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Practising the Dhamma with a view to Nibbana
Author : Radhika Abeysekera

Pub : Buddhist Cultural Centre, Sri Lanka Year : 2000 Edition ; Third Edition (First Ed published by Ministry of Buddha Sasana, Sri Lanka in 1998) ISBN : 9558129895
Bib : 23cm PB xviii, 132pp Price : US\$ 15.00

Dhamma Man and Law
Author : K.N. Jayatilleke

Pub : Buddhist Cultural Centre, Dehiwela, Sri Lanka Year : 2000 ISBN : 955812991x
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A Comprehensive Manual of Abhidhamma
The Abhidhammattha Sangaha of Acariya Anuruddha

General editor : Bhikkhu Bodhi
Pali text originally edited and translated by Mahathera Narada

In this work the author,, Acariya Anuruddha, concisely surveys the central topics of Abhidhamma: states of consciousness and mental factors, the functions and processes of mind, the material world, dependent arising, the methods and stages of meditation.

Pub : Buddhist Publication Society, Kandy Year ; 1999 (First Ed : 1993) ISBN : 9552401984
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Reality and Expression
Author : Prof. G.D. Sumanapala

The present study deals with a detailed analysis of the abhidhamma conception of pannatti (expression), the theravada concept of language and its usage with reference to the ultimate reality (paramattha) of the world of experience.

Pub : Paramita International Buddhist Society Ltd, Sri Lanka Year : 1999 ISBN : 9558321001 Bib : 23cm PB xix, 142pp Price : US\$15.00

The Anthropology of Buddhism and Hinduism
Weberian Themes

Author : David N Gellner

This collection of essays both engages with Max Weber's work, and attempts to use his general approach, combined with detailed ethnography from Nepal and Japan, to attack critical questions in the Anthropology and Sociology of Buddhism and Hinduism.

Pub : Oxford University Press, New Delhi Year : 2000 Bib : 22cm 414pp ISBN : 0195653572 Price : US\$ 21.50

Selected Writings and Speeches
A Collection of Selected Writings and Speeches on Buddhism and Tibetan Culture

Author : Samdhong Rinpoche;

Prof. S. Rinpoche Felicitation Volume
Languages English & Hindi

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A Comparative Study of the Pratimoksa
on the basis of its Chinese, Tibetan, Sanskrit and Pali Versions

Author : W. Pachow
Rev & Enlarged Ed

Textual Study of the Buddhist Canonical Text

Pub : Motilal Banarsidass Publishers, New Delhi Year ; 2000 Bib : xvi, 240pp 23cm ISBN : 8120815726 Price : US\$ 13.25

CHRISTIANITY

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Author : G P V Somaratna

Pub : Margaya Fellowship of Sri Lanka, Nugegoda, Sri Lanka Year : 1998 ISBN : 9559165046 Bib ; 23cm x, 144pp PB Price : US\$ 12.00

Walter Clifford
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Author ; S.C.K. Rutnam

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With special Reference to the dances of Siva

Author : Tambyah Nadaraja

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Sakti Cult in Orissa

Author : Francesco Brighenti

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Pub : D.K. Printworld, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : xx, 510p 66 b/w figs. 33 col plates, glossary, bib, index 29cm Price : US\$ 80.00

The Nature of Living Tradition
- Distinctive Features of Indian Parampara-
Author : Baidyanath Saraswati

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Series : Parimal Sanskrit Series No.55

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Author ; E Roer, with a preface of Manilal N Dvivedi

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Facets of Vedic Studies
Editor ; Bidyut Lata Ray

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Sri Durga Saptasati

edited with an Introduction text, English Translation, English Transliteration of the text, Argala, Kilaka, Kavaca, Saptaslokidurag, Devisukta and an Index Author : Dipak Kumar Sharma

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Aspects of Sikh Identity, Culture and Thought

Author ; W.H. McLeod

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Playing the 'Game of Love'

Author : Louis E. French

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Classical Indian Philosophy of Mind
The Nyaya Dualist Tradition

Author : Kisor Kumar Chakrabarti

Pub : Motilal Banarsidass, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : xx+309pp Bibliography & Index

ISBN : 8120817044 Price : US\$ 11.75

The Problem of Universals in Indian Philosophy

Author : Raja Ram Dravid

Revised Edition

Pub : Motilal Banarsidass, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : xxi, 393p Abbrev, Biblio, Index, Notes ISBN : 8120808320 Price : US\$ 20.00

Suresvara's Vartika on Jyotis Brahmana

Editor, Tr & Annotated by : K.P. Jog & Shoun Hino

Series : Advaita Tradition Series Vol.11.

On the Brhadaranyaka Upanishad

Pub : Motilal Banarsidass, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : xx, 774p Abbrev, Biblio, Gloss, Index ISBN : 8120817567 Price : US\$ 31.75

Classical Samkhya

An Interpretation of its History and Meaning

Author : Gerald James Larson

This second edition traces the History of the Samkhya Not only in the Indian Intellectual tradition but also in the traditions of historical criticism.

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ISLAM

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Editor : Nakamura Mitsuo, Sharon Siddique and Omar Farouk Bajunid

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JAINISM

Jainism : A Study
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Editor : R.M. Das

Pub : Kaveri Books, New Delhi Year : 2000 Bib : xx, 159pp 23cm ISBN : 8174790411 Price : US\$ 10.00

Jain Temples of Rajasthan

Author : Sehdev Kumar

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