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Anthropology / Archaeology

Experiencing Anthropology in the Nicobar Archipelago / Vijoy S Sahay New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors,2021 xxv,246p.;23cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9781032016122 \$ 25.00 / Hb 580gm.

This book explores the discipline of social-cultural anthropology through an extensive study of the Nicobarese people in one of the remotest human settlements of the Indian Ocean. It examines the social, cultural, economic, political and magico-religious beliefs of the Nicobarese, and traces their ritualistic upbringing from conception till after death. The book also discusses the nature-man-spirit complex observed in the life of the Nicobarese. The author further utilises this study to examine the complex role of anthropologists in maintaining objectivity and authenticity in ethnographic accounts, and discusses several critical epistemological issues concerning social-cultural anthropology as a field of study today.

Based upon extensive field research by the author conducted over four decades, this volume will be of great interest to scholars and researchers of sociology and social-cultural anthropology, human geography, social sciences, minority studies, as well as South Asian studies. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800051

The Coins of the Indian Sultanates: Covering the area of Present-Day India, Pakistan and Bangladesh / Stan Goron and J P Goenka New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors,2022 xxxi,524p.;29cm. Includes Index 9789391928629 \$ 125.00/ Hb 2320gm.

The Coins of the Indian Sultanates is a very important primary source for helping us to understand the political and economic history of much of what is now India, Pakistan and Bangladesh during the period from the beginning of the thirteenth century ad until the seventeenth century when the last of the sultanates, that of Bijapur, was absorbed into the Mughal Empire. The right of sikka, i.e. the right to strike coins was one of the two juridically recognised expressions of the right of the ruler to sovereignty, and it was a right that was jealously guarded. It is a happy feature of Islamic coinage that the coins bear information not only about the rulers' names and titles but very often also the place and date of minting. In this way we can follow the progress of their rule as their territories expanded or contracted. We can learn of rulers who are otherwise not known to history, their usually ephemeral reigns not recorded in any literary sources that have come down to us. We can also examine the metals used for the currency, its fineness or debasement, and seek to draw conclusions from that. The present book, however, does not go that far. It is not intended as an economic history of the sultanate period but as an extensive, illustrated catalogue of coin types. More types are included here than in any previously published book on sultanate coins. Many are published for the first time. They come from both public and private collections in India and elsewhere. Brief histories are included for each sultanate as well as comments on the coinage and the coin legends. An extensive bibliography is also provided. This book will serve as an essential reference for students and collectors of Indian sultanate coins and for anyone else interested in this period of South Asian history. About the Author Stan Goron was born in

London in 1944. After gaining a degree in modern languages at Cambridge, he made a career in the British Post Office, where for the last ten years of service he was in charge of the National Postal Museum. A keen former collector of Indian coins, he was an early member of the world-famous Oriental Numismatic Society and has been its newsletter editor since 1985. J.P. Goenka an industrialist, is a relatively new entrant in the field of Indian numismatics. He began collecting coins with emphasis on those of the Indian Sultanates in 1997. His other interests include coins of Ancient India, Mughals and the Marathas. In a short span, through his dedication and grasp of the subject, he has built an impressive collection of coins. As his collection has grown steadily over the years – and continues to grow – his enthusiasm and knowledge in the field have also developed.

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A Preliminary Report of the Excavations at Nagardhan (2015-2016) / Virag Sontakke, Shrikant Ganvir and Shantanu Vaidya Pune: Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies, 2020 xvi,148p.;29cm. 9788190833080 \$ 30.00 / Pb 680gm.

The excavations conducted at Nagardhan by the Directorate, Archaeology and Museums, Nagpur Division, Government of Maharashtra, and Department of AIHC and Arcaheology, Deccan College, Pune for the three consecutive seasons ie 2015-2016 to 2017-2018 threw fresh light on ancient Vidarbha. The site of Nagardhan is believed to be the Nandivardhan of ancient times; the capital of the Vakatakas. The excavations were aimed to firstly reveal various aspects of the Vakataka period and to inspect if the remains help in ascertaining the earlier identification of Nagardhan by earlier scholars. The excavations revealed the evidence of well settled city of the Vakataka period. The findings include ceramics, coins, sealings, glass bangles, terracotta objects, stone objects, beads of semi-precious stones, ivory objects, metal objects, etc. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800304

Indian Numismatics: Its Bearing on History, Culture, Art and Iconography / Devendra Handa New Delhi: Aryan Books international, 2022

xviii,294p.;29cm.

Includes Bibliography and Index 9788173056659 \$ 97.00 / Hb 1700gm.

The present volume contains 31 essays which have significant bearing on history, culture, art, architecture, religion, iconography, language, orthography, palaeography, geography, metallurgy, coin-technology, movement of peoples, migration of motifs, etc. The first paper deals with the much debated crested figure of punch-marked and Ujjain coins which has variously been identified with different deities by scholars. Fresh clinching evidence has been presented to identify the figure properly. Vatasvaka coins found from the Taxila region have been debated for long but a new piece illustrated here establishes it to be a place-name. Many new types and varieties of copper and lead coins bearing the Brahmi legend Kadasa have been discussed and illustrated together with the species belonging to Sujyeshtha, Gomitra and Vishnumitra, all from Sugh in Haryana. An up-to-date data of Pratishthana coins has been presented. Coins of Gomitra of Mathura reveal the earliest appearance of nimbus and a new technique of making coins. For the first time eight different versions of legends on the silver Kuninda coins have been presented. Coins of the Trigartas have been revisited illustrating newer varieties, some found from Pakhtunkhwa in Pakistan. Orthographic peculiarities of Yaudheya and other coins betray scriptural bearing on pronunciation of certain sounds. An exhaustive treatment of coins from Maheshwar with many new varieties of city-state specie forms the subject of another paper. Coins of the city-states of Hathodaka and Kuraghara/Kuraraya have been discussed with their possible significance and newer identification of the location of the former. Many new coins and seals/sealings like those of Magha, Sivaghoshaka, Bhavaraja, Dhavalapa, Sarangapanideva, Sura-Varmmana, Vijayamitra, etc. from different places and belonging to different dynasties have a great bearing on their history and chronology. A new epithet of Rajamatya has been deciphered on some sealings. Coins from Kashmir show lion as Siva's vehicle instead of Nandi. Corroborative literary evidence has been searched and cited. New and interesting evidence regarding the Aulikaras and their associates has been discussed for the first time. The work is adequately illustrated with some latest finds.

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Iridescent Skin: A Multispecies Journey of White sharks and Caged Humans/ Raj Sekhar Aich New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 491p.; Photograph, 25cm. 9789391125530 \$ 112.50 / Hb 1500gm.

Iridescent Skin is the first of its kind multispecies ethnography on humans and white sharks, entangled through the practice of cage diving at the very end of New Zealand. It is based on an immersive field work of marine anthropologist Prof. Raj Sekhar Aich, and his friend, research assistant, and anthropologist-Soosan Lucas, as they go in search of the elusive and mystified Great White Sharks of Foveaux Strait. This is not a 'shark book', although it revolves around sharks in the classical sense of the manner. It is also not merely an academic book, although it is based on detailed academic investigation. Neither is it an exploration of shark behaviour or ecology, although they are certainly part of it, and no, it is not even a book about shark attacks, although shark bites are featured here. It is, on the surface, a sensory narrative of human and white shark encounters, but beneath the ripples, it is a story of love: among humans, rivers, oceans, bricks, stones, and sharks. As Prof. Agustín Fuentes puts it, the book 'invites the reader along...at the intersection of two sentient species, humans and white sharks.... The book you hold in your hands, is an enticement into the experiential journey of a scholar, artist and narrator who starts out with the goal of appreciating or assessing a multispecies entanglement, but ends up traversing a tangle of personal, social, historical, ecological and perceptual water/land/species-scapes.... This is an immersive multispecies anthropology.' Author Raj Sekhar Aich, with PhDs in marine anthropology and applied psychology, has been recently awarded professorship at the Sister Nivedita University. His research focus is in the field of the holistic study of cultural- and natural-scapes shaped by physical and symbolic interactions of humans with the marine environment and life forms. He has conducted the first-ever white shark cage diving ethnographical research (New Zealand), and the first academic investigation of the Sundarban shark attacks (India). Through his work, he looks towards further contributing to transdisciplinary research, marine social sciences, and anthrozoology.

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Towards a Nationalist Narrative of India's Past including Recent Research on the Indus Civilization / Dilip K Chakrabarti New Delhi: Aryan Books international, 2022 xv,234p.;22cm. Includes Index 9788173056666 \$ 20.00 / Hb 500gm.

In 1966 the famous Indian parliamentarian Ram Manohar Lohia regretted in Parliament that the minds of our children were ingrained with the belief that "India had nothing of its own; everything was either imitated or influenced by outside factors". He called the Indian historiography 'diseased'. His opinion was echoed by M.C. Chagla, the education minister, who advocated the idea of re-writing Indian history. Taking Dr. Lohia's opinion as the starting point, the present volume goes on to argue that post-Independence Indian archaeologists, despite making many new discoveries, have been most unashamedly neocolonial without the least awareness of the interrelationship between archaeological data and nationalism. The volume deals with multiple aspects of this interrelationship and undertakes a critical review of the recent research on the Indus civilization, showing that the very idea of the integrity and homogeneity of this civilization, which is the fountainhead of India's mainstream civilization, is being currently undermined by both Indian and foreign archaeologists who consider it only a veneer on top of the regional elements. Finally, the volume argues that the geographical and chronological implications of some recent discoveries conclusively underline that India's protohistoric archaeological column and the literary column represented by the Vedic literature are inseparably linked, thus forming the first block of the seamless narrative of India's ancient past. Contents: Preface By the Same Author 1. Introduction 2. Towards a Nationalist Archaeology of India 3. Recent Research on the Indus Civilization (c. 2010-2021) 4. Key Issues: Major Themes in Different Phases of Harappan Research 5. The Location of Harappa 6. Concluding Remarks Index About the Author: Dilip K. Chakrabarti (1941) is emeritus professor of south Asian archaeology at Cambridge University. He was awarded Padma Shri in 2019. In 2021 he received a 'life-time achievement' award from the UK Bengali Convention (UKBC). http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800288

Buddhist Site of North-East India and Black Shipped Ware in North India: An Archaeological Study / Syed Jammal Hassan New Delhi: Agam Kala Prakashan, 2021 24x16, cm, pp 252, Illus. B.W. 9788173201943 \$ 50.00 / Hb 640gm.

The recent exploration and excavation work conducted by the A.S.I has confirmed that Buddhism was popular in North-East India during the post Gupta and early medieval period while the establishment of Boxanagar seems to be earlier than those of the Mainamali and Paharpur (Bangladesh). Buddhism entered Assam through Brahmaaputra valley, while Tawang, was influenced from Tibet and Northern part of Arunachal Pradesh from China. The present study on the Black Slipped Ware of Eastern Uttar Pradesh and Avadh region (Pre-NBPW deposit) shows that it is entirely different in texture, polished, shapes and types as discovered from other parts of Northern India. We can suggest that the Black Slipped Ware of this region can be treated as a separate culture which originated in Eastern Up around 1100 B.C.E and continued upto 400 B.C.E when it finally merged with N.B.P Ware. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=768147

Bureaucratic archaeology state, science and past in postcolonial India / Ashish Avikunthak New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xxxiv, 328p.;23cm. Include Bibliography and Index 9781316512395 \$ 22.50 / Hb 700gm.

Bureaucratic Archaeology is a multi-faceted ethnography of quotidian practices of archaeology, bureaucracy and science in postcolonial India, concentrating on the workings of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). This book uncovers an endemic link between micro-practice of archaeology in the trenches of the ASI to the manufacture of archaeological knowledge, wielded in the making of political and religious identity and summoned as indelible evidence in the juridical adjudication in the highest courts of India. This book is a rare ethnography of the daily practice of a postcolonial bureaucracy from within rather than from the outside. It meticulously uncovers the social, cultural, political and epistemological ecology of ASI archaeologists to show how postcolonial state assembles and produces knowledge. This is the first book length monograph on the workings of archaeology in a non-western world, which meticulously shows how theory of archaeological practice deviates, transforms and generates knowledge outside the Euro-American epistemological tradition.

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The Archaeological Geography of Early Historical Gujarat / Atusha Bharucha New Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xii, 244p.; illustrations, maps, 25cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789390022861 \$ 26.50 / Hb 580gm.

The Archaeological Geography of Early Historical Gujarat argues that the Gujarat region was the meeting point of cultures from mainland India as well as the gateway for goods from overseas and offers important information regarding Indian Ocean trade in ancient India taking place from the west coast of the peninsula. Gujarat was also the hub where the overland trade routes met, where goods from north India, the Deccan, and what is today Afghanistan, as well as areas surrounding the east of the river Indus landed. Besides providing an account of the hinterland of the north-western coast of India, which has a historical character of its own, this volume also provides information on the nature of the ancient settlements of the modern state of Gujarat, and their connections with each other. The book pieces together the history of the common man and the conditions he may have faced during those times. For instance, several minor inscriptions commemorating the death of people and the digging of wells throw light on the limitations in practising agriculture faced by people then. Finally, the book looks at Gujarat as an important Buddhist centre, much like Sind, as evidenced by the brick stupas found in the state.

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Folk Festivals and Beliefs of Radh Bengal: Understanding Through Ethnoarchaeology / Lopamudra Maitra Bajpai New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2022 xxii,258p.; illustrations; 23cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9788174792426 \$ 32.50 / HB 720gm.

This publication explores various folk festivals, rites, rituals, beliefs and oral traditions to understand the many processes that went into creating a unique identity of the area of study – the Radh region of Bengal. The work has been supplemented with intensive ethnographic fieldwork across the region, supplemented by available archaeological findings, records and publications. Forming the western part of the state of West Bengal (India), the present study focuses on the districts of Purulia, Bankura and Paschim Mednipur (West Mednipur) and is a representative of understanding a continuous process of historical development to look into settlement patterns, migrations and resettlements, geographical boundaries, royal patronages of festivals and beliefs and oral traditions, reflecting ideas and identities. The local characteristics of these also helps to connect the area to the larger picture of the region and also brings to context a historical understanding with the bigger part of India. The fieldwork undertaken, was intensive enough in nature and looks into rural communities, which have undergone important processes of assimilation of thought processes and ideas, rendering them a distinct identity.

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Monumental Heritage of Mandi: A Brief Introduction / B.M. Pande, C. Dorje New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2021 x,150p,23cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9788174792310 \$ 16.50 / Hb 440gm.

The present Mandi town was the capital of the erstwhile Mandi State and it was set up by Raja Ajbar Sen in the year 1527 CE. Since ancient times this town was an important trade and commercial centre between Indian plains and Ladakh, Yarkand and Central Asia. Mandi is also known for its old temples, built along the Beas and Suketi river fronts, and mostly dedicated to Shiva and the Shakti and their enormous range of exquisite carvings attract the eyes of any beholder and its surroundings present a panoramic view of the town thereby earning the title of 'Varanasi of the Hills' or 'Chhoti Kashi of Himachal'.

This one-time capital of the princely state is a developing town that still retains much of its original charm and character. Here an attempt has been made to illustrate the important features by way of photographs and line-drawings of the monumental heritage preserved by the local inhabitants of the area for centuries which will serve as a guide for serious scholars for carrying out detailed research in the respective field on the one hand and would be found useful for the lay visitors to the town on the other http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800076

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IGU study on four Idu Mishmi Shamanic rituals: Kanliwu, Machiwu, Anongko, A-Taye / Razzeko Delley New Delhi: Bookwell, 2021 xiv,187p.;23cm. Includes Bibliography 9788195290062 \$ 21.00 / Hb 600gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800074

Banjara tribe of Kalahandi: culture, rituals and religion / Geetanjali Panda
New Delhi: Delta Book World, 2021
187p.; 23cm.
Includs Bibliogrphy and Index
9789385719172
\$ 21.50 / Hb
470gm.

The Banjaras of Odisha are believed to have migrated from Rajasthan to different places of the State through Madhya Pradesh and Bihar as evident from their own "Banjari" dialect and established in different parts of Western Odisha. This book is a super collection of different facts regarding their religion, ritual activities, life cycle rituals, different changing scenario along with their world view based on the case studies of Banjara of Koksara block of Kalahandi district of Odisha.

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The Archaeology of Knowledge Traditions of the Indian Ocean World / Himanshu Prabha Ray (ed.) New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2021 xvi,270p.;24cm. Includes Index 9780367775339 \$ 25.00 / Hb 600gm.

This book examines knowledge traditions that held together the fluid and overlapping maritime worlds of the Indian Ocean in the premodern period, as evident in the material and archaeological record. It breaks new ground by shifting the focus from studying cross-pollination of ideas from textual sources to identifying this exchange of ideas in archaeological and historical documentation.

The themes covered in the book include conceptualization of the seas and maritime landscapes in Sanskrit, Arabic and Chinese narratives; materiality of knowledge production as indicated in the archaeological record of communities where writing on stone first appears; and anchoring the coasts, not only through an understanding of littoral shrines and ritual landscapes, but also by an analysis of religious imagery on coins, more so at the time of the introduction of new religions such as Islam in the Indian Ocean around the eighth century. This volume will be of great interest to researchers and scholars of archaeology, anthropology, museum and heritage studies, Indian Ocean studies, maritime studies, South and Southeast Asian studies, religious studies and cultural studies.

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Stone Age to Iron Age: Development of Early Human Culture in Andhra Pradesh / P C Venkatasubbaiah New Delhi: Sharada Publishing House,2021 xv,144p, maps, 85 b/w illus.,26cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789383221349 \$ 67.50 / Hb 740gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800065 The Kushanas in the Indian subcontinent: representations in coins, inscriptions and material culture / Pallavi Prasad Delhi: Aakar Books, 2020 367p.: ill., cartes; 24 cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789350026281 \$ 42.50/ HB 840gm.

The book tries to reconstruct the history of imperial Kushanas and their age, through a comprehensive study of their coins, inscriptions and archaeological remains. Apart from an extensive analysis of the primary sources, it provides descriptive statements of the scattered archaeological artefacts in a spatial context that enables the reconstruction of various aspects of the history of the Kushanas. This work utilizes 13 maps, 22 tables and 37 plates of Kushana coins and sculptures to enhance understanding on the subject. This would prove to be a useful reference work for scholars and researchers in this field. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800063

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Ancient Lahul and Himalaya / Tobdan
New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2021
x, 302p.; ills. 23 cm.
Bibliography Includes Index.
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The present work concerns the tiny tract of Lahul in the wide perspective of the geography and history of the great Himalaya. The Pali Literature referring to the river Chandrabhaga - which originates from Lahul and its inhabitants, introduces to an important moment in the ancient history of Lahul, stating that there live Kinnaras on the banks of Chandrabhaga. Lahul is situated at the headwaters of Chandrabhaga. The river received this name at its head. Firstly its two heads were named viz. Chandra and Bhaga and the

combination of the two became the name of the main river. As against this, its former name Asikni, Vedic, was received at its last end. Of its other two names one is the earliest and the second the latest.

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Into the Realm of Medical Anthropology / Dhritiman Sharma and Milonjyoti Borgohain New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 228p.; 9788194793229 \$ 30.00 / hb 420gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755181

Human Evolution: An Introduction to Physical Anthropology / P. Dash Sharma and Prodyot Gangopadhyay New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 251p. 9788195076017 \$ 32.50 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=780692

A Glimpse of Anthropological Research in North East India / Milonjyoti Borgohain, Dhritiman Sharma and Deepanjana Dutta Das New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 205p. 9788195288700 \$ 30.00 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=780703

Architecture

The Syncretic Traditions of Islamic Religious Architecture of Kashmir (Early 14th-18th Century) / Hakim Sameer Hamdani New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022 xvi,216p.;23cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9781032189611 \$ 25.00 / Hb 550gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800328

Folk architecture of Asian villages and towns: a comparative study / Durga Basu.

New Delhi: Sharada Publishing House, 2021 xviii,202p.; illus., 26cm. 9789383221318 \$ 74.00 / Hb 800gm.

Folk or vernacular architecture is Basically an expression of Local craftsmanship which has been developed from a Particular environmnt traditional skills and Practices through generations. The Present book dealt with varied folk architectural patterns from prehistoric time to the modern Period...

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Virupaksha Temple at Hampi / K M Suresh New Delhi: Bharatiya Kala Prakashan, 2020 xxix, 163 pages, 197 unnumbered pages of plates: ills (b/w); 29cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9788180903014 \$ 100.00 / HB 1600gm.

The Virupaksha temple complex is situated on the southern bank of Tungabhadra River at Hampi, in Hospet taluk, Bellary district in northern Karnataka. This temple was founded in pre-Vijayanagara times and a place of worship under the Vijayanagara rulers and continues to play an active role in the religious life of the people and indeed the whole of South India. This temple complex has been continuously expanded and altered through the centuries and it difficult to give a straightforward chronological history of this temple. This is a living worship temple right from its foundation. The Virupaksha temple consists of a garbhagriha, an antarala, anti-chamber, sabhamandapa or navaranga and mahamandapa. The whole temple complex is surrounded by a prakara with pillared cloisters, entrances and small shrines in addition to pillared mandapa. The garbhagriha is square and enshrines Siva Linga, which is being worshiped since its foundation and the God Virupaksha was the tutelary deity of the Vijayanagara rulers. The Chapter I and II deal with Introduction and Historical Perspective Vijayanagara dynasty. The Chapter III and IV deals with Religious Background Characteristic Features of Vijayanagara Temples. The Chapter V and VI deals with Architectural Description of the Temple Complex Salient Features of the Temple Sculptures.

The Chapter VII and Chapter VIII deals with Shaiva, Vaishnava and Other Minor Sculptures Temple as Socio-Religious Institution. The Chapter IX is a Conclusion with sum up of all the chapters.

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Art

Masterpieces at the Jaipur Court / Mrinalini Venkateswaran and Giles Tillotson New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 192p.; ills, 24cm. 9789391125615 \$ 31.50 / Pb 650gm.

Masterpieces at the Jaipur Court is the sixth in a new series of books initiated by the Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum, City Palace, Jaipur. Written by leading specialists, they are designed to be accessible and attractive for a new generation of readers and researchers. Each of the other volumes covers one aspect of the collections. But the need was felt for something handier, which would showcase the highlights of the collection as a whole. This selection features some of the most exquisite images, artefacts, paintings, monuments and historical treasures of the Jaipur Court. Over the years, it has been an honour for the Museum Trust to welcome a variety of visiting scholars from India and abroad. The editors are pleased and grateful that some three dozen visiting scholars readily contributed two-thirds of the entries in this volume, making this a celebration of collaboration, in addition to a tribute to the Museum's collections. The contributors were asked to pick their favourite object from among those they had worked on recently, so that readers perceive a diversity of voices and views. Apart from this, current and recent members of the curatorial team have contributed entries, to complete the selection of the Museum's finest objects across all categories, and all historical periods.

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Glass Crafts in Northern India / Alok Kumar Kanungo New Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xxix,219p.; illus (b/W and colour), maps (b/w); 24cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789355532640 \$ 125.00/ Hb 850gm.

Glass Crafts in Northern India is not only about beads and bangles and their production cycles, but also about one of the most important glass-craft clusters of the world. The evolution of technology and skills with regard to the making of the furnace and kiln over the centuries and invention of new methods for producing variety of beads are the essence of this volume. The archaeological community has reconstructed ancient cities with glass-making and/or glass-working workshops and has formulated many hypotheses about them, thereby recording ethnographically and visually a cluster of glass cities identical to those which existed millennia ago. When read in combination with the first volume of the trilogy on Indian glass, i.e. Mapping Indo-Pacific Beads vis-à-vis Papanaidupet, one gets a clear idea of what to expect in the archaeological field if the site was engaged with the production of glass beads and bangles. The volume discusses the history and context of research on Indian glass, drawing its data from ancient literature, archives, and ethnohistorical and archaeological sources.

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Art and Architecture of Central India under the Kachchhapaghatas: A Case Study of Sihonia / Arvind Kumar Singh New Delhi: Aryan Books International, 2022 ix,346p.; ills (b/w),29cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9788173056635 \$ 112.50 / Hb 1440gm.

Local history and archaeology is vital to appreciate the land and its people, cultural evolution in the area, discovery and utilization of natural resources, religious activities, art and architecture, etc. as well as to understand the profile of the region and the country. Central India is very rich in terms of art and architecture and its uniform and diverse features, innovation and continuity of forms, and so on. Three families of the Kachchhapaghatas ruled over the northern part of Central India. Of them, the Sihonia-Gwalior branch ruled for a longer period of time (ninth to twelfth century) and built a number

of monuments at different places. Remains of their temples and sculptures reveal some unique features like, the bhadra niches of the Kakanamatha temple which take the form of miniature doors with ribbed awnings and phamsana-style pediments in accordance with ninth century conventions, the devices like kuta which, with more intricately worked mesh-pattern, pillar with festoons, and attached figures, appear to be the characteristic features of the Gopadri region, the extreme side of the panel depicting figures of different types of vyalas, which is a typical feature of the Kachchhapaghata style, and so on. Scholars of historical and cultural studies admit that the study of religious landscape needs to be attempted at a large scale if the rich heritage of our country is to be projected in its totality. Sihonia, the ancient capital city of the Kachchhapaghatas, forms the nucleus of such a sacred landscape as there are remains of more than a dozen temples belonging to different religious beliefs, which cross multiple cultural boundaries, both in time and space, and thus has great potential for a meaningful study of the culture of the Gopadri region in particular, and of Central India in general.

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Burmese Weights and other Animal-Shaped Weights / R.J. Willis, G. Herman New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022 262p.; illus (colour), 29cm. Includes Index 9789391928193 \$ 75.00 / Hb 1300gm.

This Book Describes the famous animal-shaped weights of Burma, sometimes misnamed opium weights. Described are previously unknown weights that first appeared in eleventh century Bagan (Burma), the totmic weights of the Ava kings, and subsequent weights in the form of the duck fabled hintha, and the leonine chinthe and toe.

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Reenchantment: Masterworks of Sculpture in Village Temples of Bihar and Orissa / Rob Linrothe New Delhi: Studio Orientalia, 2021 xxiv,263p.; full of col. illus; 31cm. Includes Index 9788193367209

\$ 44.00 / Hb 1760gm.

It is a book of more than 250 photographs of sculptures and shrines within 57 chapters, each accompanied by explanatory texts (300 to 2000 words each) introducing village temple sites with 8th-13th century sculptures. The villages included are in south Bihar around Gaya, Bodh Gaya, Nalanda and Rajgir, as well as a selection of rarely documented village shrines of north Bihar (Mithila), in Begusarai, Darbhanga and Madhuvani districts. In Orissa, village sites visited were in Puri, Cuttack, Jaipur, Baleswar, Mayurbhanj, and Khorda districts. The majority of the photographs were taken by the author in 2016-17 while conducting research in eastern India, along with a supplementary group of comparative photographs taken at some of the same sites in 1989-90.

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Karkhana : A Studio in Rajasthan / Waswo X. Waswo Ahmedabad: Mapin Publishing Pvt. Ltd., 2022 247p.; ills. 29 cm. Includes Index. 9789385360992 \$ 73.75 / hb 2000gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801043

Biography / Memoirs

The warrior democrat: Syama Prasad Mookerjee / Tarun Vijay, Om Birla New Delhi: Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, 2021 ii, 323 pages: illustrations (black and white, and colour); 29 cm. Includes Index 9789354091667 \$ 52.50 / Hb 2560gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800347

Akhtari: The Life and Music of Begum Akhtar / Yatindra Mishra, (Translated from Hindi) Maneesha Taneja

Noida, Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers India, 2021 xiv, 253 pages; 24 cm. 9789354224423 \$ 17.50 / Hb 520gm.

Akhtaribai Faizabadi, or Begum Akhtar as she was better known, was a legend even during her own lifetime, and one of the last of the great singers from the tawaif community. Akhtari documents her eventful life and her music through essays and reminiscences by some of her closest friends and associates, and by people who knew her work deeply -- including the likes of Bismillah Khan, Lata Mangeshkar, Shubha Mudgal, etc. The volume also includes long interviews with Begum Akhtar herself as well as some of her disciples. A bestseller in the original Hindi -- and now available in English -- this is a volume to treasure for all of Begum Akhtar's fans and lovers of music. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800349

The Lady of Two Nations: Life and Times of Ra'ana Liaqat Ali Khan / Raj Gopal Singh Verma New Delhi: Vitasta Publishing Pvt.Ltd, 2022 260p.;19cm. 9789390961269 \$ 12.50 / Pb 300gm.

He was an Oxford-educated scion of a Nawabi family. She, a comely young woman from a Brahmin turned second-generation Christian family. While he rose to become the first Prime Minister of Pakistan, the Shaheed-e-Millat Liaqat Ali Khan, she came to be known as Gul-e-Ra'ana. Theirs was a beautiful story of love transcending the boundaries of nationalism and religion—a story worth telling. Raj Gopal Singh Verma narrates the fascinating story of this famous couple in the style of a fast-paced historical novel set against the complexities and violent upheavals of the Partition. After Liaqat's assassination, the Begum brought up their two children alone and made a stellar contribution to Pakistan's political, social, and cultural domains. She also served as the country's finance minister and a diplomat to several Western countries. On her return, she continued to work for the empowerment of Muslim women of the country. Born and brought up in an undivided India, this is a story of the lady of two nations and three religions: Begum Ra'ana Liaqat Ali Khan. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800352

A Venetian at the Mughal Court: The Life and Adventures of Nicolo Manucci / Marco Moneta, Elisabetta Gnecchi Ruscone(Translater) Haryana, Gurugram: Penguin Randam House India Pvt.Ltd, 2021 xix,276p.;22cm. Includes Bibliography 9780670094332 \$17.50 / Hb

580gm.

The man who witnessed India's history in the making Venetian Nicolò Manucci's story is distinct from those of other European travellers and adventurers who documented their stay in India. The young teenager, who arrived on Indian shores with little education and few connections, lived here till his death at the age of eighty-two. He was witness to some of the most dramatic events in the subcontinent's history. Living by his wits, he started his career as chief artilleryman in Dara Shukoh's fratricidal battle against Aurangzeb for the Mughal throne. Thereafter, Manucci joined Rajput general Jai Singh in his campaign to subdue the Maratha leader Shivaji.

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The Custodian of Trust: A Banker's Memoir / Rajnish Kumar Haryana, Gurugram: Viking, Penguin Randam House India Pvt.Ltd, 2021 xix,261p.;22cm. 9780670095773 \$ 17.50 / Hb 540gm.

He was silently managing the crisis in India's banking sector then. Now he shares these stories in his memoir. It began from a modest house in one of the narrowest lanes of the old city of Meerut. From being a probationary officer in the State Bank of India (SBI) in 1980 to its Chairman in 2017, Rajnish Kumar had an amazingly interesting journey in which he saw the many changes in India's banking sector that greatly impacted the country and its economy. As the Chairman of SBI, Kumar recounts, his term was rather momentous as the

period-from 2017 to 2020-during which he shouldered this responsibility was rather unique under any circumstances. The Indian banking sector was going through one of its most tumultuous phases. The problem of non-performing loans (NPLs) had severely impacted the balance sheet and profitability of banks, especially those in the public sector. In the aftermath of demonetization, the YES Bank fiasco, the crisis in Jet Airways and NPLs, among others, The Custodian of Trust is a candid memoir by the former Chairman of India's largest commercial bank. Anecdotal, engaging and evocative, this book is an unputdownable memoir of a former banker. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800358

To Hell and Back: Humans of Covid / Barkha Dutt New Delhi: Juggernaut Books, 2022 269p.;22cm. 9789391165574 \$ 17.50 / Hb 480gm.

The classic book on India's COVID pandemic Since 2020, our world has battled a single enemy – the coronavirus. In dealing with the pandemic, India has seen its own challenges and special tragedies. Two years of the pandemic may have already claimed anywhere between 3 and 5 million Indian lives. The lockdown of the first wave caused unprecedented devastation. And in 2022, Omicron has trigged a new challenge. When India's lockdown was first announced in March 2020, acclaimed journalist Barkha Dutt started an extraordinary series of road trips, recording the human story of the pandemic, one which she continues even today as we wrestle with the virus's latest avatar. In this book, she tells India's pandemic story through the stories of the people she covered - the migrant workers and politicians, businessmen and bureaucrats, doctors and nurses, factory workers and farmers, teachers and students, husbands and wives, parents and children. And through these accounts, she draws a startling picture not just of our plague years but the very nature of our country with its deep-rooted inequalities across class, caste and gender. Moving, gripping and vivid, To Hell and Back is an outstanding work by one of our foremost journalists, working at the height of her powers.

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Vidyasagar: reflections on a notable life / Amiya P Sen Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan Pvt Ltd, 2021 xiv, 240p; 22cm. Includes Index 9789354420399 \$ 23.50 / Hb 500gm.

Iswarchandra Vidyasagar is remembered as one of the most distinguished educators, writers, and social reformers of nineteenth-century India. A unique combination of fearlessness, compassion, conformism, and crusading zeal, Vidyasagar was firmly convinced that the rational-scientific knowledge of the contemporary West would bring about a social and moral reordering of traditional Hindu society. Vidyasagar: Reflections on a Notable Life takes a fresh look at the life of this well-known and revered figure to both re-establish Vidyasagar's greatness and explore the multiple ways in which posterity has assessed his 'greatness'. This biography focuses on Vidyasagar's lasting contributions to education and pedagogy, to the writing of highly popular school textbooks, his close friendships with some of the most prominent Indians and high-ranking British officials of the time; his humanism and his humanitarianism; and, of course, his social reform projects directed at improving the status of Hindu women—promoting female education, the abolition of child marriages, advocating marriage for upper-caste Hindu widows, and opposing multiple marriages among men. Vidyasagar's legacy continues to be important in the way it reveals the complex play of history, affect and memory, vitally shaping our attempts at understanding ourselves. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800366

Zohra!: A Biography in Four Acts / Ritu Menon New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books, 2021 xii,254p.;22cm. 9789354470790 \$ 15.00 / Hb 520gm.

In 1962, Zohra went to London on a drama scholarship and stayed on for twenty-five years, becoming part of a tiny band of Asian artistes who would change the complexion of British theatre. From here to her participation in pioneering TV series and films like Doctor Who, Jewel in the Crown and Bhaji on the Beach was a natural progression. Back in India, she was surprised to find Bollywood at her door when she was well past eighty. Playing the unconventional grandmother—by turns charming and crusty—she became a household name.

In this biography of the unlikely star, Ritu Menon helps us understand both the performer and the person, and the times she lived in http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800368

Enter Stage Right: The Alkazi-Padamsee Family Memoir / Feisal Alkazi New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books, 2021 246p.;22cm. 9789390477029 \$ 17.50 / Hb 580gm.

ombay, 1943. The young Parsi actress who was playing Salome in the newly founded Theatre Group's production of Oscar Wilde's eponymously titled play drew the line at performing the Dance of the Seven Veils, a sort of 'Biblical striptease'. So director Sultan Padamsee's 19-year-old sister Roshen stepped in. And met the handsome, intense Arab who played the male lead—Ebrahim Alkazi. In 1946, they were married. Thus was forged one of the greatest alliances in the world of theatre and art in post-Independence India. Ebrahim Alkazi took English theatre from its early beginnings in Bombay to national and even international acclaim as he directed and acted in more than a hundred plays, ranging from Oedipus Rex, Murder in the Cathedral and Macbeth in the 1950s, to Ashadh Ka Ek Din, Andha Yug and Tughlaq in the '60s and '70s. As director of the fabled National School of Drama from 1962 to 1977, he launched some of the finest actors of our times, including Om Shivpuri, Om Puri, Naseeruddin Shah, Rohini Hattangadi, Manohar Singh and Uttara Baokar. Chief costume designer and seamstress for all his productions was Roshen Alkazi.

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Memories of Arrival : A Voice from the Margins / Adhir Biswas, V Ramaswamy(Translater) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, 2022 xxxv,303p.;22cm. 9789381345733 \$ 15.00 / Pb 540gm. Translated for the first time into English, Memories of Arrival brings together four books of a migrant's story of displacement and exile in one volume. Adhir Biswas, a Dalit, makes the subalterns gain some visibility. The author, though half-starved, gets an education. He finds possibilities, delighting in the city of Calcutta, making the most of what he can. He finds a place in the book world, finally emerging as the distinguished editor and publisher of Gangchil and Doel. Adhir Biswas writes quietly and tersely, with much unsaid, to depict a life where the past and the present keep coalescing with dreams of the old place and the dreaminess of the new land. His story has much in common with that of migrants who leave a village or a small town to come to a big city and live in its shadows.

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Bajirao Peshwa: A Soldiers' General / Shashikant Pitre New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2021 x,341p.:20 maps (black and white); 24cm. Includes Index 9789390917303 \$ 21.50 / Hb 720gm.

Bajirao Peshwa (1800-1840 AD) was an outstanding cavalry leader who transformed the Maratha Swarajya founded by Chhatrapati Shivaji into Maratha Samrajya in a matter of twenty years. His military vision can be rightly compared to immortal cavalry leaders Napoleon Bonaparte and Frederik the Great. During the short span of twenty years of his military career, he fought about forty battles and remained unconquered without losing even one. When he was called to Peshwaship in 1720, the Maratha state was in a perilous condition. At his death, he left the Maratha nation strong and united, its friendship solicited by Rajputs, the Bundelas and its alliance courted by the Mughal rulers. This is an account of Bajirao's life and times based on available chronicles and can be termed as a military biography. The main motive of the Author is to dissect the bewildering and ingenious strategy and tactics of Bajirao, a cavalry general of immense magnificence, whose unique vision of manoeuvre and subterfuge has remained largely unrecognised by the military historians.

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Covid-19: A View from the Margins / Yogesh Jain and Sarah Nabia

New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022 644p.;22cm. 9789391928766 \$ 56.50 / Hb 1050gm.

he cataclysmic impact of COVID-19 exposed cracks in India's health and social systems on a scale never seen before. While the pandemic left no one untouched, it disproportionately affected people at the margins and put to test our centuries-old administrative, health, judicial, and social structures. This work is the first attempt to dissect the impact of the pandemic across various axes of marginalization – geography, financial, caste, gender, and religion, to name a few. At its core, this book is the culmination of the stories, experiences, and reflections on inequity as seen and interpreted by 37 sets of authors who responded to the pandemic in their roles as scientists, doctors, adminis-trators, economists, legal advisors, journalists, public health practitioners, and health activists. These stories are the people's history of COVID-19 in India, an archive of memories and lessons crucial to building more resilient, equitable, and just systems in the post-COVID era. About the Editors Yogesh Jain is a paediatrician by training and public health physician. He co-founded Jan Swasthya Sahyog and Sangwari in rural Chhattisgarh, where he has been working for over 22 years. Based on his lived experience, he has advocated from provincial to international levels to highlight the causes and burdens of the poorest in the world. Sarah Nabia studies public health and business at the Bloomberg School of Public Health at Johns Hopkins University. She has previously worked in advocating for HIV prevention for marginalized populations, especially vulnerable women at the grassroots and national policy space.

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Motivated by Life Undaunted by Strife Memoirs of MMK Wali / Ajay Singha and Dr. Charu Walikhanna New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2022 114p.; 9789391844257 \$ 10.00 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801056

Sonia Gandhi : God Father of Congress Party in India / V. Hari Babu

New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 240p.; 9788194616054 \$ 30.00 / hb 500gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755170

Damodaram Sanjeevayya: Literary and Political Encounters / D. Murali Manohar New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 83p.; 9788193342084 \$ 7.50 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755183

Pratham Telgu Krantiveer Upplayava Narasingha Reddy / Prof. I. N. Chandershekar Reddy New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 115p.; 9788193342060 \$ 10.00 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802435

Cinema / Film Studies

Bollywood, Tollywood and Beyond: Literary Essays on Indian Films / Somdatta Mandal New Delhi: Pencraft International, 2021 xix,344p.; 23cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789382178347 \$ 30.00 / Hb 700gm.

The vast scope and range of studies in film adaptation are overwhelming. Cinematic representation opens up hidden layers of meaning and appeals to the common men much easily because of its visual content. this book contains eighteen essays and should interest any reader who wants to know about various facets of Indian films.

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Scenography: An Indian Perspective / Satyabrata Rout New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 576p.; illus;24cm. Includes Index 9789391125295 \$ 75.00 / Hb 1700gm.

Scenography is the art of 'writing the stage space'—a visual journey of unmaking and remaking the text on a theatre space, a language of the spectatorial senses. However, this dialect of space and props, though prevalent in the West from the early days of the Greek plays, unfortunately has never been groomed and appropriated in the long theatre tradition of the Orient—until a bunch of new practitioners and scholars decided to explore the field of design and change the narrative of space in recent times. Yet with hardly any documentation available in the backdrop of indigenous theatre, there was a need of a practical treatise for quite a long time.

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Balancing The Wisdom Tree: Anthology of FTII's Women Alumni / Roma

Chatterjee New Delhi: Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, 2021 429p.; ills; 31cm. 9789354093081 \$ 39.00 / Hb

1760gm.

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Being FTII: perspectives on the Film and Television Institute of India: celebrating sixty years / Roma Chatterjee
New Delhi: Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, 2021
191p.; illus; 27cm.
9789354091186
\$ 21.50 / Hb
1240gm.

Communication/ Journalism

Many Voices, Many Worlds: Critical Perspectives on Community Media in India / Faiz Ullah, Anjali Monteiro and K P Jayasankar New Delhi: SAGE Publications India Pvt Ltd, 2021 xviii,342p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789391138462 \$ 35.00 / Hb 620gm.

Community media has the potential for deepening democracy by creating spaces for people to raise and discuss their concerns. However, its practice in India tends to be based on top-down decision-making, which is the legacy of the Development Communication paradigms, thus ignoring the creative and transformative possibilities of marginalized community voices. The perspectives in this book, rooted in years of fieldwork experience, by scholars and practitioners of community media, both question and offer alternatives to the dominant paradigms. Many Voices, Many Worlds: Critical Perspectives on Community Media in India is a critical reflection on governance and policymaking, development, disability, knowledge and other social markers in the context of community media.

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Economics / Development Studies

The affordable housing market in India: institutional constraints, informal sector and Privatisation / Padmini Ram and Malcolm Harper New Delhi: Manohar Publishers and Distributors, 2021 xii,162p: illus(b/w), maps(b/w); 24cm. Includes Index 9780367775513 \$ 25.00 / Hb 460gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800395 Small Firm Ownership and Credit Constraints in India / Rajesh Raj S.N. and
Subhash Sasidharan
New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022
xvi,199p.;23cm.
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9781032125039
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520gm.

Micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) are considered the backbone of the Indian economy, but limited access to external finance can be a major constraint which hinders their growth and productivity. This barrier acts as a double-edged sword in the case of women and socially disadvantaged owners who are also subjected to discrimination in credit markets.

This book investigates the role of credit constraints in determining the performance of MSMEs in India and considers how gender- and caste-based prejudices influence and inform a firm owner's access to formal credit. Combining micro-econometric techniques with large-scale firm surveys, it offers readers new findings, which shed light on the effect of ownership characteristics on credit access and firm performance. It also examines recent credit policy initiatives aimed at weaker sections of society including Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST) and women-owned enterprises and puts forward valuable policy recommendations.

This volume will serve as a useful reference text for students and researchers of economics, finance, business and management, entrepreneurship, credit policy, development economics, caste discrimination, gender discrimination and South Asian studies.

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Deciphering India`s Services Sector Growth / Shashanka Bhide, V.N. Balasubramanyam and K.L. Krishna (eds.) New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2021 xxv,228p.;23cm. Includes Index 9781032016061 \$ 25.00 / Hb 550gm. This book addresses a range of issues relating to the nature and implications of growth of India's services sector, including factors contributing to the rise of services, output measurement and heterogeneity, growth of services exports, and employment in services sectors. From service tax, exchange rate and services exports, policy interest, employment potential and diversity of the sector to challenges in financial inclusion, trajectories of ICT services and contribution of education to GDP, it brings together diverse themes to highlight major concerns in the wake of the prominent role that services have played in placing India among the fast-growing economies in the world in recent years.

The services sector in India accounts for more than 60 per cent of the GDP of the country and 28.6 per cent of its employed across government, private or state corporations and non-government organisations. The volume explores whether the services sector (beyond agriculture and industry) holds the promise of fulfilling the benefits from India's demographic dividend for its economic transformation through sustainable growth.

With key empirical analyses of household, enterprise and macroeconomic data for India within both formal and informal sectors, this topical book will be useful to scholars and researchers of economics, Indian economy, political economy, development economics, development studies, public policy and South Asian studies and also to development professionals, policy makers and industry specialists.

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Why Nations Fail to Feed the Poor: The Politics of Food Security in Bangladesh / Mohammad Mozahidul Islam New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022 317p,; 22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789391928636 \$ 42.50 / Hb 620gm.

This book examines the political and economic dimensions of food security in Bangladesh and assesses the role of the state in meeting the challenges of food security. The key concern, which is at the heart of this study, is to explore how Bangladesh responds, when its people go hungry. There are no detailed empirical studies that examine the Bangladesh's role by providing an historical cum political analysis; how-ever conventional approaches are primarily concerned with a partial diagnosis of the economic or nutritional problems of food security. This work provides a detailed picture of the missing dimensions of stateness that include the strength of institutions, the scope of state functions, and other important attributes. In doing so, it uses the concept of neo-patrimonialism to explore the political system of Bangladesh. This book explicates the various impediments to food security, ranging from the process of policy formulation to their implementation mechanisms. It unpacks the structural weaknesses of the Bangladeshi state's institutional capacity in promoting food security, and, in the process, argues that the root cause of food insecurity is deeply embedded in the nature of the government itself, and the political institutions that link the state and society. About the Author Mohammad Mozahidul Islam is Professor, Jahangirnagar University, Bangladesh. He obtained his PhD in Politics and International Relations from the University of New South Wales, Australia. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800408

Beyond Consumption: India`s New Middle Class in the Neo-Liberal Times / Manish K Jha and Pushpendra (eds.)

New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022 xix,269p.;23cm. Includes Index 9781032250137 \$ 25.00 / Hb

620gm.

This book analyses India's middle class by recognising the diversity within the class, the people, their practices, and the production of spaces. It explores the economic and social lives of the new middle class, expanding the areas of inquiry beyond consumption in post-liberalisation India and its intersectionalities with gender, caste, religion, migration, and other socioeconomic markers in various cities across the country. The book interrogates the meanings and perceptions of social mobility, growth, consumerism, technology, social identity, and development and examines how they can be emancipatory or subjugating in different contexts. It engages with the new entrants in the middle class, particularly from the marginalised sections, their struggles, insecurities, anxieties, agency, and experiences. The personal, emotive, and psychic dimensions of social mobility have been dealt with in the larger context of socioeconomic settings. The book crosses disciplinary and spatial boundaries and uses a variety of methodologies to

provide perspectives on several unexplored or underexplored areas of India's new middle class.

This book will be of interest to scholars and researchers of sociology, economics, development studies, public policy, social work, and South Asian studies.

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Economist Gandhi: The Roots and the Relevance of the Political Economy of the Mahatma / Jaithirth Rao Haryana, Gurugram: Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd, 2021 xi,200p.;22cm. 9780670096237 \$ 15.00 / Hb 450gm.

Examining Mahatma Gandhi through an unconventional lens, this book is an original and thought-provoking contribution to Gandhian literature. A refreshing take on the Mahatma's economic philosophy, Economist Gandhi tells us why we need to look at him as an unlikely management guru and an original thinker who enriched the discourse around market capitalism. The book explains Gandhi's positive approach towards business: even though he greatly reduced his individual wants, he was against poverty and wanted every Indian to enjoy a materially comfortable life.

Economist Gandhi is probably the first book on Gandhi that claims that he was not against business and capitalists. It not only provides insights into a hidden facet of Gandhi's personality-his thoughts on economics and capitalism-but also enlightens the reader about some of Gandhi's views on religion, ethics, human nature, education and society. The book unveils a Gandhi who is brilliant, daring and, most importantly, distinctive.

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Agriculture in India: crisis and prospects / Manu Gautam Jaipur: Rawat Publications, 2021 ix,300p.; illus(b/w), maps(b/w); 25cm. 9788131612255 \$ 35.00 / Hb 780gm.

Agriculture has been the main source of livelihood for millions of Indians. India is second largest producer of agriculture products. India accounts for 7.68 per cent of total global agricultural output. Contribution of agriculture sector in Indian economy is much higher than world's average (6.1%). Despite these significant figures, the status of agriculture in India has not been so encouraging in recent two-three decades. Shifting of agricultural lands due to urbanization, start of commercial cropping ventures by business houses and the recent phenomenon of drastic climatic changes have raised many questions. These factors, along with reduced benefits to farmers, have resulted in changing the agricultural fabric of the country to some extent. The small and medium agriculturists have been affected mostly due to these factors and as a result they are not willing to continue agriculture as their primary profession. Agriculture in India: Crisis and Prospects deciphers the macro and micro realities of agriculture in India. Besides an introduction by the editor, the book has thematic essays on emerging issues of farmers; to government policy and programmes; to present situation and also offers workable solutions to resuscitate the dwindling condition of agriculture. The book will be of immense interest to researchers, policy makers, planners and academic fraternity of all those interested in Indian agriculture.

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Inequality and poverty / Jagan Karade, Rajendra Patil Jaipur: Rawat Publications, 2021 xiii,237p.; illus(b/w); 23cm. Includes Index 9788131612132 \$ 25.00 / Hb 580gm.

In past decades, the inequality within most advanced and emerging markets and developing countries has increased. A considerable share of the world population still lives in poverty; world income and wealth are very unequally distributed. Inequality and poverty are increasing due to economic growth, globalisation, and changes in technology, labour markets, social protection mechanisms, and demography. Inequality and poverty are complex variables and the gap between the rich and the poor will continue to worsen without a policy or structural intervention.

Inequality is the unique feature of Indian social system which continues in contemporary society. The hierarchies based on caste, class, race, gender,

location, language, occupation, physical condition and differential access to resources as well as majority of groups' denial of basic human rights of resources leads to unequal distribution of wealth, power and status which has created inequality in the society. Inequality is the major challenge to Indian society.

The present book includes papers on multidisciplinary aspects on inequality and poverty to enhance and share knowledge about various aspects of the development of weaker sections. The trends indicate that the poor and deprived people are far from the mainstream and development in terms of their education, health, empowerment, equality, and other elements of development in the era of globalisation. There is an urgent need to identify the groups that are facing inequality and poverty, then think about the inclusive policy for their overall development. The book will help in policy formulation for upliftment of the poor people in society.

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Economics of Rural Poverty / Gautam Kamble New Delhi: Bookwell Publication, 2022 xix,201p.;22cm. Includes Bibliography 9788194526926 \$ 27.50 / Hb 480gm.

The Book focuses on the basic concepts, Policy instruments, strategies, policies and Programmes and the management of rural poverty. Recent developments and progress of rural Poverty or Development Programmes like equity, growth-oriented programmes, Natural resources and infrastructure programmes have been well-documented and Analysed.

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China's trade with India and Pakistan: documentation and analysis / Syed Mohd Abbas New Delhi: Synergy Books India, 2022 xxv,187p.; illus(b/w) ;24cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9788194843085 \$ 37.50 / Hb 520gm.

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Rural development in modern India: foundation and pathways / Parikshit Sahu New Delhi: Delta Book World, 2020 xxiv, 494p.; 24cm. Includes Index 9789385719196 \$ 62.50 / Hb 1020gm.

Rural Development in Modern India: Foundation and Pathways The book analyze the initiatives of government to achieve the rural development in India in pre as well as the post independence era. In this book the fundamentals of rural development like concept, meaning, problems, process, approaches, strategies have been analyzed vividly. Moreover, different rural development programmes, institutional linkages, importance of Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) for rural development, role of GPs to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and governments planning for rural development in India have also been clearly focused. Further, the role of women in rural development is clearly presented in the book...

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Agrarian Change in India / Surinder S. Jodhka Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan Pvt Ltd., 2022 xv,410p.;23cm. 9789354422287 \$ 36.00 / Pb 680gm.

Despite its steady growth during the post-Independence period, agriculture in India has been progressively shrinking in terms of its contribution to the national income. However, it continues to provide a source of livelihood and employment to a large proportion of Indians. Its social worth even in 21stcentury India remains far greater than its economic value. Given its demographic and social weight, it remains crucial for policy makers. Further, in countries like India and the larger universe of the Global South, agrarian economies function within a variety of complex relational structures, shaped by local histories and the broader processes of their political economies. Thus, the question of agrarian change is as much about social transformation as it is about economic growth. India presents a fascinating example of such a process. Despite a common political history, trajectories of agrarian change vary widely across regions of the country. Social science scholarship on the subject has also been extremely rich and varied. Changes in India's economic paradigm in the early 1990s shifted the state's focus away from agriculture, leaving it largely to the vagaries of the market. This posed a huge challenge for the agricultural sector, particularly for those with small and marginal holdings. The accelerated integration of agriculture with the national and global markets, prompted by the introduction of newer technologies, has also been the source of a social and cultural fragmentation of rural life, a weakening of kinship ties, and produced a general crisis of its economy.

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Development: Experiences, Insights and Introspection / Vipin Sharma Hyderabad: Orient BlackSwan Pvt Ltd, 2021 xx,198p.;22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789354420900 \$ 20.00 / Hb 480gm.

Development thinkers and practitioners remain divided over the debate of 'developing' versus 'developed'; and whether there is a time frame or prescription for a developing country to become developed. The cycle of development seems never ending for developing countries. To join the developed club, developing economies must not only grow, but grow faster than their developed counterparts. What the Western economies achieved in over 200 years post industrialisation in terms of development, the developing economies are expected to achieve in a few decades.

Since independence, India has embarked on a journey of ever-evolving composite policy interventions in its quest to become a developed nation. 'Indian model of development' has attempted to address multidimensional development aspirations, based on holistic and sustainable human, social, moral and economic aspects. Development: Experiences, Insights and Introspection by Vipin Sharma offers a direct view into some development experiences and insights, mainly India-centric, with a focus on economic aspects. The themes covered in this book range from pro-poor growth, international finance, public financial management, government as a development actor and market failure, to development cooperation and aid policy. While doing so, the book introspects the development process through different lenses – historical, social, economic, political, financial and administrative.

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Urban Housing, Livelihoods and Environmental Challenges in Emerging Economies / Rajesh Bhattacharya and Annapurna Shaw Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan Pvt Ltd, 2021 xvi,418p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789354422331 \$ 38.50 / Pb 600gm.

In the twenty-first century, for the first time in history, the world's urban population exceeded its rural population. However, the rural-urban migration driving this urbanisation in developing countries has resulted in a growing informal economic sector and informal settlements such as slums. This informality lies at the heart of urban policy challenges in developing countries. This volume highlights the connected issues of urban housing, livelihoods and environment through perspectives from key emerging economies—Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa and Thailand—so as to harness the different histories of different societies for an exploration of common contemporary problems. Researchers and practitioners working on policy formulation, critical research and grassroots activities from around the world provide case studies, micro-histories and macro-comparisons that shed light on the vexed problem of unchecked urbanisation in developing nations. Key questions are highlighted: the role of the state in low-income urban housing; the role of the community and civil society in the context of ethnic diversity and informality of urban growth; and the impact of liberalisation and globalisation on housing policies.

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Women Entrepreneurship in the Indian Middle Class: Interdisciplinary Perspectives / Jeemol Unni, Vanita Yadav, Ravikiran Naik and Swati Dutta Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan Pvt Ltd, 2021 xvii,271p.;22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789354421457 \$ 27.00 / Pb 440gm.

In Women Entrepreneurship in the Indian Middle Class, Unni, Yadav, Naik and Dutta explore entrepreneurship using a gender and class lens from multidisciplinary perspectives. They examine the evolution of the field and uncover factors impacting women's participation in entrepreneurship. Defining entrepreneurship broadly to include not just 'new economic activity' but operations of all economic enterprises, the authors attempt to understand: What motivates women in India to operate enterprises ranging from small and medium to large enterprises? What is the nature of occupations and entrepreneurship within segments of the middle classes? What kind of opportunities do women pursue? Using a novel macro and micro research approach, the authors propose an enabling framework of women entrepreneurship ecosystem in India and highlight the way forward. The insights from this book will help policymakers formulate appropriate 'nudge' techniques to encourage productive entrepreneurship. This book is a must-read for researchers and aspiring women entrepreneurs for grasping the dynamics of this emerging area.

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Tribal development in India: policies, plans and actions / Parikshit Sahu. New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2021 xvi,358p.; illus(b/w); 24cm. Includes Index 9788174792389 \$ 61.50 /Hb 820gm.

The book 'Tribal Development in India: Policies Plans and Actions' discusses the problems of tribals in depth and at the same time it analysed solutions through implementation of different government programmes. This book has made a clear attempt to analyse constitutional provisions, government acts, rules, guidelines, plans and programmes relating to tribal development in India starting from its genesis to the present day structure. An attempt has been made to incorporate the national tribal policy and new tribal development programmes of the Government of India. The book has been updated with the latest information, data, policy initiatives of the government, findings of government report and research studies. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800482

Linking India and eastern Neighbours: development in the northeast and borderlands / H. Srikanth, Munmun Majumdar New Delhi: Sage Publications Pvt Ltd, 2021 xl,310p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789391370725 \$ 37.50 / Hb 620gm.

Linking India and Eastern Neighbors: Development in the Northeast and Borderlands studies different aspects of India's bilateral relations with neighbouring countries and discusses implications of development initiatives in India's northeastern region (NER) and its borderlands. The NER shares borders with five countries. The central government has shown interest in developing infrastructure in the NER, and state governments are taking initiatives to promote trade relations with the bordering countries. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800484

Renewable Energy in India: Economics and Market Dynamics / Pramod Deo, Sushanta K Chatterjee, Shrikant Modak New Delhi: Sage Publications Pvt Ltd, 2021 xix,232p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789353887841 \$ 27.50 / Hb 500gm.

The scope of renewable energy generation technologies has far exceeded that of a laboratory, as they now require large-scale commercial generation. With them relying heavily on policy support, contemporary debates in energy are grappling with how exactly renewable energy should be priced and integrated into market. This book, written from an economics perspective, critically examines the aspects of pricing, regulatory oversight and rules governing the market for electricity generation from intermittent renewable energy sources and associated green product. This book discusses various policy and regulatory initiatives for renewable power generation technologies in India by comparing them with similar measures in some leading countries of the world. It contextualizes the pricing of renewable energy and looks at market-determined renewable energy certificate (REC) mechanism. Finally, it seeks to advance scholarship on green energy and introspects on policy dilemma facing the renewable segment in India and explores the possibility of achieving a level playing field for renewable energy vis-à-vis traditional methods of power generation, through appropriate market mechanism. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800486

Land Economics and Policy in Developing Countries / Prasanna K Mohanty New Delhi: Sage Publications Pvt Ltd, 2021 xxiv,332p.;22cm. Includes Bibliography and index 9789354790430 \$ 37.50 / Hb 620gm

Land economics is grossly neglected in developing countries, including India. The disconnect between land use planning through master plans and land economics is glaring. Master planning has led to an acute scarcity of serviced land and floor space for economic growth and affordable housing. It has resulted in sprawl, housing–employment mismatch, environmental degradation, social exclusion, rent-seeking and deadweight welfare losses. Land Economics and Policy in Developing Countries delves into theory and practice of land economics to draw lessons for land policy and management. It presents concepts and perspectives of land, functioning of land markets, determinants of location and land use, fallacies of comprehensive land use planning, sustainable land management design, land-based financing of infrastructure and land policy reforms in developing countries. This book evaluates land policy and national urban strategy frameworks, and suggests directions for broader reforms in urban planning, financing and governance. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800488

Poverty and Deprivation: Changing Contours / K B Saxena New Delhi: Sage Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2021 Social change in contemporary India (V) lxi,347p.; illus;22cm. Includes Index 9789391370763 \$ 37.50 / Hb 680gm.

Poverty and Deprivation: Changing Contours traces the journey of poverty estimation and eradication in India since Independence. It brings together important contributions from eminent experts focussing on distinct characteristics of rural and urban poverty, multiple dimensions of poverty and deprivation, and policy interventions made by the Indian state to reduce them. It also highlights increasing inequality in assets and access to civic amenities and persistence of disparities across regions and social groups through empirically grounded analytical chapters. The chapters included in the book present assessments of crucial poverty alleviation programmes and suggestions for better performance in outcomes. The editor's introductions make analytical comments on the impact of economic growth on poverty reduction and the controversy surrounding it and register concern that the period of high growth did not improve human capital development. In this context, it also puts in perspective the need for compatibility of macroeconomic fundamentals with social policy.

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Rethinking Policy Piloting: Insights from Indian Agriculture / Sreeja Nair New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xiv,177p.;23cm. Includes Index 9781108840392 \$ 22.50 / Hb 480gm.

iloting is an important form of policy experimentation and a promising tool for policymakers to innovate, formulate and test alternative policy designs for the future. While this is recognized in theory, there are several challenges in realizing a pilot's potential to do so in practice. Addressing these challenges ask for a deeper understanding of the design of policy pilots and their outcomes in terms of how they mainstream into routine policymaking. Looking back at selected national piloting initiatives in Indian agriculture over a period of twenty-five years, this book draws insights for policy theory and practice. Design features of pilots that are found to influence their scaling-up and translation into formal policies (or not) are distilled from literature and compared across the selected cases. Theoretical insights from the book can be extended and adapted to agricultural policymaking in other Asian countries as well as to policy formulation in other sectors.

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Garments without Guilt?: Global Labour Justice and Ethical Codes in Sri Lankan Apparels / Kanchana N. Ruwanpura New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2022 xxvi,198p.; illus; 23cm. Includes Index 9781108832014 \$ 22.50 / Hb 540gm.

Sri Lanka's apparel sector holds an enviable place in the imaginary of its competitors for having a niche position amongst global retailers, given its claims of producing 'garments without guilt'. Exploitative labour conditions are not part of the industry's portfolio – ethicality, eco-friendly production and unblemished conditions of work are. Sri Lanka's transition away from a protracted ethnic war has meant that the industry portrays itself as investing in the former war zone to create jobs without reflection on how its vaunted mantle, the deployment of ethical codes effectively, themselves may be under duress. This book uses an analytical framing informed by labour and feminist perspectives to explore how labour struggles in the post-1977 period in Sri Lanka provided important resistance to capitalist processes and continue to shape the industry both within and outside of the shop floor. It studies contextual moments in the country's recent history to rupture the dominant narrative and record the centrality of labour in the success of the country's apparel industry.

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The Invisible Hand in Virtual Worlds = The Economic Order of Video Games / Matthew McCaffrey New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 256p.;23cm. Includes Index 9781108839716 \$ 27.50 / Hb 580gm. Video games aren't merely casual entertainment: they are the heart of one of the fastest-growing media industries in the world, and a cultural phenomenon in their own right. Gaming has evolved from a niche pastime into a global business that rivals film and television, creating, in the process, new art forms and social arenas and have become the subject of endless public debate. This book shows that games also provide a unique space in which to study economic behavior. Games, more than any other form of media, demonstrate the power and creative potential of human choice - an idea that's also the foundation of economic thinking. Whether it's developing trade relations, or the use of money, or even complex legal institutions, virtual worlds provide a captivating and entertaining arena for studying economic behavior in its most dynamic forms. The overarching theme of the volume is the economic order that governs virtual worlds, and the many ways individuals work together, often without knowing it, to govern their social relations in digital space. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=714732

Debt, trust, and reputation: extra-legal finance in Northern India / Sebastian Schwecke New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2022 xii,372p.;23cm. Includes index 9781316517260 \$ 27.50 / Hb 740gm.

Starting in the late nineteenth century, colonial rule in India took an active interest in regulating financial markets beyond the bridgeheads of European capital in intercontinental trade. Regulatory efforts were part of a modernizing project seeking to produce alignments between British and Indian business procedures, and to create the financial basis for incipient industrialization in India. For vast sections of Indian society, however, they pushed credit/debt relations into the realm of extra-legality, while the new, regulated agents of finance remained incapable (and unwilling) of serving their needs. Combining historical and ethnographic approaches, the book questions underlying assumptions of modernization in finance that continue to prevail in postcolonial India, and delineates the socioeconomic responses they produced, and studies the reputational economies of debt that have emerged instead - extra-legal markets embedded into communication flows on trust and reputation that have turned out to be significantly more exploitative than their colonial predecessors. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800497

China Inc: Between State Capitalism and Economic Statecraft / Aravind Yelery New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2021 Xviii, 360p.; 24cm. Includes Index and Bibliography 9789390095353 \$ 32.50 / Hb 770gm.

Examines the reforms of China's state-owned enterprises (SOEs) in the 1990s, which resulted in mass closures of firms, tens of millions of lay-offs and stock market listings for many of the biggest state firms. Today, SOEs produce one-third of China's GDP and provide one-fifth of all its jobs, and have been given the task of re-engineering the relations of production.

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Migrant workers in India's Covid economy: problems and prospects / Subrata Kumar Ray; Manojit Ghosh(ed) New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 hp.;314p, 23cm 9788194793274 \$ 40.00 / hb 700gm.

In most under developed countries income inequality has resulted in a number of evils of which poverty is certainly the most serious one in these countries. Migrant labourers are today consider one of the greatest development challenges. In this context this book invited 'Migrant workers in India's Covid Economy: Problems and Prospects' has been published with the number of research papers on different issues of migrant labourers, researchers, students, parliamentarians, legislators and general readers will find this book immensely useful.

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Education

The Future of Religious Studies in India / Clemens Cavallin, Ake Sander and Sudha Sitharaman New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022 viii,205p.;23cm. Includes Index 9781032125077 \$ 25.00 / Hb 500gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800409

National Education Policy 2020: Paving ways for Transformational Reforms / Pankaj Arora, Haneet Gandhi New Delhi: Shipra Publications, 2022 xxi,244p.;23cm. 9789391978181 \$ 40.00 / Hb 650gm. Covering the expanse of the educative world, this book offers avenues to think afresh about education as envisioned in the National Education Policy 2020. NEP 2020 brought with itself a lot of challenges, possibilities and solutions which needs cognizance. Through this book, the readers will get opportunity to get acquainted to all themes of NEP as the chapters deliberate on Indianness of India's education and its language, art, culture and mathematics, science and technology, higher education and pre-primary education, teacher preparation and education, childhood and youth's literacy, inclusive and holistic education, vocational and professional education, research and lifelong learning, education through digital world. Every chapter of the book clarifies certain discipline-specific concepts, shares the historical journey and concludes with a note of recommendation, paving ways for the smooth implementation of the policy.

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Revisiting The Educational Heritage of India / Sahana Singh New Delhi: Vitasta Publishing Pvt.Ltd, 2021 xxv,282p.;22cm. 9789390961085 \$ 17.50 / Hb 500gm.

Long before the first European universities appeared, India already had multidisciplinary centres of learning that fuelled a knowledge revolution around the world. This book fills a dire need to chronicle the great educational heritage of India. It describes a unique ecosystem which ensured that Gurus and Acharyas handed the lamp of learning to generations of students. As the author puts it, "When swords quenched their thirst and famine ravaged the lands, Indians still held on to their truth that there was nothing more purifying than knowledge." She has collated information from oral history, local lore, travelogues, surviving literature, inscriptions, salvaged manuscripts and accounts of scholars and laity. Historically, the book covers a vast time span from ancient India's traditions to the deliberate destruction of its heritage. It also outlines steps that can be taken today to incorporate the most relevant aspects of ancient learning systems into the current structure of school and university education.

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Empowering Marginalized Communities in India: The Impact of Higher Education / M. J. Vinod, S. Y. Surendra Kumar New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt.ltd, 2021 xv,276p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789391370237 \$ 31.50 / Hb 560gm

Education is a catalyst for economic growth, poverty reduction and social change that fulfills the physical, intellectual, social, economic, and emotional needs and conditions. Moreover, higher education is a medium through which social barriers and marginality can be overcome. In this context, the book critically analyses the challenges and possibilities of the marginalized communities—Dalits, minorities, persons with disabilities and women—in gaining greater access to the Indian higher education system. It also examines the importance of affordability, equity, quality and accountability as the main pillars of higher education. In addition, the experiences of marginalization are also addressed, given its sociological and psychological implications. Understanding inaccessibility to education as another form of marginalization that impacts an individual's well-being, Empowering Marginalized Communities in India seeks to examine the potential of higher education to overcome inequality and the urgent need to create a more inclusive and equitable pedagogy.

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Educating Youth: Regulation through Psychosocial Skilling in India / R. Maithreyi New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt.ltd, 2021 xiv,275p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789391370039 \$ 32.50 / Hb 550gm.

Educating Youth: Regulation through Psychosocial Skilling in India studies the rise in skill-based developmental interventions for young people that aim to harness youth potential. Tracing these changes to the neoliberalization of education and training globally, this book discusses how a range of training

programs, from social and personality development skills to employability and vocational skills, seek to cultivate an ethic of self-responsibility through skilling, to overcome structural disadvantage among the marginalized youth. Examining one such form of training in depth, Life Skills Education or LSE, that is advocated by international organizations, such as WHO and UNICEF, and popularized in India by various actors---from the state departments of education to local non-governmental organisations and middle-class citizens—this book shows how these programmes get adapted and modified within the Indian context. It demonstrates how authoritarian adult-child relations, caste inequalities and rote culture inflect the messages for selfdevelopment that the programmes observed in the Indian context, the book reflects on the cultural disconnects and internal limitations of liberal, progressive and experiential pedagogies in achieving intended outcomes. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800413

Early Childhood Education for Marginalized Children in India: Deconstructing Quality / Monimalika Day, Venita Kaul, Swati Bawa Sawhney New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt.ltd, 2021 xxiv,357p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789354791468 \$ 34.00 / Hb 640gm.

Societal hierarchies in the form of caste, gender, religion and class continue to deprive a large percentage of young children in India of learning opportunities, leading to intergenerational poverty. Existing research indicates that this cycle can be broken by providing appropriate early childhood care and education. Early Childhood Education for Marginalized Children in India reviews India's achievements and challenges, and identifies the complex issues related to providing early childhood education to children from marginalized communities.

The book presents evidence-based approaches to developing and scaling up good quality early childhood education programmes. It explores what 'quality' means in the Indian context and identifies core elements that must be integral to all initiatives that aim to promote holistic development, while addressing India's significant scale and sociocultural diversity. The available literature has mostly discussed information from Western nations and the book attempts to address this gap. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800414

Education in India: Impact of Covid-19 Crisis and Contemporary Issues / Tapan Kumar Ghosh and Kanak Kanti Bagchi New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2022 393p.; 9789391844226 \$46.25 / hb http://www.marvmartin.com/web?pid=801048 _____ Federal Finaning of Primary Education: Reflections from Karnataka / Vinod B Annigeri New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2022 259p.; 9789391844066 \$30.00 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801054 _____ Attitude of Teachers Guardians and Students Towards Primary Education / Archana Jatawa New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 213p.; 9788194616009 \$25.00 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755180 _____ Free Coaching Scheme for Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes: An Evaluation Study of Selected States in India / Awadhesh Kumar Singh, Satya **Prakash Pandey** New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 136p. 9788195288748 \$17.50 / hb 290gm.

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Higher Education in Bihar: Dimensions of Diversity and Discrimination / Sunita Roy and Barna Ganguli New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 206p.; 9789391844080 \$ 25.00 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802445

Ecology / Environment

Crafting a Future: Stories of Indian Textiles and Sustainable Practices / Archana Shah New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2021 275p.; phots(colur);23cm. Includes Index 9789391125226 \$ 37.50 / Pb 760gm.

Crafting a Future is a heartfelt celebration of artisans and their vocational skills. Each region in India has its own distinctive raw materials, craft techniques, textiles, motifs and colour palettes, and through her well-researched narrative enriched with numerous stories, Archana Shah demonstrates the diversity and true value of handcrafted textile processes. She believes that handspun, handwoven fabrics made using indigenous fibres and natural materials for dyeing will help create a unique identity for handcrafted textiles and suggests ways to repurpose the abundant artisanal talent available across the country to rejuvenate this sector. These tenets are woven throughout the book, which is broadly divided into three sections

based on natural fibres: cotton from plants, silk from insects and wool from animals.

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Environmental Journalism: Reporting on Environmental Concerns and Climate Change in India / D S Poornananda New Delhi: Sage Publications Pvt. Ltd, 2022 xxiv,340p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789354793387 \$ 34.00 / Hb 620gm.

Environmental Journalism: Reporting on Environmental Concerns and Climate Change in India examines the increase of environmental concerns and its reflection in Indian media, exploring the possibilities of and constraints in covering environmental news. The book discusses major challenges in environmental reportage, such as political and corporate pressures on media houses and threats to journalists. It discusses why environmental reporting is not considered an important 'beat' and reports covering these issues are usually assigned to junior reporters. This book analyses why journalists lack the proper training to report on environmental issues, focusing on the many obstacles to scientific knowledge and specialized training. It draws critical insights from interviews with environmental journalists, activists and specialists, and will be an important read for scholars of not only media studies and environmental studies but also sociology, politics and development studies. Looking at the media's role in framing environmental degradation as a human rights issue, the book argues that the growth of environmental journalism can contribute significantly to global initiatives for saving the planet.

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State of India's environment 2022: a down to earth annual / Sunita Narain New Delhi: Centre for Science and Environment, 2022 477p.; illus (b/w) and colour), maps(b/w), and colour); 28cm. 9788195266203 \$ 17.50 / Pb 920gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800511 -----

History

The Heirs of Vijayanagara : Court Politics in Early Modern South India / Lennart Bes Leiden, Netherlands: Leiden University Press, 2022 xxvi, 572p. Includes Index 9789087283711 Colonial and Global History Through Dutch Sources Series \$ 100.00 / PB 928gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802569

This comparative study investigates court politics in four kingdoms that succeeded the south Indian Vijayanagara empire during the sixteenth to eighteenth centuries: Ikkeri, Tanjavur, Madurai, and Ramnad. Building on a unique combination of unexplored Indian texts and Dutch archival records, this research offers a captivating new analysis of political culture, power relations, and dynastic developments.

In great detail, this monograph provides both new facts and fresh insights that contest existing scholarship. By highlighting their competitive, fluid, and dynamic nature, it undermines the historiography viewing these courts as harmonic, hierarchic, and static. Far from being remote, ritualised figures, we find kings and Brahmins contesting with other courtiers for power. At the same time, by stressing continuities with the past, this study questions recent scholarship that perceives a fundamentally new form of Nayaka kingship. Thus, this research has important repercussions for the way we perceive both these kingdoms and their 'medieval' precursors.

The Company Fortress : Military Engineering and the Dutch East India Company in South Asia, 1638-1975 / Erik Odegard Leiden, Netherlands: Leiden University Press, 2020 xiv, 296p. Includes Index ; Bibliography 9789087283469 Colonial and Global History Through Dutch Sources Series \$ 80.00 / PB 480gm.

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The remains of Dutch East India Company forts are scattered throughout littoral Asia and Africa. But how important were the specific characteristics of European bastion-trace fortifications to early modern European expansion? The Company Fortress takes on this question by studying the system of fortifications built and maintained by the Dutch East India Company (VOC) in present-day India and Sri Lanka. It uncovers the stories of the forts and their designers, arguing that many of these engineers were in fact amateurs and their creations contained serious flaws. Subsequent engineers were hampered by their disagreement over fortification design: there proved not to be a single 'European school' of fortification design. The study questions the importance of fortification design for European expansion, shows the relationship between siege and naval warfare, and highlights changing perceptions by the VOC of the capabilities of new polities in India in the late eighteenth century.

Gandhi and Adivasis: Tribal Movements in Eastern India (1914-1948) / Debasree De New Delhi: Ajay Kumar Jain for Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 234p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391928728 \$ 36.25 / hb 470gm.

Adivasi movements played a very important, if not determining, role in the India's freedom struggle. Gandhi's idea of mass mobilization couldn't have been successful without the active participation of all sections of the Indian society. Adivasi movements were swelled by Gandhian ideology only during the Non-Cooperation movement. Though Gandhi's interest in the tribal problems crystallized at a later stage of his life, his influence on tribal movements was revealing. His association with Thakkar Bapa and Verrier Elwin also enriched his knowledge about tribal state of affairs. Adivasis started looking at Gandhi as saviour or a saint, who could deliver them justice and peace. But, Gandhi always supported Adivasi movements in order to give a mass character to his movements. There were some particular demands of the Adivasis that were not supported by Gandhi. Their armed struggle was also against his non-violent principles. During the latter half of twentieth century, movements like Tana Bhagat and Hari Baba were purely influenced by the Gandhian ideology, but failed to achieve their goals. Later on, Jharkhand movement adopted the cha-racter of a non-violent struggle; here also the fruits disappeared.

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When Does History Begin?: Religion, Narrative, and Identity in the Sikh Tradition / Harjot Oberoi Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2021 xxv, 243p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788178246444 \$ 20.00 / hb 450gm.

Indian historiographical praxis has long been problematic. Al-Biruni, the eleventh-century polymath, was puzzled by how people in the subcontinent treated the protocols of history, not seeing that Indian narratives of the past, embedded in kavya traditions, represented a radical departure from historical narratives in the Islamic, Sinic, and Greco-Roman worlds. Where others tended to search for "facts", people in South Asia looked for "affect". This alternative for comprehending and evaluating the past – through aesthetics and gradients of taste – generated a different variety of historical consciousness.

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Aligarh Muslim University: The Making of the Modern Indian Muslim / Mohammed Wajihuddin Uttar Pradesh: HarperCollins Publishers, 2021 xxvi, 217p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789354893315 \$ 10.00 / pb 270gm.

The Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) completed a hundred years in December 2020. In December 1920, the Mohammedan Anglo Oriental (MAO) College founded by Sir Syed Ahmed Khan in 1877, was transformed into AMU. Sir Syed also established the All India Mohammedan Educational Conference to infuse the subcontinent's Muslims with a spirit of modernism. This helped prepare the community, devastated in the aftermath of the Revolt of 1857, for new challenges.

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From Dasarajna to Kuruksetra: Making of a Historical Tradition / Kanad Sinha New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2021 xxii, 548p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9780190130695 \$ 45.00 / hb 720gm.

Is it true that the ancient Indians had no sense of History? The book begins with this question, and points out how the ways of perceiving the past could be culture-specific and how the concept of historical traditions can be useful in studying the various ways of memorising and representing the past, even if those ways do not necessarily correspond to the methodology of the Occidental discipline called 'History'. Ancient India had several historical traditions, and the book focuses on one of them, the itihasa. It also shows how the Mahabharata is the best illustration of this tradition, and how a historical study of the contents of the text, with comparison with and corroboration from other contemporary sources and traditions, may help us restore the text in its original context in the bardic historical tradition about the Later Vedic Kurus. Is the Mahabharata then an authentic history? This book does not claim so. However, it shows how the text had originated as a critical reflection on a great period of transition, how it dealt with the conflicting philosophies of the transitional period, how it propounded its thesis by creating new kinds of heroes such as Yudhisthira and Krsna, and how the text was reworked when it was canonized by the brahmanas.

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Religion and Empire in Portuguese India: Conversion, Resistance, and the Making of Goa / Angela Barreto Xavier Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2022 xviii, 407p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788178246468 \$ 27.50 / hb 580gm.

How did the colonisation of Goa in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries take place? How was it related to projects for the conversion of Goan colonial subjects to Catholicism? And how did these contribute to the making of Goan identity?

In this closely argued work, Ângela Barreto Xavier asks these questions by reading the relevant secular and missionary archives and texts. She shows how the twinned drives towards conversion and colonisation in Portuguese India resulted in various outcomes, ranging from negotiation to passive resistance to moments of extreme violence.

She reveals that, in the process, Portuguese Goa emerged as a space with a specific identity resulting from these contestations and interactions. The Goan elites were also able to internalise this complex body of cultural resources to further their interests and narrate their own myths and histories.

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Before the Break of Dawn: Secrets of the Namboodiri Women / Devaki Nilayamgode New Delhi: Vitasta Publishing Pvt Ltd., 2022 xxiv, 107p.; 22 cm. 9789390961252 \$ 6.25 / pb 180gm.

Before the Break of Dawn: Secrets of the Namboodiri Women is a celebration of life in a Kerala Brahmin household. Most of the narratives start before dawn. The ordinary business of having a bath, the almost compulsory visit to the temple, the task of caring for the unapologetically patriarchal male Namboodiris, the retiring ladies of the house and the Irikkanammas, all following a strict code of conduct. One can smell the lazy smoke of the kitchen fires, the clatter of vessels being cleaned as the household gradually comes awake, brass lamps burnished to look like gold, the chill of the sleeping waters of the pond, the subtle fragrances of blooms easily identifiable by their smell alone, the simple but wholesome and highly repetitive meals of the day, interspersed with rare festival days, the highlight of which is obviously the feast, with the winding down of the day into soft nights where birdsong and fireflies are very much part of life.

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Bengal Famine An Unpunished Genocide: A Commentary on Syama Prasad Mookerjee's Panchasher Manwantar / Sudip Kar Purkayastha (ed) New Delhi: Vitasta Publishing Pvt Ltd., 2022 xxxviii, 248p.; 22 cm. 9789390961023 \$ 17.50 / hb 500gm.

This book is a commentary on the 1944 book Panchasher Manwantar by Syama Prasad Mookerjee, a political stalwart of the time. In his book, Syama Prasad argues that the famine of 1943-44 that is said to have caused the death and displacement of three million people, tearing apart Bengal's social and economic fabric, was a man-made disaster. The acute food shortage was deliberately created by the Churchill government to punish a rebellious, militant Bengal. The colonial government adopted a 'scorched-earth' policy, burned the boats that carried grain, promulgated an anti-hoarding act that prevented farmers and householders from keeping even small buffer stocks, while hoarding by private lobbies was allowed resulting in huge price rise. This policy was actively supported by the communal practices of the local Muslim League government. Translator Sudip Kar Purkayastha believes this to be a deliberately crafted and ruthlessly implemented policy that resulted in a GENOCIDE of Bengalis and notes that its perpetrators have not yet been called to account.

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The Origin Story of India's States / Venkataraghavan Subha Srinivasan Haryana: Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xvii, 277p.; 22 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9780143451495 \$ 10.00 / pb 300gm.

The Origin Story of India's States is a fascinating and illuminative account of the genesis of India's states. It presents the incredible origin stories of each of India's twenty-eight states and eight union territories, spanning from Independence until today.

The state that wasn't even a part of India until 1975; the union territory that had a prime minister for a single day; the state that has not one or two but

three capitals; and the union territory that has beaches on both coasts-this book looks into such unique aspects of Indian history and adds to our understanding of how our nation has been built.

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BSF: The Eyes and Ears of India / Sanjiv Krishan Sood, Inderjeer Singh, Monojit Das New Delhi: Adroit Publihsers, 2022 xix, 281p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9788187393788 \$ 25.00 / hb 560gm.

Border Security Force, the largest Border Guarding Force of the world was raised on 1ST Dec 1965. Tasked with inculcating a sense of security, preventing trans\-border crimes and smuggling, the force also has a war time role as the first line of defence. This book aims to highlight the role played by the force in ensuring security and integrity of the country about which there is very limited information available in public domain. The force besides guarding the borders has played an important role in controlling militancy in

North East, Kashmir, and Punjab. A large strength of the force is presently deployed in central India in Anti Maoist operations. The force also has played an active role in 1971 war with Pakistan, liberation of Bangladesh and Kargil Operations. Force is frequently deployed to assist the civil administration in smooth conduct of Parliament, Legislative assembly and other elections. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800868

The Classical Age: A Study in Feudalization / Shankar Goyal New Delhi: Aditya Prakashan, 2022 xxii, 404p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788195096145 \$ 30.00 / hb 730gm.

This book focuses on a crucial period of Indian history, from the period of the Guptas to the rule of Harshavardhana. This was a period that witnessed farreaching changes in terms of polity, economy, society, and cultural practices. Professor Goyal provides an in-depth discussion on some of the major historiographical debates on the period. He also brings in a deep knowledge of the sources, literary, epigraphic and numismatic, to assess the nature of historical change during this period.

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Girmitiyas: The Making of Their Memory-Keepers from the Indian Indentured Diaspora / Brij V. Lal (ed) Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xiii, 326p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789355720740 \$ 40.00 / hb 640gm.

They are scattered around the globe now, descendants of girmitiyas, indentured labourers, and other subaltern groups of Indians. The journey of their forebears, from India to the tropical sugar colonies in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries was fraught, but they emerged from the debris of subalternity to lay the foundations of many a colony, from South Africa to Suriname and many places in-between. For the most part, however, they have been ignored by history books as a people without agency or humanity, unworthy of consideration. This picture has been changing in recent decades largely as the result of scholars such as those represented in this volume. They have shifted the focus of research from the imperial discourse of policy and high politics to the lived experience of people in the colonies and their concerns, hopes and struggles.

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Studies in Thought, Polity and Economy of Medieval India 1000-1500 / Iqtidar Alam Khan Delhi: Primus Books, 2021 x, 179p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789390430604 \$ 26.25 / hb 450gm.

This book attempts to comprehend the history of the Delhi Sultanate with reference to its Islamic identity. The Turkish chiefs, despite having a military advantage due to their expertise in horsemanship, could only consolidate their rule through adjustment and sharing of power with local Kshatriya rulers, and, therefore, tended to incorporate an increasing number of Hindu chiefs in the ruling establishment. This process was

sought to be made durable by conceding to the chiefs many of the pecuniary gains and social clout they had enjoyed before the conquests.

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History of Indian Air Defence Artillery 1940-1945 / Colonel Mandeep Singh New Delhi: Published by Ajay Jain for Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 241p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391928643 \$ 37.50 / hb 490gm.

In 1921, the eighth Anti-Aircraft Battery of Royal Artillery was first stationed in India. However, it was only after two decades that the threat from the Japanese expansionism made India to finally realise how ill-prepared its antiaircraft defences were. Starting from a Battery raised at Colaba, Indian Anti-Aircraft Artillery soon expanded to over thirty-four regiments for India to have the second largest concentration of Anti-Aircraft defences outside the Great Britain. At one time, India had more Anti-Aircraft Regiments than that of field artillery Numbers aside, Indian Anti-Aircraft gunners served in varied battle-fields with honour, both during defeat and victory. If they were at Singa-pore as the fortress fell, they kept the Japanese Air Force at bay when Allied forces retreated from Burma, and later formed part of the van-guard when the Allies returned to Burma in triumph.

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Collective Memory, Identity and the Legacies of Slavery and Indenture / Farzana Gounder, bridget Brereton (ed) New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 252p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390729937 \$ 38.75 / hb

The Caribbean history provides a rich study of the different forms of la-bour systems that have historically marked the politics of the coloniser and the colonised. It further provides the basis for an essential study for discourses on colonialism and capitalism. This interdisciplinary volume bridges the gap between historiography and the present-day diasporic communities, which emerged from the slave trade and indenture. Through case studies from the Caribbean context, the volume demonstrates how the region's historical labour mobility remains central to performances and negotiations of collective memory and identity.

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Power, Presence and Space: South Asian Rituals in Archaeological Context / Henry Albery, Jens-Uwe Hartmann & Himanshu Prabha Ray (ed) New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2021 xvii, 293p.; ills. 23 cm. Includes Index. 9780367749408 \$ 37.50 / hb 630gm. This book explores these connections in South Asia from the early Common Era until the present day. The essays in the volume examine a wide range of themes, including a genealogy of ideas concerning Vedic rituals in European thought; Buddhist donative rituals of Gandhara and Andhra Pradesh in the early Common Era; land endowments, festivals, and temple establishments in medieval Tamil Nadu and Karnataka; Mughal court rituals of the Mughal Empire; and contemporary ritual complexes on the Nilgiri Plateau. This volume argues for the need to redress a historical neglect in identifying and theorising ritual and religion in material contexts within archaeology. Further, it challenges existing theoretical and methodological forms of documentation to propose new ways of understanding rituals in history. This volume will be of great interest to scholars and researchers of South Asian history, religion, archaeology, and historical geography.

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Medieval Panjab in Transition: Authority, Resistance and Spirituality c.1500c.1700 / Surinder Singh New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 556p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391928551 \$ 62.50 / hb 870gm.

This book reconstructs the historical transition in undivided Panjab during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. It shows that the assertion of Afghan and Mughal suzerainty faced sustained resistance from local elements, particularly the autonomous tribes and hill chiefdoms. In central plains, Dulla Bhatti mobilized the toilers of his ancestral domain and, leading a relentless fight against Mughal oppression, became an abiding symbol of resistance in the collective memory.

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Mapping the History of Ayurveda: Culture, Hegemony and the Rhetoric of Diversity / K.P. Girija New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 xvi, 180p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9781032307350

\$ 25.00 / hb 460gm.

This book looks at the institutionalisation and refashioning of Ayurveda as a robust, literate classical tradition, separated from the assorted, vernacular traditions of healing practices. It focuses on the dominant perspectives and theories of indigenous medicine and various compulsions which led to the codification and standardisation of Ayurveda in modern India. http://www.marvmartin.com/web?pid=800881

From Discovery to the Civilisational Mission: English Writings on India - The 'Civilisational Mission' Volume-V / Pramod K. Nayar (ed) New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xxvi, 179p.; 22 cm. 9789354356001 The Emperial Archives \$ 32.50 / hb 430gm.

India and the subcontinent stimulated the curiosity of the British who came to India as traders. Each aspect of life in India – its people, customs, geography, climate, fauna and flora – was documented by British travellers, traders, administrators, soldiers to make sense to the European mind. As they 'discovered' India and occupied it, they also attempted to 'civilise' the natives. The volumes focus on select aspects of the imperial archives: the accounts of "discovery" and exploration – fauna and flora, geography, climate – the people of the subcontinent, English domesticity and social life in the subcontinent, the wars and skirmishes – including the "Mutiny" of 1857-58 – and the "civilization mission".

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Deeds of Gallantry: Fifty Years of the 1971 Victory / Amlesh Kumar Mishra (ed) New Delhi: National Book Trust India, 2021 162p.; ills. 22 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9788123798257 \$ 6.50 / hb 420gm. The two nation theory, championed by the Muslim League, led to the partition of India and the creation of Pakistan in 1947. But the two wings of Pakistan, called West Pakistan and East Pakistan separated by 1600 kms of Indian territory, could not live in harmony despite religious homogeneity. Their ethnic, linguistic, economic and cultural diversities could not be bridged by an emotional appeal to religion. Consequently, fissures started erupting in the politics of Pakistan soon after the Independence and with each passing year these widened. The Indo-Pak War of 1965 also contributed to this growing divide. Bereft of appropriate defence infrastructure, East Pakistan felt isolated and abandoned. Finally, the malfeasance of Pakistani leadership, after the 1970 elections, proved the proverbial last straw on the camel's back. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800930

Understanding China in the 21st Century: Language, Culture, Society and Foreign Affairs / Somya Nayak, Rakesh Ranjan (ed) New Delhi: Heritage Publishers, 2022 vi, 266p.; 22 cm. 9788170264538 \$ 12.50 / hb 490gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800932 A Historical Account of Student Movement in Bengal: Colonial and Post-Colonial Experiences (1828-1977) / Swapan Kumar Pain

New Delhi: Delta Book World, 2021 208p.; ills. 22 cm. 9789385719264 \$ 28.75 / hb 470gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800935

Shankar Goyal: Marching with History / Radhika Seshan (ed) New Delhi: Aditya Prakashan, 2021 xx, 170p.; 22 cm. 9788195096138 \$ 22.50 / hb 470gm. Shankar Goyal (b.1959) is amongst the most prolific historians of ancient and early medieval Indian history of his generation. His major interests have been in issues of historiography, as well as in the reconstruction of political history, but he has written a lot on various other branches of Indological Studies. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800936

Nandshankar: A Portrait in Nineteenth-Century Surat / Vinayak Nandshankar Mehta Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan Private Limited, 2021 xxx, 257p.; 22 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9789354421433 \$ 19.50 / pb 390gm.

Published in 1916, Nandshankar Jeevan Chitra, Vinayak Mehta's biography of his father Nandshankar Tuljashankar Mehta (1835–1905), Gujarat's first novelist and an eminent educationist and administrator, is the earliest modern father-son biography in Gujarati. Written at a time when the advent of English education had led to a turbulent new stream of reform, agitating the old world of Surat, the period 1860–1880 was also the high tide of creativity when the young Nandshankar, along with luminaries like Narmadashankar, Navalram and Mahipatram, dominated the Gujarat literary scene. Vinayak narrates Nandshankar's eclectic life against the backdrop of Surat, a vibrant cosmopolitan port, and its changing political fortunes between the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. He creates a composite picture of the rich cultural life of the period from fragments: remembered conversations, songs, poetry, witty anecdotes, and sketches of eccentric teachers, inept physicians and alcoholic judges.

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A Cultural History of Telangana: From the Earliest Times to 1724 AD / Bhangya Bhukya Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan Private Limited, 2021 xi, 331p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789354421112 \$ 8.50 / pb 380gm.

The national historical narrative in India has largely been Brahminic and centred around the Gangetic region. Regional histories often do not match such a narrative, or the Indo-Aryan economic and political system they describe. Social history, constructed from puranic texts, further homogenises the diversities of the Indian subcontinent. A Cultural History of Telangana takes a longue durée approach to understanding the socio-economic, cultural and political movements in the region, delineating the broad trends and themes in Telangana's history, while correcting the imbalance that led to Telangana's marginalisation in the history of the Telugu-speaking region. Moving away from the dynastic perspective commonly deployed in conventional history writing, the author follows significant developments in the fields of agriculture, urbanisation, architecture, trade and commerce, religion, and the arts to reconstruct the unique history of Telangana from ancient times up to the early eighteenth century.

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Bangladesh: Writings on 1971, Across Borders / Rakhshanda Jalil and Debjani Sengupta (ed) Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan Private Limited, 2022 xv, 276p.; 22 cm.

Includes Bibliography. 9789354422126

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390gm.

1971 was a decisive moment in the history of the subcontinent, one that had profound social, historical and cultural reverberations throughout the region. The birth of Bangladesh, once a part of Pakistan, in many ways overturned the lessons of 1947 and laid bare the ironies and contradictions of history. Like any violent historical moment, the euphoria, nightmares and memories of 1971 have also spawned contested accounts. Tracing the journey of a nation that has celebrated fifty years of its birth, the stories, poems and 'memory texts' collected here, from Bangla, Urdu and English, are varied in their understandings of and responses to 1971. This anthology probes the intersection of literature and history through the eyes of writers and poets on both sides of the borders who attempt to capture and recount those turbulent months of euphoria and trauma. It is also an homage to all those who fought and lived through the aftermath, trying to shape modes of reconciliation and peace. Bringing together the most compelling voices from Bangladesh, Pakistan and India, many translated into English for the first time, this unique volume will appeal to readers and scholars of Partition and South Asian history, as much as to keen lovers of literature. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800939

POW 1971: A Soldier's Account of the Battle of Daruchhian / Major General Vijay Singh New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 xi, 236p.; 23 cm. 9789354470110 \$ 17.50 / hb 450gm.

The war with Pakistan in December 1971 lasted barely two weeks. It concluded on 16 December with a victory for India and the formation of Bangladesh. But there is a lesser known side to this epic military confrontation that of the western front, namely Jammu and Kashmir. While many contests on this side of India's border were won, some battles were ill fated. The heroic battle at Daruchhian in the Poonch Sector was one of them. A cone - shaped feature, approximately 1,000 metres in height, Daruchhian was of great tactical significance. The fierce clash on its slopes on the night of 13 December, however, could not ensure its capture. Many Indian soldiers were martyred, and the survivors taken prisoner, including Brigadier (then Major) Hamir Singh, Vr C. Heavily injured in battle, he underwent a prolonged recovery at the Command Military Hospital, Rawalpindi, followed by an internment at the POW camp in Lyallpur.

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RSS and Gandhi: The Idea of India / Sangit Kumar Ragi New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2022 x, 340p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789354792526 \$ 35.00 / hb 560gm.

RSS and Gandhi: The Idea of India analyses the ideas of Gandhi and the RSS to understand how and where they converge on and diverge from each other in key questions that India continues to debate even today. The discourse on Gandhi and the RSS encompasses a fascinating debate in social, civilizational, cultural, political and religious questions which affianced the Indian minds towards nation building, both before and after independence. This book also examines their positions on issues and themes, where they may seem standing on the same page but reflect a tangential dispersion regarding means and methods. It discounts and dispels the predominant view that Gandhi and the RSS are diametrically opposed in their ideas on India and the Indian nation.

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The Rise and Fall of a Brown Water Navy: Sarkhel Kanhoji Angre and Maratha Sea Power on the Arabian Sea in the 17th and 18th Centuries / Anirudh Deshpande, Muphid Mujawar Delhi: Aakar Books, 2021 160p.; 20 cm. 9789350027363 \$ 10.00 / hb 270gm.

Sarkhel Kanhoji Angre fought the English, Portuguese and Siddis on and off the Konkan Coast for more than three decades till his death (1729). His descendants kept these powers and the Peshwa at bay till 1756 by skillfully using a 'brown water' navy. The combined deployment of land and sea power by the Angres is unique to Indian history and salutary to anyone interested in the early modern local contexts of the Indian Ocean World.

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Revisiting Partition: Contestation, Narratives and Memories / Anindita Ghoshal (ed) Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xvii, 494p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789355721471 \$ 36.25 / hb 820gm.

Revisiting India's Partition: New Essays on Memory, Culture, and Politics brings together scholars from across the globe to provide diverse perspectives on the continuing impact of the 1947 division of India on the eve of independence from the British Empire. The Partition caused a million deaths and displaced well over 10 million people. The trauma of brutal violence and displacement still haunts the survivors as well as their children and grandchildren. Nearly 70 years after this cataclysmic event, Revisiting India's Partition explores the impact of the "Long Partition," a concept developed by Vazira Zamindar to underscore the ongoing effects of the 1947 Partition upon all South Asian nations. In our collection, we extend and expand Zamindar's notion of the Long Partition to examine the cultural, political, economic, and psychological impact the Partition continues to have on communities throughout the South Asian diaspora.

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Kashmir: Before the Accession and After / Rattan Lal Hangloo Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 234p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391144708 \$ 32.50 / hb 540gm.

The region and people of Kashmir have been at the centre of processes that transformed South Asia after the two World Wars and the collapse of colonialism. Kashmir: Before the Accession and After examines the hitherto neglected areas of life in Kashmir, its continually fraught relationship with the central government of India, and the role of international politics, which resulted in the inception and perpetuation of the crisis in the region. Spanning the decades from the end of the rule of the Dogras and Sheikh Abdullah s contentious relations with the national leadership in Delhi to the current abrogation of Article 370, this book investigates the historical trajectory and modern identity politics at the core of the Kashmir problem. Invoked by the local elite and other participants through political and social struggles, this situation has shaped the everyday life of Kashmiris, offering tools for highlighting pre-existing homogeneities and differences in order to construct specific versions of such identities on religious and regional bases. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800948

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Fall of the Maratha Empire 1807-1818: Vol. II / Sailendra Nath Sen Delhi: Primus Books, 2022

xxvi, 562p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789390633777 \$ 40.00 / hb 990gm.

This Course of Maratha history in its last phase is marked by contingencies, some of greater import than others. Against the weakening authority of Pashwa Bajirao II and Shinde, Holkar and Bhonsle sands the rising power of Hastings.

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Fall of the Maratha Empire 1796-1806: Vol. I / Sailendra Nath Sen Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xxxiv, 610p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789390633180 \$ 42.50 / hb 1020gm.

Fall of the Maratha Empire, Vol. I (1796-1806) documents that significant transitional epoch in modern Indian history when the Marathas lost their hegemony in India and Peshwa Bajirao II became a subservient tool of British imperialism by concluding the Treaty of Bassain in 1802. The two resourceful Maratha chiefs Shinde and Bhonsle, fought against the British in the Second Anglo-Maratha War while Holkar remained quiescent. Shinde and Bhonsle were, however, defeated by the brilliant and meticulous planning of Governor-General Lord Wellesley and the British Generals.

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Religion, Community and Nation: Hindu Consciousness and Nationalism in Colonial Punjab / K.L. Tuteja Delhi: Primus Books, 2021 xi, 372p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789390737857 \$ 31.25 / hb 720gm. This book examines the emergence and growth of a Hindu communitarian identity in Punjab and its interface with the anti- colonial struggle from the late nineteenth century to the end of 1920. It attempts to understand how the divergent Hindu consciousness evolved in Colonial Punjab and also takes a fresh look at the position of Lala Lajpat Rai in the context of the shifts taking place in Hindu identity politics and the nationalist movement. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800953

Rebirth of Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh / Thakur Shailendra Nath IRS New Delhi: Manas Publications, 2021 271p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9788170495727 \$ 22.50 / hb 540gm. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800954</u>

Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh: Then and Now / SP Kar, IPS New Delhi: Manas Publications, 2022 287p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9788170495697 \$ 20.00 / hb 570gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800955

Heritage of India and The West / Lokesh Chandra New Delhi: Aditya Prakashan, 2021 706p.; 25 cm. Includes Index. 9788195096152 \$ 112.50 / hb 2300gm. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800956</u>

Losing The Plot: Political Isolation of West Bengal / Sugato Hazra New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2021 428p.; 24 cm. Includes Index. 9789391125219 \$ 20.00 / hb 700gm.

Losing the Plot: Political Isolation of West Bengal is a comprehensive account of West Bengal's political history tracing the changing leadership, ideologies, and discourse from the birth of modern ideas and nationalism in the state of Bengal which eventually spread across India to its steady movement away from the national mainstream in recent times.

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Musings in the Museum: Celebrating he Centenary of the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya 1922-2022 / Harsha V. Dehejia New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 277p.; ills. 24 cm. Includes Index. 9789391125523 \$ 31.25 / hb 900gm.

The Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya opened its doors to the public on 10 January 1922, as the Prince of Wales Museum. This commemorative volume showcases some of the unique artistic and heritage treasures in its vast collection, as the Museum celebrates its centenary. Beginning with the history and establishment of the Museum, the author describes the architectural features of this landmark heritage building in Mumbai. A journey through its galleries, with beautiful images and descriptions of the paintings, sculptures, artworks, textiles, bronzes, everyday objects and modern art in India from the IJ School of Art provide a detailed exposition of the various collections in this repository of the nation's cultural heritage. Written in a flowing narrative style, this work lovingly describes the exquisite artefacts and artworks in the Museum as well as the philosophical ideas that inspired their creation. Musings in the Museum is sure to be of interest to collectors or visitors to this grand edifice, as well as armchair travellers, eager to garner knowledge about the Museum and its priceless heritage collection.

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Bangladesh War: Report from Ground Zero / Manash Ghosh

New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2021 209p.; ills. 23 cm. 9789391125370 \$ 17.50 / hb 450gm.

The Bangladesh Liberation War of 1971, also known as the Muktijuddho, was a result of the total alienation of the Bengalis of East Pakistan from the non-Bengalis of the West, setting off a violent political upheaval in the eastern unit of the country, ultimately leading to the formation of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

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Essays of U Ve Sa: The Man Who Revived Ancient Tamil Literature / Prabha Sridevan, Praddep Chakravarthy (Translated from Tamil by) New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 240p.; 22 cm. 9789391125547 \$ 11.25 / pb 330gm.

Tamil today is a language spoken by more than 80 million people across the world. It is also a classical language since it has a rich literature, at least 2000 years old—much older than most other languages. Today, the 'classical' literature of Tamil Nadu, especially the Sangam poems, Silapadikaram and Civaka Cintamani, are well known and have been translated into English and other languages. The credit for rediscovering them, collating the multiple editions from palm leaf manuscripts, weeding out errors, reconstructing them and publishing them into books in the late 19th and early 20th centuries goes solely to U.Ve. Sa. If it weren't for him, this corpus of classical Tamil literature that has opened new doors to lovers of literature and students of history would have rotted with the palm leaves on which they were written. It was in this context that he is affectionately and reverentially remembered as the 'Grandfather of Tamil'.

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Aurangabad: Jewel of the Deccan / Rashmi Jolly New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 127p.; ills. 21 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9789391125592 \$ 15.00 / pb 330gm.

Aurangabad: Jewel of the Deccan is a simple guide book that recounts for the lay tourist, briefly and accurately, the architectural and cultural splendour and history of the 'Walled City'—Aurangabad. Malik Ambar, known as the founder of the city of Aurangabad, was a great supporter and patron of the arts and architecture. There is information on the fifty-two gates leading to the walled city. Some of these gates barely exist and others are in a state of repair by the Archaeological Survey of India with generous corporate patronage. This slim volume presents in chronological order the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Ajanta, Ellora and nine Aurangabad Caves. The nine ancient caves in the city centre reveal rock-cut architecture of the highest possible standard and quality, depicting Buddhist 'Jataka' tales and other stories based on India's diverse religions. Bibi-Ka-Maqbara portrays Islamic architecture. The population of Aurangabad consists of Hindus and Muslims living in peace and harmony from time immemorial.

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Making A Muslim: Reading Publics and Contesting Identities in Nineteenth-Century North India / S. Akbar Zaidi New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xx, 249p.; 24 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9781108490535 \$ 23.75 / hb 540gm.

Using Primarily Urdu Sources from the nineteenth century and by deemphasising the colonial archive and its particular narrative, this book allows us to rethink notions of 'the Muslim', in its numerous, complex and often contradictory forms, in colonial north India after 1857. The book contrasts how the colonial British 'made Muslims' very differently compared to how Muslims envisaged themselves, re-examining the 'dominant narrative of consolidation of communal solidarity among Muslims in colonial India'. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=741500

Citizens of Everywhere: Indian Women, Nationalism and Cosmopolitanism, 1920-1952 / Rosalind Parr New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xviii, 198p.; 24 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9781108838146 \$ 21.25 / hb 470gm.

Citizens of Everywhere traces the international careers of a cohort of extraordinary Indian women leaders during the final decades of colonial rule. Working in pursuit of the dual goals of Indian independence and women's rights, the women featured in this book established productive transnational connections to gain influence on the world stage, all against the backdrop of momentous events in India and beyond. In doing so, they contributed a distinct set of ideas to global conversations about rights and citizenship. By bringing this transnational activism to light, the author offers new perspectives on Indian nationalism. More broadly the book establishes Indian women as actors in the global histories of women's rights and international movements during the era of decolonisation.

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The Punjab Borderland: Mobility, Materiality and Militancy, 1947-1987 / Ilyas Chattha New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xxii, 313p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9781316517956 \$ 23.75 / hb 630gm.

The Punjab Borderland offers a fascinating insight into how the new international boundary between India and Pakistan was made, subverted, and transformed. Dispelling the established historiographical narratives of an increasingly militarised border that presents as the epitome of animosity and a classic example of inter-state tension, this book offers a corrective to these accounts by bringing out narratives of border crossings and social relations built on mutual benefit and trust. It conceptualises the making of the vast contraband as an analytical tool, not merely as borderland societies' modes for evading the state imposition of a partitioned geography on their local lifeworld, but as a catalyst for enabling social mobility and political empowerment for the population involved and a thriving market for consumption in the urban centres. It reveals a 'bottom-up' history of the Punjab border and the invention of the borderland society, narrating a story with local meanings and transnational dimensions. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801002

Colossus: The Anatomy of Delhi / Sanjoy Chakravorty, Neelanjan Sircar (ed) New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xvi, 407p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781108832243 \$ 25.00 / hb 720gm.

The National Capital Region of Delhi is a diverse and unequal space. Its more than 30 million people are sharply differentiated by economic class, religion and caste, education, language, and migration status. Its 45,000 square kilometres is a tapestry of spaces - ghettoes, slums, enclaves, institutional areas, planned and unplanned and authorized and unauthorized colonies, forests and agricultural fields. In some ways it is a dynamic society aspiring to global city grandeur; in other ways it is a bastion of tradition, sectarianism and hierarchy. Colossus details these realities and paradoxes under three themes: social change, community and state, and inequality. From the material condition of the metropolis - its housing, services, crime and pollution - to its social organization - of who marries whom, who eats with whom, and who votes for whom - this book unpacks the complex reality of a metropolitan region that is emblematic of India's aspirations and contradictions. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801003

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The Indentured Archipelago: Experiences of Indian Labour in Mauritius and Fiji, 1871-1916 / Reshaad Durgahee New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xix, 275p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9781316512265 \$ 27.50 / hb 570gm. This book focuses on the spatial experiences of Indian indentured labourers in Mauritius and Fiji and reveals previously unexplored labour movements across the so-called Indentured Archipelago. It offers a historical geographical perspective of the lives of these labourers in Mauritius and Fiji, situating their experiences in the wider context of spatial mobility and subaltern agency. The concept of re-migration - labourers moving between these colonies, and beyond - is explored, and the scale of this facet of indentured life is revealed, in a way which has not been done to date. It brings to the fore a debate on subaltern agency, and role of geography in exploring the lives of these labourers both within and between colonies. The book also brings to light the numerous proposals for the use of Indian indentured labour across the globe, highlighting the centrality of Indian indenture to the post-abolition labour discourse.

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Paper, Performance and The State: Social Change and Political Culture in Mughal India / Farhat Hasan
New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021
xi, 155p.; 23 cm.
Bibliography Includes Index.
9781316516812
\$ 20.00 / hb
420gm.

This book explores the changing socio-cultural world in early modern South Asia, and locates the agency of the Mughal state therein. The development of literacy and new forms of engagement between literacy and performance prompted the opening up of new spaces of social communication, and led to the development of a performative (and somatic) public sphere in South Asia. The work highlights the significance of legal spaces, along with the markets and coffeehouses, in shaping the emergent public sphere. While defending the case for legal pluralism, it argues that the Mughal state endured and enhanced the diversity in the legal order. Focusing on the socially embedded attributes of the state, it looks at how the state's relations with the local powers impinged on, and reproduced community identities, identity conflicts, legal pluralism, property relations, and different forms of social communication. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801005 Bangladesh Liberation @ 50 Years 'Bijoy' With Synergy: India-Pakistan War 1971 / VK Ahluwalia, AN Jha (ed) New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xxviii, 324p.; ills. 24 cm. Includes Index. 9789391490904 \$ 32.00 / hb 590gm.

The Liberation War of 1971 was a culmination of months of suffering being subjected by Pakistan on their Eastern Wing —Bangladesh. India, on the other hand, was forced to go to war with Pakistan after it carried out air attacks against several Indian Airfields on December 3, 1971. Pakistan's strategy of 'The Defence of the East lies in the West' was badly shaken with India-Bangladesh ferocity. The Liberation War was also first of its kind as it established a strong relationship between India and Bangladesh. I am highly impressed by the number of authors who have shared their experiences of the war. This book is a tribute to the local populace of both India and Bangladesh, as also to the armed forces of both the countries. Written in a lucid language, this book would be of interest to all—military, civilians, academicians and policy makers alike as it gives a vivid account of the war.

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Nizaam-I-Bhopal: Militaries of Bhopal State - A Historical Review / Lieutrnant General Milan Naidu, PVSM, AVSM, YSM. New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd., 2021 xxvi, 350p.; ills. 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788194697435 \$ 38.75 / hb 770gm.

The Book is a historical analysis of the Militaries of the Bhopal Princely State. Bhopal had the singular position in the comity of Princely States in British India, with a Hundred and seventy-five years' continuous line of Begums rulers. They were visionaries, educated and erudite. They displayed tremendous administrative ability, leadership qualities and diplomatic acumen, coupled with comparable skill at horse riding and arms. These Rulers set the tone of the Militaries and its motivation. The Bhopal Battalion, as part of the Indian Expeditionary Force, was the first non-Europeans to have disembarked in France to fight the War. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801007

A History of Sriniketan: Rabindranath Tagore's Pioneering Work in Rural Reconstruction / Uma Das Gupta New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 234p.; ills. 23 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9789391125448 \$ 11.25 / hb 520gm.

The present book, A History of Sriniketan, explores Tagore's attempt to inspire the deprived sections of rural society to self reliance and to make them economically independent by setting up a center for rural reconstruction called Sriniketan as a wing of his Visva-Bharati International University at Santiniketan in 1922.

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From Discovery to the Civilisational Mission: English Writings on India - Vol.1 - 'Discoveries', Explorations and the Imperial Survey / Pramod K. Nayar (ed) New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xxvi, 188p.; 22 cm. 9789354356421 \$ 32.50 / hb 440gm.

India and the subcontinent stimulated the curiosity of the British who came to India as traders. Each aspect of life in India - its people, customs, geography, climate, fauna and flora - was documented by British travelers, traders, administrators, soldiers to make sense to the European mind. As they 'discovered' India and occupied it, they also attempted to 'civilise' the natives. The present volumes focus on select aspects of the imperial archives: the accounts of "discovery" and exploration – fauna and flora, geography, climate – the people of the subcontinent, English domesticity and social life in the subcontinent, the wars and skirmishes – including the "Mutiny" of 1857-58 – and the "civilisational mission".

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From Discovery to the Civilisational Mission: English Writings on India - Vol.2 - Indian People and Society / Pramod K. Nayar (ed) New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xxvi, 284p.; 22 cm. 9789354356612 \$ 32.50 / hb 550gm.

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From Discovery to the Civilisational Mission: English Writings on India - Vol.3 - Domesticity, the Social Scene and Leisure / Pramod K. Nayar (ed) New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xxvi, 302p.; ills. 22 cm. 9789354358234 \$ 32.50 / hb 580gm.

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From Discovery to the Civilisational Mission: English Writings on India - Vol.4 - Rebellions and Wars / Pramod K. Nayar (ed) New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xxii, 147p.; 22 cm. 9789354358319 \$ 32.50 / hb 390gm.

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Varanasi in Legend and History: Excavations at Shooltankeshwar and Saraswati Udyan / Vidula Jayaswal Varanasi: Aryan Books International, 2022 xviii, 334p.; ills. 27 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788173056642 New Discoveries in the History of Varanasi-6 \$ 97.50 / hb 1310gm.

The cultural history of Varanasi, one of the oldest inhabited cities of the world, is woven with a multi-layered composition of myths and folklores. Each important locality of the city has some mythology in its background, which seems to convey a significant happening of the past. Myths have deep roots in our society. Thus, their study is a promising line, capable of revealing the roots of our civilization. The study of the history of Varanasi without mythology, therefore, remains incomplete. The theme of this book, which is a fresh addition to the series, New Discoveries in the History of Varanasi, extends beyond the recording of archaeological findings at Shooltankeshwar and Avimukta-kshetra (Kashi-Vishwanath area). Having a special place in the Shaiva mythology of Varanasi, the material findings of these sites add much to the socio-religious history of the place when scrutinized along with folkreligious traditions. This volume also demonstrates the utility of conjoining the results of scientific analyses of tangible and intangible facets of a multilayered cultural centre like Varanasi. The book embodies the details of the findings from the excavations at Shooltankeshwar and Saraswati Udyan. These sites form a part of the long drawn archaeological project to study the history of Varanasi. Incidentally, the twin sites of Saraswati Udyan and Shooltankeshwar also represent the nucleus and periphery of the Shaiva landscape of Kashi.

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A Sacred Journey: The Kedara Kalpa Series of Pahari Paintings and the Painter Purkhu of Kangra / Karuna Goswamy, B.N. Goswamy New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2021 170p.; ills. 30 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9789391125356 \$ 75.00 / hb 1150gm.

The Kedara Kalpa is a relatively little-known Shaiva text; and only slightly better known than it are the two dispersed series of paintings to which this study is devoted. But both raise questions that are at once elegant and deeply engaging. Ostensibly, they treat of a journey by five seekers who set out to reach the realm of the great god, Shiva – walking barefoot through icy mountains and deep ravines, frozen rivers and moon-like rocks, running on the way into temptations and dangers the like of which no man before them had encountered – and, in the end, succeed. But as one goes through the narrative, the text visualized with brilliance sometimes by members of a talented family of Pahari painters, one begins to wonder. Is this a parable of sorts? Or the description of a long, unending dream from which one never wakes? Or, one wakes up like those five seekers and then, at the very next moment, slips back into that real / unreal world again? Is there something that hides behind all that one sees? Is this journey real, or is it only in the mind?

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New Research in History, Historiography, Archaeology and Literature of Jammu & Kashmir / Tirtharaj Bhoi and Harjinder Singh New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 262p. 9789391844059 \$ 32.50 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=780704

Indology

Contemplative studies and Hinduism: Meditation, devotion, prayer, and worship / Rita D. Sherma and Purushottama Bilimoria New Delhi: Manohar Publishers and Distributors, 2021 xiv, 213p.; 24cm. Includes Index 9780367746353 \$ 25.00 / Hb 550gm.

This book is one of the first wide-ranging academic surveys of the major types and categories of Hindu contemplative praxis. It explores diverse spiritual and religious practices within the Hindu traditions and Indic hermeneutical perspectives to understand the intricate culture of meditative communion and contemplation, devotion, spiritual formation, prayer, ritual, and worship. The volume extends and expands the conceptual reach of the fields of Contemplative Studies and Hindu Studies. The chapters in the volume cover themes in Hindu contemplative experience from various texts and traditions including classical Sāmkhya and Patañjali Yoga, the Bhāgavata Purāna, the role of Sādhana in Advaita Vedānta, Śrīvidyā and the Śrīcakra, the body in Tantra, the semiotics and illocution of Gaudīya Vaisnava sādhana, mantra in Mīmāmsā, Vaisnava liturgy, as well as cross-cultural reflections and interreligious comparative contemplative praxis. The volume presents indigenous vocabulary and frameworks to examine categories and concerns particular to the Hindu contemplative traditions. It traces patterns that cut across Hindu traditions and systems and discusses contrasting methods of different theological/philosophical schools evincing a strong plurality in Hindu religious thought and practice. The volume provides intra-religious

comparisons that reveal internal complexity, nuances, and a variety of contemplative states and transformative practices that exist under the rubric of Hindu practices of interiority and reflection.

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The Yogasūtra of Patañjali: a new introduction to the Buddhist roots of the yoga system / Pradeep P. Gokhale New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2020 ix, 239p; 24cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9780367634186 \$ 25.00 / Hb 550gm.

This book offers a systematic and radical introduction to the Buddhist roots of Pātañjala-yoga, or the Yoga system of Patañjali. By examining each of 195 aphorisms (sūtras) of the Yogasūtra and discussing the Yogabhāsya, it shows that traditional and popular views on Pātañjala-yoga obscure its true nature. The book argues that Patañjali's Yoga contains elements rooted in both orthodox and heterodox philosophical traditions, including Sānkhya, Jaina and Buddhist thought. With a fresh translation and a detailed commentary on the Yogasūtra, the author unearths how several of the terms, concepts and doctrines in Patañjali's Yoga can be traced to Buddhism, particularly the Abhidharma Buddhism of Vasubandhu and the early Yogācāra of Asanga. The work presents the Yogasūtra of Patañjali as a synthesis of two perspectives: the metaphysical perspective of Sānkhya and the empirical-psychological perspective of Buddhism. Based on a holistic understanding of Yoga, the study explores key themes of the text, such as meditative absorption, means, supernormal powers, isolation, Buddhist conceptions of meditation and the interplay between Sānkhya and Buddhist approaches to suffering and emancipation. It further highlights several new findings and clarifications on textual interpretation and discrepancies. An important intervention in Indian and Buddhist philosophy, this book opens up a new way of looking at the Yoga of Patañjali in the light of Buddhism beyond standard approaches and will greatly interest scholars and researchers of Buddhist studies, Yoga studies, Indian philosophy, philosophy in general, literature, religion and comparative studies, Indian and South Asian Studies and the history of ideas.

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Taming the serpent King Nandopananda: historicity, transmission, and translation of Pāli and Tibetan discourse / Animesh Prakash New Delhi: Aditya Prakashan, 2021 xxvii, 182p.; illustrations (black and white); 23cm. Includes Index 9788195096190 \$ 20.00 / Hb 500gm.

Nandopanandanagadamanakatha or the discourse of taming the Serpent Nandopananda is a tale of the heroic feats performed by Elder Mahamoggallana using his supernatural powers (abhinna). It belongs to Pali commentaries and the similar story is very popular among Theravada Buddhist countries with different titles such as or Taming the Naga in Sinhalese and or the Royal Thai Version of Nandopananda Discourse in Thai. According to the Tibetan MSS' Colophons of Nandopanandanagadamanakatha, it was translated into Tibetan with a title or A Discourse on Taming the Serpent King Nandopananda by the great collaborative effort of two scholars of 14th century: Pandita Anandasri and a Tibetan translator Nyi ma rgyal mtshan dpal bzang po.

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Mandukya Upanisad and Prasna Upanisad / Anirvan, Gautam Dharmapal New Delhi: Indian Council of Philosophical Research, 2020 Anirvan Upanisad Series No.5 viii,132p.;22cm. 9788188643769 \$ 11.50 / Hb 480gm.

MANDUKYA, though it is the smallest UPANISD - it consists of only twelve short passages - it encompasses the entire range of human consciousness. It describes beautifully all the states of consciousness along with the discipline -Sadhna to raise our consciousness from the lowest to the highest, culminating in full attainment of the Self-Atman or Brahman. The main subject discussed in the Prasna Upnisad that of Prasna (The Primal Energy) in the form of four questions. The fifth question is about Pranava. In it we get the indication about the Sadhana spiritual discipline to realise the ultimate Truth. The last question is about the Goal, about the Being whom we have to discover in ourselves.

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Mythic Landscapes and Argumentative Trails in Sanskrit Epic Literature: Dubrovnik International Conference on the Sanskrit Epics and Puranas / Ivan Andrijanić, Sven Sellmer New Delhi: Dev Publishers and Distributors, 2022 xxxii, 381 pages; 24cm. Includes Index 9789387496767 \$ 47.50 / Hb 860gm.

The volume contains research papers presenting widely differing approaches and elaborating different problems from standpoints that are often innovative, instructive and very fruitful. In accordance with the conception and mission of the DICSEP conferences and publications, these contributions should continue stimulating the international research in the field of the Sanskrit epics and Purāņas as crucial works in the Indian literature, religion and culture, and as literary monuments which have had a great impact on the heritage of Asia and mankind. We hope that the contributions to this sixth volume of the DICSEP publications will attract the due attention of the international scholarly community.

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Aspects of Siva and Sakti in Indian Art: Earliest Times to The Cola Period /
Kamal Shankar Srivastava
New Delhi: Munshiram Manoharlal Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2021
xxxii,562p.; illus(b/w), maps (b/w); 29cm.
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Aspects of Siva and Sakti in Indian Art is based on the literary and archaeological data pertaining to various forms-theriomorphic, anthropomorphic, and phallic of Siva and Sakti, which are depicted in Indian art from the earliest times to the Cola period. The concept of Siva and Sakti, the fundamental of creation in Indian philosophy, has been discussed elaborately in the ancient texts, while the temples, icons and paintings from the material expression of this concept with a holistic understanding almost all the significant aspects of Siva and Sakti narrations with their philosophical explanations have been incorporated in the proposed work. The long time span selected for this study helps demarcating the formulation, development and elaboration of the concept, as well as the artistic amplitude of Siva and Sakti in the art and culture of India.

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Dasarapedia: History, Heritage and Practices / V Ranganath, La Na Swamy New Delhi: Bharatiya Kala Prakashan, 2021 xviii,252p.; illus(b/w and color) ; 29cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9788180904172 \$ 75.00 / Hb 1430gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800527

Law

Law, Justice and Human Rights in India: short reflections / Kalpana Kannabirān Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xxv,387 pages; 22cm. 9789354421105 \$ 37.50 / Pb 580gm.

Law, Justice and Human Rights in India is a collection of short essays on a range of contemporary issues—prisoners' rights, campus violence, women's rights, state impunity, judicial accountability, citizen engagement in law-making, and questions of discrimination against Dalits, Adivasis, persons with disabilities, and sexual and religious minorities. Framed by the Constitution of India, the chapters provide a sense of the times we are living through, with each essay addressing an urgent debate that has arisen at a particular moment in India's contemporary history. Kalpana Kannabiran brings her formal training in law, sociology and gender studies, and her work as a feminist socio-legal counsellor with a women's collective, into her essays, allowing

them to open up alternative spaces for dialogue and public discourse on dissent. Reflecting upon issues of social justice and human rights, she offers insights into the Constitution and law, moving these out of the sacred, unreachable precincts of constitutional courts and into the realities of everyday life. This volume presents an account of the making and unmaking of laws through resistance struggles and movements, encouraging readers to engage with the language, protocols and practices of legislations. The continuing relevance of the concerns raised in this collection and its level critique of power and dominance will interest anyone who wishes to trace the development of human rights debates in India over the past two decades. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800530

Arrest and detention in India: law, procedure, and practice / Dipa Dube, Shruti Bedi New Delhi: Sage Publication Pvt.Ltd, 2022 xv, 342p: illus; 23cm. 9789354792441 \$ 37.50 / Hb 620gm.

Human rights enshrined in the Constitution of India protect Indian citizens against misuse of powers by the State and its functionaries. However, detainee rights are often neglected in custody. Arrest and Detention in India: Law, Procedure and Practice critically examines arrest and detention laws in India, focusing on constitutional guarantees and criminal jurisprudence. The book studies legislations that have invited much criticism from human rights activists, such as the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC), Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA), Armed Forced (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) and Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act (NDPS). It explores topical areas such as inter-state arrests, juvenile crime, remand and detainee rights. This book evaluates the controversial powers of arrest and detention, arguing for stricter regulation in terms of the international, constitutional and human rights mandates. The book examines public safety and whether it can be implemented through legal standards that compromise personal liberty. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800531

Right to health in India: law, policy and practice / Sougata Talukdar New Delhi: SAGE Publications India Pvt Ltd, 2022 x,307p.;22cm. Includes Index 9789354792557 \$ 35.00 / Hb 620gm.

Health and human rights are complementary to each other in advancing progress and social justice. Right to Health in India: Law, Policy and Practice examines the fundamental right to health in light of the contemporary human rights discourse. It advocates for a rights-based approach to health that acknowledges the socio-economic dimensions and implications of access to health and dignity of life. This book studies the legislative and policy initiatives designed to protect women, children, HIV/AIDS patients, workers, people with disabilities and all Indian citizens from health hazards and medical malpractice. It explores the constitutional mandates and safeguards regarding right to health in India. The book further discusses the international legal framework on health, analysing it along with the developments in Indian health law. It critically examines the role played by implementing authorities and judiciary in determining the access to and success of right to health in India.

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Advancement of human rights in India: contemporary and emerging challenges / Debarati Halder, Shrut S. Brahmbhatt New Delhi: Sage Publications Pvt.ltd., 2021 xix, 350p.; illus; 22cm. Includes Index 9789353887858 \$ 35.00 / Hb 640gm.

Human rights, despite being prone to serious obstacles, have garnered immense attention in the recent years. This book is an authoritative study of the recent trends and challenges of human rights in India, focusing on the advancement of judicial activism and gross violations of these rights by the government and private stakeholders. Covering a wide range of topics, Advancement of Human Rights in India: Contemporary and Emerging Challenges features critical discussions on the legal rights of women, children, forest tribes, disabled individuals, prisoners and other socially disadvantaged groups whose welfare is heavily neglected, and thus, needs urgent attention. This book also addresses contemporary debates on consular access, privacy, paternity leave and food security, among others. This book acknowledges progress in the fight for human rights and also presents possible solutions to the many difficulties that lie ahead

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Common sense and legal history in India: collected essays on Hindu law and Dharmaśāstra / Richard W. Lariviere, Donald R. Davis, Jr. New Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 x, 434p ; 24 cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789355721105 \$ 42.50 / Hb 820gm.

Common Sense and Legal History in India brings together the shorter works of Richard W. Lariviere on one important tradition of law in classical and medieval India— the corpus of Sanskrit legal texts called dharmaśāstra. Lariviere's contributions to both general and specific topics of Hindu law have changed our understanding of the depth and complexity of legal ideas, the possibilities and limits of Sanskrit legal sources for historical study, and the continuing relevance of dharmaśāstra in colonial and contemporary India. The essays collected in this volume demonstrate the value of careful philological study of Sanskrit materials and exemplify an approach to Indological studies that highlights the achievement of traditional scholarship while maintaining critical modern perspectives. Lariviere's research and interpretations, now collected in one place, are essential reading for legal historians of India. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800534

Development of Environment Laws in India / Kanchi Kohli, Manju Menon New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xiii,367p.;23cm. 9781108748490 \$ 19.00 / Pb 600gm.

Development of Environmental Laws in India highlights the dynamic nature of environmental law-making in India between the judiciary, the executive and the parliament. This has led to the creation of a wide range of environmental institutions and bodies with varied roles and responsibilities. The book contains a large volume of materials from the late 1990s, which show a marked shift in the nature of environmental governance in India. These materials offer an understanding of the contemporary debates in environment law in the context of India's economic liberalisation. The materials are thematically organized and presented in an accessible manner. The chapters contain definitions and specific clauses from the legal instruments and refer to court orders and judgements on these themes.

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Nuclear Weapons and International Humanitarian Law, December 2021 / Sreoshi Sinha New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt.Ltd., 2022 xviii,102p.;23cm. 9789391490713 \$ 10.00 / Pb 280gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800535

Whose land, Which Law?: Legal Issues and Implications of the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) / P. Joseph Mario Ritvik New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt.Ltd., 2022 xxvi,41p.;23cm. 9789391490119 \$ 11.00 / Pb 200gm.

The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) is, essentially, a framework for regional connectivity. The aim of the project is to connect China's north-western region of Xinjiang to the Gwadar port of Baluchistan. It is a part of the "Belt and Road Initiative," a Chinese Initiative for boosting multinational economic cooperation and prosperity. At the international level, legality is frequently overshadowed by geopolitics. When it comes to a project such as the Belt and Road Initiative, despite being initiated at the international level, the entire project is entirely dependent on the domestic legal frameworks of the member states for actual implementation. The China-Pakistan Economic Corridor requires that the legal system in Pakistan is geared and ready for the incoming projects and the inevitable legal disputes that may arise given the involvement of several private parties from both China and Pakistan. The

current international treaties and covenants between the two nations will also play a significant role in the success of the CPEC as any development and investment from China into Pakistan will be governed by these treaties. Apart from the legal practicalities of the actual CPEC projects, the legal tangle between India and Pakistan over the Gilgit-Baltistan issue will also play an important role in determining the success of the CPEC. This monograph makes an attempt to cut through the political rhetoric and promises of economic development from China to see whether the legal climate in Pakistan is suitable for the CPEC to take off and bring in the promised economic rewards that Pakistan hopes to gain by partnering with China.

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Indian Citizenship and Immigration law / Amish Tandon New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 422p.;21cm. \$ 20.00 / Pb 580gm.

The law relating to citizenship in India has been a matter of public debate in recent times. The CAA (Citizenship Amendment Act) and NRC (National Register of Citizens) are topics that have led to public protests and debates, as well as petitions in various courts of the country. Written in simple language and citing the relevant sections of the law, the author clarifies what it means to be a citizen of India, the various ways of becoming a citizen, who the CAA is meant to help, and why border states such as Assam are a special case in this matter. He also explains the laws concerning immigration, clarifying who is an 'illegal immigrant' and how legal citizenship can be obtained.

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Law Combating Political Defections / Anmolpreet Kaur New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2022 296p.; 9789391844097 \$ 36.25 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801053

Linguistics

Semiotics and dialectics: essays in honour of Harjeet Singh Gill / Saitya Brata Das New Delhi: Aakar Books, 2021 224p.;22cm. 9789350027349 \$ 20.00 / Hb 460gm.

Semiotics and Dialectics: these are the two poles that inform and interpenetrate each other in Harjeet Singh Gill's Philosophy Two poles: this is not to be understood as two self-subsistent entities- nominative beings thar are merely opposed in a formal manner of Being. Rather as events of thought they contaminate each other and purify each other in such a manner that gives to each one its nourishment and fecundity.

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Sanskrit: an introductory analysis / Brajakishore Swain
New Delhi: Akshaya Prakashan, 2021
xi, 260p.; 22 cm.
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Language, culture and linguistics: essays in honour of Suniti Kumar Chatterji / Mina Dan and Aditi Ghosh Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan, 2021 xxix, 185p.; illus.; 22 cm. 9789354420733 \$ 24.50 / Pb 360gm.

Suniti Kumar Chatterji, a magnificent luminary with profound erudition, logical perception, humanistic attitude and aesthetic sense, was one of the world's foremost linguists and a 'culture scientist'. Reckoned as the doyen of Indian linguistics, his oeuvre spanned book-length publications, essays and lectures on diverse topics, profiles of distant nations, travelogues and sketches. His versatile knowledge and his holistic approach to language and linguistics made him a true ambassador of Indian scholarship and culture. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800815

Hinglish live: language mixing accross media / Francesca Orsini Ravikant Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan, 2022 x, 358p.; illus; 22 cm. Includes Index 9789354420283 \$ 32.50 / Pb 520gm.

What is Hinglish—sociolect, insurrection or language? Why and how does Hinglish occupy such a prominent place in our daily language? What does it represent and how does it define our notions of self? Hinglish Live asks these and other questions about English and language mixing in contemporary India across a range of media domains—from English teaching to advertising; FM radio to literature; newspapers to cinema; technology to TV programmes. The essays in this volume are interdisciplinary, juxtaposing the personal with the political, the academic with the popular, and are complemented by a selection of images that demonstrate how widespread the use of Hinglish is.

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Linguistic Diversity in South and Southeast Asia / Anvita Abbi and Kapila Vatsyayan New Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xx, 351p.; illus (b/w), maps (b/w); 24 cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789391144180 \$ 37.50 / Hb 750gm.

Linguistic Diversity in South and Southeast Asia is a collection of essays written by scholars from Sri Lanka, Maldives, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Nepal, Myanmar, Singapore, Vietnam, Thailand, Cambodia, Indonesia, and India. It is a compendium on the depleting linguistic diversity, loss of oral cultures, erosion of indigenous knowledge systems, and the widening gap between dominant and dominated languages which has created a linguistic apartheid in this part of the world. The scholars here are concerned that globalization is not only destroying biological and cultural diversity, but also leading to language shifts through linguistic imperialism and linguistic marginalization. However, despite globalization, some communities have managed to retain their languages, which must now be sustained and treasured. This volume documents the first-hand experience of those working with the linguistic communities of South and Southeast Asia.

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People's Linguistic Survey of India: Volume Forty Seven: Indian Languages in the Diaspora / G N Devy and T Vijay Kumar Hyderabad: Orient Black Swan Pvt.ltd., 2021 xl,122p.;25cm. Includes Index 9789354421068 \$ 36.00 / Hb 560gm.

The People's Linguistic Survey of India provides an overview of the extant and dying languages of India, as perceived by their speakers. It is the culmination of a nation-wide survey of languages, documented by linguists, writers, social activists and, most importantly, members of different speech communities. The work chronicles the evolution of these languages until 2011, and incorporates their socio-political and cultural dimensions. Critically, it encapsulates the world view of the speakers of the languages. Diasporic communities strive to find or forge a language that speaks of their specific cultural experience, which is a blend of loss and discovery. Diaspora language, therefore, is characterised by both resilience and compliance. Considering the heterogeneity of the Indian diaspora, it is not surprising that the status of Indian languages varies significantly in different diasporic locations. The contributors to the present volume, who are located in different parts of the world, explore a range of language situations and histories.

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Literature

The Mahabharata Story / S. Sitaramayya Chennai: Old Madras Press, 2021 xxiv, 662p.; 25 cm. 9788195431403 \$ 22.50 / hb 1650gm.

The Mahabharata Story is a concise narration in English of the Hindu epic. S. Sitaramayya, the narrator, had himself published it in 1943. In a short review in 1944, The Indian Review (Madras) had highlighted a noteworthy feature of it: It has been truly observed that no work of imagination is so rich and so true as the Mahabharata in the portraiture of the human character and that it is an encyclopaedia of the life and knowledge of ancient India. There must be certainly many who are anxious to be acquainted with the contents of this great and immortal epic but the size of the book in the original and the English translation of it by the famous Dr. Roy is likely to frighten the reader who may be a busy man and yet anxious to know the story.

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The Fatal Arrow: An Analysis of the Vali Episode in the Ramayana of Valmiki / Suresh Balakrishnan Chennai: Old Madras Press, 2021 xvi, 164p.; 22 cm. 9788195431410 \$ 11.00 / pb

350gm.

Thousands of years ago, somewhere in present day India and popularly believed to be near Hampi in modern Karnataka, an arrow was shot. It struck the target down and proved fatal to his life. That it had also dented the shooter's acclaimed reputation as an abider of righteousness has been strongly contended over the centuries. The story behind the shooting of that arrow is one of the famous episodes in Valmiki's Ramayana. A much debated subject, it has produced spirited arguments for and against Rama, the shooter, and it is widely believed that the controversy this topic has generated will never be laid to rest.

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The Boy from Shenkottai / Stuart Blackburn New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 268p.; 22 cm. 9789354470455 \$ 12.50 / pb 300gm.

The Madras Presidency, 1911. It is 10:35 a.m., the appointed hour. A boy barely into manhood, a British officer for the Crown, and a loaded pistol will create a moment in history, the echoes of which are still faintly heard today. Vanchinathan, a young boy from a poor Tamil family living in Shenkottai, at the foothills of the western ghats, defies his family and goes far away to attend college. Carried away in the rising tide of anger against colonial rule, he finds himself drawn to one of the militant traditionalist groups opposed to the British Raj. He is recruited, trained to be an assassin and tasked with a secret mission he must kill Robert Ashe, a British officer who has earned the ire of Vanchi's mentors by suppressing a riot and jailing its leader. Buffeted by selfdoubt and ideological misgivings, Vanchi finds himself on a knife-edge. As Ashe's luxury train waits at an isolated station, will Vanchi raise his gun and shoot.

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Fragments of Happiness / Shrilal Shuka, (Translated from the Hindi by Niyati Bafna) New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 222p.; 22 cm. 9789390477401 \$ 8.75 / pb

300gm.

When durgadas, an ordinary businessman from Delhi, is arrested for murder in Lucknow, the lives of the people he left behind—his family and friends unravel in unexpected ways. As they fight to prove his innocence and deal with the upheaval in their lives, they find themselves turning against each other. Taranath, his eldest son, searches for meaning and strength in religion and ritual when the law seems to fail him. Rajnath, his younger son, finds his marriage with his wife, Neela, coming undone when they decide against having a child until durgadas is acquitted. His youngest daughter, Chaand, struggles with her attraction towards vital, the much older family friend and durgadas's confidant. Vimal's integrity and chaand's loyalties are tested as people around them try to drive them apart. fragments of happiness follows the tumult of ordinary people learning about their own power and helplessness in the face of extraordinary circumstances. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801021 The Ichi Tree Monkey: New and Selected Stories / Bama Translated by N. Ravi Shanker New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 153p.; 21 cm. 9789389231489 \$ 7.50 / pb 250gm.

From the author of the widely acclaimed novels Karukku and Sangati, this is a fiery, feisty collection, comprising all the stories from her acclaimed book Kusumbukaran and new ones written for this volume. Set among the Dalits of rural Tamil Nadu, these stories display the full potential of the 'weapons of the weak'—small, everyday acts of rebellion, sharp, irreverent humour and a determination not to be crushed and extinguished. Pachayamma in 'Chilli Powder' taunts the rich landlady Gangamma by collecting fodder only from her fields, despite dire threats, and laughs in the face of blustering policemen. The handsome and audacious young Ammasi leaves a landlord fuming in impotent rage by calling him his brother. A pig and a monkey debate which of them deserves a higher status. A ghost demands whisky and insists he has no caste.

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Sisterhood of Swans / Selma Carvalho New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 172p.; 22 cm. 9789354470318 \$ 12.50 / hb

, 380gm.

Anna-Marie Souza lives in Horton, a suburb on the hem of London, a far cry from the city of Bombay from which her parents had arrived one cold December day in 1989, two Goans in search of a new life. Born in this land of their dreams, raised in a broken home, Anna-Marie has grown up into a state of constant and indefinable yearning. She belongs to the sisterhood of swans seeking to pair for life, curving their necks to entwine with the perfect mate. Only, she has realized, her species is fated to disappointment. Her disastrous choice in men is fuelled not just by a chaotic childhood but by a loss of sexual agency as she embarks on a series of doomed relationships.

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Video Mariamman and Other Stories / Imayam Translated by Padma Narayanan New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 305p.; 22 cm. 9789390477920 \$ 12.50 / pb 420gm.

In his pathbreaking fiction, the acclaimed Tamil writer Imayam has written about the brutal complexities of the caste system and patriarchy in unadorned, powerful prose. Video Mariamman is a collection of fourteen of his finest stories. Poonkothai goes looking for her daughter who has eloped with a 'low-caste' man, hoping to give the daughter her certificates and some money so that she can lead a decent life. The 'Stolen Girl', born into a family of black magicians and abducted when she had barely reached puberty, grows up to be a tough survivor who lives life entirely on her own terms. Srinivasan, a police constable, tormented after being a pallbearer for a Dalit corpse and horrified by its implications for his social status, decides to quit his job.

Chandravadanam, a music prodigy, dies, and Kalaiammal, who brought her up without ever entering her house, mourns her death and curses the man for whom she gave up her youth and music.

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Tales of Hazaribagh: An Intimate Exploration of Chhotanagpur Plateau / Mihir Vatsa New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 211p.; ills. 21 cm. 9789354470387 \$ 11.25 / pb 280gm.

In January 2017, Mihir Vatsa, a young poet, gives up his life in the big city and moves back home to Hazaribagh, a small town on Jharkhand's Chhotanagpur Plateau. Battling depression and uncertainty, he is seeking a 'sanatorium' amidst the sal trees and the temperate climes of home—just like the British soldiers and Bengali settlers and visitors before him.

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I Have Not Seen Mandu: A Fractured Soul-Memoir / Swadesh Deepak Translated by Jerry Pinto New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 xviii, 342p..; 21 cm. 9789390477586 \$ 12.50 / pb 360gm.

When Swadesh Deepak? celebrated Hindi playwright and short-story writer?arrives at PGI, Chandigarh, after having tried to set himself on fire, the doctors don't know if he belongs in the burns unit or in the psychiatric ward. He's living a 'curse'. A dangerous seductress?his Mayavini?is taking revenge for his insulting rebuff at her wish to visit with him the famous lovers' palace in Mandu. She comes to him at night, sometimes with three white leopards, and she leaves the smell of her body in his nostrils. When he tries to kill himself, she tells him he will not die. He is firmly in her clutches, but he will tolerate anything for her, from humiliation at the hands of acquaintances to carnivorous worms under his skin.

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Parthiban's Dream: A Novel / Kalki Krishnamurth, Translated from Tamil by Nandini Vijayaraghavan Delhi: Ratna Books, 2021 vii, 388p.; 22 cm. 9788194756026 Ratna Translation Series \$ 15.00 / hb 560gm.

Multiple translations of the same book, by either enthusiasts or professionals, is quite rare. Kalki Krishnamurthy's historical novels have achieved this incredible distinction. His Ponniyin Selvan and Sivakamiyin Sabatham have seen more than one translation into English. Ponniyin Selvan has even been translated into Sanskrit. Alai Osai, which was posthumously awarded by Sahitya Akademi, has seen a Russian translation. Parthiban Kanavu too has been translated into English and published decades ago. Nandini Vijayaraghavan's translation of it is perhaps the second or the third. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801027

Talking of Power: Early Writings of Bengali Women / Malini Bhattacharya and Abhijit Sen (ed) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xv, 180p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789381345818 \$ 18.75 / pb 320gm.

These writings, translated for the first time from Bengali, form a pathbreaking collection of issues that aimed at the empowerment of women and thus remain alive today. The women were the first to receive a 'modern' education, and became members of the reading and writing public that hitherto was entirely male. The writers came from urban elite backgrounds, most from Brahmo Samaj families, many comparatively unknown today like Bamasundari Devi or Kumudini Mitra as well as more famous ones from the Tagore family—Swarnakumari Devi and her daughters. Some were Hindus like Kailashbasini Devi and Krishnabhabini Das, among others. There are also two Muslim women writers—the brilliant Begum Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain and the social reformer Khairunnissa Khatun.

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The City of Ravens: Paradoxes of Contemporary India / Carlos Varona Narvion, Translated from the Original Spanish by Sonya Surabhi Gupta New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022 235p.; 24 cm. 9789391125462 \$ 16.25 / hb 520gm.

The narrator at the beginning of this account wonders about one of the most fabulous countries on earth, a country often torn by extremes, by the most beautiful and the most atrocious experiences, the most spiritual and the most sordid. The plot of The City of Ravens: Paradoxes of Contemporary India begins with a Spanish architect's trip to Delhi to build the mansion of a wealthy businessman there. During his four-year long stay in the capital, he will have the opportunity to travel throughout the country and reflect on its music, its mythology, its architecture, history, mysticism, that is, all the aspects that make this country unique. The difficult balance between ancestral traditions and modernity; between the excessive and the minuscule; between elegance and kitsch; this is the great challenge of India that the gaze of this observer, devoted to what he sees, discerns.

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Devrani Jethani Ki Kahani or A Story of Two Sisters-In-Law / Gauri Datt, Translated and Annotated with an Introduction by Smita Gandotra & Ulrike Stark Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 ix, 427p.; 22 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9789391144579 \$ 40.00 / hb 650gm.

Pandit Gauri Datt's Devrani Jethani ki Kahani or A Story of Two Sisters-in-Law (1870) is often considered the first novel in Hindi. This sparsely written story, in deceptively simple but elegant prose, follows the fortunes of an Agarwal merchant family in the north Indian town of Meerut, then under colonial rule. Gauri Datt introduces us to a colourful and carefully calibrated canvas of characters in which the family's two daughters-in-law remain the focus of interest. Following a familiar pattern, only one of them is virtuous, skilled and literate. The novel acknowledges the large extended family's aspirations for social mobility, reform and modernity, while capturing the swiftly transforming everyday and ritual life of merchant communities. The novel will be of interest to scholars and students of South Asian literature and to historians of language, education, modernity, caste and gender.

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The Multivalence of an Epic: Retelling the Ramayana in South India and Southeast Asia / Parul Pandya Dhar Manipal: Manipal University Press, 2021 xvi, 354 pages: illus (b/w, and colour); 27 cm. Includes Index 9788195279715 \$ 75.00 / hb 1560gm The Rāmāyaṇa traditions of South India and Southeast Asia are examined at multiple levels in this volume. The research presented here offers in-depth investigations of chosen moments in the development of the epic tradition together with broader trends that help in understanding the epic's multivalence. The journey and localization of the Rāmāyaṇa is explored in its manifold expressions – from classical to folk, from temples and palaces to theatres and by-lanes in cities and villages, and from ancient to modern times. Regional Rāmāyaṇas from different parts of South India and Southeast Asia are placed in deliberate juxtaposition to enable a historically informed discussion of their connected pasts across land and seas. The three parts of this volume, organized as visual, literary, and performance cultures, discuss the sculpted, painted, inscribed, written, recited, and performed Rāmāyaṇas. A related emphasis is on the way boundaries of medium and genre have been crossed in the visual, literary, and performed representations of the Rāmāyaṇa.

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The Ninth Flower Best of Amrita Pritam / Amrita Pritam, Jyoti Sabharwal New Delhi: Stellar Publishers, 2021 xxxvi, 563p.; 23cm. 9789382035312 \$ 24.00 / hb 1100gm.

Agony and ecstasy are two frenetic states of a mystical spirit and Amrita Pritam infused that spirit in her poetic prose and verses. A creative genius, a legend in her lifetime, she touched the heart and soul of bibliophiles with reflective allusions to mythology and history, and also delved in the metaphysical sphere with parables and similes. Be it the resonance of romantic poetry and longing, the heart-rending tales of Partition, or contemplative essays, her ingenious artistry of words and imagery converged in the spiritual realm. This confluence was facilitated by her vision as a quintessential Sufi, seeking cosmic amalgamation in the stream of consciousness. As she wrote incessantly, her virtuosity surpassed these epithets – the Grande Dame of Punjabi literature – the Prima Donna of contemporary rebels. How she correlated with the anguish of women with such intensity, and her introspective writing that stirred emotions, elicited global renown. No wonder, her works were translated in over thirty regional and foreign languages. But her literary luminosity transcended all the national and international laurels conferred on her – for her ultimate desire was to offer an incisive insight into her inner world. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800974

The Begum and the Dastan / Tarana Husain Khan Chennai: Tranquebar, 2021 271p.; 22cm. 9789389152609 \$ 12.50 / pb 350gm.

The story of Rama has been a part of our lives for ever and will probably continue to be so.... But most of us are unaware that the story has as many variations as there are versions. In the author's own words Valmiki's Ramayana has taken several 'incarnations' due to the efforts of many great writers who wanted to bring the story to their own people in their own language. In his book, Professor AA Manavalan, an eminent scholar in the field of comparative literature, has painstakingly made an intensive and analytical study of the Rama story in 48 languages including the folk tradition. Professor Manavalan's main focus is on how the receiving language's rendering could make a greater impact than the original in the popular imagination of the people. Ramayana - A Comparative Study of Ramakathas, an English rendition of Ramakaathaiyum Ramayanangalum, presented by CT Indra and Prema Jagannathan, captures the thematic purpose of Prof AA Manavalan's Tamil original and creates a forum 'to discuss whether Ramayana is an ethical text or an ideological text

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The First Naipaul World Epics: From The Mystic Masseur to An Area of Darkness and Beyond / J. Vijay Maharaj (ed) New Delhi: Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, 2021 ix, 334 pages; 23 cm. Includes Index 9789390358342 \$ 32.50 / hb 630gm.

The plethora of commentary from highly respected voices in a broad crosssection of academic disciplines, which V. S. Naipaul's death on 11 August 2018 elicited, ranged so widely, both cognitively and emotionally, that if a student of literature, unfamiliar with the Naipaulian era, read it all, they would have failed to make sense of the divergences.

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Ganga's Choice and Other Stories / Vaasanthi New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2021 255p.; 22cm. 9789391125431 \$ 11.50 / pb 420gm.

How free are women to make their own choices in the circumstances in which they find themselves? How do ordinary citizens become caught in communal divisions and migrant labourers cope with despair during the pandemic? These are some of the queries posed by the poignant and thought-provoking tales in this book. Set in various parts of India and abroad, this collection by one of India's well-known writers powerfully captures slices of life to showcase the courage and strength of ordinary people. A young woman derided as a freak chooses to live her life on her own terms; women from different backgrounds struggle against gender roles that are defined by rigid and oppressive social conventions; two migrant workers—rendered jobless during a lockdown—try to return to their village and maintain a bond of solidarity, despite different religious identities; a Sikh farmer living near the Line of Control loses his family to cross-border shelling but looks after the orphaned son of his neighbour from a different community. Ganga's Choice and Other Stories reflects the range and depth of Vaasanthi's writing and shows how humanity redeems the individual and provides hope, even in the midst of adversity.

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Submissive and Dissenting Voices: A Theoretical Discourse on Dalit Literature / Murali Manohar New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 105p.; 9788193342077 \$ 15.00 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755184

Performing Arts

Odissi A Dance of Sculpture / Michael Weston and Rekha Tandon New Delhi: The KAI Trust, 2012 ix, 125p.; illus (color); 36 cm. 9788192316307 \$ 62.50 / Hb 1220gm. Odissi - A Dance of Sculpture provides a vivid account of the evolution of dance as ritual worship in the medieval tantric temples of Orissa, Eastern India. It was this tangible legacy from the past that provided the inspiration for the classical Indian dance form of odissi.

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The Rite of Seeing: Essays on Kutiyattam / David Shulman New Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xiv,208p.;23cm. Includes Bibliographic and Index 9789355720375 \$ 32.50 / Hb 550gm.

Kūṭiyāṭṭam, the only surviving live Sanskrit theatre in the world, was defined by UNESCO as 'a masterpiece of the oral and intangible heritage of humanity'. Full performances—almost always a single act taken from a multi-act Sanskrit play—range from 12 to 150 hours (in daily or nightly segments of several hours each) and display an aesthetic brilliance and dizzying complexity that are almost beyond description. Each such act constitutes an artistic whole with its own conceptual and thematic unity. The Rite of Seeing reflects the work of the Hebrew University Kūṭiyāṭṭam team and of our colleagues from Tübingen, Paris, Groningen, and elsewhere, over many years of annual pilgrimages to Kerala to watch and study this art in action. It offers interpretations of seven classical performances in the light of the actors' traditional handbooks (Āṭṭaprakāram), the Sanskrit base text, and the artists' oral commentary that emerged naturally in the course of many days of attentive viewing. The essays are accompanied by links to extended performance moments, so that readers can see with their own eyes something of what we have seen in Mūlikkuļam and Killimangalam. Interpretative essays of this kind, although plentiful in studies of Sophocles, Shakespeare, and Chekhov, have never been attempted for Kūṭiyāṭṭam. The book is thus meant to introduce Kūṭiyāṭṭam to new audiences and to offer pathways for beginning to explore the riches of this unique and still vital tradition.

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The Recensions of Nāṭyaśāstra / Sugyan Kumar Mahanty New Delhi: National Mission for Manuscripts and co-published by Dev Publishers & Distributors, 2022 Samiksika - 19 xx,281p.; illus; 23cm. 9789380829845 \$ 15.00 / Hb 660gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800871

Perversion, Pedagogy and the Comic: A Survey of the Concept of Theatre in the Christian Middle Ages / Soumick De New Delhi: Aakar Books, 2020 460p.;22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789350026892 \$ 37.50 / Hb 720gm.

Perversion, Pedagogy and the Comic studies how the idea-of-theater shaped western consciousness during the Christian Middle Ages. It analyses developments within western philosophy, Christian theology and theater history to show how this idea realized itself primarily as a metaphor circulating through various discursive domains. Beginning with Plato's injunction against tragedy the relation between philosophy and theater has been a complicated affair which this book traces at the threshold when the western world became Christian. By late antiquity as theatre was slowly banned, Christian theology put the idea-of-theatre to use in order to show what they understood to be the perverted nature of worldly existence and the mystery of the Kingdom of God. Interrogating the theological teachings of some of the early Church Fathers like St Augustine, Tertullian and Clement of Alexandria the book offers a new look at how the idea of theater not only inspired Christian liturgical practices but Christian pedagogy in general which in turn shaped the nature of Christian religious drama. Finally the author tries to demonstrate how this hegemonic use of the theatre-idea was countered by a certain comic sensibility which opened the idea of theatre in the Christian Middle Ages to a new and subversive materialist possibility.

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Odissi and the Geeta Govinda / Ileana Citaristi New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022 171p.; illus; 25cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789391928575 \$ 40.00 / Hb 750gm.

The book attempts to trace an overview of the different components that define the cultural landscape of the state of Odisha in relation to its history, religious cults, art, and literature and to link the development of the various aspects to the role played over the centuries by the Geeta Govinda poem in its different manifestations. From being an important component of the rituals performed in the Jagannath Temple to becoming an essential part of the people's daily lives and artistic expressions, this immortal poem has exercised its influence on the cultural landscape of the state from its early inception in the twelfth century until present times. Religious beliefs, visual representations, performative expressions, and literary compositions have been influenced by the strong emotional appeal contained in its verses. Its musical structure, spiritual underline and histrionic content have been an essential font of inspiration in the process of the rediscovery of a cultural identity during the last century and continue to exercise a strong influence on the performing arts of the present times.

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Philosophy

The Third Birth of Confucius: Reconstructing the Ancient Chinese Philosophy in the Post-Mao China / Kashi Ram Sharma New Delhi: Manohar Publisher & Distributors, 2022 388p.;22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789391928247 \$ 50.00 / Hb 700gm.

The Third Birth of Confucious deals with the Chinese sage and philosopher Confucius and his philosophical and politico-cultural legacies. As the title suggests, Confucius has once again taken birth in China. Confucius 'died' first time when he gave way to Buddhism in the tenth century, but was reinvented again (Neo-Confucianism). This was the second birth of Confucius. In the twentieth century, under the influence of western ideas China's liberals and Marxists abandoned Confucius again. But how long can a civilization live without any ideational orientation? Hence, the third birth of Confucius from ad 2000 onwards. Confucius is emerging as a proxy word for cultural nationalism. In fact, it is not one Confucius who is taking birth in China but two. One is the common man's Confucius, which is authentic and genuine. The other Confucius is promoted by the Chinese Government. The author believes that soon either China will embrace democracy or it may implode and disintegrate like the former Soviet Union. This book is an attempt to unravel the muddled reality of China and will definitely prove a landmark work in the field of Chinese Studies. About the Author Kashi Ram Sharma was initiated to the Chinese Studies in 1965-7 at the Australian National University, Canberra Australia. He was Professor of Chinese Politics in the Department of Chinese & Japanese Studies, University of Delhi for nearly two decades. He has authored several books and research papers and travelled widely to deliver lectures on different aspects of China.

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Politics

Revisiting India-East Asia Connections: Problems and Prospects / Sandeep Kaur (ed) New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2022 Ivii, 308p.; 23 cm. 9789391490430 \$ 37.00 / hb 680gm.

Two key pillars of India's present foreign policy i.e. 'Neighbourhood First' and 'Act East' have strong geostrategic and geo-economic relevance in the modern

capitalism. In view of this, the present book aims to reinvigorate the geostrategic and geo-economic connections of India with Asia. This book is an outcome of Indian Council of World Affairs sponsored National Conference 'Revisiting India-East Asia Connections: Problems and Prospects' held on 7-8 March 2019 at the Department of Economic Studies, Central University of Punjab, Bathinda. The book is divided into four parts: Building Diaspora, Infrastructure and Connections in India-East Asia Relations, Evaluating Role of China in India-East Asia Connections, Measuring Value Chain and Trade Relations in India-East Asia and Building Economic Relations in India-East Asia. Further, the book disseminates knowledge and information on the various themes particularly Indian diaspora, maritime cooperation, global value chain, etc.

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An Indian Perspective on China's Nuclear Weapons / Sanjana Gogna New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2022 ix, 67p.; 23 cm. 9789391490737 \$ 10.00 / pb 180gm.

China's response to its security challenges from the US appears to entail a 'hedging' nuclear strategy involving asymmetric and competitive 'assured retaliation' capabilities. These include nuclear modernization marked by the deployment of Multiple Independently Targetable Reentry Vehicles (MIRVs) and Hypersonic Glide Vehicle (HGV) to counter the US missile defense systems.

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Enduring Dilemma: Flashpoints in Kashmir and India-Pakistan Relations / K.M. Seethi New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xv, 274p.; 23 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9789389137811 \$ 32.00 / hb 580gm. With the state of Jammu and Kashmir being pushed to a melting pot in 2019, India-Pakistan relations entered a new phase of unrelenting hostility. The book unfolds this trajectory of built-in antagonism inherited from history with fresh insights and sharp analysis. Based on a vast array of historical documents and primary sources, Enduring Dilemma: Flashpoints in Kashmir and India-Pakistan Relations puts across perceptive arguments and critical analysis that will inspire both academics and policymakers. It places perceptions of human security as critical realm of social engagements and policy intervention.

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Politics of Change in Middle East and North Africa Since Arab Spring: A Lost Decade? / MD. Muddassir Quamar (ed) New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xviii, 298p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789391490768 Mei-Kw Middle East Series \$ 58.00 / hb 560gm.

A decade since the eruption of Arab Spring protests in the Middle East and North Africa, the region continues to confront the primary causes of the popular disenchantment including economic deprivation, bad governance, corruption and limited avenues for political expression. Democratisation, the buzzword in 2011 has given way to debates around conflict management and resolution. Simultaneously, there are mounting economic challenges throughout the region that have been aggravated by the COVID-19 pandemic. But there are some silver linings such as a focus on reforms, greater scrutiny against corruption, demand for better governance, and awareness regarding women empowerment and rights of minorities. The volume, Politics of Change in the Middle East and North Africa since Arab Spring: A Lost Decade?, commemorates the ten years of the eruption of Arab Spring protests. It captures some of the prevailing political, economic, strategic and social issues in MENA through thematic or country-specific essays that explore the ongoing transformations and underline how despite the hopelessness, the MENA societies have made progress on various fronts. This volume is the first in the MEI-KW Middle EastSeries.

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Leveraging High-Technology Developments in the Chinese Military and Maritime Domains: Impact on Indian Ocean Regional Security / Kamlesh Kumar Agnihotri New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xxxii, 286p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789391490171 \$ 32.00 / hb 580gm.

China's contemporary national security imperative as envisioned by her apex leadership, makes it incumbent upon its defence forces to rapidly transform from mechanised warfare to informationised one; and conduct joint campaigns involving multiple services instead of single force operations. This book is accordingly premised on the ongoing reality of the Chinese Peoples' Liberation Army (PLA) modernising at an accelerated pace, with the aim of becoming a force capable of countering world class adversary under informationised conditions by 2050; and the operational effectiveness of the Chinese defence forces getting enhanced manifold, if the Country is able to leverage certain high technologies in its national, maritime, and military domains, for combat use.

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Then and Now: India's Relations with Indonesia - A Historical Overview / Suranjan Das, Subhadeep Bhattacharya New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2022 viii, 94p.; ills. 23 cm. 9789389137606 \$ 7.00 / pb 200gm.

This volume unfolds the trajectory of India-Indonesia bilateralism within a chronological framework. It delineates three crucial phases in this relationship: the 1945-55 era of friendship; the 1956-66 period of tensions; the post-1966 years of strategic companionship. It outlines how the bilateral engagement has gradually assumed an 'ASEAN-centric', 'Asia-centric' and 'global cooperative' strategic character. This transformed relationship has unfolded new opportunities which, if realised, can result in a more productive

and constructive bilateralism between India and Indonesia. The book should hopefully be of use to both scholars of international relations as well as practitioners of diplomacy.

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Xi Jinping: China's Third New Era / Jayadeva Ranade New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xi, 400p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789391490522 \$ 42.00 / hb 660gm.

As its title 'Xi Jinping: China's Third New Era' suggests, the book covers the period mid-June 2017 till the end of 2020—a period when, Xi Jinping's acolytes claim, China had already embarked on a third thirty-year era under his leadership, like those of Mao and Deng before him.

This period also saw an outpouring of criticism against the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and the Chinese President not witnessed since the Tiananmen Square events in 1989. The resentment was sparked by Xi Jinping abolishing tenure limits that govern the cadres' terms in office as well as the mishandling of the initial stages of the Covid pandemic. It is also the period when Xi Jinping began using the country's security apparatus to further consolidate his position and impose progressively restrictive controls on society. He followed through on his slogan: "party, government, military, civilian and academic; east, west, south, north and centre, the Party leads everything"!

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Recent Developments in Afghanistan: ICWA Reflections / Nivedita Ray, Anwesha Ghosh (ed) New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xviii, 122p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789383445608 Sapura House Soundings on Area Studies \$ 14.50 / hb 400gm. The Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi has been following the recent developments in Afghanistan closely and have been reflecting upon them through its various research publications. This edited volume, comprising research papers by the Research Faculty of ICWA, focuses on the recent crisis in Afghanistan, its fallout and the responses of the regional countries on the same. Discussions in this issue attempt to bring together fifteen research papers of ICWA on the developments in Afghanistan between July and November 2021.

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Retaining Balance: The Eternal Way / M.R. Venkatesh New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xxxii, 482p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789391490256 \$ 37.00 / hb 960gm.

Retaining Balance is a fascinating approach to deal with the challenges faced by the discipline of economics. This work critically analyses the prevalent conundrum of policy framers who place too much reliance on the individual, in the process ignoring traditional institutions of family, society and community. Rampant individualism, in turn, results in excesses leading to the proliferation of either a corrosive state, or an extortionist market. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800553

Diaspora in Indian Foreign Policy from Active Dissociation to Close Alignment / S.L. Soni Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021 vii, 268p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391520045 \$ 45.00 / hb 670gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800555

Local Self Government in India / Dillip Kumar Merkap Delhi: A.K. Publications, 2021 xi, 282p.; 23 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9789388465571 \$ 32.50 / hb 600gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800556

Kashmir 'Face Off' India's Quandary: Options for India / Brigdier Ashok Kumar Ganguly, SM, VSM New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2021 xiii, 211p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390439454 \$ 25.00 / hb 500gm.

The book 'Kashmir Face-Off India's Quandary' is about Kashmir. How it remained in the suspended, animated state since 1947 in three parts Pakistan Occupied Kashmir, China Occupied Kashmir and rightfully held Indian Jammu and Kashmir. So many years have passed in status quo state and none of the actors is ready to budge an inch. The legal status of Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) as per the documentary evidence and seconded by the British Empire, the day the Maharaja of the State signed the Accord of Accession in 1947 October. This had made both Pakistan and China not recognising the accord. Pakistan invaded India to take by force J&K, Indian Army drove out the invading forces, but as ceasefire came into being certain territories were still held by Pakistan. Same was the case with China who in 1962 captured Aksai Chen and never returned it to India.

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Crisis of Liberal Deliberation: Facets of Indian Democracy / Manas Ray (ed) Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xii, 591p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 978931144036 \$ 50.00 / hb 970gm.

The precarity of democratic order In contemporary times needs no underlining. Crisis of Liberal Deliberation addresses this Issue from a novel perspective. Through what magic, queries this volume, the Indian democratic state is even surviving as a political formation. For how long will democratic order remain durable despite Its myriad loopholes, glaring fault-lines, and thousand histories of disappointment? Curiously, as more democratic states come under the sway of violence, the demand for democracy has become more Intense among people. Unveiling this apparent paradox from their respective fields of specialization, the contributors of this volume analyse a vast range of facets of contemporary Indian democracy. The result is a glasnost of Ideas, views and debates relating to the urgency of this deliberation.

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State of Democracy in India: Essays on Life and Politics in Contemporary Times / Manas Ray (ed) Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xii, 681p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 978931144999 \$ 50.00 / hb 1100gm.

Collections on Indian democracy are plentiful. Yet rarely do they question the impact of the ongoing democratic mobilizations on the mundane, everyday lives of ordinary citizens and the

world they see around them. Borrowing insights from new research in cultural studies, contemporary literary theory, visual politics, biopolitics, meteorology, to cite a few, State of Democracy in India covers the ground cast aside by existing narratives and analyses of Indian democracy. Pivoted on the experiences of the people and not necessarily the institutions of governance, this collection examines a vast array of markers of democracy under the rubrics of populism, disaster migration, caste contestations, new developments in feminism, and the act of culture. Towards the end of the volume, a meditation on the meaning of writing in COVID-19 induced precarity reflects on the individual and social experiences of living through the pandemic.

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Governing Locally: Institutions, Policies and Implementation in Indian Cities / Babu Jacob, Suraj Jacob

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xxv, 293p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781108832342 \$ 30.00 / hb 610gm.

India and other countries chose a decentralised mode of delivering public services through elected local governments for increasing public welfare. However, great expectations of effective services, increased accountability and people's participation were widely belied in practice. Based on field research in cities of Gujarat, Kerala, and Tamil Nadu, the book is a detailed examination of how state and local governments function and why decentralisation outcomes vary considerably. It locates the primary reason in governance practices that compromised autonomy and capacity of urban local governments. The book demonstrates that despite a constitutional mandate for decentralised governance, policy implementation got derailed in processes threading through laws, rules, and administrative actions. It shows how habitual practices create hidden institutional rigidities that thwart policy moves despite good intentions and democratic legitimacy. The book also discusses how to navigate policy to skirt hidden threats to successful implementation.

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The Dravidian Model: Interpreting the Political Economy of Tamil Nadu / Kalaiyarasan A., Vijayabaskar M. New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xx, 268p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9781108844130 \$ 23.75 / hb 570gm.

This book adds to the growing literature on dynamics of regional development in the global South by mapping the politics and processes contributing to the distinct developmental trajectory of Tamil Nadu, southern India. Using a novel interpretive framework and drawing upon fresh data and literature, it seeks to explain the social and economic development of the state in terms of populist mobilization against caste-based inequalities. Dominant policy narratives on inclusive growth assume a sequential logic whereby returns to growth are used to invest in socially inclusive policies. By focusing more on redistribution of access to opportunities in the modern economy, Tamil Nadu has sustained a relatively more inclusive and dynamic growth process. Democratization of economic opportunities has made such broadbased growth possible even as interventions in social sectors reinforce the former. The book thus also speaks to the nascent literature on the relationship between the logic of modernisation and status based inequalities in the global South.

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The Dragon from the Mountains: The CPEC from Kashgar to Gwadar / Mattew McCartney New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xvii, 274p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9781108834155 \$ 30.00 / hb 570gm.

China has promised to invest more than \$60billion in Pakistan, in roads, rail, energy and a deep-water port at Gwadar. This is unprecedented relative to decades of minimal foreign direct investment (FDI) entering Pakistan. This is the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC). Support for CPEC in Pakistan is widespread and encompasses much of academia, the military, the mainstream political leadership, and civil society. Supporters argue that CPEC offers the potential to transform Pakistan and support rapid, equitable and sustainable economic growth. Detractors of CPEC argue that it will more likely tip Pakistan into a dependent debt-relationship with China and that it will facilitate more Chinese imports into Pakistan posing a threat to Pakistan's industrial base. This book utilises an in-depth understanding of economic change in contemporary China and Pakistan, and economic theory and studies of big infrastructure projects from the contemporary and historical world to evaluate these contrasting views about CPEC.

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South Asian Borderlands: Mobility, History, Affect / Farhana Ibrahim, Tanuja Kothiyal (ed)

New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021

x, 286p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781108844512 \$ 27.50 / hb 580gm.

This is an interdisciplinary volume exploring a range of historical, anthropological and literary ideas and issues in South Asian Borderlands. Going beyond the territorial and geo-political imaginaries of contemporary borderlands in South Asia, chapters in this book engage with the questions of sovereignty, control, policing as well as continuing affections across politically divided borderlands. Modern conceptions of nationhood have created categories of legality and illegality among historically, socially, economically and emotionally connected residents of South Asian borderlands. This volume provides unique insights into the interconnected lives and histories of these borderland spaces and communities.

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India's Development Diplomacy: Understanding Development Cooperation as a tool for Strategic Engagement in South Asia / Urmi Tat New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt Ltd., 2022 xxii, 263p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789391490324 \$ 29.50 / hb 550gm.

With rich data and analyses of diverse ways and means over the past 75 years, this book makes a systematic study of synergy between cooperation for development and foreign policy of key nations. India's own contribution via multiple forums of South-South cooperation, including in the South Asian neighborhood, forms its rewarding crux. Author assesses particular strengths, recent dynamism as well as challenges inherent to India's emerging development diplomacy to suggest way forward.

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India's Approach to Border Management: From Barriers to Bridges / Pushpita Das

New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt Ltd., 2021

xx, 366p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391490003 \$ 32.00 / hb 650gm.

This book attempts to provide a comprehensive understanding of the circumstances which have shaped India's approach towards its international borders and the framework it has developed to better manage its borders. The book argues that persistence of various cross-border threats and challenges and an absence of robust intra-regional trade among its neighbouring countries forced India to employ a security-centric and unilateral approach to border management with emphasis on hardening the borders to cross-border trade and travel and keeping the border areas underdeveloped to act as a buffer against external conventional threats. However, as India's economy grew and the country gained more confidence and resources, India started perceiving the borders as bridges rather than barriers. Consequently, greater emphasis was being laid on development of border areas and restoring severed lines of communication with its neighbours through increased investments in building transportation networks both within the border as well as beyond.

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China: An Enigma / Air Marshal Dhiraj Kukreja New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt Ltd., 2022 xiii, 158p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789391490942 \$ 25.50 / hb 430gm.

China has alternated between long periods of isolationism and interaction with other nations. This resulted in internal squabbles and external wars, throughout its long history. Contemporary China, after Mao's death, slowly and steadily moved ahead on the path of economic growth. The process to strengthen the military began some years later, when it realised that it too is necessary to go alongside the economic growth. Western liberals and optimists hoped to welcome China into the global economy as a 'responsible stakeholder', with an accompanying political transformation. How wrong was their premise! China, in the twenty-first century, is no longer a 'rising power', but has grown as a competitor to USA, which had gotten used to having its way in a unipolar world after the end of the Cold War. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800569</u>

Political Thought in Indic Civilization / Himanshu Roy (ed) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2021 x, 314p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789354791574 \$ 35.00 / hb 550gm.

Political Thought in Indic Civilization retrieves, resurrects and analyses the earliest theories of Indic political philosophies. The book primarily focuses on Indic civilization's political thought, emphasising key issues such as Rashtra (State), kingship, jurisprudence and justice. The study shows how ideas, ideologies, frameworks, reference points and other significant tools of scholarly discussions are so much under the influence of Western thought, failing to appreciate the Indian realities. The book highlights the impact of colonial rule on the 'construction of knowledge' from a Western (colonial) perspective and how it ignored the importance of Indian political thought of the pre-colonial period. In this context, the book provides compelling studies on Indic terminologies and frames of reference to give due justice to the historical past of the land, which shall also impact the way contemporary events and processes are analysed.

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The Rohingya Crisis: Human Rights Issues, Policy Concerns and Burden Sharing / Nasir Uddin (ed) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2022 xxiv, 400p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789354791307 \$ 36.25 / hb 640gm.

The Rohingyas have become a 'crisis' for all including the host countries, the international community and even for themselves. Much has been written

about the clearance operation perpetrated by Myanmar military forces and vigilantes in 2017, forcing Rohingya survivors to migrate and seek refuge in other countries. How they have been surviving during the post-2017 period has largely been left out in academic literature. The Rohingya Crisis: Human Rights Issues, Policy Concerns and Burden Sharing addresses the many aspects of Rohingya lives in Bangladesh, Myanmar, India, Southeast Asian countries and in the West.

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Opportunities for India in a Changing World / Arvind Gupta New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt Ltd., 2022 xxiii, 302p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789391490072 \$ 32.00 / hb 630gm.

We are living in an era of extraordinarily fast paced change. The Covid-19 pandemic has turned the world upside down and deepened political, economic and social uncertainties. The post-World War order set up in 1945 by the Western countries is under tremendous strain. The contour of the new order is not yet clear. With the rise of China, the seeming retreat of the US from Eurasia, the deepening schism between Russia and the West, growing closeness of Russia and China, the Cold War rivalries are back. A new balance of power is beginning to shape up. The world is also witnessing a host of other destabilising trends: climate change and extreme weather events, terrorism and radicalisation, pandemics, migrations, demography, to name a few. They are testing the resilience of even the most powerful countries.

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UN Peace Operations: Evolution of Doctrine, Practice and Integration of Human Rights Issues / Ravindran Daniel New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2022 xxiv, 298p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789354792212 \$ 32.50 / hb 580gm. UN Peace Operations: Evolution of Doctrine, Practice and Integration of Human Rights Issues examines the UN Charter and other associated documents that laid the foundations for peace operations, discussing the evolution of peacekeeping doctrine in the pre- and post-Cold War years. It reviews the incorporation of new thematic areas in peace operations and studies the human rights components in them.

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China and South Asia: Changing Regional Dynamics, Development and Power Play / Rajiv Ranjan & Guo Changgang New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 xxvi, 277p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781032234212 \$ 25.00 / hb 560gm.

This book looks at the changing dynamics and regional power play between China and South Asia. It explores crucial issues such as China–Pakistan Economic Corridor and the changing nature of China–India relations; China's trident approach in South Asia and its rising influence in the region; the responses of small states to rising China; China's twenty-first-century Belt and Road Initiative; China and India; China's rise and the USA's security policy visà-vis India; the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and regional security; and Russia's 'Pivot to the East' and its impact on the Asia-Pacific region. The volume brings together the views of scholars from China, South Asia and beyond on different aspects of China and South Asia engagement, including regional politics, connectivity, infrastructure and development projects, power politics, economy, ideology and culture.

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Re-Imagining Border Studies in South Asia / Dhananjay Tripathi (ed) New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 xxii, 242p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781032189482 \$ 25.00 / hb 520gm. This book presents a radical rethinking of Border Studies. Framing the discipline beyond conventional topics of spatiality and territoriality, it presents a distinctly South Asian perspective – a post-colonial and post-partition region where most borders were drawn with political motives, ignoring the socio-cultural realities of the region and economic necessities of the people.

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The Chinese Shadow on India's Eastward Engagement: The Energy Security Dimension / Sanjay K. Bhardwaj (ed) New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 xxviii, 299p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781032187495 \$ 37.50 / hb 590gm.

India, one of the largest importers of oil in the world, has been diversifying its energy resource options and moving towards greater energy security. This book analyses India's potential for building energy ties in the Asia-Pacific considering the global and regional power politics. Facing China's growing influence in Asia, India's eastward engagement with its extended neighbours has been entrenched in its Act East Policy and institutional commitments towards Southeast Asia. This volume focuses on diverse facets of energy security beyond the traditional understanding of demand and supply and price and stability. It examines India's energy sector, its dependence on hydrocarbons, and the push towards renewable and alternate energy resources. It further looks at the strategic importance of the Indian Ocean and South China Sea regions in geopolitical negotiations from an energy perspective and how China's influence in the region will affect India's moves towards greater energy cooperation with the countries of East Asia. With contributions by leading experts, the volume seeks to fill a major void in this theme and cater to the needs of a variety of audiences including academics, policymakers and experts in international relations, geopolitics and geoeconomics, and professionals in the field of energy studies.

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Politics and Development: India's Changing Landscape / M.R. Biju, M.R.B. Anantha Padmanabha (ed)

New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd, 2021 xvi, 400p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789388937955 \$ 45.00 / hb 680gm.

After the attainment of independence, we adopted the British model of parliamentary democracy. Naturally we continued the colonial model of legislative, administrative and judicial institutions and practices developed on the Indian soil by the British colonial masters. In fact, masters changed from white to brown but the style of governance remained as such. The public component in our democratic republic was the least remembered except during the election time. In political debates, when one side accuses the other of corruption the response is not denial or defence but of counter charges saying 'you too'. Justice, education and healthcare are all too expensive to be within the reach of the poor who constitute the lion's share of Indian democracy.

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The Disruptor: How Vishwanath Pratap Singh Shook India / Debashish Mukerji Uttar Pradesh: Harpercollins Publishers, 2021 xx, 542p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789354894138 \$ 17.50 / hb 670gm.

Vishwanath Pratap Singh, India's seventh Prime Minister, struck Indian politics with the force of a tornado. Primarily remembered for implementing the recommendations of the Mandal Commission report, which provided reservations in Central government services for the first time to the Other Backward Classes, he deserves a place in history for much more-from conducting raids on the biggest business houses of his time when he was finance minister, to investigating murky defence deals as defence minister (which cost him his job); bringing together a divided Opposition to form an unlikely coalition government at the Centre comprising the BJP and the communist parties, to spearheading the biggest airlift evacuation in Indian history-of Indians stranded in Kuwait during the first Gulf War. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800605

Gujarat, Cradle and Harbinger of Identity Politics: India's Injurious Frame of Communalism / Jan Breman and Ghanshyam Shah New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2022 xviii, 371p.; 23 cm. 9788195055944 \$ 30.00 / hb 810gm.

Gujarat is one of the leading industrially developed states of the Indian Union. Also known as a laboratory of Hindutva in contemporary Indian politics, it has been ruled by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) for over twenty-five years. This book is a collection of essays written by the authors over the last five decades to document events related to the communal politics that have flourished in the region. There are also new chapters on the historical aspects of communalism and the growth of the BJP in Gujarat, particularly focusing on its electoral politics. The book is divided into five sections: Communal Consciousness Taking Shape in Gujarat, Eruptions of Riots: Their Antecedents and Aftermath, Communalism: Inclusion Versus Exclusion, The Post-colonial Canvas of Gujarat Politics and Governance, and The Shifting Grounds of Majoritarian Rule.

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South China Sea: Contesting Narratives and Global Realities / Pankaj K Jha (ed) Delhi: Shipra Publications, 2022 x, 156p.; 22 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9788391978167 \$ 25.00 / pb 450gm.

The developments in the last five years in South China Sea has gained international attention following the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) ruling in favour of the Philippines. The ruling clearly stated that the China's claim of nine dash line and the proclamation of Exclusive Economic Zone for the islands in South China Sea is not acceptable under the provisions of international law and UNCLOS 1982. Subsequently, the Philippines sensing that the international community is not pressurising China to accept the ruling of the PCA changed its stance and started gravitating towards China to seek certain concession and protect its marine assets in the contentious region. The negotiations about Code of Conduct (CoC) in South China Sea also gained momentum and it was perceived that China might accept certain regional norms and a standard operating procedure might be accepted. The draft COC has become large in content and the possibility of a common consensus died when China started propagating that it would prefer bilateral negotiations with other claimants rather than accepting the multilateral negotiations.

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Citizenship Imperilled: India's Fragile Democracy / Niraja Gopal Jayal Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2021 250p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788178246451 \$ 20.00 / hb 440gm.

Who is an Indian? For the first time since independence, the Citizenship Amendment Act 2019 brought Indians face-to-face with this question. In line with the idea of a Hindu Rashtra in which only Hindus are fully worthy of being Indian citizens, the amendment suggests Indian citizenship should be faith-based. It attempts to diminish the value given to religious diversity and equal citizenship, regardless of religion, by the Indian constitution. With this, India has turned its back on the civic nationalism, however fragile and imperfect, forged over the anti-colonial struggle and largely sustained since independence. Its civic nationalism is now threatened by cultural nationalism in the form of religious majoritarianism. This book examines how the constitutional guarantee of equal citizenship has been imperilled. It traces changes in the law and practices of citizenship advanced by Hindu majoritarianism. It examines the implications of these changes for India's secular democracy; for its minorities, especially Muslims vulnerable to state violence and social discrimination; and for the very understanding of what it means to be an Indian citizen.

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Kashmir the War of Narratives / Bashir Assad New Delhi: Vitasta Publishing Pvt. Ltd, 2021 xi, 236p.; 22 cm. 9789390961191 \$ 12.50 / pb 280gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800610

Domestic Roots of Indian Foreign Policy and Marxist Political Parties: Experience of UF Government (1996-1998) and UPA Government (2004-09) / Pratip Chattopadhyay New Delhi: Adroit Publishers, 2021 xxv, 249p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788187393863 \$ 20.00 / hb 540gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800611

The Fight to Win Rights: Selected Writings of P.A. Sebastian / Bernard D'Mello Delhi: Aakar Books, 2021 254p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789350027219 \$ 10.00 / pb 340gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800612

Reading Gandhi: Perspectives in the 21st Century / Ranu Uniyal, Nazneen Khan, Raj Gaurav Verma (ed) Delhi: Pencraft International, 2022 xvii, 196p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789382178361 \$ 20.00 / hb 430gm. This book explores the relevance of M.K. Gandhi in the Present times. Justice, human rights, conflict, and peace building, along with his alternative method of non-violent resistance or Satyagraha are focal to it. The essays in this volume focus on his inner strength, brotherhood, and self-discipline. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800613

Accelerating India: 7 Years of Modi Government / K J Alphons, IAS (Ed) Haryana: OakBridge Publishing Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xv, 338p.; 23 cm. 9789391032548 \$ 20.00 / hb 640gm.

Accelerating India: 7 Years of Modi Government qualitatively and quantitatively evaluates the policies of the government in the last 7 years and their impact on the citizens and the nation. The book focuses on twenty-five key sectors, including Education, Digital Revolution, Agriculture, Industry, Energy, Infrastructure, Health, Economy, Environment, Rural Development, and Sanitation. Each chapter is contributed by domain experts and eminent civil servants with experience in the sector, giving their insights and understanding on the influence and impact of the various government policies and schemes in accelerating India. Some of these sectors have witnessed a complete overhaul, while others have been streamlined to bring inefficiency. The book aims to present an objective and empirical analysis of the journey that the Indian democracy has traversed under the leadership of the Prime Minister and the road ahead in each of the sectoral domains covered. http://www.marvmartin.com/web?pid=800614

India's Foreign Policy in the Post-Covid World: Through the Eyes of Indian Diplomats / Amb Surendra Kumar (ed) New Delhi: Wisdom Tree, 2022 xxx, 385p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9788183285797 \$ 37.50 / hb 780gm.

Has the balance of power in global diplomacy permanently shifted due to Covid-19? How would nations reeling under the economic and human impact

of the pandemic find a new equilibrium? Is India ready to retain, if not improve, its standing in the new world order? Who can be trusted more to provide an incisive analysis of these questions over thirty seasoned and hardnosed practitioners of diplomacy holding combined experience of 1050 years! They have come together to share their expertise and ideas on India's relations with all the important countries, regions and organisations in the post Covid-19 world. This distinctive book, the second in the series 'Through the Eyes of Indian Diplomats', offers an insight into how India's foreign policy has navigated through unprecedented challenges, continued diplomatic discourse in imaginative manner using new technological tools and served India's national interests in a world transformed, in many ways, beyond recognition. A thought-provoking, dispassionate and not-to-be-missed account from the frontiers of foreign policy, not just for the practitioners of diplomacy and scholars but for the students and uninitiated as well. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800615</u>

Military Musings: 150 Years of Indian Military Thought from the Journal of the United Service Institution of India / Sqn.Ldr. Rana T.S. Chhina, MBE (ed) New Delhi: Speaking Tiger Books LLP, 2021 438p.; ills. 23 cm. 9789390477388 \$ 22.50 / pb 680gm.

Founded in 1870, the United Service Institution of India (USI) is an extraordinary security and defence services think tank. Its journal, published quarterly since 1872, is the oldest defence journal in Asia and one of the most prestigious in the world. This anthology comprises articles from the USI Journal that span almost 150 years and shed light on a variety of topics pertaining to the development of military science and strategic thought in South Asia. With writings on subjects ranging from campaign studies, to reminiscences of soldiers in battle, to larger questions of defence policy, Military Musings is a rare and valuable addition to literature on India's military thought and history.

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Illegal Cross Border Migration, National Security: Issues and Ethnic Conflict / Mithilesh K. Singh

Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021

viii, 256p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391520052 \$ 47.50 / hb 650gm.

Migration was almost exclusively male, short-term and seasonal, mostly between one and six months at a time. Since then migration has if anything increased further (respondents uniformly reported this), with a greater diversity of migration destinations and durations, and some move towards longer-term migration, especially to urban areas. But there is still very little permanent migration, in the sense of definitive departure of households from the village. Illegal immigration from Bangladesh to India, which includes both refugees and economic migrants, continues unabated. There is no reliable figure on the exact number of illegal immigrants from Bangladesh in India. This neglect has adversely impacted the interests of local populations in the areas seeing large-scale influxes of illegal immigrants as well as India's national security interests. Further, the absence of national refugee laws has blurred the distinction between refugees and economic migrants, leading to the denial of any assistance to even genuine asylum seekers. It now poses an enormous problem for India and the millions of affected people. Further delay in addressing the problem will only make matters worse. This book seeks to first investigate how cross-border terrorism works on the ground; then examine recent trends in the production and trafficking of drugs; and, lastly, to explore how closely the two criminal areas.

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China-India Standoff in Ladakh Mean for Pakistan / B.C. Kumar Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021 v, 256p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788195292363 \$ 45.00 / hb 640gm.

Understandably, due to its evolving ties with China and rivalry with India, Pakistan has been viewing the Ladakh standoff through a Chinese lens. The episode has gained substantial space in mainstream Pakistani media. The reason is obvious: Pakistan, like china, has its own long-standing territorial dispute with India. That has led to wars between the two countries, as well as frequent clashes along the line of control, dividing the disputed Kashmir between India and Pakistan.

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Border Crisis: LAC between India and China / S.K. Singh Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021 260p.; 23cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788195292356 \$ 47.50 / hb 640gm.

Tensions between India and China along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) escalated seriously on Monday night when an Indian army officer and 19 soldiers were killed in "a violent face-off" involving hand-to-hand combat at Galwan Valley in Ladakh. The death toll is expected to rise as dozens of other soldiers are battling for their lives.

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India-Nepal Relation and China's Interference / S.K. Singh Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021 v, 248p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788195292332 \$ 46.25 / hb 620gm.

The entire China-India boundary has never been formally delimited by any mutually-accepted treaty. There has existed a boundary line of actual control between the two countries. It took shape on the basis of the extent of each other's administrative jurisdiction over a long course of time. India-Nepal relations have been framed and molded by their geological contiguity and socio-social characters which has affected their verifiable past.

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Asian Power Politics: India, China and Japan / Sanjay Kumar Singh Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021 vii, 252p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788195292318 \$ 45.00 / hb 660gm.

The prospect that China and Japan could be powerful and affluent at the same time has only recently emerged, largely because while China's economy and influence have grown rapidly, Japan's have remained stagnant. China has nuclear weapons and intercontinental balistic missiles, and its military budget has grown by double-digit rates for 17 consecutive years.

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India's Foreign Policy: Strategic Objectives / Sanjay Kumar Singh Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021 vii, 260p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788195292387 \$ 47.50 / hb 650gm.

The Principles of India's foreign policy, that emerged then, have stood the test of time: a belief in friendly relations with all countries of the world, the resolution of conflicts by peaceful means, the sovereign equality of all states, independence of thought and action as manifested in the principles of Nonalignment, and equity in the conduct of international relations. The study of 'The Foreign Policy of India' has so far been confined to India's relations with particular countries and areas.

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An Outlook of India's Defence Strategy: Changing Scenario / S.C. Narang Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021 vi, 276p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index; 9788195292349 \$ 45.00 / hb 670gm.

Indian Defence, broadly speaking, falls into three categories: Land Defence, Naval Defence and Aerial Defence Which are executed respectively by the Army, the Navy and the Air Force. These three are the basic props of our security against external threats. But these would not suffice without the Engineering Defences needed to fortify our frontiers. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800626

Panchayati Raj and Decentralised Planning: Dimensions and Development / Parikshit Sahu New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2021 xviii, 445p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788174792396 \$ 62.50 / hb 900gm.

The book "Panchayati Raj and Decentralised Planning: Dimensions and Development" tries to analyze the fundamental concepts and problems, genesis of Panchayati Raj System in India during pre and post-independence era. 73rd Amendment Act of Indian Constitution, the role of Panchayati Raj Institutions to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) have also been analyzed vividly.

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Electoral Dynamism of Indian Politics: Deciphering the Enigma / Bidyut Chakrabarty Rajendra K. Pandey New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xvi, 328p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789354790508 \$ 35.00 / hb 570gm.

Electoral Dynamism of Indian Politics: Deciphering the Enigma explores Indian politics through the prism of electoral landmarks. It studies the substantive contribution of elections towards the strengthening of democratic institutions and consolidation of the democratic process in the country. Looking at elections that left an indelible mark on the Indian political landscape and radically transformed the country's democracy, this book studies the national elections with reference to how voters exercise their franchise. It also emphasizes that voting behaviour cannot be understood in a purely theoretical format as it is context-dependent and subject to constant change. Furthermore, it evaluates the outcomes and implications of these elections that brought certain political issues and forces to the centre-stage. In a country where the electoral process demonstrates the strength (or lack thereof) of the democratic will, it becomes crucial to understand elections, and by extension, the spirit of democracy.

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Citizenship Debate Over NRC and CAA: Assam and the Politics of History / Nani Gopal Mahanta New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xvi, 326p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789391370053 \$ 35.00 / hb 560gm.

Citizenship Debate over NRC and CAA: Assam and the Politics of History investigates Assamese nationality-formation process and analyses the National Register of Citizens (NRC) and the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) within their historical context. The book looks into the massive immigration process in the beginning of the century, the reaction of Assamese leaders towards it and the ensuing debates in state legislative councils and assemblies. It raises Assam's pertinent question on land, language and culture as the centrality of the Assamese identity and the evolving identity politics to show how the state has been negotiating with it while accommodating the interests of other communities. It further explores the role played by the Muslim League and its leaders in Assam. The book deviates largely from the earlier academic discourses on this subject by bringing in and unfolding several political dynamics, debates and questions in the discussion. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800630

State VS. Society in Northeast India: History, Politics and the Everyday / G. Amarjit Sharma (ed) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2021 xliii, 307p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789391370374 \$ 37.50 / hb 560gm.

State vs. Society in Northeast India: History, Politics and the Everyday looks at a state as an entity that does not operate strictly as a rational, legal and administrative organization. State in the Northeast region is very much shaped by the social, economic and political practices on the ground. Using archival and ethnographic evidences, the book questions notions of region and border as fixed spaces. A state, in the process of governing society, produces itself through formal and informal practices on the ground, and the book argues that Northeast India is a significant site for studying this. It engages with conceptual, theoretical and methodological challenges thrown up by the political experiences of ordinary people in the Northeast. The book discusses everyday legal discourse, official public memory, development discourse, cases of becoming marginalized, resistance and ways of networking with the authorities. The objective is to understand the various ways in which state and society engage with each other; and to look at layers of historical interconnections that inform much of contemporary Northeast politics. The book will especially be of interest to scholars in politics, history, sociology and anthropology.

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Hindutva Regime in Assam: Saffron in the Rainbow / Akhil Ranjan Dutta New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2021 xxiii, 329p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391370206 Sage Studies on India's North East \$ 32.50 / hb 550gm.

Hindutva Regime in Assam: Saffron in the Rainbow analyses the Bharatiya Janata Party's (BJP) strategy of appropriating cultural resources in Assam while pursuing the Hindutva agenda. In Assam, where numerous ethnic and regional political outfits have registered their electoral presence, the 'Rainbow Alliance' emerged as the dominant strategic tool for BJP in its electoral battles. The book studies how BJP has capitalized on people's attachment to their ethno-regional cultures and has successfully co-opted and 'saffronized' the 'Rainbow' by bringing together diverse ethnic groups into its fold. Scrutinizing electoral strategies, BJP's victories in 2014, 2016 and 2019, and the efforts towards dismantling consensus around the National Register of Citizens (NRC) by enacting the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), the book provides a holistic view of this steady 'saffronization'. It also critically investigates BJP's populist development agenda.

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Kashmir after 2019: Completing the Partition / Werner Menski, Muneeb Yousuf (ed) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2021 xii, 380p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789354791215 \$ 35.00 / hb 630gm.

Kashmir after 2019: Completing the Partition studies the post-2019 Kashmir situation, using an interdisciplinary conceptual framework by employing the kite methodology to analyse law-related conflict scenarios, facilitating a rigorous stakeholder analysis.

The unfinished Partition of the Indian subcontinent on 14/15 August 1947 left Jammu and Kashmir hanging between visions of azadi (freedom) and competing territorial claims of India and Pakistan. This limbo, causing mounting costs over time, ultimately brought intolerable sufferings to the diverse Kashmiri people. The book is a passionate search for a peaceful future, looking ahead to post-2019 arrangements. It provides a historically grounded contextual analysis to explain why, by 2019, the time had finally become ripe for allowing India and Pakistan as the respective 'other' to keep the parts of Kashmir they have each been holding since 1947. This future-oriented and solution-driven edited book offers a diversity-conscious theoretical framework—the kite model—which suggests completing the process of Partition as necessary mental growth of identity formation.

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Federalism in India / Mahendra Prasad Singh New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2022 xxi, 294p.; 22 cm. 9789354790096 \$ 32.00 / hb 530gm. Federalism in India offers a comprehensive neo-institutional analysis of the Indian federal system with a global comparative perspective.

Beginning as a variant of the Commonwealth parliamentary federal model, India has adopted some unique features of its own as well as charted a course that, in some respects, makes it notably different from Commonwealth countries such as Canada and Australia. To understand and analyse the Indian federal system, this book examines the origins and footprints of the federal form of government in North America, Western Europe, Asia and Africa. It goes on to discuss its origins in history and contemporary politics. It further examines the core institutional sites of federalism such as political federalism, fiscal federalism, ancillary federal features including federal structures, federal infrastructures, federal ecosystem and judicial federalism. This book underlines the value of federalism for complex and diverse societies like India as a condition for the success of democracy and the unity of the nation. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800658

Decision-Making in Foreign Policy and India-China Bilateral Relations / Raviprasad Narayanan New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2022 xi, 260p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 978954792366 \$ 30.00 / hb 480gm.

Categorizing the centrality of foreign policy decision-making as being intrinsic to external relations, China and India are evolving new methodologies enriching the making of foreign policy. In comparison to works on China's foreign policy decision-making, India has not been studied much. Decisionmaking in Foreign Policy and India-China Bilateral Relations explains theoretical frameworks influencing decision makers with examples of the two countries and their decision-making regarding other countries and concerning issues with global impact.

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India and the US: Embracing a New Paradigm / Mithilesh K. Singh Delhi: Prashant Publishing House, 2021 v, 268p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788195292370 \$ 45.00 / hb 660gm.

Since 2000, the United States (US) and India have worked to fundamentally reorder the strategic underpinnings of their bilateral ties as well as the substance of their engagement. This chapter exposits New Delhi's main security challenges and examines the US evaluation and appreciation of those perceptions. It lays out both states' cost-benefit calculus with respect to their bilateral ties. Unlike the National Security Strategy India does not have a national security strategy document per se. For purposes of this inquiry, the most authoritative open-source document of India's security perceptions is the Ministry of Defence Annual Report. Washington appreciates India's concerns regarding Pakistan's contributions to New Delhi's domestic woes and regional insecurity. While the US and India disagree in some measure with respect to the optimal policy approaches to Pakistan, both have analogous visions for a rehabilitated Afghanistan—even if both states have a somewhat different set of preferred surrogates and partnerships to secure Afghanistan.

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Transnational Terrorism: Evolving Threats and Responses / Maj Gen RPS Bhadauria, VSM, Roshan Khanijo (ed) New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2021 xxi, 150p.; 22 cm. 9789390917884 \$ 21.25 / hb 450gm.

Transnational terrorism has emerged as the most formidable threat in the asymmetric wars of the 21st Century. It operates simultaneously across continents threatening Westphalian states and modern democratic norms of governance. The paradigm shift in strategy and character of the conflict from physical to cognitive domain is indicative of political aspirations of global Jihad for a Caliphate. Technology has made it possible for the terrorists to surmount, geographical and demographic barriers by connecting with likeminded affiliates and cadres through the internet and social media. Individuals and small groups have the potential to use an array of new and emerging technologies, including drones, self-driven vehicles, autonomous weapon systems, virtual currencies, encrypted communications and Artificial Intelligence (AI) to enhance their reach and lethality. http://www.marvmartin.com/web?pid=800665

Twenty Years of Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC): Achievements and Way Forward / Prabir De (ed) New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2021 xxiii, 464p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789390917006 \$ 38.75 / hb 860gm.

Launched in Vientiane, Lao PDR in 2000, the Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC) completed twenty years in 2020. The MGC initiative is a sub-regional cooperation organisation comprising India and five ASEAN countries, namely, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam. To commemorate the 20 years of establishment of MGC, the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA) in collaboration with the ASEAN-India Centre (AIC) at Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS) organised an international conference entitled "Twenty Years of Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC)" on 5-6 November 2020 at New Delhi in virtual mode.

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Battle Tales: Soldiers' Recollections of the 1971 War / Sqn Ldr Rana TS Chhina (ed) New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2022 xii, 325p.; ills. 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789393499042 \$ 33.75 660gm.

The war clouds that had been gathering over the subcontinent for over a year burst forth in December 1971. The ensuing third Indo-Pak conflict which was fought on two fronts resulted in a resounding victory for India and the birth of a new nation: Bangladesh.

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1982 UNCLOS: Perspectives from the Indian Ocean / Nutan Kapoor Mahawar, Vijay Sakhuja, Pragya Pandey (ed) New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2021 xiv, 129p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390917082 \$ 21.25 / hb 420gm.

The 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) is often referred to as the 'Constitution for the Oceans'. It addresses multiple issues of boundaries and delimitation, settlement of disputes, marine scientific research, commercial, economic and technological activities in the oceans and enables States to better utilise marine resources in a sustainable manner. The Indian Ocean has enormous potential for living and non-living resources and sustainable utilisation of these resources can be achieved by strict adherence to international legal instruments. The IORA can play a significant role in this endeavour by promoting cooperative agendas in the region in accordance with the legal framework provided by the 1982 UNCLOS. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800670

Cyber Security and Cyberspace in International Relations: A Roadmap for India's Cyber Security Policy / Gautam Sen New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2022 x, 168p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390917518 \$ 22.50 / hb 460gm.

The present enquiry is an Indo-centric approach to study the extension of Copenhagen School related to Securitisation of the Cyber domain and Cyber Security in the prevailing International Relations Theory affecting the systemic behaviour of nation-states as Cyber Space will make traditional international borders redundant. One deliberation exercise has stated that "Cyber security has long transcended the discipline of information technology – expanding to law, international relations and the social sciences. The work being a policy-relevant documents will also hopefully serve as a basic text for students and researchers at even postgraduate levels to bridge the gap between the realm of ideas and the domain of public policymaking in the area of Cyber Studies. Contents Foreword Preface and Acknowledgement Acronyms Introduction Part I: Overview on Policy as a Term of Reference Part II: Defining Cyberspace Part III: Cyber Politics Part IV: Securitization Theory, Copenhagen School & Contextualising Cyber Security Within the IR Theory Part V: Roadmap to India's Cyber Security Policy Conclusion Endnotes Appendices A White Paper of The Committee of Experts on A Data Protection Framework for India B National Cyber Power Index 2020 C National Cyber Security Policy, 2013 Index

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Contours of Civil-Military Relations in Bangladesh (1971-2017): A Marxist Leninist Understanding / Rajesh CS New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2022 vi, 283p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789390917839 \$ 31.25 / hb 570gm.

This book projects up a thematic overview of Bangladesh civil-military relations over more than four decades by emphasizing on Marxist-Leninist lens. The book argues that Bangladesh military has a legacy of coups which began during the Pakistan era. Because of its organisational skill, structure, recruitment, ideology, colonial and the Pakistan legacy, and the fact of its involvement in the liberation war, the army had a stronger position than any other organisation in the state. It tried to elucidate the historical and post-independent nature of civil-military relations by applying Marxist Leninist Analysis of army and civil military relations. At the end, book stresses on the right balance between political leadership and army in working to develop a modernised political and military system without compromising the external and internal security interests of the country.

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Central Asia is Teetering on the Brink: The Kazakhstan Bellyache, Hayyat Tahrir al-Sham, Liwa al-Muharjireen wal-Ansar, Malhama Tactical, Tavhid va Jihod Katibasi, thee Islamic State (IS), Taliban, and Prospect of Nuclear Terrorism / Musa Khan Jalalzai New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2022 vi, 300p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789393499424 \$ 36.25 / hb 600gm.

The establishment of Taliban's Suicide Brigade once more generated pain in the neck of Central Asia, Russia and Europe. Deployment of suchlike Suicide Brigade next door to their borders is a major mainspring of consternation in the region. Central Asia and Europe refused to recognise the Taliban government and forewarned deployment of over 6,000 fighters of Suicide Brigade. Recent violence in Kazakhstan has proved my prognostication that terrorist and extremist organizations based in Afghanistan will attack Central Asian states with nuclear or biological weapons. There is a strong possibility that these groups may potentially attack civilian, military and nuclear installations in Central Asia and Europe for the reason that they have retrieved professional capabilities to use a Dirty Bomb. Nuclear terrorism remains a constant threat to peace in Central Asia and Europe. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800674

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On the Brink: The US, China and the Nuclear War Shadows / Musa Khan Jalalzai New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2022 vi, 223p.; 22 cm. 9789390917204 \$ 31.25 / hb 500gm.

Over the past 20 years, China has emerged as a world technological superpower to dethrone the United States as a global power. Since 2018, US policymakers adopted an anti-China policy by imposing different types of restrictions and sanctions to handle its economic rise. However, China has asserted a number of islands in the South China Sea region, where the PLA established naval bases and modern surveillance system to oversee activities of rival states. President Trump ran after the Chinese President-thinking that his friendly strategy could domesticate China's economic challenges. When failed to intercept China's technological development, he declared a trade war against the country. However, military confrontations between China and Taiwan exacerbated after the President of Taiwan, Tsai Ing, authenticated the presence of US forces in her country on 28 October 2021. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=782140

Of Matters Military: Nationalism and the Enemy Within / Major General Mrinal Suman New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2020 ix, 230p.; ills. 23 cm. 9789390439393 \$ 26.25 / hb 550gm.

The issue of nationalism and anti-nationalism has always been the subject of intense debate. To deride own country and culture has become the hallmark of India's intelligentsia. Why does India breed so many traitors? Is treachery a part of our DNA? An attempt has also been made to analyse reasons for our disunity, caste-ridden elections and degradation of the national institutions. Pakistan was born on anti-India plank and shedding of anti-India posture would amount to questioning the very logic of its creation. After tracing its saga of treachery, the book recommends that balkanization is the only cure for cancer-afflicted Pakistan.

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The US and NATO Withdrawal from Afghanistan: Stagnation of Afghanistan's State Institutions, Pakistan, Iran, India, Taliban, the ISIS Terrorist Caliphate and the CIA War Crimes / Musa Khan Jalalzai New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, 2021 vi, 536p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390917013 \$ 41.25 / hb 950gm.

The unceremonious and gruff announcement of President Joe Biden to withdraw US forces from Afghanistan, once again authenticated reservations of Afghan politicians and military generals that the United States has embraced the culture of breaking faith with friends and allies. The US leadership has never been a true friend of Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iraq since 2001. It has committed numerous war crimes in Asia and African, while its antagonism against Islam is not a new thing. In the 1990s, after the dissolution of the Union of Soviet, the Pentagon and CIA left Afghanistan in trouble, which prompted civil war and the collapse of the Afghan state in 1992. This unethical and untraditional dealing with allies has made dubious credibility of the CIA and Pentagon in the eyes of Russia, the Muslim World and China.

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Asia between Multipolarism and Multipolarity / Sujan R. Chinoy, Jagannath P. Panda (ed) New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt Ltd., 2020 lii, 587p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789389137439 \$ 47.00 / hb 930gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800678

India's China Dilemma: The Lost Equilibrium and Widening Asymmetries / B.R. Deepak New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2021 x, 288p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390095452 \$ 32.50 / hb 650gm.

The equilibrium and understanding between India and China that was built on the premise that both were at the same level of development, and hence need to give full play to their complementarities and potentialities, has seemingly shifted, owing to the balance of power favouring China. Finding new equilibrium and understanding will not be easy given India's asymmetrical relationship with China. The nature of India-China coexistence, cooperation and competition will be determined by factors such as how quickly the narrative of India's rise regains traction, India and China'' relations with major and middle powers, strategic and economic partnerships with major regional blocks, India's role in global supply chains, and the Quad and Indo-Pacific Strategy. This book arranges author B. R. Deepak's articles from the Sunday Guardian into eight sections, exploring the multi-faceted relationship.

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Chinese Geopolitics in the 21st Century: A Post Pandemic Perspective / Brigadier Anand Tewari New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2021 xxi, 306p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390095407 \$ 32.50 / hb 670gm.

The idea of this book comes from the need to seek reasons for uniqueness of China etched on the minds of common people. The language, the governance system and the stupendous economic growth of China makes this uniqueness further interesting. This 'Chineseness' in everything that the Chinese do, has led to a search for the same ilk in China's geopolitics too. The book, therefore, employs an `inside-out` approach to examine China`s geopolitics. To successfully address this issue as an outsider, the book searches for the roots of today's China through its evolution of geospatial, human geographical, metaphysical and economic spheres. China, then, has been explored for external influences on these spheres received through military, cultural, political and commercial interactions with outside world. The metaphysical makeup of the Chinese collective psyche thus created, has also been examined for its role in guiding Chinese geopolitical responses. And later, evaluating China's geo-economic risks versus geopolitical gains, helps us in evolving a theoretical tool for gauging future geopolitical responses of China. The Covid-19 Pandemic has put China in a different geopolitical limelight. The book discusses changing geopolitical interactions in that light and the future directions without getting unduly swayed by sentiments. In the end an assurance from the author of his best efforts to remain independent of country specific mindset to gauge China objectively is offered.

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China Bloodies Bulletless Borders / Col Anil, VSM New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2022 xix, ills. 219p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390095476 \$ 25.00 / hb 600gm.

After the shock of the conflict against the Indian Army in Sikkim in 1967 and the loss of almost 400 soldiers, the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) pressed for resolving all territorial disputes by discussion only, without using force. This book analyses the process of bulletless border management by the Indian Army against the PLA.

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Afghanistan The New Great Game / Alok Bansal (ed), Ram Madhav (Foreword) New Delhi: Pentagon Press LLP, 2022 xxv, 201p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789390095490 \$ 20.00 / hb 550gm.

The fall of Kabul to the Taliban is one of the most catastrophic events of the 21st Century. The images of people running to cling to the aircraft taking off from Kabul and falling to death showed their desperation to escape the draconian Taliban Rule. Undue haste exhibited by the United States, its legitimization of the Taliban, and the tactical alliances stitched with the Taliban by many others in the region led to the sudden collapse of the once brave Afghan Army. How the world abandoned Afghan citizens to medieval barbarians, especially the women and the minorities, to further their perceived geopolitical agendas should haunt the international community's conscience for times to come. The people of Afghanistan had hardly gotten over the repercussions of the Great Game that was once played in the region more than two centuries ago. They find themselves embroiled in another one. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800776

Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan: Origin, Evolution and Future Portents / Ashok K. Behuria New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt Ltd., 2021 xix, 203p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391490027 \$ 22.00 / hb

520gm.

This volume is a result of an abiding interest in the phenomenon of radical Islamist terror that haunts Pakistan today. The research questions that it seeks to answer are: Why do the tribal areas remain a problem for rulers and administrators throughout history? How and why did radical Islam embed itself in the terrain? Was it influenced by the overall emphasis on Islam in Pakistani state politics? What is the role of history and politics in fuelling religious passions in the area? What has led to the survival of TTP despite humongous efforts of the Pakistan Army to decimate it? What are the future portents of such a movement? What impact is it likely to have on Pakistani society and politics? The volume makes an attempt to understand the context in which Pakistani Taliban or TTP, as it is called now, came into being, the enabling factors that made the growth of TTP possible, the formation and growth of TTP as a militant organisation, its leadership and its activities over the years, its ideological orientation and its worldview, its aims and objectives, its relationship with other militant groups in and outside Pakistan and the efforts of the Pakistani establishment to come to terms with such a phenomenon. There is an attempt to analyse the process and study its implications for Pakistan and the region.

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Security of India's Ports, Coast and Maritime Trade: Challenges in the 21st Century / Mohit Nayal New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd., 2021 xxv, 316p.; 23 cm. 9789390917051 \$ 37.50 / hb 670gm.

India's rise as a global power in the 21st century will be backed with a strong blue economy. The high volumetric trade activities through its coastal region, mainly due to its geostrategic location and efficient links with the vast potential market in the hinterland and other landlocked states, provides it unmatched leverage. Among such promising enterprising, attracting global investments and trade, the non-conventional security threats within the Indian Ocean region and India's ports and coast cannot be ignored. Therefore, to address these challenges, the law at the seas formulated by various global organisations and other national and international regulatory mechanisms become essential for all those directly or indirectly involved in India's maritime security.

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Jihadist Tendencies and Global Terrorism on Soft Targets / Saron Messembe Obia New Delhi: Vij Books India Pvt Ltd., 2022 ix, 75p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789390917600 \$ 13.75 / hb 260gm.

This book explores the origin of jihad, terrorism, and global challenges from the West to Africa. It examines the 19th-century jihad in West Africa as a religious movement prone to respect of Islam. An example is the Sokoto Caliphate in Northern Nigeria in 1804, in which many Nigerians were granted scholarships to study abroad, which strengthened and united the community at the time. Peace and security are strategic issues that defines collective security at the African Union, European Union and United Nations. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800779</u>

Contiguity, Connectivity and Access: The Importance of the Bay of Bengal Region in Indian Foreign Policy / Suranjan Das, Anita Sengupta (ed) New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt Ltd., 2022 xxv, 186p.; 23 cm. 9789391490980 \$ 27.00 / hb 480gm.

A significant platform of maritime connectivity the Bay of Bengal is important not just for littoral states (India, Bangladesh, Myanmar and Sri Lanka) but also for the landlocked countries of Bhutan and Nepal. Since time immemorial the Bay had been a maritime highway witnessing the movements of traders and commodities facilitating economic exchange but also large scale labour migration which encouraged cultural cosmopolitanism and exchange of ways of life. With the increasing importance of the Indo-Pacific region in the contemporary connectivity matrix, the Bay of Bengal is once again acquiring greater strategic significance with its critical position as a bridge between South, Southeast and East Asia. For India the Bay of Bengal region is emerging as an area of strategic significance and a potential zone for Asian economic growth.

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Facets of India's Security: Essays for C. Uday Bhaskar / P.R. Kumaraswamy (ed) New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 xx, 341p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781032253572 \$ 37.50 / hb 660gm.

This volume brings together established and emerging scholars from academia and think tanks to reflect on important, conceptual, strategic and developmental issues in India's national security. It provides a comprehensive understanding of national security through a more open approach, covering both traditional and non-traditional concerns that have a bearing on the survival and well-being of humanity. It discusses key themes such as perceptions about China, civil-military relations, gender and military, nuclear safety, arms trade and cybersecurity, human security, food and water security, soft power and the media's role in covering security issues. As a festschrift for Commodore C. Uday Bhaskar, it highlights and adds to his scholarly contributions to the national security debate in the country for the past three decades. A unique contribution, this volume will be indispensable for students and researchers of politics and international relations, national security, human security, geopolitics, non-traditional security, military and strategic studies, and South Asian studies.

http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800782

Towards Political Theory of Indian Nation (Hindu Nationalism) / D. D. Pattanaik New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2022 206p.; 9789391844011 \$ 25.00 / hb http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801050

Indigenous System of Governance in Tribal India / Tabang Mibang New Delhi: Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 ix, 139p.; 23cm Includes Bibliography. 9788195076048 \$ 16.00 / hb 400gm.

Change is irrefutable law of nature. A look into history reveals that all social institutions such as family, religion, marriage, political, economics values and social attitudes have undergone change over a period of time. Human society is an ever changing process of growing, decaying, renewing and adjusting itself to new ideas, inventions and way of living.

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Religion – Buddhism

Monpas: Buddhists of the high Himalayas / Vinay Sheel Oberoi, His Holiness the Fourteenth Dalai Lama New Delhi: Showcase/Roli Books, 2022 199p.; illus (colour); 32 cm. 9788194425793 \$ 75.00/ Hb 1700gm.

It began with a new camera, a retirement present from the author's wife. The Kameng area in Arunachal Pradesh, familiar to the author's family for over six decades, and the Monpa people provided the perfect subjects to indulge his interest in photography. Over time, the idea of a book firmed up, and the photographs coalesced into what was envisioned as a sensitive, not necessarily comprehensive, look at the Monpa way of life and their land, Monyul. The intent was not to be ethnographic or academic, but to portray the rapidly changing world of the Monpas. A meditative travelogue in images that transforms into a thoughtful exploration, the book captures the lives of the people and the region. The author's personal stories, interspersed throughout the book, tell of the Monpas' hospitality and warmth, providing insight into the everyday lives of a spiritual community.

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Traces of the Sarvastivadins in the Buddhist Monasteries of Kucha / Giuseppe Vignato, Satomi Hiyama with Appendices by Petra Kieffer-Pulz and Yoko Taniguchi New Delhi: Dev Publishers and Distributors, 2022 Leipzig Kucha Studies - 3 xxiv, 438 p.; illus (b/w, and colour); 29 cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789387496750 \$ 167.50 / Hb 1780gm.

The innovative approach to the study of Kuchean Buddhism presented in this book examines the material remains in order to identify the type of Buddhism practiced in the region, which left its traces in the rock- and surface monasteries. In addition to drawing upon as yet unpublished data from in situ fieldwork, this study also undertakes a detailed reading of the records and photographs of early 20th century international expeditions, and the artefacts which were taken from the caves and are now held in museums around the world. The interdisciplinary collaboration of the two main authors has permitted the identification of four successive phases of the Kuchean Sarvāstivāda tradition based on the archaeological and art-historical analysis of the sites, districts, cave groups, cave types, layouts of the décor, the narrative contents and iconography therein, and the source texts. The results of this study are supported and further extended upon by the contributions of two guest scholars. The appendixes focus on the Vinaya texts unearthed in the Kucha region and on the materials and techniques of the wall paintings, respectively. Our study focuses specifically on a single phase of the Kuchean Sarvāstivāda tradition, which is herein referred to by the unbiased term 'Tradition A'. This tradition can be clearly distinguished from other traditions present in the caves of Kucha. Part One offers a comprehensive catalogue of 'Tradition A' caves, while Part Two presents a typological analysis based on the 'sense of place' of each of the caves, as well as a study of the features of their primary and secondary décor, before moving to the contextualization of the spatial context of these caves within the monasteries. Based on these data 'Tradition A' emerges as an early phase of Kuchean Sarvāstivāda Buddhism which may be closely related to the Shisonglü. ~Numerous Coloured Images~ http://www.marvmartin.com/web?pid=800947

Buddhist monumental heritage of sTod valley in Lahul / Chhering Dorje, Tobdan New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2021 vi, 119p.; illus(b/w); 25 cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789386463210 \$ 19.00 / HB 500gm.

This pictorial book is an attempt to explore and document the existing Buddhist monumental heritages of sTod Valley in Lahul which have been preserved by the inhabitants of the area for centuries. The historical as well as socio-economic and religious life of this region has elaborately been discussed in this book. Emphasis have been given to the main Brug-pa Monastery of Gemur and its subsidiary shrines and other religious structures of sTod region of the valley. It is hoped that this book will serve as a guide for serious scholars and researchers in carrying out detailed research in the respective field and would be found useful to the lay visitors particularly the tourists during their visit to the valley.

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Buddhist Education in Early Medieval India / Kameshwar Prasad New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2021 192p.; illus (b/w, and colour) ; 24 cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789386463135 \$ 31.50 / Hb 700gm.

In early medieval India the Buddhist (monastic) system of education was well developed. It was somewhat different from the Vedic and Brahamanical system of education, though some similarities can be noticed between them. The Viharas and Mahaviharas became centers of Buddhist education. Most of these Buddhist educational institutions were located in the then Bihar and Bengal. The most important of these Mahaviharas were Nalanda, Odantapuri and Vikramshila. They developed their own system of education. The Chinese and the Tibetan sources enlighten us on the monastic complex, rules of admission, subjects of study, life of students and high discipline maintained by monks and students. Seals, sealings and inscriptions discovered from the sites of the Mahaviharas throw light on the management as well as patronage granted to these Buddhist educational centers. The Mahaviharas became centers of Mahayana Buddhism and Tantricism. Students and scholars came there in large numbers not only from different parts of India but Ceylon, Nepal, Tibet, China and other countries according them reputation of international educational centers of Buddhist studies. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800942</u>

Social History of Indian Buddhism: New Researches / Birendra Nath Prasad New Delhi: Research India Press, 2021 viii, 297p.; illus (b/w), maps (b/w) ; 22 cm. Includes Index 9789351711964 \$ 44.00 / Hb

The fate of Indian Buddhism was not totally dependent on royal patronage. Buddhism had to devise ways to attract patronage from many segments of society, which forced it to enter into complex interactions with social institutions and processes. In that sense, it was never asocial. It had a complex social history. Papers in the present book hope to explore some aspects of the social history of Buddhism in some parts of early historic and early medieval India: western Deccan, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Bihar, Bengal and Odisha. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800940

Culture as Power : Buddhist Heritage and the Indo-Japanese Dialogue / Madhu Bhalla (ed) New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2021 xxiv, 213p.; ills. 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781032045863 \$ 25.00 / hb 510gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800957

Religion – Islam

Islam and Its Culture in South Asia / Iqtidar Husain Siddiqui New Delhi: Primus Books, 2021

x,201p.;22cm. Includes Bibliography and Index 9789390430512 \$ 27.50 / Hb 520gm.

Islam first arrived in India through Arab merchants in the very first century of Islam's rise in Arabia. Focusing on the arrival and growth of Islam in South Asia and the important socio-political changes it brought. This book examines the identity and lives of the converts to Islam, their reasons for conversion and the role performed by modern reformers who initiated modernist trends in order to enlighten Indian Muslims. This book will help scholars reconstruct the social and intellectual history of the different communities of South Asia. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800860

Religion – Jainism

Jainism and Jaina Culture in India / Projit Kumar Palit New Delhi: Kaveri Books, 2022 xxiii,357p.;24cm. 9788174792402 \$ 49.00 / Hb 880gm.

The book contains twenty-nine papers contributed by eminent scholars from India and abroad to articulate on various aspects of the Jainism and Jaina Culture in India to record the results of their years of painstaking and meaningful research in a succinct and lucid manner with great objectivity and scholarly insight. Topics on Jainism and Jaina culture, concept of non-violence, antiquities and art, Jaina philosophy, existence of life after death, Jaina manuscript, painting, language and literature, food adoption and every other aspect and activities have been discussed in their true historical perspective. This volume is a commendable work worthy of a place in every library for the use of researchers as well as general readers.

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Sociology

Home, Belonging and Memory in Migration: Leaving and Living / Sadan and Pushpendra New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 xii, 296p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781032234168 \$ 37.50 / hb 570gm.

This volume explores ideas of home, belonging and memory in migration through the social realities of leaving and living. It discusses themes and issues such as locating migrant subjectivities and belonging; sociability and wellbeing; the making of a village; bondage and seasonality; dislocation and domestic labour; women and work; gender and religion; Bhojpuri folksongs; folk music; experience; and the city to analyse the social and cultural dynamics of internal migration in India in historical perspectives. Departing from the dominant understanding of migration as an aberration impelled by economic factors, the book focuses on the centrality of migration in the making of society. Based on case studies from an array of geo-cultural regions from across India, the volume views migrants as active agents with their own determinations of selfhood and location.

Part of the series Migrations in South Asia, this book will be useful to scholars and researchers of migration studies, refugee studies, gender studies, development studies, social work, political economy, social history, political studies, social and cultural anthropology, exclusion studies, sociology, and South Asian Studies.

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Language, Education, and Identity: Medium in South Asia / Chaise LaDousa and Christina P. Davis New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 xi, 232p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781032203768 \$ 25.00 / hb 510gm.

This book examines medium of instruction in education and studies its social, economic, and political significance in the lives of people living in South Asia.

It provides insight into the meaning of medium and what makes it so important to identity, aspiration, and inequality. It questions the ideologized associations between education and social and spatial mobility and discusses the gender- and class-based marginalization that comes with vernacularmedium education. The volume also considers how policy measures, such as the Right to Education (RTE) Act in India, have failed to address the inequalities brought by medium in schools, and investigates questions on language access, inclusion, and rights.

Drawing on extensive fieldwork and in-depth interviews, the book will be indispensable for students and scholars of anthropology, education studies, sociolinguistics, sociology, and South Asian studies. It will also appeal to those interested in language and education in South Asia, especially the role of language in the reproduction of inequality.

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Understanding Urbanisation in Northeast India: Issues and Challenges / M. Amarjeet Singh and Komol Singha New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2021 xiv, 240p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9780367749552 \$ 25.00 / hb 550gm.

This volume explores the dynamics of urbanisation in Northeast India. It discusses the impact of the process of urbanisation on the environment, infrastructure and socio-economic conditions of the region.

The chapters in the book:

Examine various challenges and opportunities of urbanisation, such as frontier urbanism, urban congestion, smart cities, vernacular architecture, urban water and waste management, cross-border migration and ethnicity. Draw attention to critical issues that have massively disturbed the urban landscape including deterioration of water quality, seismic activity and air pollution.

Give alternatives that could present possible solutions to the problems afflicting this region.

Drawing on case studies rooted in extensive fieldwork, this book will be indispensable to researchers and students of urban studies, human geography, development economics, cultural studies and South Asian studies. It will also be of interest to policy-makers, government representatives and town planners.

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Reordering Adivasi Worlds: Representation, Resistance, Memory / Sangeeta Dasgupta New Delhi: Manohar Publishers & Distributors, 2022 xvii, 345p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9780190127916 \$ 49.25 / hb 520gm.

Recounting the story of the Oraons and Tana Bhagats of Chhotanagpur in the present-day state of Jharkhand, this book questions postcolonial understandings of the category of 'tribe' and unravels the threads of a hierarchical adivasi world. It unpacks colonial ethnography, missionary narratives, and anthropological writings; explores issues of adivasi identity and resistance; and demonstrates how contemporary adivasi protest draws upon memories of the past. Dasgupta argues that nineteenth- and early twentieth-century ideas of 'tribe' were not abstract imaginaries but structured colonial interventions.

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Self Help Group and Women Empowerment: A Discourse / Swapan Shaw, Debotosh Sinha New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xviii, 213p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789388937696 \$ 21.25 / hb 500gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800964

Demographic Scenario of the North East India / R.K. Das Choudhury New Delhi: Concept Publishing Company Pvt. Ltd., 2021 viii, 337p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789354390548 \$ 33.75 / hb 610gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800965

Neoliberalism, Urbanization, and Aspirations in Contemporary India / Sujata Patel (ed) New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2021 xii, 286p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9780190132019 \$ 45.00 / hb 460gm.

This volume brings together scholarship from different disciplines on the theme of neoliberalism. Contemporary neoliberal economic policy. it argues has increased inequalities and exclusions while providing opportunities to the upper sections of the society. In turn it has also creating new risks and challenges to everyday lives of the lower and middle classes of the country. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800972

Exploring the Obscurities of Child Marriage in Assam: A Feminist Standpoint Perspective / Priyanka Patowari, Ratna Huirem, Kathiresan Loganathan New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xiv, 229p.; 24 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789391897055 \$ 37.50 / hb 650gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800973

Women and Work: The Sky is Full of Sexism / Rahul Kapoor New Delhi: Manak Publications Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xii, 192p.; 22 cm. 9789391897017 \$ 12.50 / hb 470gm.

Sneha (name changed) is a 28 year old air hostess in a domestic airline who likes to be addressed as a cabin crew member rather than the ambiguous

designation of an air hostess as she deems it to be. It was not easy for Sneha to switch from a secure bank job which was highly revered by her father owing to the job security and the simple nature of the job profile. It meant Sneha who lives in a small middle class nuclear family with her mother, father and elder sister had a strict time limit to come back to the house by 7 pm and the bank job offered that luxury.

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Lahure Women: Two Centuries of Struggle, Service and Silent Fortitude / David Seddon New Delhi: Adroit Publishers, 2022 x, 234p.; 24 cm. 9788187393948 \$ 25.00 / hb 550gm.

Among other subjects, he has devoted considerable attention to the issue of foreign labour migration and the remittance economy of Nepal, and with two Nepali colleagues (Dr. Jagannath Adhikari and Dr. Ganesh Gurung), he authored the pioneering book on this topic-'The New Lahures' (2001). http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800976

Gender Inclusion in India: Challenges and Strategies / Sabiha Hussain, Suraiya Tabassum (ed) Delhi: Aakar Books, 2021 284p.; 22 cm. 9789350027110 \$ 17.50 / hb 470gm.

This present book not only aims at highlighting existing inequalities between men and women, vulnerability of women and girls but also their efforts to overcome these challenges. It makes an attempt to explore their systematically denied access to rights, opportunities and resources that are normally and easily available to other members of a group, and which are fundamental to social, political integration and observance of human rights withing that particular group such as housing, employment, healthcare, civic engagement and democratic participation. Ths authors through their in-depth discussions and writings have tried to sketch Equal World as imagined by John Stuart Mill in the opening lines of The Subjugation of Women; "The principle that regulates the existing social relations between the two sexes - the legal subordination of one sex to the other - is wrong itself, and is now one of the chief obstacles to human improvement; and it ought ot be replaced by a principle of perfect equality that doesn't allow any power or privilege on one side or disability on the other."

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Understanding Vulnerabilities in Contemporary Society: Psychological Insights and Reflections / Nandita Babu, Anand Prakash, Ishita U. Bharadwaj (ed) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd., 2021 xxv, 327p.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789391370855 \$ 32.50 / hb 570gm.

Understanding Vulnerabilities in Contemporary Society: Psychological Insights and Reflections explores the constructs of 'vulnerability', with an aim to move beyond the linguistic and normative appropriation of the word. It does this by uncovering diverse life experiences of varied individuals and communities who have largely remained unseen and unheard. With dynamically transitioning sociocultural circumstances, the boundaries demarcating the included versus the excluded, the accepted versus the unacceptable other, the endeared versus the disparaged continue to multiply. As we struggle with these numerous identities and categories, we are forced to encounter compounded vulnerabilities. The book explores the various ways in which an individual encounters and even embraces vulnerability in order to ensure survival.

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South Asian Ways of Seeing: Contemporary Visual Cultures / Samarth Singhal, Amrita Ajay (ed) Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 xiv, 414p.; 24 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789390737383 \$ 32.50 / hb 790gm.

South Asian Ways of Seeing: Contemporary Visual Cultures brings together eminent as well as new scholarly voices from across disciplines to explore South Asia from a visual standpoint, exploring multiple mediums and multiple ways of seeing, including tarot, film, graphic novels, painting, death pictures, graffiti, and installation art. With an intent to establish conversations between and across disciplines like history, sociology, literature, art history, culture and media studies, the discursivity of visual cultures in framing a South Asian imaginary is attempted. Attention to the production, circulation and consumption of visuals, which recognizes their embeddedness in material and cultural practices, is combined with an in-depth analysis of form, technique and the afterlife of less-examined media/genres. Through this wide-ranging exploration, we ask the compelling question: Is there a South Asian way of seeing?

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Indian Sound Cultures, Indian Sound Citizenship / Laura Brueck, Jacob Smith, Neil Verma (ed) Delhi: Primus Books, 2022 vi, 362p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789355720702 \$ 37.50 / hb 700gm.

The essays in Indian Sound Cultures, Indian Sound Citizenship argue that sound, from the cinema hall to the recording studio and the public festival ground, is inextricably linked to issues of citizenship, identity, and belonging in India. Together, the contributions in this volume investigate the sonic turn in the study of South Asia by understanding sound in its own social and cultural contexts, and by exploring the diverse ways in which sound has been and continues to be crucial to the ideological construction of a unifying postcolonial Indian nation-state. Integrating interdisciplinary scholarship at the nexus of sound studies and South Asian studies with questions of nation/nationalism, postcolonialism, cinema, and popular culture in India, Indian Sound Cultures, Indian Sound Citizenship offers fresh and sophisticated approaches to understanding the sonic world of the subcontinent.

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Governing Thirdness: State, Society, and Non-Binary Identities in Pakistan / Muhammad Azfar Nisar New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2022 x, 227p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9781316516713 \$ 21.25 / hb 510gm.

Khawaja Sira of Pakistan are a heterogeneous group of marginalized gender nonconforming individuals who defy traditional notions of gender and sexuality. Based on ethnographic fieldwork in Lahore, Pakistan, Governing Thirdness provides important insights about the identity, marginalization and governance of the Khawaja Sira as they try to live an unliveable life. Taking a broad view of governance, this book includes a comprehensive analysis of governance of the Khawaja Sira across legal, social and administrative institutions. It also argues that labels like third gender and transgender fails to account for the gender fluid lives and multiple types of individuals who identify as Khawaja Sira, yet these categories, largely imported from the west, are used without much thought to govern this heterogeneous group. http://www.marvmartin.com/web?pid=800982

Beyond Emasculation: Pleasure and Power in the Making of Hijra in Bangladesh / Adnan Hossain New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2021 xi, 236p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9781316517048 \$ 22.50 / hb 510gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800983

Quest for Nagalim: The Tribal Factor / Pradeep Chhonkar New Delhi: Knowledge World Publishers Pvt Ltd., 2020 xvi, 232p.; 23 cm. Includes Index. 9789389137408 \$ 29.50 / hb 540gm. <u>http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800984</u>

Tribal Demographic Transition - In 2 Volume Set / Swapan Kumar Kolay New Delhi: Agam Kala Prakashan, 2021 508p.; ills. 23 cm. Includes Index. 9788173201950 \$ 90.00 / hb 1240gm.

The book has been organized in seven districts and the analysis, result and discussion are elaborated within six Chapters where the Chapter I is about introduction, Chapter II is methodology, Chapter III describes demographic profile of all districts and Chapter IV elaborates all the major factors which is responsible for population declining according to the selected districts. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=768135

Tribal India: Issues and Challenges / Mridula Sharda, Inder Kumar Jaipur: Rawat Publications, 2021 xiii, 150p.; 24 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788131612002 \$ 22.50 / hb 500gm.

India's population constitutes about 70 per cent of rural population and 8.6 per cent tribal population. Tribes are one of the most vulnerable sections of the Indian society requiring special policy framework to deal with their problems and issues. Present work is devoted to understand the tribes, their ethnographic situation and the steps taken at the different levels of the government to improve their situation. Panchayats Extension to the Scheduled Areas 1996 (PESA Act 1996) is a benchmark initiative on the lines of the 73rd Amendment of the Indian Constitution.

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Health Disparity and Health Equity: Indigenous People and Beyond / Mithun Das, Subir Biswas, Sarit Kumar Chaudhuri (ed)

Jaipur: Rawat Publications, 2021 201p.; 24 cm. Includes Index. 9788131612019 \$ 23.75 / hb 570gm.

In recent years, the term 'Health Disparity' and 'Health Equity' have become increasingly familiar, particularly in the field of public health. The editors of this book have brought together a variety of articles from researchers of diverse fields in anthropology to focus on the importance of health equity among the indigenous peoples, including those who are marginalized or underprivileged. This will help the reader to understand the problem that arises out of health disparity and the various ways to overcome it. One of the most interesting features of this book is that the contributing authors of most of the articles have discussed their findings based on field work. Besides, researchers of varied other fields of public health, economics, sociology etc., have brought out various dimensions which have added further value for which the volume will be extremely beneficial to policy makers. Such an interdisciplinary approach makes it more useful for both the scholars who are pursuing research in medicine and public health as well as those who are at the foundational stage of their career in teaching as well as research. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800986

Sociology of North East India / Baharul Islam Laskar Jaipur: Rawat Publications, 2021 xiii, 254p.; 24 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9788131612217 \$ 30.00 / hb 600gm.

This North East region of India comprises the adjoining seven sister states of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura, and the Himalayan state of Sikkim. The social construct of North East India has both historical and social realities. The contemporary North East India is comprised of heterogeneous groups and communities residing in the region. The region has over 220 ethnic groups and dialects. Although there are great ethnic, religious and cultural diversities within these states, they bear many similarities in their social, political and economic spheres. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800987

Social Inclusion of Marginalised in India: State Policies and Challenges / Yatindra Singh Sisodia, Tapas Kumar Dalapati (ed) Jaipur: Rawat Publications, 2021 xii, 257p.; 24 cm. Includes Index. 9788131611661 \$ 31.25 / hb 610gm.

The process of social inclusion is enmeshed with the forms and nature of social exclusion in India. The ultimate goal of social inclusion process is to establish an inclusive society. An inclusive society balances social structures and abolishes hierarchies and ensures everyone's participation in social, economic, and political life of the nation. Social Inclusion of Marginalised in India: State Policies and Challenges unravels the in-depth processes of social exclusion, processes of implementation of inclusive policies by the state and its impacts upon the marginalised sections in India.

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Outbreaks : An Indian Pandemic Reader / Madhu Singh (ed)

Delhi: Pencraft International, 2022 xxvii, 504p.; 22 cm. 9789382178354 \$ 37.50 / pb 700gm.

Outbreaks An Indian Pandemic Reader is an interdisciplinary work on the profound and lasting impact of the past and present epidemics/pandemics on Indian society and features perspectives from history, sociology, anthropology, film and literature besides others. The essays fall under two categories: one, those dealing with historical past or the pre-COVID time and the other addressing the first wave of COVID-19 crisis of 2020-21 which continues to surge globally even this year.

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Tamil Migrants: A Demographic, Social and Economic Analysis / S. Irudaya Rajan, Bernard D'Sami, Samuel Asir Raj, P. Sivakumar Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, 2021 xviii, 312p.; 22 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789354421266 \$ 27.50 / hb 560gm.

Tamil Nadu has, throughout history, received large numbers of in-migrants, many of whom subsequently became part of Tamil society. Equally, the Tamil region has had a long tradition of out-migration, including international migration as indentured labour on colonial plantations. However, unlike its neighbouring state of Kerala, there is a dearth of comprehensive studies, as well as reliable databases, on migration from Tamil Nadu.

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Love, Labour and Law: Early and Child Marriage in India / Samita Sen & Anindita Ghosh (ed) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2021 xxxvi, 270p.; 22 cm. Includes Bibliography. 9789381345580 \$ 32.50 / hb 520gm.

Love, Labour and Law: Early and Child Marriage in India is a path-breaking book on an issue that has not been analysed in depth for a while, perhaps since it does not affect the elite. Today, the child brides are usually from poor families. They are of 15–17 years as compared to much younger brides in the earlier times. The book discusses why child marriages persist despite numerous legislative and policy initiatives to 'eliminate' the practice. The chapters examine social and legal reforms to raise the age of marriage; contemporary education and health-related policy attempts at prevention; relationship of child marriage with child labour, sex work, human trafficking and other issues.

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Inheritance, Hierarchy and Caste: Origins of Political Decay in India / Dhananjay Soindaji Wanari New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xxi, 312p.; 22 cm. 9789354791994 \$ 35.00 / hb 580gm.

The growing power of business and the increasing rhetoric of the culturalreligious ideology of Hindutva have been the focus of the recent scholarly ventures seeking to explain the persistent undemocratic tendencies in India. The book argues that this traditional and pervasive analytical framework has failed to unravel the deep-rooted societal causes of the growing degeneration in political institutions. What is missed out is the increasing concentration of power in the hands of the hereditary governing class. Inheritance, Hierarchy and Caste: Origins of Political Decay in India shows how the elite-pursuit for controlling societal power, retaining hierarchy and perpetuating inheritance is making use of ideology and, thereby, undermining the democratic spirit in India and reshaping the state itself. The book underlines the realistic significance of the effective representation of the governed classes and analyses how it is critical for bringing pragmatism to the relation between the institutional and functional aspects of the democratic consolidation in India. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800992

Psycho-Social Health Issues in Indian Youth: Emerging Trends and Intervention / Alka Wadkar New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2022 x, 382p.; 23 cm. Bibliography Includes Index. 9789354791055 \$ 32.50 / hb 610gm.

Psycho-social Health Issues in Indian Youth: Emerging Trends and Intervention examines challenges to psycho-social health of Indian adolescents and youth. Exploring issues afflicting psychological, social and physiological well-being of the youth, the book recommends intervention and the way ahead. It links the theory to Indian scenario by giving real-life examples and incidences, which makes it interesting.

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Ideology, Conflict and State Control in Higher Education: A Sociological Analysis is a study that has developed in the backdrop of universities across the country, reporting conflict within the universities and with the state. Exploring conflict and activism on campus, the book looks at ongoing debates on nationalism, inclusive education and freedom within the university space. It studies how ideologies are conceived and perceived in universities, demonstrating their impact on the everyday life of a campus. The book further examines significant issues in Indian academia such as reservation, genderbiased rules in hostels, fee hikes and state interventions. This book presents a sociological analysis of the impact of higher education and the state in shaping perspectives, critical thinking and the idea of a nation.

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The past was glorious. A future disrupted by technology is almost here. But India still awaits its technology-based prosperity. With deep-rooted inequalities, disinformation and corruption running through the veins of the Indian society, it's hypocritical to pretend that technological solutions can solve all our problems. We are also relatively unprepared for the genuine challenges technology presents. While the benefits of technology are numerous, the challenges have the potential to magnify existent biases, exacerbate social and economic inequality, and break the social fabric.

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Social Media in India: Regulatory Needs, Issues and Challenges / Francis P. Barclay, Boobalakrishnan N. (ed) New Delhi: Sage Publications India Pvt. Ltd., 2022 xx, 296.; 22 cm. Includes Index. 9789354790751 \$ 32.50 / hb 540gm.

Social media is acutely prone to misuse—thanks to its independent and undisciplined nature—necessitating regulation. The book addresses this concern, analysing critical sociopolitical issues related to social media regulation and discussing the latest developments in India. Social Media in India: Regulatory Needs, Issues and Challenges reviews the values of freedom of expression, privacy and regulation, and proposes strategies to balance the triad, aiding policy formation, at a time when the Indian government and significant social media intermediaries are in a standoff over the newly ordained IT rules. This book covers all aspects that need to be examined for the overhaul of the regulatory framework including addiction, awareness, rampant misinformation, political applications and conflicts. Highlighting such social and user-centric challenges to the sustainability of online social networks, the book argues for the need of a robust regulatory framework and advocates an attitude adjustment about privacy and social media in the age of disinformation.

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