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Myanmar and Rohingya Muslim Crisis / D.N. Roy

Prashant Publishing House, Delhi 2018

viii, 260p. ; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index.

9789380565941

\$ 32.75 / HB

530 gm.

The rohingya persecution in Myanmar refers to the ongoing military crackdown by the Myanmar Army and Police on rohingyas State in the Country's northwestern region. While the majority of Rohingyas are Muslim, attacks have also occurred against Hindu Rohingyas. The crackdown was in response to attacks on Myanmar border posts in October 2016 by Rohingya insurgents.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410205

Strongmen: Trump-Modi-Erdogan-Duterte / Vijay Prasad (ed)

Leftword Books, New Delhi. 2018

101p.; 22 cm. 9789380118680 \$ 3.75 / null

180 gm.

This small book is a collection of fables. Four brilliant artists and writers confront four strongmen. Eve Ensler, the American playwright (The Vagina Monologues), goes beneath the skin – or should we say orange hair – of US President Donald Trump. Danish Husain, the Indian storyteller and actor, finds himself telling us the story not only of Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi but also of the ascension of the extremism of the Sangh Parivar. Burhan Sonmez, the Turkish novelist, ferrets about amidst the bewildering career of the Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan. Ninotchka Rosca, the Filipina feminist novelist, unravels the macho world of Rodrigo Duterte.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410210

Is Xi-Jinping's China: a New Superpower / Capt. R K Sirohi

Prashant Publishing House, Delhi 2018

viii, 280p.; 22 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9788193801246

\$ 37.75 / HB

540 gm.

This book examines how since his appointment to Chinas three top posts, Xi Jinping has deftly used ideology and nationalism to accumulate power and ensure the Chinese Communist Party, CCPs legitimacy and monopoly on power. This is a reference book. All the matter is just compiled and edited in nature, taken from the various sources which are in public domain.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410218

OBOR: China's Alternate Indo-pacific Policy / Ashutosh Kumar

Prashant Publishing House, Delhi 2018

viii, 276p. ; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index.

9788193801208

\$ 32.75 / HB

550 gm.

China has touted OBOR as an economic and connectivity initiative but it is much more than that. This is a mega strategic project aimed at intensifying China's reach and influence across continents. It is also aimed at beefing up its own economic security and productivity by exporting its saturated infrastructure-building capacity, extending Chinese loans to countries, on a repayment basis, and sending out Chinese labour to implement BRI in various countries.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410215

China's Relook at the Neighbourhood Diplomacy DRI / Capt R K Sirohi

Prashant Publishing House, Delhi 2018

288p.; 22 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9788193801239

\$ 36.25 / HB

530 gm.

China defines its neighbors broadly. Neighboring countries refer to those who are located east of the Ural Mountains, the Bosporus Strait and the Suez Canal; South of the Caucasus Mountains; and west of the Bering Sea. There are 62 such countries, which implies that China should not and cannot, conduct an equidistant diplomacy.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410238

May 9 People's Power Saves Malaysia: Mahathir Leads the Way: GE14 Votes out Corruption / M. Krishnamoorthy

MPH Publishers, Malaysia 2018

167p.

9789671295021

\$ 15.00 / null

300 gm.

May 9 was a significant day for all Malaysians. It heralded a new landscape - economic, social and political - for the citizens. This book is a fascinating read that is retold through the inner stirrings of a young boy, an unfortunate victim of a "business as usual" corrupt system that poses a serious threat to the nation's economy. In the face of rising costs and unemployment, the boy yearned for a change. Will tomorrow ever come? By sharing glimpses from the innocent lenses of a child, the author has painted a stark contrast of childlike simplicity with the world of grown-ups that is consumed by greed and glittering gems. It captures the journey of a nation that has witnessed the most dramatic trajectories of greed and power.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408394

Reflections on Malaysian Unity and Other Challenges / Chandra Muzaffar Zubedy Ideahouse Sdn Bhd., Malaysia 2018 xiv, 314p.

9789671566701

\$ 21.00 / null

1.Social integration – Malaysia

2.Malaysia – Social policy 3.Malaysia – Ethnic relations

4. Malaysia – Race relations

Reflections on Malaysian Unity and Other Challenges, is a collection of articles written by Dr. Chandra Muzaffar that had surfaced over a period of time. Most of the articles deal directly with national unity and challenges that impact upon people. The present collection is a sequel to his earlier writtings on the challenges facing multi-ethnic Malaysia. It contains solutions to these challenges.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408395

The Rising Moon: Political Change in Sarawak 1959-1972 / Michael Leigh Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, Malaysia 2018

xx, 328p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

9789672165286 \$ 20.00 / null 500 gm.

The Rising Moon was the first in-depth study of the beginnings of modern politics in Sarawak between 1959 and 1972. The plural society of that state offered a stark contrast to that elsewhere in Malaysia, for in Sarawak viable political parties spanned ethnic divisions, a development that had not then taken place in the other parts of the patien.

other parts of the nation.

Side-by-side with the development of politics came the integration of Sarawak within Malaysia, and all the attendant tensions that followed from the merging of this its largest state within an expanded federation. The resultant pattern of politics was dynamic, and throughout this phase remained quite tentative due in large part to Indonesian confrontation and the armed activities of the local communist organisation. Amongst the states of Malaysia, Sarawak is unique, as all groups are in a minority, whether they be defined by ethnicity, religion or mother tongue. That necessitated political compromise spanning ethnic, religious and cultural divisions.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408392

The Sarawak Report: The Inside Story of MDB Expose: Investigated and Reported / Clare Rewcastle Brown

Gerakbudaya Enterprise, Malaysia 2018

xxxiv, 528p. 9789670311166.

\$ 39.99 / null

This is the story of the have-nots and the have-yachts, of the failings of globalisation, and how a tiny rainforest campaign derailed the world's largest theft and brought down a government...

The Sarawak Report is the stranger-than-fiction tale of how one woman uncovered the world's biggest theft which, in 2018, brought down the Malaysian government.

Investigating the deforestation of Sarawak, Borneo, and the dispossession of its people, journalist Clare Rewcastle Brown followed a trail ofcorruption that led her to the heart of Malaysian politics and to Prime Minister Najib Razak himself Determined that the public

should know the truth, she started a blog, which became Malaysia's go-to news outlet for information that the government was trying to suppress – and whistleblowers wanted to get out. She was soon running a radio station too.

To nail down absolute proof, Rewcastle Brown criss-crossed the globe and, defying danger, pieced together the evidence of the 1MDB scandal- the theft of billions from the country's sovereign wealth fund.

Her reporting – exposing the shady dealings of international politicians, finance

powerhouses, prominent PR firms, and Hollywood glitterati – convulsed Malaysian politics and reverberated around the world. The US government made its largest ever kleptocracy asset seizure, while banks and bankers fell.

Sweeping in scope, The Sarawak Report provides a jaw-dropping behind thescenes narrative of Malaysia's recent turbulent political struggles, revealing, as never before, how government funded cyber-warfare and fake news operate, and, in an era of threadbare mainstream media, demonstrating that epoch-changing investigative journalism is still possible. It is an urgent account of the reality of globalisation – and the astonishing story of how one person made a difference.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408393

1MDB: The Scandal That Brought Down A Government: A Prime Minister, a Whizz Kid and the Biggest Kleptocracy the World has Ever Known / P. Gunasegaram & Kinibiz

Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, Malaysia 2018 xxxvi, 272p.

9789672165361

\$ 30.00 / null

600 gm.

This book is a gripping account of the biggest, most audacious kleptocracy the world has ever known – over RM40 billion lost or stolen by a corrupt Malaysian government through 1Malaysia Development Berhad or 1MDB. It has all the elements of a Hollywood thriller with a cast featuring a sultan, a prime minister, his high-flying and even more high-spending wife, and a baby-faced whizz kid as the mastermind who was in his late twenties when it all started and who cavorted with actors and socialites such as Leonardo DiCaprio and Paris Hilton on yachts and other expensive places.

Despite the Barisan Nasional government going to great lengths to cover up the scandal, it exploded and spread. The people tired of the blatant theft threw BN out in the general elections of 9 May, ending 61 years of uninterrupted BN rule. The book shows how the scandal developed, the way the various embezzlements were executed, traces the money flows and tracks the beneficiaries of a crime which could not go undetected because it was so big. Now, those who are responsible are finally being brought to account through a process which will take years.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408391

Anatomy of an Electoral Tsunami / Lim Teck Ghee, S. Thayaparan, Terence Netto Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, Malaysia 2018 viii, 248p.

9789672165347

\$ 17.50 / null

400 gm.

- 1.Politics and culture Malaysia
- 2.Political culture
- 3.Malaysia Politics and government

A magnificent tour de force of Malaysian politics leading up to the 9th May tsunami by three of our nation's most prolific and respected commentators. Together, they took on the political establishment with courage, determined to speak truth to power as they saw it.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408389

Pour Que Continue A Vivre : Le "reve caledonien" ... / Philippe Gomes

Environmental Defence Society Incorporated 2018

74p.

9782918288008

\$ 24.00 / null

220 gm.

Dédicaces avec Philippe Gomès.

À la veille de l'échéance du référendum du 4 novembre, le député Philippe Gomès a tenu, dans ce livre intitulé Pour que continue à vivre le rêve calédonien, à exposer la vision qu'il défend pour le pays... parce qu'un projet de société ne peut pas se limiter à trois lettres. Trois lettres qui forment le « non » à l'indépendance. Pour le leader de Calédonie Ensemble, le «non » doit être entouré par une déclaration solennelle sur le patrimoine commun du peuple calédonien et après le référendum, par un véritable projet de société – qui se substituerait à l'Accord de Nouméa – au sein de la République.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=416169

Democratic Transitions in the Muslim World / Ali Salman, Mohammad Hashim Kamali & Mohamed Azam Mohamed Adil

Pelanduk Publications (M) Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia 2018

x. 306n

Includes Index

9789674940058

\$ 60.00 / HB

650 gm.

1.Islam and politics

2.Islamic countries – Social conditions

3.Islamic countries – Politics and government

How far have Muslim narrative on democracy evolved, and how does the interpretation of Islam affects them? What are the historical and political experiences of Muslim countries, and how do they inform us of these countries' future trajectories? What are the current track records of Islamist, and how well do they navigate through a competitive political landscape and complex statecraft? In this book, Muslim scholars from diverse background and expertise explore and help answer these critical questions.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421996

Abdul Taib Mahmud – 50 Years in the News : A Political History of Sarawak's Pehin Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud (July 22, 1963 – September 16, 2013) / James Ritchie (Ed) Patrick Yeoh

James Ritchie, Malaysia 2013

xiv, 370p

Includes Bibliography and References

9789834189433

\$ 55.00 / null

1.Abdul Taib Mahmud, - Pehin Sri Tan Sri

2.Political culture - Sárawak

3. Sarawak - Politics and government

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421995

The ZaidGeist: Building Bridges for a Greater Malaysia / Zaid Ibrahim

ZI Publications Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia 2018

362p.

9789675266478

\$ 22.50 / null

400 gm.

Zaid Ibrahim is a political insider turned political outsider whose provocative views on the political, social and economic landscape of Malaysia has courted controversy and legal actions ever since he started publically airing his views. In this collection of essays, the author cautions that Malaysia under the current regime is sliding into authoritarian rule and considers strategies that would reaffirm democratic principles that would save Malaysia. While many of the articles in this collection are provocative in nature, this book is a contemplative collection of articles of what it means to be Malaysian when the country is divided along racial and religious lines. While the author may have burnt bridges with the authorities, this book is an attempt to build bridges with the greater Malaysian polity.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421994

La Plus Belle Marche : Un Temoignage De L'Interieur Sur Les Evenemens, Une Reflexion Sur Les Accords Et Enjeux En Cours / Luc Tournabien

Environmental Defence Society Incorporated 2018

156p.

9782956552406

\$ 30.00 / null

400 gm.

Causerie avec Luc Tournabien autour de son ouvrage « La plus belle marche ». Cet ouvrage témoigne du parcours d'un Européen auprès du monde Kanak et d'autres progressistes, depuis l'insurrection de novembre 1984 jusqu'à ce jour, au coeur des soubresauts comme dans la construction patiente et déterminée. Bien que très investi dans ces luttes, l'auteur expose avec pondération, authenticité et un certain humour, des faits vécus intensément. Il explicite également les mécanismes politiques et sociétaux des derniers avatars de l'ultime colonie française de peuplement, puis les implications des accords qui ont suivi, sans chercher à emporter le lecteur vers des passions irrationnelles. Des clés sont ainsi proposés à la compréhension du passé, à l'explication du présent, et à l'esquisse d'un futur harmonieux., à l'explication du présent, et à l'esquisse d'un futur harmonieux.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=416171

The End of UMNO? : Essays on Malaysia's Former Dominant Party – New and Expanded Post GE-14 Edition / Bridget Welsh (Contributor) John Funston (et al.)

Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, Malaysia 2018

xxxvi, 396p. Includes Bibliography 9789672165378 \$ 32.50 / null 650 gm. 1.UMNO

2.Political parties - Malaysia - History

3. Malaysia - Politics and government

What is the future of Malaysia's former dominant party, the United Malays National Organisation or UMNO? With the loss of government in the May 2018 General Election (GE14) after 61 years in government, the party faces a different, more uncertain future. It is grappling with its new role in the national political opposition and continued questions about the leadership of former prime minister

Najib Tun Razak.

This collection is an expanded edition of the original 2016, The End of UMNO? It includes the original five essays (including the foreword by current Foreign Minister in the Pakatan Harapan government and former UMNO Supreme Council member Saifuddin Abdullah), as well as new post-GE14 epilogue essays by each of the contributors – John Funston, Clive Kessler, James Chin and Bridget Welsh, all prominent and established scholars studying Malaysian politics. It also includes

a new foreword by veteran UMNO leader, Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah, who contested for the party presidency in the June 2018 party elections. The contributors in this collection study developments in Malaysia's dominant party, the United Malays National Organisation (UMNO) and discuss the question of whether UMNO is in fact at an end. The answers to its future lie in part with a better understanding of its past and present. The authors draw attention to issues of party identity, leadership, membership, governance, institutional change, party financing, internal divisions and its relations with different communities and the public at large. The new and expanded edition draws attention to the factors that contributed to UMNO's loss of government in GE14 and potential steps ahead. Not only does this book fill an important gap in the scholarly research on UMNO, this book offers different perspectives on the party's contemporary challenges. This book aims to contribute to understanding, broaden public debate and stimulate further research on arguably one of Malaysia's most important political institutions.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421998

Boria: From Passion Play to Malay-Jawi Peranakan Parody / Wazir Jahan Karim Pelanduk Publications (M) Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia 2018

xliv, 300p. Includes Index 9789674940034 \$ 35.00 / null 650 gm.

1.Boria

2.Folk Music - Malaysia

3. Folk songs, Malay - Malaysia

With a history dating several thousand years, from the ta'ziyeh Persian passion play to Indian and Malayan street celebrations during the month of Muharram, the boria in Penang has survived critics' trials to become a vibrant Malay-Jawi Peranakan parody theatre – a modern-day vaudeville, combining skits, dance, music and song, to reflect on the vices and virtues of urban Muslim society. Its narrative, lyrics, choreography and costumes express comic representations of colonial and postcolonial life while fostering unity among urban Muslim communities, caught at the crossroads between tradition and modernity. Secular in its symbolic representations but spiritual in essence, it is the only known surviving Malay-Jawi Peranakan parody theatre in Malaysia.

This book provides fascinating insights into this unique self-critical representation

of political culture and its survival strategies over centuries of debate, if indeed Muslims should be engaged in a song and dance over conflicts in faith, culture and tradition. The writer presents the boria through centuries of change and transformation in its built environment in the World Heritage City of George Town and makes an appeal for the boria to be part of the built heritage of George Town and promoted as a state heritage theatre in its natural cultural landscape: the ashurkhana, the birthplace of the boria, as well as historic streets, urban villages and parks. She also embarks on the concept of an innovative café theatre built environment where the boria theatre can be returned to the streets and be "tasted" as "art food": aromatic, participatory and egalitarian, titillating and appealing to all senses and sensibilities.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=421997

Freedom of Religion, the Role of the State, and Interreligious Relations in Myanmar / Nyi Ñyi Kyaw

The International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES), Colombo 2018

vi, 66p.

9789555802277

\$ 18.00 / null

200 gm.

This study examines the state of religious freedom and interreligious relations in Myanmar. It looks at the role of the state as a major actor in influencing religious relations in that country and the impact of state policy and practice on different religious denominations.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=416179

The Chronic and the Entrenched: Ethno-Religious Violence in Sri Lanka / Gehan Gunatilleke

The International Centre for Ethnic Studies (ICES), Colombo 2018

Includes Bibliography 9789555802154 \$ 18.00 / null

250 gm.

The political transition of 2015 promised an end to ethno-religious violence in Sri Lanka. Three years later, this promise remains largely unfulfilled. In this study, Gehan Gunatilleke, examines how ethno-religious violence has persisted, particularly in its chronic form, and looks at some of the factors that entrench and sustain such forms of violence. He concludes by arguing for a subtract transformation that will confront the root cause of this violence. cultural transformation that will confront the root cause of this violence.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=416180

Anwar Returns: The Final Twist: The prosecution and release of Anwar Ibrahim / QC Mark Trowell

Marshall Cavendish Editions, Singapore 2018 400p.

9789814828598

\$ 25.00 / null

1.Anwar Ibrahim, 1947 – Trials, litigation, etc. 2.Trials (Sodomy) – Malaysia 3.Justice, Administration of – Malaysia 4.Malaysia – Politics and governments

"Going to jail I consider a sacrifice I make for the people of this country. My struggle will continue, wherever I am sent and whatever is done to me. I pledge, and I will not be silenced, I will fight on for freedom and justice and I will never surrender.

 Anwar Ibrahim, 10 February 2015
 On 16 May 2018, Anwar Ibrahim was released from prison and receives a full royal pardon from the King of Malaysia.

This was an astonishing turn of events for the former Deputy Prime Minister who was serving a second prison term for sodomy, a charge that Anwar has always refuted.

For Mark Trowell QC, who observed the criminal trials of Anwar Ibrahim, the release was as historic as the release of Nelson Mandela in South Africa. Read about the dramatic twists and turns in the prosecution of Anwar Ibrahim, from when he was first charged with sodomy in September 1998 to his vindication 20 years later. This book covers not only the trials and prosecution Anwar was subjected to and which led to the guilty verdict and sentence of five years' imprisonment in February 2015, it also recounts the changing political tide sweeping through Malaysia that culminated in his historic release in 2018. Mark Trowell also presents an exclusive interview with Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim. In a wide-ranging discussion, held in May 2018, Anwar reveals much about his time in prison, his new relationship with Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad and

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=417686

ROK and ASEAN: Partners for Achieving Peace and Co-prosperity in East Asia / Moon Jae-in

ISEAS Publishing, Singapore 2018

36p.

9789814818940

his vision for Malaysia.

\$ 16.00 / null

150 gm.

- 1.Korea (South) Foreign relations Southeast Asia
- 2.Southeast Asia Foreign relations Korea (South) 3.Korea (South) Foreign relations Singapore 4.Singapore Foreign relations Korea (South)

- 5.Korea (North) Foreign relations

The 42nd Singapore Lecture was delivered by His Excellency Moon Jae-in, President of the Republic of Korea, on 13 July 2018 under the distinguished Chairmanship of Mr Teo Chee Hean, Deputy Prime Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security, Singapore.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=411915

Stardust and Substance: The New Zealand General Election of 2017 / Stephen

Victoria University Press, New Zealand 2018

xxxiv, 560p. Includes Index 9781776561971 \$ 45.00 / null 1050 gm.

Stardust and Substance captures some of the magic of Jacinda Ardern's extraordinary seven-and-a-half weeks' campaign, defeating a National government in power for nine years. The story of her sensational achievement - with `relentless positivity' and a `Let's do this' attitude - is told in this book by multiple authors, including Jacinda Ardern herself; her coalition partners, Winston Peters and James Shaw; and, looking back at the 2017 race, by her adversary in the campaign, former prime minister Bill English. The book portrays how a remarkable election looked: * to overseas observers in the U.S., Australia, Europe, Britain and Japan, attempting to understand `Jacindamania'. * to 14 of New Zealand's top cartoonists. * to academic commentators, journalists and a TV news programme's producer. Stardust and Substance tells the story of how the election was won, and a government formed, its chapters highlighting: * the televised debates and Jacinda Ardern's inspirational example for New Zealand's young women. * UMR's survey findings about leadership, issues and `word clouds'. * the post-election negotiations with Winton Peters. * the role of political scandals. * the campaign and election in the Maori seats. * the 2017 election and New Zealand's Pacific communities. * four campaigns, four candidates - Julie scandals. * the campaign and election in the Maori seats. * the 2017 election and New Zealand's Pacific communities. * four campaigns, four candidates - Julie Anne Genter (Greens); Chris Hipkins (Labour); Mark Mitchell (National); Fletcher Tabuteau (New Zealand First). Stardust and Substance also farewells the Key-English government, examining its legacy with regard to some key issues: New Zealand's flag; the economy, housing, the environment, immigration, foreign policy and security. Stardust and Substance is the latest title in a VUP series of New Zealand election studies allowing New Zealanders today and `in 20, 50 and 100 years' time' the opportunity to `think about what happened and why' (John Key) at the country's general elections.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=418984

The Role of ethnic media in the "New Myanmar" / Soe Lynn Htwe Chiang Mai University Press, Chiang Mai, Thailand 2017

x, 74p.

9786163981851

\$ 20.00 / null

180 gm.

Soe Lynn Htwe shows in this volume how ethnic media outlets in Myanmar are facing a new set of challenges in the rapidly changing society and economy of Myanmar. Ethnic minority people in Myanmar now finally have the opportunity to present themselves and their perspectives via their own media after decades of misrepresentation in official news produced under central state control. At this time, access to accurate information from trustworthy soruces is crucial for ethnic minority peoples in Myanmar because of huge natural resource exploitation projects and unsettled armed conflicts in ethnic minority areas, and the role of these ethnic media outlets is perhaps greater than ever before.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=333569

A Debate to Remember: The US-India Nuclear Deal / Chaitanya Ravi

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xix, 309p.; 22 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9780199481705

\$ 25.00 / HB

540 gm.

A Debate to Remember emphasizes the multifaceted debate in India over the nuclear deal using concepts from science and technology studies. It focuses on the intense contestation over the civil-military mix of India's separation plan, the competition between the Iran-Pakistan-India pipeline and the nuclear deal, the role of retired nuclear scientists, and the issue of liability that has stalled the full implementation of the nuclear deal.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410176

Jallikattu New Symbol of Tamil Angst: an analytical Narrative / N. Sathya Moorthy Vitasta Publishing Pvt.Ltd, New Delhi 2018 xxi, 286p.; 22 cm.

9789386473196

\$ 10.00 / null

380 gm.

In mid-January 2017, Tamil Nadu witnessed mass protests throughout the State, demanding the restoration of the martial bull-taming sport of Jallikattu, a cultural tradition, banned for several years by the Supreme Court of India. For the first time since the anti-Hindi agitation of the Nineteen Sixties, southern Tamil Nadu witnessed a similar kind of public frenzy of peaceful consolidation as never before.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410172

Making Peace, Making Riots: Communalism and Communal Violence, Bengal 1940 -1947 / Anwesha Roy

Cambridge University Press India Private Limited, New Delhi 2018

xvi, 280p.; 23 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9781108428286

\$ 18.75 / HB

500 gm.

The decade of the 1940s was a turbulent one for Bengal. War, famine, riots and partition - Bengal witnessed it all, and the unique experience of each of these factors created a space for diverse social and political forces to thrive and impact the lives of people of the province. The book embarks on a study of the last seven years of colonial rule in Bengal, analysing the interplay of multiple socioeconomic and political factors that shaped community identities into communal ones. The focus is on three major communal riots that the province witnessed - the Dacca Riots (1941), the Great Calcutta Killings (August 1946) and the Noakhali Riots (October 1946).

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410173

Healers or Predators?: Healthcare Corruption in India / Samiran Nundy (ed)

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xiii, 657p.; 23 cm.

9780199489541

\$ 18.75 / HB

830 gm.

This hard-hitting volume shows a mirror to society and, more specifically, to those associated with the health sector—on how healers, in many cases, are shifting shape to becoming predators. In the essays by contributors from within and outside the medical fraternity, we see the many faces, the many facets of corruption—from exorbitant billing by corporate hospitals to the non-merit-based selection in medical colleges to questionable motives playing strong in the area of organ transplantation.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410180

Every Day Communalism: Riots in Contemporary Uttar Pradesh / Sudha Pai, Sajjan Kumar (ed)

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xiv, 349p. ; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index.

9780199466290

\$ 25.00 / HB

480 gm.

Everyday Communalism not only attempts to explore the anatomy of a Hindú-Múslim riot and its aftermath, but also examines the inner workings that enable deep-seated polarization between communities. Pai and Kumar show that frequent, low-intensity communal clashes pegged on routine everyday issues and resources help establish a permanent anti-Muslim prejudice among Hindus legitimizing majoritarian rule in the eyes of an increasingly polarized, intolerant, and entitled majority community of Hindus.

Unwanted Neighbours: The Mughals, the Portuguese and Their Frontier Zones / Jorge Flores

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xxii, 301p.; 22 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9780199486748

\$ 22.75 / HB

530 gm.

Had the Mughals returned to their native Kabul at the time of Akbar and they would have not met the Portuguese; ultimately, the events underpinning this book would never have come to pass and neither would have the book. Instead, Akbar and his successors chose to make of Hindustan their 'garden', giving the empire an unexpected southern as well as maritime configuration. By the middle of the seventeenth century the Mughal embrace to the Portuguese spanned thousands of kilometres from Sind to Bijapur, with a supplementary eastern arm in faraway Bengal.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410198

India-China Relations: Politics of Resources, Identity and Authority / K.R. Gupta Atlantic Publishers and Distributors (P) LTD, New Delhi 2018

310p.; 22 cm. 9788126928583 \$ 25.00 / HB 540 gm.

The book India-China Relations: Politics of Resources, Identity and Authority draws on evidence from interactions between India and China over the years to make an empirical case for the existence and impact of asymmetrical perceptions of threat and friendship between the two countries. The major issues of India-China relations, including the boundary problem, the nuclear issue, the Tibet issue, water diplomacy, regional competition and cooperation, and India-China relations in the global context, have been examined in this book.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=410193

Constitutionalizing India: An Ideational Project / Bidyut Chakrabarty

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xli, 305p.; 22 cm.

Bibliography Includes Index.

9780199487622

\$ 25.00 / HB

480 gm.

It is widely believed that the 1950 Constitution of India is largely borrowed from the 1935 Government of India Act. However, Constitutionalizing India argues, to the contrary, that the Indian Constitution is an ideational project in which competing notions of 'indigenous' influences and their 'alien' counterparts converged to contribute to the fashioning of the Constitution.

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