes Bibliography

9789551302788

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## Literature

Assembling Ethnicities in Neoliberal Times: Ethnographic Fictions and Sri Lanka's War / Nimanthi Perera-Rajasingham

Colombo: Tambapanni Academic Publishers, 2022

xii, 236p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9786245529049

\$ 30.00 / PB

330gm,

*Assembling Ethnicities in Neoliberal Times: Ethnographic Fictions and Sri Lanka's War* argues that the bloody war fought between the Sri Lankan state and the separatist Tamil Tigers from 1983 to 2009 should be understood as structured and animated by the forces of global capitalism. Using Aihwa Ong's theorization of neoliberalism as a mobile technology and assemblage, this book explores how contemporary globalization, as an economic system and a governing rationality for the management of populations, has exacerbated forces of nationalism and racism. One of the book's key interventions is to demonstrate that the form of ethnographic fiction is vital for understanding neoliberal assemblages. Nimanthi Perera-Rajasingham argues that the fictions that belong to this form have both internalized certain colonial Orientalist impulses but also critically engaged with categories of objective gazing, empiricism, and temporal distancing. She demonstrates that such fictions take seriously the task of bearing witness and documenting the complex productions of ethnic identities and the devastations wrought by warfare. To this end, *Assembling Ethnicities* explores colonial-era travel writing by Robert Knox (1681) and Leonard Woolf (1913), contemporary works by Michael Ondaatje, Romesh Gunesekera, Shobasakthi, Dharmasiri Bandaranayake and Thamotheerampillai Shanaathanan, and cultural festivals, vernacular performances of Euripides's *The Trojan Women*, and women workers' theater. The book interprets contemporary fictions to unpack neoliberalism's entanglements with nationalism and racism, engaging current issues such as human rights, organicism, Tamil militancy, immigrant lives, feminism and nationalism, and postwar developmentalism.

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Sweat: A Novel / Mu Sivalingam

Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2022

394p.

9786240015189

\$ 20.00 / PB

524gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=836156>

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Unnatural / Imaaya Perera

Colombo: Vijitha Yapa Publications, 2022

xvi, 280p.

9786242050232

\$ 20.00 / PB

332gm.

Life is full of surprises and you never know what's going to happen next. Adam set off on a journey to find his best friend but uncovered so much more than that in the process. From vicious creatures lurking in the Pine Barrens to learning about Earth's recent evolution. A group of people commonly known as shapeshifters. Adam however, is something else entirely, and has captured the attention of B.E.A.R; An organisation set on learning and experimenting on Earth's newest evolution. Like a shape-shifter shifting, Adam's whole reality is rapidly changing and it's up to him to decide whether to run or to adapt to it. Imaaya Perera is 15 years old and is a student of Bishop's College. She enjoys sports, drama, singing and writing. She hopes that this book will be worth your while.

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Shades: A Collection of Poems / Edmond Jayasinghe

Colombo: Vijitha Yapa Publications, 2022

xii, 140p.

9786242050225

\$ 15.00 / PB

210gm.

Edmond Jayasinghe's poems are literally snapshots of his life : what he has seen, heard, felt, been exuberant about, had despaired over and what he hopes for. This is not the poetry of a cultural creature well-versed in the language of literary adventures and post-structuralist jargon. Instead, this is the language and words of a retired and experienced Foreign Service Officer opting to share his ideas, thoughts, and experiences through poetic form. Jayasinghe is a living example of what Robert Graves meant when he noted in 1946, "to be a poet is a condition, not a profession."

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## Politics

A Tale of Two Maps: Territorial Anxieties, Political Cartography, and the Impossibility of Boundary  
Demarcation in Sri Lanka / Shahul Hasbullah, Jesmil Abdul Raheem & Benedikt Korf  
Colombo: International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES), 2022  
xiv, 32p.  
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This study argues that a territorial anxiety has been plaguing Sri Lanka's ethnic relations for decades. This anxiety continues to haunt Sri Lanka's politics even since the civil war ended. To illustrate the multiple ills this anxiety produces, we provide an ethnographic case study of the politics of boundary demarcations of local administrative units in eastern Sri Lanka, more specifically the controversy around Koralaipattu Central Divisional Secretariat (D.S.) division (known as KPC) in Batticaloa District. By tracing the history of administrative boundary demarcation and ethnic segregation in the region, our study shows that administrative boundary demarcations are used as an attempt to purify administrative (and political) entities into ethnically homogenous territorial containers. This politics of purification produces unsolvable contradictions. The case of KPC reveals lessons not only for Batticaloa's politics but for boundary demarcation politics for administrative or electoral purposes in Sri Lanka and South Asia more broadly.

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Democracy Stillborn: Lanka's Rejection of Equal Rights at Independence? / Rajan Hoole & Kirupaimalar Hoole  
Colombo: Sailfish, 2022  
732p.  
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**Democracy Stillborn traces the present plight of Sri Lanka to the battles of the 1920s over the championship of labour by Ponnambalam Arunachalam.**

His ouster in 1921 from the Ceylon National Congress, led to the country's politics becoming dominated by estate capitalism. This in turn resulted in an anti-labour stance blended with communalism, which received a boost from the total disenfranchisement of plantation labour by 1949. The main legal battle around citizenship of plantation labour left the Judiciary deeply compromised. The right of habeas corpus affirmed in the Bracegirdle case of 1937 was attacked by the 1947 Public Security Ordinance permitting 'murder in good faith.' With elite Tamil and Muslim complicity, politics which was anti-labour at first, turned to ethno-chauvinism, surrendering the Parliamentary Left to Sinhalese exclusivism by 1964. Organised labour, weakened by abandoning the Plantation sector, was crushed by the UNP government in the General Strike of 1980. The right of habeas corpus, rendered virtually extinct by the 1979 PTA, made way for the cruel joke of the 2007 ICCPR Act.

Observing that the country is tired of revolutions, Democracy Stillborn places its hope in the survival in a mangled form of the Separation of Powers and of new life in a Judiciary with the courage to declare bad laws unconstitutional.

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## Sociology

Factors Associated with Female Labour Force Participation in Sri Lanka's Eastern Province / Ranmini Vithanagama  
Colombo: International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES), 2020  
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Using primary data, this study investigates the factors that affect women's labour market choices and opportunities in the Eastern Province of Sri Lanka. The study finds that by and large economic necessity pushes women to the labour market and to secure gainful employment. Financial affluence obviates such a pressure, but higher educational attainments, access to earning assets, or having participated in a livelihood development programme enables women's participation and employment. The effects of gender norms women have internalized appear to be quite small on their participation and employment decisions. But the findings suggest that the patriarchal values imposed by the household may have a larger effect on women's LFP, especially among Muslim women. The armed conflict experiences seem to draw women to the work force out of poverty, while the spatial variables point to structural weaknesses of the Eastern labour market. The study concludes that regional economic development and human capital development should be better geared towards creating meaningful economic opportunities for women.

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The Complicated Relationship between People, State, and Land in Eastern Sri Lanka / Urs Geiser and Shahul H. Hasbullah  
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Based on field research in Eastern Sri Lanka, we found that land conflicts can emerge for very practical reasons – when groups of people struggle to get access to state land, when people use (or want to use) land for different purposes, when the many branches of the local state administration do not coordinate such claims and demands, or when some local people are able to organise their interests better than others. Such insights challenge the dominant explanation which claims that people quarrel over land simply because they belong to different ethnic groups. Against this, we argue that arousing suspicion of 'the others' has become an accepted strategy of gaining political advantages in struggles over land – a routine, though, that misses the economic and social complexities people at the grassroots have to face. We therefore propose that land conflicts should be approached through (i) a critical discussion of the concrete political-economic realities at the grassroots; (ii) a better understanding of the everyday concerns of government officials in the local administration; and (iii) in making land use planning more democratic, including the explicit consultation of the many local organisations that engage in land issues.

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