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Anthropology / Archaeology

Suvarnabhumi : The Golden Land – The New Finding for Suvarnabhumi Terra Incognita / Ian Glover (et al.) (Eds) Bunchar Pongpanich & Somchet Thinapong Bangkok: GISTDA & BIA, 2019 1v. 9786168261026 \$ 120.00/ PB 784gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=776603

Biography/Memoirs

Digging Deep : A Journey into Southeast Asia's Past / Charles Higham (Ed) Narisa Chakrabongse Bangkok: River Books Press Co. Ltd., 2021 256p. Includes Index ; Bibliography 9786164510586 \$ 30.00 / PB 534gm.

In this unique memoir, Charles Higham describes the inside story of how his many excavations have introduced Southeast Asia's past to a worldwide audience. For over fifty years, he and his Thai colleagues have explored the arrival of early humans, the impact of the first farmers, the remarkable rise of social elites with the spread of metallurgy and the origins of civilizations. Once seen as a cultural backwater, Southeast Asia now takes centre stage in understanding the human past. – Professor Rasmi Shoocondej, Silpakon University ***

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Higham charts an archaeological odyssey from Roman Britain via the Bronze Age stock-breeders of Central Europe to prehistoric Thailand and the origins of Angkor. This complements a personal journey equally eventful, from a double First and Rugby Blue at Cambridge to building a university department in New Zealand. Here is a life laden with academic honours and the thrill of discovery on a series of digs that have transformed understanding of the human past in a hitherto-under-evaluated part of the ancient world. – Professor Norman Hammond, Senior Fellow, McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research, Cambridge University ***

Charles Higham presents a readable and often witty account of a golden age in archaeological excavation in Thailand, Neolithic to Iron Age, from his perspective as a fundamental contributor. A must-read for colleagues, students, and the interested public alike. – Emeritus Professor Peter Bellwood, Australian National University. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=780760

<u>History</u>

1946-2021 : Thailand Journey : The Media You Can Trust / (Ed) Soonruth Bunyamanee Bangkok: Bangkok Post Public Company Limited, 2021 118p. 9786169381808 \$ 50.00 / PB 600gm.

Seventy-five years ago today, in 1946, the Bangkok Post newspapers born. This special publication highlights tell-tale stories in Thailand covered by the Bangkok Post since it started.

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Official Publications

Labor Migration in Asia : Impacts of the COVID-19 Crisis and the Post-Pandemic Future Bangkok: International Labour Organization (ILO), 2021 viii, 138p. 9784899742333 \$ 65.00/ PB 428gm.

This joint publication of the ADBI, OECD, and ILO focusses on trends and the future of labour migration in light of the disruptions and developments related to the COVID-19 pandemic and provides useful policy guidance and statistical reference to practitioners, authorities, and policy makers.

The current economic and social transitions in the global economy, as well as the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, have sharply

affected labour migration in Asia and put pressure on policy makers and regulators to develop timely policy responses and innovative approaches for guaranteeing the effective management of labour migration.

The report analyzes the labour migration trends in Asia and puts them in the context of economic and policy developments and the changes wrought by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic. It examines the policy settings in the major origin and destination countries of labour migrants and the medium- and long-term factors that will shape the future of labour migration in Asia. It further provides important recommendations for building back better in a post-pandemic world.

This analysis draws partly on discussions that took place at the "10th ADBI-OECD-ILO Roundtable on Labor Migration: Future of Labor Migration in Asia: Challenges and Opportunities in the Next Decade," held in Bangkok, Thailand, in February 2020, an annual event co-organized by the Asian Development Bank Institute, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, and the International Labour Organization that brings together regional experts and policy makers. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the publication focuses on the pandemic's impacts on labour mobility.

The report offers up-to-date comparative statistics on labour migration flows, including evidence on the impacts of COVID-19 on flows and remittances. Two statistical annexes offer detailed country country fact sheets and coverage of intra-Asia and cross-regional migration flows. The report also includes discussions on the future of labour migration in the aftermath of the pandemic and the role of technology and digitization in labour mobility and its management. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=775466

Social Indicator 2021 [Thailand] Bangkok: National Statistics Office, Ministry of Digital Economy and Society, 2021 1v.

\$ 50.00 / PB 948gm. http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=780868

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