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Societal Reflections in Postmodern Drama: The Two-Character Play / Priti Bairathi
Rawat Publications, Jaipur 2018

172p. ; 23 cm.
Bibliography Includes Index.
9788131609712
\$ 20.00 / HB
470 gm.

Societal Reflections in Postmodern Drama brings out the intimate connection between changing social contexts and the experiments in art. It looks closely at the transition period from modernism to postmodernism, from the late fifties to the early eighties of the twentieth century. The present study covering more than a quarter century, works with the political and international shifts of the post Second World War years, to be followed later by the Vietnam War (1955-75). These are the years of hope and innovation and the opening out of a society, despite the dark shadow of violence and war. These are the years of exploration and expansion, despite the underlying existential angst and an awareness of mortality.

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Urban Renewal in India = Theory, Initiatives and Spatial Planning Strategies / S. K. Kulshrestha

SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd 2018
304 p, 139 x 215 x 20.57mm
9789352806379
\$ 58.53 / HB
370 gm.

Urban Renewal in India is a comprehensive presentation of the theoretical, strategic and technical aspects of urban renewal. The term 'urban renewal' implies redevelopment of urban areas to ensure growth of infrastructure, promotion of tourism and better quality of life. It has been identified across the world as one of the most crucial processes for ensuring optimal development of urban spaces. In this book, the major principles, strategies, tools and techniques for successful planning and implementation of urban renewal projects are explained with examples. Its highlight is the extensive coverage of all the major initiatives undertaken at the central, state and city levels for urban redevelopment. Jawaharlal Nehru Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), Atal Mission for Renewal and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) and Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY) are some of the major central initiatives covered in the book. At the state- and city-levels, it includes initiatives in Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Indore, Ahmedabad, Mysore, Pune and Hyderabad. The book contains numerous recommendations for reforming and improving urban renewal efforts.

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New Media and Transformation of Social Life in China.. / Xinxun Wu, Han Zheng (ed)

Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2018

xiv, 235p. ; 22 cm.

9789352803514.

\$ 28.25 / HB

470 gm.

The field of media and communication has expanded substantially in China over the last few decades. *New Media and the Transformations of Social Life in China* covers in detail the main aspects related to media in China, including new media technologies, social networks, media convergence, smart cities, digital media, information and communication technology (ICT), and risk society. A major strength of this book is its coverage of the role of ICT for social participation in urban policy and management areas, which include e-governance, social security, and decision support systems. The book also addresses issues such as the financial crisis, the global energy crisis, and environmental pollution.

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Human on the Run of exiles and asylum / Kumar M. Tiku

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xxi, 280p. ; 22 cm.

9780199484812

\$ 16.25 / HB

490 gm.

Humans on the Run is a collection of memories of several microscopic journeys embarked upon by humans, in time and space, compelled by political and sectarian strife. It is about homeless lives and textured human experiences in forced migration, when war and violence consign individuals and families to a lifetime of uncertainty. But it is also about how, in fleeing bombs and battered neighbourhoods, life, hope, and resilience triumph against all odds.

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Madrasas and the Making of Islamic Womanhood / Hem Borker

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xiv, 326p. ; 22 cm.

Includes Index.

9780199484225

\$ 30.00 / HB

580 gm.

This in-depth ethnography looks at the everyday lives of Muslim students in a girls' madrasa in India. Highlighting the ambiguities between the students' espousal of madrasa norms and everyday practice, Borker illustrates how young Muslim girls tactically invoke the virtues of safety, modesty, and piety learnt in the madrasa to reconfigure normative social expectations around marriage, education, and employment.

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Is the Personal beyond Private and Public? = New Perspectives in Social Theory and Practice / Arnab Chatterjee

SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd 2018

288 p, 139 x 215 x 22.86mm.

9789352805204

\$ 40.24 / HB

600 gm.

Is everything personal also private? The modern world is neatly compartmentalized into the private and the public, and the personal is often used interchangeably with the private as if they are the same. But are they? The book starts a new discourse by distinguishing the two and analyzing existing discourses of history, culture, politics, ethics, and law, asserts that the underlying theory is vastly different, often antagonistic. It radically changes the notions of the public, private, and personal by introducing the public-private-personal "triad," challenging the modern binary of the public and private. This original and insightful book will provoke readers to rethink their use of the personal and the private as two different notions for the same thing.

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Disability, Rehabilitation and Social Work: The Indian Scenario / Ajit K Dalal
Rawat Publications, Jaipur 2018

247p. ; 22 cm.
Includes Index.

9788131609484

\$ 22.75 / HB

470 gm.

The book is a collection of papers on disability written by the author over last two and half decades, alongside his association with many national and international organizations working in the area of disability and community-based rehabilitation (CBR) projects. CBR aims at rehabilitation of people with disability and enabling them to actively participate in local communities and access resources made available to them. The book discusses CBR as a strategy for the holistic rehabilitation of people with disability.

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Voices and Value: The Politics of Feminist Evaluation / Ratnam M. Sudarshan (ed)
Zubaan, New Delhi 2018

246p. ; 22 cm.

9789385932397

\$ 17.75 / HB

450 gm.

Over the last several years, regular evaluation of development programs has become essential in measuring and understanding their true impact. Feminist and gender-sensitive evaluations have gradually emerged, drawing attention to existing inequities—gender, caste, class, location, and more—and the cumulative effect of these biases on daily life. Such evaluations are also deeply political; they explicitly acknowledge that gender-based inequalities exist, show how they remain embedded in society, and articulate ways to address them.

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Ujjivan: Transforming with Technology / Subir Roy
Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xii, 233p. ; ill. 22 cm.
Includes Index.

9780199482986

\$ 13.75 / HB

480 gm.

Three decades of being a banker afforded Samit Ghosh a ringside view of the biggest vulnerability of India's financial sector—its failure to ensure true financial inclusion. This became the impetus for Ghosh's second innings as the creator of Ujjivan, a pioneering venture to bring financial services to the urban poor.

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Migrants and the Neoliberal City / Ranabir Samaddar (ed)
Orient Blackswan Pvt Ltd., Hyderabad 2018

xii, 362p. ; 22 cm.
Bibliography Includes Index.
9789352872909
\$ 28.75 / HB
620 gm.

India nurtures a contradiction between two images of its cities—they are the engines of economic growth and, at the same time, an inadequate and contested space for its various residents and subjects. *Migrants and the Neoliberal City*, a culmination of the research conducted by the Calcutta Research Group on rural migrants as the core of the urban poor in India, shows us why and how this contradiction plays out in the lives of migrants, on whose labour the city thrives.

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Jacques Lacan: From Clinic to Culture / Sumit Chakrabarti (ed)

Orient Blackswan Pvt Ltd., Hyderabad 2018

xiii, 222p. ; 22 cm.
Includes Index.

9789352871902

\$ 8.00 / null

320 gm.

This volume provides an overview of Lacan's significant psychoanalytic theories. It delves into the various ways in which Lacan made sense of the human subject, discusses the clinical structures of psychosis, neurosis and perversion, and uniquely demonstrates the application of Lacanian psychoanalytic criticism through a detailed analysis of John Fowles's *The French Lieutenant's Woman*. Engaging with Lacan beyond the clinical context, the book also examines how Lacan's work has been read in the domains of film studies, gender studies, postcolonial studies and deconstruction.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=408221>

Global Nepalis: Religion, Culture, and Community in a New and Old Diaspora / David N. Gellner (ed)

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xvii, 580p. ; 22 cm.
Includes Index.

9780199481927

\$ 37.75 / HB

760 gm.

Migration has been a basic fact of Nepali life for centuries. Over the last thirty years, migration from Nepal has increased exponentially, leading to many new diaspora communities across the world. In these diverse contexts, to what extent do Nepalis reproduce their culture and pass it on to subsequent generations? How much of diaspora life is a response to social and political concerns derived from the homeland? What aspects of Nepali life and culture change? In this volume twenty-one authors address these issues through eighteen detailed case studies that tackle issues of livelihood, identity and belonging, internal conflict, and religious practice, in the UK, the USA, India, Southeast Asia, the Gulf countries, and Fiji.

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Uneven Odds: Social Mobility in Contemporary India / Divya Vaid

Oxford University Press, New Delhi. 2018

xv, 339p. ; 22 cm.

9780199480142

\$ 27.75 / HB

590 gm.

Social mobility research has held a central place in the sociological analysis of industrialized countries of the west, particularly with regard to the study of stratification systems, their forms, and processes. The research on India has however been mostly scattered. The lack of systematic research in this area implies that we do not have a sense of the precise amount of social mobility in contemporary India, and the changes such mobility has had on social

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Dreams of Change : Land, Labour and Conflict in Sri Lanka / Sarath Amunugama
Vijitha Yapa Publications, Colombo 2018

viii, 440p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789556653847

\$ 30.00 / null

620 gm.

This book is a study of social change in Sri Lanka during approximately the first five decades of the island's independence. It deals with changes in a number of key areas of social, economic and political life that were decisive for both the successes and the failures of the newly independent nation's search for modernity, prosperity, and happiness. In this collection of essays, Sarath Amunugama deals with one of the central themes in Sri Lanka's socio-political transformation during the colonial and post-colonial phases, the land question. Land has provided the material basis for modern Sri Lanka's development policies, electoral politics, inter-class political alliances, ethnic conflict and civil war, Left-wing insurgencies, inter-ethnic relations as well as political and religion-social ideologies.

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A Matter of Fact : Talking Truth in a Post-Truth World / Jess Berentson-Shaw
Bridget Williams Books, New Zealand 2018

192p.

978988545387

\$ 16.00 / null

200 gm.

"I knew, and know still, that there is good science and bad science, misinformation and reliable information, truth and falsehood, and also much grey in between . . . But being more adamant, more right, having more facts, was not helping. It was possibly even the problem. Today it seems that conspiracy and rumour spread faster than ever and are increasingly hard to debunk. How do we convincingly explain the difference between good information and misinformation? A Matter of Fact explores the science of communicating and presents innovative ways to talk effectively (and empathetically) about contentious information. It is both an informative guide to constructive communication and a passionate reminder of the importance of finding what matters to all of us

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