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Artificial Intimacy : virtual friends, digital lovers and algorithmic matchmakers /
Rob Brooks

NewSouth Publishing, Sydney NSW 2021

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375 gm.

People have long told machines what to do by pushing buttons. Now, with advances in technology, machines are pushing our buttons. In *Artificial Intimacy*, evolutionary biologist Rob Brooks takes us from the origins of human behaviour to the latest in artificially intelligent technologies, providing a fresh and original view of the very near future of human relationships. Sex dollbots, digital lovers, virtual friends and algorithmic matchmakers help us manage our feelings in a world of cognitive overload. Apps can sense when a user is falling in love, when they are fighting, and when they are likely to break up. These machines, the artificial intimacies, already learn and exploit human social needs. They are getting better and faster at what they do. How will humanity's future unfold when our ancient, evolved minds and old-fashioned cultures collide with twenty-first-century technology?

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Heart of violence : why people harm each other / Paul Valent

Australian Scholarly Publishing, Australia 2021

xv, 329 pages ; 23 cm

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550 gm.

Violence is the plague of our civilization. Its many tentacles – domestic violence, criminal violence, sexual abuse, terrorism, state violence, revolution, war and genocide tentacles – threaten us.

The new discipline of traumatology amply describes the consequences of violence. But there is as yet no corresponding discipline of violentology to explain why violence occurs in the first place. Inexorably, Paul Valent was drawn professionally to take the leap from healing the minds of victims to trying to understand the minds of perpetrators.

Valent unpicks the minds of perpetrators in each field of violence. He develops a lens for illuminating violence, whether individual or international, primitive or spiritual. We come to understand how aggressions that helped our species to survive now threaten it with extinction.

Valent explains his thesis by recounting many stories. One story interwoven throughout is his own. A child who survived the Holocaust, he examines the minds of his perpetrators in his quest to prevent future violence.

Violence, for Valent, is not an isolated feature of the human condition. Surprisingly close to violence are struggles for love. Readers also learn about that aspect of humanity.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=767899>

Tribal Demographic Transition (2 Vols Set) / Swapan Kumar Kolay
Agam Kala Prakashan, New Delhi 2021
24x16, cm , pp540
9788173201950
\$ 90.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=768135>

Severe Acute Maternal Morbidity among the Yanadi Tribe / Chandrika Thalari
Aayu Publications, New Delhi. 2021
xiv, 142p.; 23cm
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\$ 25.00 / HB
450 gm.

Tribal Cultural attributes are attached to the concept of health and diseases. In case of serious illness people tend to attend modern health care facilities, but in many cases accessibility of such facilities does not confirm people's acceptance of modern health care system, otherwise they believe in spirit and some supernatural beings as causes of diseases and priority of treatment is inclined mostly towards traditional healers.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=768101>

Impact of COVID-19, Reforms and Poor Governance on Labour Rights in India / K R Shyam Sundar
Synergy Books India, New Delhi. 2021
xlviii, 264p.; 24cm
9788194843078
\$ 42.50 / HB
700 gm.

COVID-19 has unimaginably disrupted the lives and livelihoods in the Society. Industry and commerce incurred huge losses. Millions of formal and informal workers suffered multiple deprivations in the labour market. Unemployment soared high and employment rates declined considerably during the peak COVID-19 period and both did not improve appreciably by the end of 2020. Ironically, this period also witnessed substantial changes in the labour laws at the regional levels and the passage of three Labour codes at the national level.

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Practices of Sociology in Nepal / Pranab Kharel and Gaurab KC
Vajra Publications Inc. Pvt Ltd., Kathmandu, Nepal 2021
xiv, 212p.
9789937624060
\$ 22.00 / null
350 gm.

Sociology and anthropology in Nepal have so far shrugged off identifying its Nepali identity. One of the reasons for this lackluster is Nepali practitioners' relentless reliance on the west. The cookie-cutter approach of disciplinary history writing tradition is so worn out that competing perspectives and alternative narratives are still sparse. The Practices of Sociology in Nepal is both a representative and reflective dialogue that analytically submerges into the sociology 'of' and 'on' Nepal. In assessing and reassessing Nepali sociology and anthropology, the centrality of this book revolves around the idea of practice. All seven chapters are congruent in charting out the different shades of practices within the university set up. The book raises pertinent questions on the need for cross-fertilization of ideas and methodologies among and between various social sciences. It also points towards the neoliberal pressure exerting at the social sciences at the universities in Nepal. The book makes an honest plea for reexamining both pedagogic and epistemic issues facing Nepali sociology and anthropology. The first-hand experiences of all the contributors have brilliantly kindled the fresh and critical debates on disciplinary history, teaching, supervision, research, writing, allied publications and actor/ institutional politics. Indeed, the thoughts and reflections provided here have seriously given a new direction for Nepali sociology and anthropology. This book is an invaluable resource to students, professionals, practitioners and social science enthusiasts who are interested in the sociology and anthropology of Nepal. Additionally, the book will also serve as a reference for any other South Asian practitioners of sociology and anthropology in identifying similar issues in their respective contexts.

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Empowering Dalits Through Knowledge / Tulsi Ram Pandey, Tika Ram Gautam and Madhusudan Subedi

Vajra Publications Inc. Pvt Ltd., Kathmandu, Nepal 2021

xxii, 250p.

9789937624053

\$ 25.00 / null

400 gm.

It is most welcome to have this stimulating collection of essays on the Dalits, the most underprivileged and discriminated caste/class in Nepali society. Written by academics and social activists, these well-researched essays challenge our thoughts and actions. The essays deal with a phenomenon that is at once harsh and cruel and yet enigmatically elusive and persistent. This book deserves a wide readership from among those interested in inequality and social change in Nepal today. - KEDAR BHAKTA MATHEMA, Former Vice-Chancellor, Tribhuvan University, and Former Ambassador of Nepal to Japan

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Customary Marriage in Botswana : "Marriage the Foundation of the Nation" / Irene Sedibeng Ngwoko (Ed) Dr. Ndana and Keabetswe Idoh Dintwe

Irene Sedibeng Ngwoko, Gaborone, Botswana 2020

viii, 128p.

9789996809392

\$ 50.00 / null

240 gm.

The title of this book is; Customary Marriage in Botswana; Nyalo ngwana wa ngwoko e a ilelwa. This book describes customary marriage in eleven ethnic groups found in Botswana. It outlines how ethnic groups conducted their marriage from its foundation up to celebration.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=762455>

Meeting of Cultures at the Kenyan Coast / Kimani Njogu and Irene Cege

Twaweza Communications, Nairobi, Kenya 2017

156p.

9789966028709

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250 gm.

This publication results from a series of dialogues on multiculturalism of Islamic communities at the Kenyan Coast organized by Twaweza Communications and the Goethe Institut – Kenya in 2016.

The overall aim is to show the hybridity and 'unities of difference' along the Kenyan coast, which is predominantly Islamic. It explores art, language, literature, music, fashion, and religious expression to portray the continual nature of identity formation and cultural expression. The central argument is that identity is a process of becoming. It is always in formation. The publication incorporates essays in English and Kiswahili to point to the multilingual nature of coastal communities.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=762434>

Gender and Class in Contemporary South Korea / Hae Yeon Choo, John Lie and Laura C. Nelson

Institute of East Asian Studies, University of California, Berkeley, CA, USA 2019

x, 174p.

Include Bibliographical References.

9781557291820

\$ 45.00 / null

320 gm.

This volume of essays by leading critical scholars examines gender and class in twenty-first-century South Korea from a transnational and intersectional perspective. Although gender and class have been central concerns in research on Korea for some time, studies have primarily focused on the role of gender and class in South Korea's modernization in the latter half of the twentieth century and have overlooked the heterogeneity of Korean identity and the porousness of Korean boundaries. The contributors to this volume frame local phenomena in a global context while maintaining the complexity of simultaneous and dynamic changes in local social relations. By identifying current formulations of gender and class, they also show how legacies of the past continue into the present.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=769057>

More Tomboy, More Bakla Than We Admit : Insights Into Sexual And Gender Diversity In Philippine Culture, History, and Politics / (Ed) Mark Blasius & Richard T. Chu

Vibal Foundation, Inc., Quezon City, Philippines. 2021

viii, 480p.

Includes Index

9789719707158

\$ 50.00 / HB

810 gm.

In the Philippines, those who do not fall neatly within the dictated norms of gender and sexuality have often been rendered invisible if not condemned outright by mainstream society heavily steeped in westernized gender roles and Catholic notions of sexual propriety. And yet such individuals have existed throughout our history, from the androgynous bayog and asog shamans of precolonial times to members of the Chinese community persecuted for sodomy in Spanish Manila, to lesbian activists of the last few decades striving for recognition within a greater feminist movement, to transpinay (transgender) movements and multiple local, regional, and national organizations, to contemporary gay and "bi" men representing themselves on Planet Romeo. Through the essays in *More Tomboy, More Bakla Than We Admit*, acclaimed writers and scholars explore the unique identities, behaviors, and nuances that distinguish Filipino lesbians, gays, bisexuals, and transgender persons from other Filipinos and those elsewhere in the world. The essays delve into how LGBTI identities are manifested within history, culture, race, religion, family, technology, psychology, for example, in ways that are more complex and multifaceted than we admit.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=769040>

Diversity, Inclusion and Women Health / D C Nanjunda and P T Dinesha

Maya Publishing House, New Delhi. 2020

ix, 178p.; 25cm

9788193513958

\$ 30.00 / HB

650 gm.

As an interdisciplinary work, this book New Public Health care Issues in India focuses on the problems and determinants of Public Health care in the world in general and India in particular. The problems of accessibility of public medical facilities is an important hurdle in the development of people. The book identifies the basic problem faced by the people with respect to the utilization of public health care service system, utilization pattern of health care services etc.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=767989>

Ghost Lives of the Pendatang; Informality and Cosmopolitan Contaminations in Urban Malaysia / Parthiban Muniandy

Strategic Information and Research Development Centre, Selangor, Malaysia
2021

xii, 180p.

Includes Index

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\$ 20.00 / null

300 gm.

This book is an ethnographic study of migrants, refugees and 'temporary' people in Malaysia, incorporating narratives, personal stories, and observations of everyday life in Kuala Lumpur and Georgetown, Penang. Rather than focusing on specific migrant communities or refugee 'camps', the book takes subaltern cosmopolitanism as its central lens to look at how different and diverse communities of non-citizen 'pendatang' (aliens) co-habit, work and live together in Malaysia. Urban centers in Malaysia offer the space for informality that allow stateless and undocumented people to seek out opportunities, while also finding ways to assimilate or even 'disappear' into the fabric of society. The book focuses on the notion of 'contaminations', rather than migration or migrants, to underscore one of the most important findings of the ethnographic study – that migrant life in Malaysia is critically integral, embedded and interwoven into the everyday life in the city - shaping and affecting all aspects of daily life from production and supply chains, food service networks, cultural and religious practices, waste and recycling work, to more intimate and private contexts such as romantic relationships, family life and sex-work. Hybridity, inter-mixing and bastardization are part and parcel of everyday urbanism in KL and Penang – these 'contaminating elements' challenge and disrupt categories of the 'national' and categories such as insider/outsider, national purity, and politically constructed divisions between ethnic and racial groups. The book thus relies upon detailed ethnographic narratives curated over a decade of study, offering students interested in fieldwork research insights into the types of engagements and commitments necessary for helping build the complex, uneasy and destabilizing knowledge that characterizes critical ethnography.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756802>

Chinese Marriage And Social Change : The Legal Abolition Of Concubinage In Hong Kong / Max WL Wong

Springer, Singapore 2020

224p.

9789811516436

\$ 99.99 / HB

This book provides a comparative account of the abolition of concubinage in East Asia, offering a new perspective and revised analysis of the factors leading to – and the debates surrounding – the introduction of a new Marriage Reform Ordinance in Hong Kong in 1971. It uses this law as a platform to examine how the existence of concubinage – long preserved in the name of protecting Chinese traditions and customs – crucially influenced family law reforms, which were in response to a perceived need to create a 'modern' marriage system within Hong Kong's Chinese community after the Second World War. This was, by and large, the result of continued pressure from within Hong Kong and from Britain to bring Hong Kong's marriage system in line with international marriage treaties. It represented one of the last significant intrusions of colonial law into the private sphere of Hong Kong social life, eliminating Chinese customs which had been previously recognised by the colonial legal system's family law. This book contextualizes the Hong Kong situation by examining judicial cases interpreting Chinese customs and the Great Qing Code, offering a comprehensive understanding of the Hong Kong situation in relation to the status of concubines in Republican China and other East Asian jurisdictions. It will be of particular interest to teachers and students of law, as well as researchers in gender studies, post-colonialism, sociology and cultural studies.

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Cross Cultural Relations of Live-in Indonesian Maids within Selected Malaysian Households / Aananthi a/p Thuraisamy

Institute of Ethnic Studies (KITA), Selangor, Malaysia 2015

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Peranakan as a Social Concept / Pue Giok Hun and Shamsul Amri Baharuddin

Institute of Ethnic Studies (KITA), Selangor, Malaysia 2012

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What Every Malaysian Needs to Know About 'Race' / Clive S. Kessler

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Expression of Sexuality and Lifestyle in Singapore and Bangkok : A Case Study of Singaporean Homosexual Men / Korakit Choomgrant
Institute of Ethnic Studies (KITA), Selangor, Malaysia 2010
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Branding Malaysia Through Tourism : When Ads Permeate Our Conciousness, What Happens Our Identity / Shazlin Amir Hamzah
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Image of Turkey : Perceptions of South Caucasian Students Studying in Turkey /
Yildiz Devenci Bozkus & Eda Bekci Ari

Akademisyen Kitabevi, A.S., Ankara, Turkey. 2021

viii, 72p.

Includes Index

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104 gm.

Based on the prominent definitive values in international relations such as "soft power, political power, economic power, civil power, normative power and cultural power... etc." and geared towards understanding the reflections of this situation on Turkey regarding education, this study's scope aims to measure and evaluate the perceptions and attitudes of the students- those who came to Turkey for their studies from the South Caucasus (Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan) - towards Turkey. It is planned that the students' perception of Turkey is presented, whether there is a change between their perceptions before and after their arrivals; and if there is, the direction of this change is measured. In the process of the research, the cities, and schools in which the students from the South Casasia have their education were located; surveys were conducted in person and a sample was chosen in order to have comparable data. Considering the time period that international students spend in Turkey and their education expectation, it is concluded that the problems which occurred due to that the research is conducted in different cities and the positive and negative perceptions are not regional but general. What should be done is to contribute to the process whereby the students establish friendships and socialize, is to increase their comfort and security especially regarding most of them stay in dormitories or rental places, introducing Turkey better to the students who come here for educational purposes and making sure that they integrate more by informing them about our culture. Strengthening the communication with the students will help them feel better during their stay in Turkey and, by increasing the present trust and sympathy, leave Turkey with more positive feelings.

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Politics of Ethnicity Identity and Religion : Turkish Muslims in Britain / Talip Kucukcan

Cizgi Kitabevi, Istanbul, Turkey. 2021

368p.

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Politics of Ethnicity, Identity and Religion: Turkish Muslims in Britain is a study of a micro-Muslim community in UK. This book analyzes how Turkish identity is constructed in the diaspora through an ethnographic study of the role of family, culture, organizations, and religious groups in the reproduction and transmission of traditional values to the young generation. This study informs students, academics, politicians and policy makers in particular about the traditions, values, beliefs and cultural traits of an ethnic community with a multicultural context. This book shows that Turkish and Islamic identities are not fixed and Muslims and Europe do not have a monolithic nature. There is a large diversity of perspectives and approaches to Islam, which indicate that any essentializing of others as a fixed category undermines pluralisms and multiculturalism. The book also argues that there is an emergent identity construction and a sense of belonging among young Muslims who would like to see themselves as a permanent part of European civic culture because their loyalty lies in where they live.

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Hearing the Phenomenon of Divorce in Turkey from Divorce Lawyers : Social Change, Gender and Patriarchy / Hande Sahin

Gazi Kitabevi Tic. Ltd. Sti., Ankara, 2021

vi, 148p.

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Biomedicine, Healing and Modernity in Rural Bangladesh / Md. Faruk Shah
Springer Singapore 2021

XIV, 323 p. 1 illus.

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This book provides an ethnographic account of the ways in which biomedicine, as a part of the modernization of healthcare, has been localized and established as the culturally dominant medical system in rural Bangladesh. Dr Faruk Shah offers an anthropological critique of biomedicine in rural Bangladesh that explains how the existing social inequalities and disparities in healthcare are intensified by the practices undertaken in biomedical health centres through the healthcare bureaucracy and local gendered politics. This work of villagers' healthcare practices leads to a fascinating analysis of the local healthcare bureaucracy, corruption, structural violence, commodification of health, pharmaceutical promotional strategies and gender discrimination in population control. Shah argues that biomedicine has already achieved cultural authority and acceptability at almost all levels of the health sector in Bangladesh. However, in this system healthcare bureaucracy is shaped by social capital, power relations and kin networks, and corruption is a central element of daily care practices.

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Migrations, Mobilites et Reseaux Religieux au Burkina Faso / Alice Degorce and Ludovic O. Kibora

Amalion, Dakar, Senegal 2021

xiv, 226p.

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420 gm.

Dans le contexte social changeant des sociétés burkinabè, l'offre religieuse et les routes migratoires ne cessent de se diversifier. La pluralité des pratiques, des acteurs et des situations rencontrés invite ainsi à penser les articulations entre religions et migrations. Croisant des approches méthodologiques et des objets de recherche diversifiés, ce livre part d'exemples issus de recherches de terrain au Burkina Faso pour interroger de façon plus globale les liens entre pratiques religieuses et pratiques migratoires, ainsi que leur rôle dans l'insertion sociale, à un niveau local. Le religieux en migration est principalement envisagé ici lorsqu'il est mobilisé pour permettre l'insertion sociale dans des situations d'installations ou de réinstallations au Burkina Faso, ou quand les mécanismes sociaux habituellement mobilisés sont saturés ou ne suffisent plus.

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Le Soft Du Developpment / Fernand Vodeme

Les Editions Maguilen, Dakar, Senegal 2020

112p.

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Ethique, Sciences et Developpment / Erick V. A. Gbodossou

Les Editions Salamata – Edisal, Dakar, Senegal 2019

130p.

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240 gm.

Imaginez un monde où les droits de l'homme sont réellement appliqués, et l'extrême pauvreté éradiquée... Où la malnutrition n'est qu'un souvenir en Afrique... Où les échanges bilatéraux et multilatéraux se basent sur l'équité, le respect mutuel, la confiance réciproque et les relations mutuellement avantageuses... Où les laboratoires pharmaceutiques œuvrent pour un mieux être sanitaire tout en étant rentable... Où les industries produisent plus en respectant la nature... Dans ce monde en pleine mutation, ce monde à la croisée des chemins, l'Afrique, terre des premiers balbutiements de la civilisation, continent qui a engendré dans sa dignité responsable tant de précocité artisanale, artistique, intellectuelle, religieuse et spirituelle..., a un rôle prépondérant à jouer. Il y a plusieurs vérités, et chaque continent, chaque civilisation, en détient une partie. Au lieu de suivre l'autre pour être toujours derrière lui, au lieu d'accepter les dictats qui n'arrangent personne, nous devons œuvrer ensemble à collecter les débris éparses, afin de conduire le monde et les hommes vers une humanité meilleure et plus éclairée.

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Entre le Savoir et le Culte : Activisme et Mouvements Religieux dans les Universités du Sahel / Leonardo A. Villalon and Mamadou Badian

Amalion, Dakar, Senegal 2020

xiv, 210p. ; 234 x156mm.

Includes Bibliography

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« Entre le Savoir et le Culte présente des études et documents originaux qui mettent à jour l'évolution de l'islam et du christianisme parmi les étudiants d'universités des pays du Sahel. Il révèle les fissures et les conflits entre les groupes, et analyse leurs modes oraux, écrits et vestimentaires d'affichage et de performance. Cet ouvrage apporte ainsi un puissant éclairage sur l'emprise du religieux sur l'élite en formation, et examine les deux interrogations qui alimentent l'activisme religieux universitaire la signification de la revendication d'une identité musulmane ou chrétienne, et comment celle-ci façonne la modernité des deux religions et vice-versa. A lire pour comprendre le dynamisme des terribles crises qui amènent la région sahélienne à se tourner sur elle-même. » - Mamadou Diouf, Leitner Family Professor of African Studies, Columbia University, États-Unis.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=763650>

Sexual Harassment of Women at workplaces : Mental Health and Social Aspects / R C Jiloha

Sage India Publications, New Delhi 2020

xii,318p.;22cm.

Includes Index

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540 gm.

Sexual harassment is commonly regarded as a criminal offence that needs to be dealt with sternly using both disciplinary and legal provisions. This approach unfortunately leaves the crucial subject of mental health and social aspects of such behaviour largely untouched. The intervention and treatment model for sexual harassment calls for an effective, flexible and integrative approach focused on both internal and external needs. It requires a close understanding of both the workplace and the social environment.

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Political Economy of Caste in India / K S Chalam

Sage India Publications, New Delhi 2020

vi, 274p.; 22cm

Includes select Bibliography, Index

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550 gm.

Political Economy of Caste in India presents the caste mode of production as an important analytical tool to understand the socio-economic and political dynamics of India. The book looks at caste from the economic base and also links it with the superstructure that includes judiciary, untouchability practices, caste atrocities against Dalits, social exclusion and so on. It presents empirical studies to show that the social habits of discrimination and crimes against the marginalized communities prevail even in the 21st century to physically alienate them from mainstream opportunities and ensure involuntary supply of labour at lower wages. It articulates that the economic intensity of caste can be discerned through the caste mode of production. The study brings out the limitations of some of the Marxists' understanding of caste. It also presents a distinct approach for comprehending caste and suggests that the human rights perspective is one of the ways to combat it.

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