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Ageing Gracefully / Chandrika Jayasinghe
Kandy, Sri Lanka: Tha- Ro Publishers, 2009
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The world population is ageing. In Sri Lanka too, the problem of ageing of its population is evident.

A thorough knowledge of both the health and psycho social problems faced by the elderly is a must if one were to improve the health and the quality of life of this population.

In this regard the book titled "Ageing Gracefully" written by Dr. Chandrika Jayasinghe is a very valuable and a timely contribution to achieve these objectives.

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Marriage: Some Aspects of Buddhist - Christian Encounter / G. P. V. Somaratna
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Global Trends, Migration & Social Transformations: An Explorative Study on the Caste-based Occupational Structure of Indian Tamil Plantation Women in Sri Lanka / Nilani L. de Silva

Colombo: Social Scientists' Association, 2009
71p. ; 22cm.
ISBN-13: 9789551772659
\$ 7.00

In complex societies with a quasi-natural division of labour and social inequality, human constructiveness is set by powerful preconfigured forces in a dominant social system in terms of caste, class, gender, religion and ethnicity. In such conditions, it is interesting to study how ethnic minority women, from lower social strata, struggle against these socioeconomic differences. This project is based on research conducted on minority Indian Tamil women in Sri Lanka, and the active role they played in international migration to join the global work force. Using an ethnographic approach, this study illuminates the pragmatic significance regarding how migrant women, as active agents, restructure social structures.

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Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions / Chandrika Jayasinghe
Kandy, Sri Lanka: Tha- Ro Publishers, 2009
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Factors Affecting Divorce Among Kandyans in Sri Lanka / Fr. Jude Dassanayake
Colombo: Godage International Publishers (Pvt) Ltd., 2009

120p. ; 22cm.
ISBN-13: 9789553023049
\$ 15.00

Marriage has been valued highly for centuries. Yet, rate of divorce has been increasing rapidly. It disrupts the smooth running of the society and causes many problems to the spouses, children of the divorced and the society at large. Therefore, in this research, an attempt has been made to find out the factors affecting divorce among the Kandyans in Sri Lanka.

To achieve this aim, a study of divorce under the Kandyan Ordinance in Ibbagamuwa Divisional Secretary's Division from 1995 to 1999 has been done. These findings have been compared with the west. Moreover, this book provides a deep study of the Kandyan Law of Marriage and Divorce and the teachings of Theravada Buddhism on marriage, family life and divorce.

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Forced to Move: Involuntary Displacement and Resettlement – Policy and Practice / Priyanthi Fernando, Karin Fernando & Mansi Kumarasiri (Edited)
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In Sri Lanka people have been forced to move from their homes and familiar surroundings due to a number of reasons. Development projects such as the Mahaweli Project and more recently the Colombo-Matara highway have necessitated the physical and economic displacement of large numbers of people. The decades-long ethnic conflict caused daily movement of people as they fled battle areas. Disasters – both recurring events such as floods and landslides as well as catastrophic events such as the tsunami – have led to people moving to safer areas. Accomodating the diverse needs and lifestyles of the affected people is a highly complex undertaking. Invariably, the resettlement process is emotionally charged and rife with dissatisfaction

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Dead Drunk: Saving Myself From Alcoholism in a Thai Monastery / Paul Garrigan

Ireland, Thailand : Maverick House Publishers, 2010

256p. ; 20cm.

ISBN-13: 9781905379699

\$ 22.50

Pau Garrigan has written an honest (and often darkly humorous) account of the events that led him to travel the world and embark on a series of staggering drinking binges throughout the 1980s and 1990s. His adventures took him from the quiet suburbs of Dublin to begging on the streets of London, getting paid to drink in Oxford and swigging illegal booze in Saudi Arabia, before finally ending up in a remote Thai village where he fully succumbed to his addiction, and was determined to drink himself to death.

Faced with the possibility of liver failure, and the breakdown of yet another relationship, Garrigan was ultimately forced to face his inner demons. While surfing the Internet one night he came across a highly unorthodox detox programme being offered by Buddhist monks, and in a last-ditch attempt at sobriety, he set out on what he was sure would be his strangest and most difficult journey yet.

In his extraordinary and thought-provoking debut book, Garrigan describes the physical and emotional effects of his alcohol abuse. With disarming honesty he documents his journey to Thailand's Thamkrabok temple, where he hoped to escape his addiction and turn his life around – for once and for all. Garrigan's book is a rare first-person account of treatment at Thamkrabok temple.

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Where There Are No Pharmacists: A Guide to Managing Medicines for All Health Workers / Sarah Anderson & Beverley Snell

Penang, Malaysia: Third World Network &

Colombo, Sri Lanka: Health Action International Asia Pacific, 2010

ix. 154p. ; 25cm.

ISBN-13: 9789675412172

\$ 15.00

Where There Are No Pharmacists is about managing medicines. It explains how to order them, store them, prepare them, dispense them and use them safely and effectively.

This book provides advice on all these aspects for people working with medicines as well as information to help communities benefit from the use of medicines.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=120405>

Unpacking the Issue of Counterfeit Medicines / K M Gopakumar & Sangeeta Shashikant

Penang, Malaysia: Third World Network, 2010

68p. ; 24cm.

ISBN-13: 9789675412233

\$ 8.00

This book discusses the background to the issue of 'counterfeit medicines' in the WHO as well as the problems of using the term 'counterfeit' (in connection with intellectual property rights violations) to refer to products with compromised quality, safety and

efficacy issues against a background of anti-counterfeiting initiatives in the context of IP enforcement aggressively being pushed by businesses and governments of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

The book also discusses origins of the IMPACT and analyses issues and concerns about the Taskforce pertaining to legitimacy, transparency, accountability, links to IP enforcement, and the creation of barriers to trade in, affordable generic medicines.

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Soft Skills: The What, The Why, The How / Nik Safiah Nik Ismail

Selangor: Penerbit Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, 2010

371p. ; 23cm.

ISBN-13: 9789679429312

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Soft Skills: The What, The Why & The How is a book about human experiences and encounters with human values and human activities. Some are pleasing, some are not; but either way, they are part of our lives, at home, at work and in the community at large. THE WHAT explains the concept of soft skills at personal and social competence level. Some of which are complex while some are simple that make us wonder how these were missed as part of our lives. THE WHY explains the significance of these values at work and provides evidence to show why soft skills are crucial to, for instance, the health professions. Nursing, being the profession requiring the highest degree of soft skills, has been cited in this book as reflections of what exist in the working world. THE HOW explains a constellation of strategies to prepare students in higher education to have soft skills. A minimum of eight strategies have been highlighted; the combination of which it consciously and consistently implemented, could guarantee the successful development of soft skill in graduates – the employees in waiting.

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Penang : Multiversity and Citizens International, 2008

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Social Accountability in Africa - Practitioners' Experiences and Lessons / Mario Claasen, Carmen Alpin-Lardies

Cape Town, South Africa : IDASA, 2009

232p.; 297 x 210 mm.

ISBN 9781920409203

\$ 82.00

This title is a collection of case studies from Africa on social accountability. This title attempts to build a consolidated body of knowledge on social accountability efforts across the continent. The case studies are diverse and present unique approaches to how social accountability strategies and interventions are implemented within different countries. The title is written by practitioners, for practitioners, providing first-hand experience of designing and implementing social accountability initiatives and the

challenges, methods and successes each one presents. While most research focuses on the role of citizens and civil society organisations in promoting accountability, this title places a greater emphasis on joint state-civil society initiatives. While social accountability initiatives are known mostly only in their own countries, and few African campaigns are documented, this title fills this gap by covering different approaches within a wide array of African countries. To overcome language and cultural barriers that have prevented practitioners in the African sub-regions from learning from each other, this title will be translated into French and disseminated widely in Francophone Africa. The Affiliated Network for Social Accountability in Africa (ANSA-Africa) supports the engagement of citizens and civil society in building more effective states through social accountability approaches.

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A Paradox of Victory - COSATU and the Democratic Transformation in South Africa / Sakhela Buhlungu

Scottsville, South Africa : University of Kwazulu Natal Press, 2010

240p.; 220 x 150 mm.

ISBN 9781869141875

\$ 40.00

The Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU) emerged from the anti-apartheid struggle as the largest and most powerful union federation in South Africa. Its member unions were spectacularly successful in organisation building, and their power and influence was felt in the workplace as well as in broader society. As the countrys political adversaries began negotiating, COSATU became an important power broker weighing in on the side of democracy and full rights for workers. However, since 1994 COSATU has been losing organisational power as hundreds of leaders left for politics and business and thousands of shop-floor activists were promoted out of the unions. The vibrancy of the movement has also been sapped by the effects of class formation and global economic restructuring. In this provocative account of union activism, Sakhela Buhlungu examines the paradox of victory that confronts COSATU today.

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Cultures of South Africa - A celebration (2nd ed) / Peter Joyce

Johannesburg, South Africa : Sunbird Publishers, 2010

140p.; 210 x 150 mm.

ISBN 9781920289270

\$ 30.00

The features and faces of South Africa's indigenous cultures are as varied as the continent's many textures and colours. In Cultures of South Africa: A Celebration author Peter Joyce and photographer Roger de la Harpe celebrate this extraordinary diversity – of tradition, custom, history and geography of the land. This volume explores the paths that South Africans have walked over the centuries and contextualises the richness of the people and places within the cultural landscape that is the legacy of South Africa.

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South African National HIV Prevalence, Incidence, Behaviour and Communication

Survey, 2008: The Health of our Children / Olive Shisana – Principal Investigator,

Thomas Rehle - Principal Investigator, Leickness Simbayi - Co-Principal Investigator

Cape Town, South Africa : HSRC Press, 2010

104p.; 210 x 280 mm.

ISBN 9780796923257
\$ 26.75

Understanding the general health status of children aged 18 years and below in relation to the HIV epidemic is paramount in South Africa - a country that has both the highest number of adults and children living with HIV/AIDS in the world.

In this cardinal report, research findings from a population-based household survey are presented on the general health status of infants, children, and adolescents in South Africa including morbidity, utilisation of health facilities, immunisation coverage, HIV status and associated risk factors. This compelling study also investigates the exposure of children and adolescents to HIV communication programmes and presents essential data on male circumcision as well as the acceptability of the practice.

This report will play a vital role in assisting policy makers and stakeholders in targeting and prioritising key issues in planning and programming efforts focusing on the broad health issues of South African children. It will also be invaluable to health professionals, the media, researchers and academics.

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Pappa in Afrika / Anton Kannemeyer
Johannesburg, South Africa : Jacana Media, 2010
96p.; 280 x 215 mm.
ISBN 9781770098718
\$ 46.75

Anton Kannemeyer, aka Joe Dog of Bitterkomix fame, unflinchingly explores the vigorous debates around race that enliven and shadow daily life in South Africa. Pappa in Afrika brings together recent drawings, paintings and comics that tackle colonialism and its ongoing legacy head-on, adopting Hergé's Tintin as the archetypal figure of the white settler. Praised in the New York Times for its "semiotic sophistication, graphic ingenuity and X-ray political vision", Kannemeyer's work is as relentless in its critique of the hypocrisy and racist attitudes of white society as it is of the greed and corruption of Africa's new political elite.

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