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Social Movements, Old and New A Post-Modernist Critique

Author: Rajendra Singh

This important book is both about social movements and collective actions, and about the discipline of sociology and prevailing concepts of Indian Society.

The book is divided into two parts. The first deals with conceptual issues involved in articulating generic perspective for an understanding of social movements. The author examines current theories relating to old and new social movements; highlights the conflictual and transformational matrix of Indian society; and discusses various dynamics

such as the movement from modernity to post-modernity, from society to post-society and from sociology to post-sociology

in the second part, Professor Singh presents a conceptual critique of various studies on social movements including the neo-classical model, marxist paradigms and historical approaches.

Pub: Sage Publications, New Delhi Year; 2001 ISBN: 0761995242 Bib; 23cm HB 358pp Index Price: US\$ 18.50

Garhwal Himalaya

Editor: O.P. Kandari & O.P. Gusain

Study of the Area's nature, culture and society

Pub: Transmedia, New Delhi Year: 2001 Price: US\$ 40.00

Exploring Emotional History

Gender, Mentality and Literature in the Indian Awakening

Author: Rajat Kanta Ray

Do emotions have history? Whose emotions does the writer, poet or diarist portray in an emotionally divided society? What are the theoretical problems confronting the historian of mentality? What ideological blinkers prevent the historian from being empathetic to the study of something as elusive as emotions and mentality?

This book seeks to answer some of these questions.

Pub: Oxford University Press, New Delhi Year; 2001 ISBN: 0195652924 Bib: 22cm 346pp Price: US\$ 20.00

Health Financing and Costs

A Comparative Study of trends in eighteen Countries with special reference to India author: Sonya Gill, Shirish N Kavadi

Pub; Foundation for Research in Community Health, Mumbai Year: 1999 Bib: 219p 28c, Incl. Statistical tables, Bibl. Ref. ISBN: 8187078235 Price: US\$ 7.00

Elderly in India: healthy? Happy? helpless? respected? rewarded? rejecte? an Annotated bibliography in search of answere in the year of the older persons

Author: Malini Karkal

Series: Health Services Studies Series: 4

Pub: Centre for Health Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai Year:

2000 Bib : 2v 28cm Price :US\$ 20.00 (Set)

Development and Changing Status of Scheduled Castes A Study of Ambedkar and Non-Ambedkar Villages in UP

Author ; Kuldip Kaur, B.K. Pattanaik

Pub: Centre for Research in Rural & Industrial Development, Chandigarh Year: 2000 Bib: xv, 100pp 25cm Incl Bib Ref. ISBN: 8185835403 Price: US\$ 10.00

Rediscovering Dharavi

Stories from Asia's largest slum

Author: Kalpana Sharma

Pub : Penguin Books, New Delhi Year : 2000 Bib : xxxviii, 209p ill 22cm ISBN : 0141000236 Price : US\$ 8.00

Policy Advocacy: A Framework for social change in pakistan

An Exploratory research study

Author; Qadir Ali

Pub ; LEAD Pakistan, Islamabad Year : 1999 Bib : viii, 60p 28cm Incl Bib ref Price : US\$ 15.00

Social and Economic Security in India

Editors; S. Mahendra Dev, Piush Antony, V Gayathri and R.P. Mamgain

The volume containing 23 articles from experts and activists covers a wide range of issues and experiences relating to social and economic security especially with regard to the vulnerable sections and state-level initiatives.

Pub: Institute for Human Development, New Delhi Year: 2001 Bib: 523pp ISBN: 819009484x Price: US\$ 25.00

Informal Sector in India Perspectives and Policies Editor: Amitabh Kundu and Alakh N Sharma

The volume comprehensively analyses the present trend and dynamics of development of informal sector and assesses its implications for the workforce and the people.

Pub: Institute for Human Development, New Delhi Year: 2001 Bib: 440pp ISBN: 8190094858 Price: US\$ 21.75

Tibetan Demographic Survey 1998

A report on the first comprehensive demographic survey of exile tibetans carried out by the exile tibetan government, Dharamsala

Pub: Planning Council, Central Tibetan Administration, Dharamsala Year: 2000 Bib; viii,50pp Price; US\$ 5.00

Contemporary Essays

People Unlike Us - The India that is invisible

This is an extraordinarily rich collection of contemporary writing by six journalists and two other writers.

Pub: Harpercollins, New Delhi Year: 2001 Bib: 214pp Price: US\$ 10.00

'We Asians': Between Past and Future

Editor: Kwok Kian-Woon et al

"WeAsians" Between Past and Future, a Millennium Regional Conference, 21-23 February 2000, Singapore, Grand Plaza Parkroyal / organised by National Archives of Singapore, Singapore Heritage Society and Japan Foundation Asia Center; supported by Ministry of Information and the Arts, Singapore and Japan Foundation Asia Center

In the wide-ranging and often complex papers and discussion at the February 2000 Singapore Conference "We Asians -- between Past & Future," Japanese and Southeast Asian contributors looked at concepts of Asianness. The material evolves around the following themes: The past as prologue; war & violence; history & memory; Colonialism, Communism and nation-state formation; the rise of Capitalism in Asia; Culture & consciousness and Beginning the 21st Century. Many deep and important issues are explored.

Pub: National Archives of Singapore, Singapore Year: 2000 ISBN: 9810428243 Bib: 301pp PB Price: US\$ 30.00

Young Vietnam: Doi Moi's Children

Author: Toyama, Koichiro

The youth of Vietnam have no memories of the traumatic war. Although they are brought up in a Communist regime, their ideology may be more geared to economic

realities after the introduction of Doi Moi. The author, a young Japanese working on his Master's thesis, travelled widely throughout Vietnam for his research. He attempts to provide an insight into how the Doi Moi generation is adapting to the dramatic changes that confront the country. With numerous black and white photographs.

Pub: Think Centre, Singapore Year: 2001 Bib: PB 143pp ill 19cm ISBN: 9810435215 Price: US\$ 20.00

Issues and Challenges of Social Policy: East and West

Editors: Roziah Omar & John Doling

12 papers based on those given at the 1998 University Malaya/University of Birmingham conference held in Kuala Lumpur, analyse and compare the nature and social administrative context of social problems and issues faced in Britain and Malaysia. Both common and divergent patterns are traced in the ever-changing world of political imperatives, human distress, government machinery and NGO aims in the two countries.

Pub: University of Malaya Press, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia Year: 2000 Bib: PB 230pp

ISBN: 9831000870 Price: US\$ 35.00

Southeast Asian Urbanism: The Meaning and Power of Social Space Author: Evers, Hans-Dieter & Rudiger, Korff

This dense and scholarly sociological analysis incorporates the findings of 20 years' of substantial field research on the dynamism of Southeast Asian cities and towns. Social theory, empirical data and comparative study together provide a vivid picture of the immense variety of social forms and creativity which exist in the structuration of contemporary urban space in Southeast Asia. Relevant for urban planners and policy makers as well as sociologists. Extensive bibliography.

Pub: Lit Verlage, Munster & St. Martin's Press, New York Year: 2000 Bib: 268pp

ISBN: 9812301011 Price: US\$ 42.50

Why Asians Are Less Creative than Westerners

Author: Ng Aik Kwang

Written for the general reader as well as for managers and educators, this is an important and clearly set out exploratory study of the meaning and relevance of creativity in contemporary life. The similarities and contrasts of characteristic Asian and Western contexts, presuppositions and social attitudes are considered along with interesting examples. The complexity as well as the creative advantages of enabling alternative mores and perspectives to all is not shirked. With enlivening line drawings and a full bibliography.

Pub: Prentice Hall, Singapore YEar: 2001 Bib: 230pp ill PB ISBN: 0130404756

Price: US\$ 28.50

Welfare Capitalism in Southeast Asia

Social Security, Health and Education Author: M. Ramesh; Mukul G Asher

Series: International Political Economy Series

General Editor: Timothy M Shaw

This is the only in-depth study of social policies in southeast Asia. It compares social security, health and education policies in Indonesia, Malaysia, the Phillippines, Singapore and Thailand. After describing the policies and assessing their adequacy and equity implications. It examines the forces that have shaped them. It concludes that social programs (except for primary education) in the region are both inadequate and inequitable.

Pub: Palgrave Books. UK Year: 2000 Bib: 232pp 22cm tables & graphs ISBN: 033368706x Price: US\$ 67.50 15% OFF on all PALGRAVE TITLES

Ethnic Minorities in Vietnam Author: Chu Thai Son

Pub; The Gioi Publishers, Hanoi Year; 2000 Bib: 20cm 297pp Price: US\$ 20.00

Broken twigs and Paper Boats The World of the Indian Child

English, Gujarati & Hindi

Documentary Film about the life of Indian Child

Pub :Gurjarvani, Ahmedabad Year : 1995 Bib ; 1 Videocassette 28mins Price : Rs 240.00

Violence and Subjectivity

Author: Veena Das; Arthur Kleinman, Mamphela Ramphele, Pamela Reynolds

The essays, written by a distinguished roster of contributors, consider the ways in which violence shapes subjectivity and acts upon people's capacity to engage in everyday life. This collection ventures into many areas of ongoing violence, asking how people love with themselves and others when perpetrators, victims and witnesses all come from the same social space

Pub: Oxford University Press, New Delhi Year: 2001 Bib: 22cm 392pp ISBN: 0195658191 Price; US\$ 20.00

Terror in the Mind of God

The Global rise of Religious Violence

Author; Mark Juergensmeyer

This first comparative study of religious terrorism explores recent incidents such as the World Trade Centre Explosion, Hamas Suicide bombings, the Tokyo Subway nerve gas attack and the killing of abortion clinic doctors in the United States.

Incorporating personal interviews, the author takes us into the mind-set of those who perpetrate and support violenct acts.

The book places these acts of violence in the context of global political and social changes and sees them as attempts to empower the cultures of violence that support them.

Pub : Oxford University Press, New Delhi Year : 2001 Bib : 22cm 348pp ISBN : 0195657152 Price : US\$ 20.00
