

## Recent Books from Sri Lanka – August 2019

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### **Anthropology**

Sound Studies: With Special Reference to Sri Lankan Sonic Experience /  
Tharupathi Munasinghe  
Victoria, Australia: Bloomberg Publishing, 2017  
120p.  
Includes Index  
English & Sinhalese Text  
9789553848611  
\$ 12.00 / PB  
126gm.

The aim of this book is to study about the sound of our living environment. The three essays are about Ethnomusicological study of the Sacred Low-Country Drum Sound Custom as a Healing Purpose in Sri Lanka, Migrant Study of Memories of Sri Lankan Migrants in Melbourne, and Sound Design study of how Sound Designing can custom as an effective medium for Story telling in visual media.

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### **Architecture**

A Buddhist and Scientific Analysis of A Sinhala Heritage Home: Atapattu  
Walawwa – Galle / Dr. Janaka Goonetilleke  
Pannipitiya: Stamford Lake, 2018  
xiv, 122p. ; Col. Photos ; 24cm.  
9789556584738  
\$ 40.00 / PB  
316gm.

It is a comprehensive account and analysis of the spirituality of a Buddhist Home, sustainable technology, Sinhala culture including the public health aspects of the garden and philanthropy emanating from Sinhala spiritual home.

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## Art

H. A. Karunaratne / Anoli Perera (Ed) Sasanka Perera & Ruhanie Perera

Kandy: Taprobane Collection, 2018

222p.

9789554379503

\$ 120.00 / HB

1870gm.

The Father of Sri Lankan Abstract Art H.A. Karunaratne's 60 years of work which narrates a concept, vision and experiential engagement with abstraction is artfully captured in a 220-page publication by Taprobane Collection.

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## Biography

Malini ...up above... / (Eds) Ashley Ratnavibhushana & Dr. Dhammika

Dissanayaka & Ranjane Ratnavibhushana

Colombo: Fast Publishing (Pvt) Ltd., 2018

174p.

9789556777864

\$ 50.00 / HB

1130gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648969>

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Lions of Sri Lanka: Cricket – An Island's Passion: Featuring the 30 Greatest Cricketers

Colombo: Media Services (Private) Limited, 2019

Cricket Edition

116p.

9789550340101

\$ 80.00 / HB

1110gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648970>

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The Journey: A Tale of Passion / Dr. Nalaka Godahewa  
Colombo: Dr. Nalaka Godahewa, 2019  
220p.  
9789556778625  
\$ 20.00 / PB  
326gm.

'The Journey' is the third book written by Dr. Nalaka Godahewa. This book is not just a memoir. It also serves as a practical guidebook for the young generation. Parallel to his life story the author also takes trouble to explain the social, economic and political context within which each situation was experienced. His learnings from those experiences are also shared with the readers.

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The Unassuming Legend: Ravindra 'Ravi' Vimal Jayawardene in candid conversation with Indu Perere / (Ed-in-Chief) Keith Wijesuriya (Translated) Ajith Perakum Jayasinghe  
Colombo: Special Task Force, Sri Lanka Police, 2019  
125p.  
\$ 40.00 / HB  
554gm.

The Unassuming Legend, a compilation of a candid conversation with Ravi Jayawardene by Indu Perera, translated into English by Ajith Perakum Jayasinghe is vivid testimony of a man who did not want to be larger than life, but that is what he unassumingly and ultimately becomes. Eloquent and honest, Ravi Jayawardene, the only child of former President J.R. Jayewardene, in his first interview, opens himself up through the text. Anecdotes of daring adventures from his childhood paint the story of a boy who not only laughed at his own folly, but who cared little of what others thought. This mix of swashbuckling insouciance and cheery pragmatism sets the tone for J.R. Jayewardene's son subsequent and rather extraordinary life.

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Career Challenges of a Public Servant: Various Roles in Different Dispensations (An Autobiography) / Walter E. Fernando  
Colombo: HOMSA, 2019  
328p. ; ill. ; 21cm.  
9786245110001

1. Civil service – Sri Lanka.
2. Sri Lanka – Officials and employees – Biography.
3. Fernando, Walter E. – Officials and employees.

\$ 30.00 / HB  
468gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648974>

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Transitions: From Farmhand to Career Diplomat: A Memoir /  
Kathiramalainathan "Kathi" Arunasalam  
Vancouver, Canada: Journey, 2017  
xxii, 310p.  
9780995266551  
\$ 39.99 / PB  
512gm.  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648975>

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Odyssey of a Runaway Child: Galle to Australia's Goldfields and Beyond /  
Manouri P. Senanayake  
Colombo: Manouri P. Senanayake, 2018  
xvi, 156p.  
9789555333672  
\$ 19.99 / PB  
272gm.

In this newly launched book (September 3, 2018) Dr. Manouri P. Senanayake in her new role as a story teller takes the reader across continents, across generations, across families to render justice to the memory of her illustrious grandfather the late Don Sarnelis (Hayley) Goonawardene, whose spirited endeavours in many spheres of life had paid off handsomely in a 'hard won journey'.

Elegantly written with meticulous research one is carried across time and space to the gold fields of 19th century Australia, colonial Galle and Matara, corridors of power of Hayleys and finally to mid – 20th century Thimbirigasyaya where with great aptitude, foresight and business acumen Goonawardene purchased acres of land which to this day continue to pay great dividend.

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Not Just My Good Karma / Sandya Salgado  
Sri Lanka: Sandya Salgado, 2019  
xiv, 326p.  
9786249526808  
\$ 35.00 / PB  
414gm.

In this inspiring memoir, Sandya Salgado narrates how she constantly strives to be a perfectionist as a home maker and workhorse, overcoming countless obstacles with grit and passion. Having found a 'home' in advertising for over twenty five years, she explores how culture and social consciousness influenced many of the projects she led. Subsequently, having worked as a communications specialist at the World Bank she relates how she saw the development sector from a very personal lens. Her story is told with honesty and characteristic wit.

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Dew's Diary / Vagisha Gunasekara  
Sri Lanka: Vagisha Gunasekara, 2019

viii, 64p.

9726849537606

\$ 7.00 / PB

108gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648979>

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### **Children Books**

Roo, The Little Red Tuk Tuk / Nadishka Aloysius (Illustrator) Privanka Fonseka

Sri Lanka: Nadishka Aloysius, 2019

24p.

9789555184748

\$ 8.00 / PB

106gm.

Roo is a little Tuk Tuk. Join Roo as he recalls the many ups and downs of his life on the roads of Colombo (the commercial capital of Sri Lanka). From road races, to Polo tournaments, to animal rescues, this little vehicle has lived life to its fullest. Experience the joys and perils of Tuk Tuks on the streets, and learn many life lessons along the way with this courageous Tuk Tuk who is always ready to lend a helping hand and spread some cheer. You are never too little to make a difference...

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Eyesha and the Great Elephant Gathering / Nadhiska Aloysius

Sri Lanka: Nadishka Aloysius, 2019

32p.

9789555184731

\$ 8.00 / PB

136gm.

Eyesha is a baby elephant who is just learning the etiquette and behaviour expected of the largest land mammal in the world. She visits the Minneriya Tank with her family for the first time to participate in the annual Great Gathering. Curious and adventurous, she makes new friends, but is soon lost and in trouble. How will little Eyesha find her way back to her Mother?

Only 6000 elephants now survive in their natural habitat in Sri Lanka. The spectacular illustrations in this book capture the beauty of Minneriya National Park, teaching children to appreciate animals in the wild. The well-researched Glossary and Fun Facts provide an entertaining and educational experience to young readers.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648981>

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## **Cookbook**

Chamil and Washanta : One World Foundation Cookeries / Xiane Kangela,  
Ronald Jaklitsch & One World Foundation Cookeries

Ahungalla: One World Foundation, 2019

192p.

9783200064010

\$ 90.00 / PB

778gm.

Sri Lankan cuisine at its best! A sensuous Ayurveda cookbook with recipes by  
Chamil Priyantha and Wasantha De Silva – the fabulous cooks at the one world  
foundation guesthouse Bogenvillya in Ahungalla.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648983>

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## **Ecology**

Leishmaniasis: A Glimpse at the Silent Invader / Hemali Silva

Colombo: Colombo Medical Faculty Publishers, 2017

80p.

Includes Index

9789553981103

\$ 10.00 / PB

142gm.

Leishmaniasis is a parasitic disease newly established in Sri Lanka. Awareness of  
this disease is important for early detection, treatment, prevention and paves a  
path for elimination. This book provides basic information on leishmaniasis that  
will be of interest to medical undergraduates, postgraduate and paramedical  
trainees, health care professionals and persons who are keen to learn of this  
disease.

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The Fauna of Sri Lanka: Status of Taxonomy, Research and Conservation / (Ed)  
Channa N. B. Bambaradeniya  
Colombo: The World Conservation Union (IUCN), 2006  
viii, 308p.  
Includes Bibliographical references.  
\$ 40.00 / HB  
1240gm.

Taxonomic research on the faunal groups of Sri Lanka has undergone tremendous growth since the 1990s, resulting in the discovery and scientific description of several new species. This publication is intended to collate and present updated information on the status of taxonomy, research and conservation of different groups of fauna in Sri Lanka in order to facilitate and enhance research, education, awareness and conservation activities. Continued taxonomic research will provide a sound scientific foundation on which conservation and management decisions about the fauna of Sri Lanka can be based.

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### **Economics**

Migration and Remittances: Impact on Financial Behaviour of Families Left Behind in Sri Lanka / Bilesha Weeraratne  
Colombo: Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS), 2019  
viii, 28p.

9789557397153

Labour and Migration Research Series No. 201

1. Migration – Sri Lanka.
2. Labour force market – Sri Lanka.

\$ 12.00 / PB

136gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648986>

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Belt and Road Initiative, Debt and Diplomacy: Challenges and Opportunities for China-Sri Lanka Economic Relations / Dushni Weerakon & Janaka Wijayasiri  
Colombo: Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS), 2019  
iv, 32p.

9789557397160

Occasional Paper Series No. 200

1. Sri Lanka – International economic relations – China.
2. China – International economic relations – Sri Lanka.

\$ 12.00 / PB

148gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648987>

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Sri Lanka: Land Policy for Sustainable Development to Strengthen the Struggle for Survival / G. H. Peiris

Boralesgamuwa: Visidunu Prakashakayo (Pvt.) Ltd., 2017

360p.

9789550955756

- Sustainable development -- Sri Lanka.
- Land reform -- Sri Lanka.
- Agriculture -- Economic aspects -- Sri Lanka.

\$ 30.00 / PB

458gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648988>

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A Simple Plan for Sri Lanka: A Practical Way of Turning Around Sri Lanka's Economy / Waruna S. Singappuli

Colombo: VIJITHA YAPA PUBLICATIONS

xii, 184p.

9789556654080

\$ 18.00 / PB

254gm.

In this book, author gives the Nine point challenge for the next President and Parliament. These are admittedly difficult yet achievable targets over a period of five years. Rather than focusing on hundreds of minor issues, if the focus is on these nine matters and significant progress is made, the country would be in a far better position economically in five years.

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### **Education**

Sri Lanka's Grade Five Scholarship Examination: An Evaluation of its Effectiveness and Relevance / Ashani Abayasekara

Health & Education Research Series No. 200

Colombo: Institute of Policy Studies of Sri Lanka (IPS), 2019

x, 44p. ; 28cm.

9789557397177

1. Educational tests and measurements.
2. Students – Rating of.
3. High school placements test.

\$ 12.00 / PB

190gm.

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## **General**

The Ceylon Chronicle, Volume 2, Issues 1, 2019: Lines / (Ed) Sadhana Senanayake  
Colombo: The Galle Press Pvt. Ltd., 2019  
146p.  
ISSN: 2602-8689; 9772602868005  
\$ 30.00 / PB  
642gm.  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648993>

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## **History**

Lakmahal : In War for Peace / Rajiva Wijesinha  
Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2019  
464p.  
9786240000802  
\$ 25.00 / HB  
860gm.

The book assesses the decline in the country's fortunes after the high point of its victory in war, with a view to developing greater understanding in future generations about how the country should, and could, move forward. But in addition the book also records a full life in other aspects, since the writer served during this period as Chair of the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats, while also pursuing his educational and literary interests, and also travelling to a range of countries.

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Sinhalese Immigrants in Malaysia and Singapore 1860-1990: History through Recollections / S. N. Arseculeratne  
Colombo: K. V. G. De Silva & Sons (Colombo) Ltd., 1991  
418p.  
9559112015

- Sinhalese (Sri Lankan people) -- Malaysia.
- Sinhalese (Sri Lankan people) -- Singapore.
- Immigrants -- Malaysia.
- Immigrants -- Singapore.
- Malaysia -- Emigration and immigration.
- Singapore -- Emigration and immigration.

\$ 40.00 / PB

622gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648995>

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Finding Sihabahu... An analysis of the early history of Sri Lanka documented in ancient chronicles / Ajith Amarasinghe  
Colombo: Vijitha Yapa Publications, 2019  
336p. i-xxvi.  
9789556653984  
\$ 25.00 / PB  
460gm.

Based on the contents of 2nd Century B.C. inscriptions, 5th Century A.D. copper leaf grants found from Kalinga country and 12th Century inscriptions in Sri Lanka, it is proven that the legend of King Sinhabahu the father of the first king of Sinhalese, Vijaya is not a mythical story. Sinhapura from where King Vijaya departed from India to colonize Sri Lanka, is identified as had being located at Singupuram village in the east coast of India. Matching the recent Prehistoric, Protohistoric archeological findings with the anthropological, genetic and anatomical discoveries it is described that the Yakkas (Daemons) mentioned in the Mahawansa, the ancient chronicle of the Sinhalese were the ancestors of Vadda tribes, who inhabited the length and breadth of the island. Based on the same scientific findings it is argued that the Sinhala race sprang from an intermingle between the advanced segments of these indigenous Vadda tribes, who had reached the iron age by the 4th to 5th Century B.C. and the Vijayan wave of East Indian migrants. This book which is based on scientific archeological, anthropological, genetic and anatomical findings, not only explains the historicity of the "mythical" stories in the ancient chronicles of Sri Lanka, but also shed a light on the early history of the island.

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60 Years of Dew Politics: Selected Speeches and Articles of Dew Gunasekara / Dew Gunasekara  
Sri Lanka: Pragathi Press Pvt. Ltd., 2019  
viii, 312p.  
9789551319793  
\$ 30.00 / PB  
422gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648997>

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An Explosion in the Parliament of Sri Lanka: Aftermath of the Indo-Lanka Agreement / Professor Ravindra Fernando  
Colombo: Vijitha Yapa Publications, 2019  
viii, 80p.  
9789556654042  
\$ 10.00 / PB  
128gm.

Forensic Pathologists, in their three to four decades of professional career come across some rare events and cases. Attempted assassinations or assassinations of Heads of States are some such unique events. The assassination of Prime Minister S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike in 1959 and President Ranasinghe Premadasa in 1993 was two such unique historical events in Sri Lanka. The failed attempt of assassination of His Excellency the President J.R. Jayewardene in 1987 was an exceptional event because it was the first time in the world history that a Parliament Building was subjected to a Grenade Attack. From the first hour itself, author was involved in the investigation of Parliament grenade attack on 18th August 1987, that caused two fatalities.

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Historical Bujaslana Rajamaha Viharaya / Ven. Wegama Piyarathana Thero & Mr. Sumith Dharma Sri  
Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt.) Ltd., 2019  
viii, 72p.  
9789553099594  
\$ 10.00 / PB  
146gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=648999>

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## **Law**

Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 and the Corporate Law of Sri Lanka, Updated 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition (With Decided Cases) / Harsha Cabral  
Updated 2nd Edition  
Sri Lanka: Dr. Harsha Cabral, 2019  
xxvi, 1334p.  
9789559859864  
\$ 100.00 / HB  
2260gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649000>

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Duties of Company Directors and Corporate Governance in Sri Lanka, Updated  
Second Edition (With Decided Cases) / Harsha Cabral

Updated Second Edition

Sri Lanka: Harsha Cabral, 2019

xvi, 832p.

9789559859857

\$ 70.00 / HB

1510gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649001>

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### **Literature**

Zeelam / Navin Weeraratne

Sri Lanka: Navin Weeraratne, 2018

112p.

9789553571816

\$ 15.00 / PB

200gm.

Sri Lanka is on the edge of a mosquito-borne, zombie apocalypse. An army zombie hunter and an NGO infection inspector struggle against the increasing, daily outbreaks in Colombo. They discover that the 'Zees' have a secret: one they could use to overwhelm the entire city. Yet before they can fight the zombies, they must first overcome a panicked social media blackout; the ugliness of unchecked Sinhala-Muslim violence; and the corruption and stupidity of their own government. By gun and blade they must somehow save their city - but first, they must save themselves.

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The Eternal Dark: Requiem / Suresh De Silva (Ed) Lilanka Botejue  
Sri Lanka: Suresh De Silva, 2018

496p.

9789553837219

\$ 30.00 / PB

638gm.

“They say that in the absence of that which is sacred, even darkness can become your only friend.”

The Eternal Dark: Requiem is a journey into a surreal world. Six strangers choose to accept a challenge of staying for one month in a mysterious manor of old with no contact with the outside world, during the month of October. As the days go by, the hidden horrors unleash themselves on these individuals as they grapple with their present, past and the shifting realities of a manor whose roots are as deep as the Weeping Willow on Requiem Estate. From ectoplasm to children who aren't children, rats and ethereal transformations, each strike of the grandfather clock heralds in a new doom and the awakening of Requiem. Set in a Sri Lankan backdrop, it merges history, romance, Gothic horror and shifting realities to weave out an intricate tale of thrilling intrigue.

Enter Requiem where the last vestiges of hope, values and humanity lie at peril...

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Juki Girls: A Novel / Gomi Senadhira

Colombo: Vijitha Yapa Publications, 2019

330p.

9789556653922

\$ 18.00 / PB

432gm.

As Kamala, Sumana and Bindu complete high school, the garment factory in their village reopens under new management. All of them hope for jobs there, as employment opportunities in their remote area are scarce. But only Kamala, the brightest of the trio, gets a job in the factory. The other two, Sumana and Bindu, are forced to move out of Pahalawela to find employment. Sumana gets a job in a garment factory near Colombo and Bindu moves to Irbid. Jordan to work in a garment factory. "Juki Girls" is primarily their stories stitched together with a tale about bizarre laws that govern the international clothing trade, in which the central figures are garment manufactures, diplomats and trade unionists. The novel's stunning conclusion unveils some of the unintended consequences of the wickedly complicated international trade policies on the simplest lives of some of the most vulnerable people on this planet. \*\*\*

Written by Gomi Senadhira who is a specialist in international trade and development. For more than three decades, he worked as a Sri Lankan trade official and a diplomat. Juki Girls is his first Novel.

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Bayan / Pramudith D. Rupasinghe  
Gampaha: Minsara Publishers, 2018  
248p.  
9789550701742  
\$ 18.00 / PB  
252gm.

In the serene tempo of classical Soviet literature charmingly merged into modernity, Bayan is a unique blend from among the work of Pramudith D Rupasinghe.

Bayan begins in the sunny Ukrainian summer and ends with a hidden, deeply meaningful message. It is not only the story of a strange, bearded old man who finds solace and a soulmate of sorts, in a traditional string instrument, while facing a common narrative of his era; it is a commentary on life, and a celebration of the ultimate coming of age.

It juxtaposes the failure of physical strength and faculties to the accumulation of immense emotional fortitude. It lulls you into feeling safe in spite of the passing of transient seasons, the waning of political ideologies and the inevitable disintegration of the corporeal being.

Bayan tells about changing world's order, revolutions and the ravages of time, the music of life will go on.

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The Dream of Nisha / Lanton Silva  
Nugegoda: Sarasavi Publishers (Pvt.) Ltd., 2018  
384p.  
9789553113252  
\$ 15.00 / PB  
426gm.

The novel depicts an unexpected predicament of a Sri Lankan Tamil family. They had sought asylum in Britain during the course of the civil war period in the island.

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Was Shy To Tell: A Collection of Short Stories / Yasmin Jaldin  
Nugegoda: Sarasavi Publishers (Pvt.) Ltd., 2018  
136p.  
9789553112156  
\$ 10.00 / PB  
166gm.

Those and her freshly written stories are now collected as an anthology. Since she is an experienced writer in time, her writing now is polished in style and covers a wide spectrum of her observations and felt experiences of life she has encountered.

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### **Official Publications**

Sri Lanka Statistical Abstract 2018  
Battaramulla: Department of Census and Statistics, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs, 2018  
1v  
9789557021119  
\$ 100.00 / PB  
1220gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649008>

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Survey of Construction Industries: Final Report 2016 [Sri Lanka]  
Battaramulla: Department of Census and Statistics, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs, 2016  
1v  
9789557021041  
\$ 15.00 / PB  
122gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649009>

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Paddy Statistics: 2017/2018 Maha Season [Sri Lanka]  
Battaramulla: Department of Census and Statistics, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs, 2018  
1v  
9789557021102  
\$ 20.00 / PB  
126gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649010>

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Quarterly Report of the Sri Lanka Labour Force Survey: Quarterly Report – 2018:  
Third Quarter

Battaramulla: Department of Census and Statistics, Ministry of Economic  
Reforms and Public Distribution, 2019

1v

9789557020983

\$ 10.00 / PB

124gm.

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Quarterly Report of the Sri Lanka Labour Force Survey: Quarterly Report – 2018:  
Second Quarter

Battaramulla: Department of Census and Statistics, Ministry of Economic  
Reforms and Public Distribution, 2018

1v

9789557020952

\$ 10.00 / PB

128gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649012>

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Annual Survey of Trade and Services 2016: Final Report

Battaramulla: Department of Census and Statistics, Ministry of National Policies  
and Economic Affairs, 2019

1v

9789557021126

\$ 15.00/ PB

178gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649013>

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### **Performing Arts**

Art and Tradition of Sri Lanka, Volume 01: Music of Sri Lanka / Dr. Gayathri  
Madubhani Ranathunga

Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2018

128p.

9789553089038

\$ 15.00 PB

238gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649014>

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Art and Tradition of Sri Lanka, Volume 02: Dance of Sri Lanka / Dr. Priyanka Virajini Medagedara Karunaratne

Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt) Ltd., 2018

192p.; 21.5X14X1.5cm.

Includes Index

9789553093691

\$ 15.00 / PB

326gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649015>

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### **Religion - Buddhism**

The Buddhist Critique of the Attachment to Concepts / Dr. P. D. Sumith De Silva

Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt.) Ltd., 2019

528p.

Includes Bibliography

9789553098481

\$ 40.00 / PB

670gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649040>

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### **Religion - Christianity**

Churches: East and West: A Brief Survey of Christian Churches / Nihal

Abeyasingha

Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt.) Ltd., 2017

192p.

Includes Selected Bibliography

9789553082787

\$ 10.00 / PB

318p.

Most Christians are taken aback when they witness a Syro-Malabar liturgy or Syro-Malankara liturgy in India or an Ukranian liturgy in Europe or a Greek Orthodox liturgy in the United States. But these are traditions embodied into Christianity - ways in which the early Christians organized themselves, prayed and worshipped. Unfortunately, most are family with the Roman liturgy and its background of Roman law. But these can be enriched by the the more philosophical and mystical traditions of the Eastern Churches. The present book, CHURCHES: EAST AND WEST serves as an introduction to the beginnings of these Churches and the differing emphases and spirit of this variety of ways to follow Christ, bringing people to a realization that the Church is Catholic - universal.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=649041>

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A Critical Study of the Works of Fr. Jacome Gonsalves (1676-1742) / Rev (Dr.) Fr.  
Anthony Fernandopulle  
Colombo: S. Godage & Brothers (Pvt.) Ltd., 2017  
296p.  
Includes Bibliography  
9789553083708  
\$ 25.00 / PB  
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Fr. Anthony Fernandopulle, the author of this book "Literary works of Fr. Jacome Gonsalves," is very much interested in Sinhala and English literature. This book contains admirable contribution of Fr.Gonsalves to our culture and literature begin the "Father of christian literature in Sri Lanka". This thesis also deals with analysis of literary devices and techniques through which he has contributed towards indigenization of Christianity in Sri Lanka.

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