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The Wa of Myanmar and China's Quest for Global Dominance / Bertil Lintner
Silkworm Books, Chiang Mai, Thailand 2021

viii, 272p. ; 14x21cm. ; Black & White illustrations
Includes Index ; Bibliography

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\$ 28.00 / null

400 gm.

The United Wa State Army (UWSA) is a nonstate armed group that administers an autonomous zone in the difficult-to-reach Wa Hills of eastern Myanmar. As China expands its geopolitical interests across Asia through the Belt and Road Initiative, the Wa have come to play a pivotal role in Beijing's efforts to extend its influence in Myanmar. In a book relevant to current debates about geopolitics in Asia, the illicit drug trade, Myanmar's decades-long civil wars, and ongoing efforts to negotiate a settlement, Bertil Lintner, the only foreign journalist to visit the Wa areas when they were controlled by the Communist Party of Burma, traces the history of the Wa Hills and the struggles of its people, providing a rare look at the UWSA.

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A secret Australia : revealed by the WikiLeaks exposés / edited by Felicity Ruby and Peter Cronau ; [foreword by Phillip Adams]

Monash University Press, Australia 2020

xxiii, 255 pages ; 24 cm

9781925835939

\$ 29.99 / null

365 gm.

In A Secret Australia, eighteen prominent Australians discuss what Australia has learnt about itself from the WikiLeaks revelations -- revelations about a secret Australia of hidden rules and loyalty to hidden agendas. However Australians may perceive their nation's place in the world -- as battling sports stars, dependable ally or good international citizen -- WikiLeaks has shown us a startlingly different story. This is an Australia that officials do not want us to see, where the Australian Defence Force's 'information operations' are deployed to maintain public support for our foreign war contributions, where media-wide super injunctions are issued by the government to keep politicians' and major corporations' corruption scandals secret, where the US Embassy prepares profiles of Australian politicians to fine-tune its lobbying and ensure support for the 'right' policies. The revelations flowing from the releases of millions of secret and confidential official documents by WikiLeaks have helped Australians to better understand why the world is not at peace, why corruption continues to flourish, and why democracy is faltering. This greatest ever leaking of hidden government documents in world history yields knowledge that is essential if Australia, and the rest of the world, is to grapple with the consequences of covert, unaccountable and unfettered power.

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Coming of age in the war on terror / Randa Abdel-Fattah

NewSouth Publishing, Sydney NSW 2021

341 pages ; 24 cm

9781742236865

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470 gm.

Randa Abdel-Fattah's compelling work reminds us that the way the global War on Terror has been prosecuted lands like blows across the backs of Muslim communities - it is in the everyday, the mundane, but also in the structures of state. The book should be praised for its depth and breadth of insights into Australia, as we see contemporary Islamophobia in the shade of the War on Terror revealed.' - Dr Asim Qureshi, Research Director, CAGE (UK) and author of A Virtue of Disobedience 'This book is a dissection of the production of Australia's Islamophobic culture in the wake of 9/11. It examines it as a disciplining technique deployed by government, operating in the schools and throughout society, and it examines it as it is lived by the youth subjected to it.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=750215>

The desire for change, 2004-2007 / edited by Tom Frame

NewSouth Publishing, Sydney NSW 2021

xxvi, 478 pages : black and white illustrations ; 24 cm

9781742235837

\$ 39.99 / null

620 gm.

The Liberal-National Party Coalition was elected to office on 2 March 1996 and continued in power until 3 December 2007 making John Howard the second-longest serving Australian Prime Minister. This book is the final in a four-volume series examining the four Howard Governments. Contributors to each of these volumes are asked to focus critically on the Coalition's policies and performance to reveal the Howard Government's shortcomings and failures. The aim of each of these volumes is to be analytical rather than celebratory (although giving praise where due), to create an atmosphere of open and balanced inquiry, including among those who contributed to the history being examined while making the most of the passage of time - that is, writing with the benefit of hindsight. The fourth volume covers the period October 2004 to November 2007 and examines the Opposition leadership of Mark Latham, the Coalition's gaining control of the Senate, changes to the social welfare policy and provision, the advent of WorkChoices, the progress of Indigenous Reconciliation and the Northern Territory intervention, succession tensions between John Howard and Peter Costello, the 'Kevin 07' campaign, the election that saw the Coalition lose office and the Prime Minister his seat in parliament, and the longer-term legacies of the Howard years.

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Islam and Muslims in Australia : settlement, integration, shariah, education and terrorism / Jan A Ali

Melbourne University Press, Australia 2020

1 volume ; 23 cm

9780522877076

\$ 44.99 / null

340 gm.

An exploration of Islam in Australia that examines the diverse ways Muslims engage with religion locally. Islam has long been a part of the multicultural landscape of major urban centres in Australia and encompasses a great diversity of theological, jurisprudential and cultural practices. Despite this, in popular discourse, media presentations, and political debates Muslims are represented as a homogeneous group. This timely book examines the growing presence of Islam and Muslims in Australia and how it is transforming, and transformed by, social, cultural and religious spaces. Employing critical analysis and macrosociology, Islam and Muslims in Australia provides valuable insights into this growth and development and illuminates how socio-cultural, economic, and political processes maintain and manage the ways Australian Muslims build their religious lives and identities and engage in the wider world, while facing the inevitable effects of modernity. This book argues that Islam in different parts of the world as well as in Australia is more than just a religion, a cultural system or a social structure, but is a complex composite of diverse institutional processes and functions, social routines and norms, and sacred rituals and practices responsible for shaping the lives of Muslims. This volume focuses on five broad areas of sociological analysis namely Muslim settlement, Muslim integration, shari'ah, Muslim education, and global terrorism.

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Renewal : five paths to a fairer Australia / Sophie Cousins

Text Publishing Company, Australia 2021

184 pages ; 24 cm

9781922330901

\$ 29.99 / null

260 gm.

The COVID-19 pandemic has with great speed fundamentally altered the world in which we live. The changes it has wrought are of a type and on a scale unseen by most people alive. We are realising the truths we understood as immutable, the basis of our social order, are not rigid and inevitable, but constructions of our own making -- and thus able to be reshaped. Whichever path takes us out of this crisis will lead to a new and unrecognisable world. In the face of disaster and devastation, we are also afforded a great privilege: the chance to reconsider the principles and values that underpin our society, and rebuild accordingly. What would the ideal Australia look like -- a fair and equal, green and healthy, secure and smarter Australia? And what would it take to get there? Identifying five major areas for discussion -- government and politics, health and education, welfare, Indigenous affairs, and industry and climate change -- award-winning journalist Sophie Cousins talks to some of Australia's brightest thinkers about the possibilities for renewal and the best way forward.

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Australia and Papua New Guinea : the transition to self-government 1970-1972 / Bruce Hunt and Stephen Henningham (editors)

UNSW Press 2020

liv, 932 pages ; 24 cm.

9781742237176

\$ 89.99 / HB

1960 gm.

This title, commissioned by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in the Documents on Australian Foreign Policy series, is the second of three volumes on Australia's relationship with Papua New Guinea on its transition to self-government

DFAT Documents on Australian Foreign Policy, Australia and Papua New Guinea, 1970 - 1972 is the second of three volumes on on Papua New Guinea and its transition to self-government. This era saw monumental change in the relationship between Australia and Papua New Guinea as PNG went from a territory firmly controlled by Canberra to self-government in 1975.

Documents outline the role of Australian Prime Minister John Gorton who quickened the pace of change following a visit to PNG by Gough Whitlam at the start of 1970, and the Australian ministers and officials who worked constructively with their PNG counterparts, including Andrew Peacock, at territories minister from early 1972.

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African Politics of Survival : Extraversion and Informality in the Contemporary World / Mitsugi Endo, Ato Kwamena Onoma and Michael Neocosmos

Langaa RPCIG, Bamenda, Cameroon 2021

xvi, 294p.

Includes Index

9789956551682

\$ 40.00 / null

500 gm.

This volume addresses two primary research concerns: first, considering extraversion (or extroversion) as a term for characterizing a region that is "mobilizing resources from their (possibly unequal) relationship with the external environment", a dynamic that constitutes a possible African potential; and, second, a survey of competing systems and strategies with a focus on relationships between formal and informal institutions in terms of their collaborations and conflicts. In addition, this volume contains three chapters examining very recent African responses to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic from a variety of perspectives. The final part of this volume contains an important contribution to the conceptualization of 'African Potentials'. This has proven to be a significant conceptual innovation, that allows intellectual access to alternative ways of thinking about latent ideas of universality.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755125>

Corruption Redefined : "To Every Narrative There is a Hidden Perception" / Adrian Chansa (Ed)

Adrian Chansa, Zambia 2020

88p.

9789982181631

\$ 15.00 / null

220 gm.

The fight against Corruption has been ever-increasing challenge for most African countries and the world at large. Regardless how effective most governments prove themselves capable in pinning down corruption, the practice always seems to be greater than fundamentally expected.

Governments around the world have established strategies, initiatives and institutions to help fight corruption, but with every first they exert, the practice always seems to have a way of dodging. Mostly, government, commissions and anti-corruption agencies spend so much on the fight against bribery and call it a fight against corruption. Combating corruption will remain a game of trial and error until a breakthrough into what corruption really means, is attained.

In this book Corruption Redefined, Adrian Chansa gives us an insight into what corruption is really is, by exposing its bitter roots; he shows us the real cause of corruption beyond the ones known. The truth shared in this book is eye opening; showing us that power, money, authority etc., does not corrupt anyone, but they only expose one state of the heart. Get ready to discover the real source of corruption and how we can easily combat it.

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Governing an Indian state : Karnataka in focus / A Ravindra

Associated Publishing Company, A division of Astral International Pvt.Ltd., New Delhi 2019

xii; 179p; 24cm

Includes Bibliography.

9789388982184

\$ 20.00 / HB

600 gm.

'Government', it is said is a roughly heavy bulk of machinery that we must get to work as best we can... It goes by rude force and the weight of needs, greedy interests and stubborn prejudices.

In his "Governing an Indian state" Dr. Ravindra, a senior and seasoned bureaucrat brings his vast experience and wisdom to bear upon some of the areas of "greedy interests and stubborn prejudices" and examines the fading relevance of the traditional bureaucracy to the ever expanding demands of a feudal order grimly struggling to be reborn into a modern egalitarian society.

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Vajpayee The Years that changed India / Shakti Sinha

Vintage, an Imprint of Penguin Random House, Gurgaon, Haryana 2020

hp; 357p; 23cm; Acknowledgement, List of sources, Bibliography

9780670093441

\$ 15.00 / HB

600 gm.

Former prime minister of India and member of the Bharatiya Janata Party, Atal Bihari Vajpayee was an understated and a singular politician of the kind rarely seen in contemporary times. His patriotism was uncompromising, forged out of the paradoxes of his life: The sensitive poet who summoned nerves of steel to conduct the Pokhran-II nuclear tests; the man from humble beginnings who envisioned a project as Titanic as the Golden Quadrilateral highway network. Devoid of any political pedigree or patronage, he harnessed his diplomatic acumen to transform India's relations with the United States, which had long been mired in misunderstandings rooted in the Cold War. His calculated decisions led to key strategic and economic policy achievements. In this book, Shakti Sinha, a close associate of Vajpayee, helps us understand Vajpayee as a decision-maker. The narrative focuses on the political challenges Vajpayee faced, and on his key initiatives in the strategic and economic fields during his first term as prime minister, which have had a lasting impact. Vajpayee fleshes out not only Vajpayee's political philosophy but also provides an insider's account of how the former PM thought and worked.

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Pedagogy of Dissent / Ramin Jahanbegloo

Orient Blackswan Private Limited, Hyderabad, Telangan, India 2021

pb.; 98p.; 19cm;

Includes Bibliography

9788194925859

\$ 10.00 / null

200 gm.

Dissent is a mode of articulating difference and questioning social reality, injustice and inequity. Dissent is therefore never given to us, but is struggled for and achieved through a critical engagement with society and the world. A dissident is one who has the will and the ability to challenge and subvert existing normative social, political and cultural norms in a society by reproducing his or her own intellectual, aesthetic and ethical values.

A pedagogy of dissent is thus concerned with the process by which citizens become educated as agents of change, and also develop a heightened conscience, courage and humanitas—as against mass apathy, selfishness and fear. The struggle to create a more just society and world is simultaneously the struggle for a transformed and empowered humanity in control of its own destiny.

Renowned philosopher Ramin Jahanbegloo, through a study of the lives and works of key historic figures who spoke the truth to power and who, by their courage and integrity, moral and intellectual, strove for fundamental human rights and liberties, shows how their pedagogy of dissent enables us to review the ethical and the political as two sides of the same coin. These iconoclasts—including Socrates, Malcolm X, Gandhi, Paulo Freire, Gustavo Gutiérrez and B. R. Ambedkar—remain an inspiration for all those who believe that the power of dissent is vital for the permanence of democracy. Their legacy has never been more resonant and relevant as today, when the civic space and freedom to question the tyranny of power is globally under threat.

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Diginaka : Subaltern Politics and Digital Media in Post-Capitalist India / Anjali Monterio, K.P. Jauasankar, Amit S. Rai (Editors)

Orient Blackswan Private Limited, Hyderabad, Telangana, India 2020

pb.; xv; 276p.; 22cm

Includes Index

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\$ 18.00 / null

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Differential and changing access to the Internet in India has led to an explosion of user-created content across various platforms and media. This turn to the digital also has political and economic consequences, as seen in the imposition of AADHAAR and demonetisation. While the digital divide intensifies social hierarchies of caste, class and gender, it can also become part of post-capitalist ecologies, traversing the formal and informal sectors, even as the digital becomes central to social and political practices in different marginalised communities.

Diginaka: Subaltern Politics and Digital Media in Post-Capitalist India explores this complex space of the digital from multiple perspectives and locations.

This book explores various aspects of the digital in India, from documentaries, digital video activism in Mumbai, free WiFi and digital populism, to more intimate representations of the digital through circuits of affect, care and motherhood. The chapters focus on crucial areas of study such as the city, documentary and cinematic texts, gender and sexuality, labour, censorship and digital archives.

Ultimately, the volume seeks to diagram various entry points into post-capitalist media ecologies as channels connecting the local and the digital in India.

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Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam : Relevance of India's Ancient Thinking to Contemporary Strategic Reality / Arvind Gupta, Arpita Mitra (Editors)

Aryan Books International, In association with Vivekananda International Foundation, New Delhi 2020

hb.; xiii; 274p.; 22cm

Includes Index

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\$ 20.00 / HB

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Vivekananda International Foundation (VIF) organized a two-day national seminar on Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam: Relevance of India's Ancient Thinking to Contemporary Strategic Reality in collaboration with the Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR) and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR). The proceedings of the seminar are being presented in the form of this edited volume, which contains contributions from eminent scholars, diplomats and strategic thinkers on different aspects of India's civilizational contribution and their relevance in international politics, diplomacy and projection of India's soft power. It will be of interest to readers in philosophy, history, political thought, international relations, diplomacy and India's strategic culture.

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Rethinking Social Justice / S. Anandhi, Karthick Ram Manoharan, M. Vijayabaskar and A. Kalaiyarasan

Orient Blackswan Pvt Ltd., Hyderabad 2020

PB;xxviii,334p.;21cm.

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520 gm.

The discourse of social justice has been much contested in India ever since the time of the Mandal Commission report. Nearly four decades on, debates on culture and identity remain strong. Rather than studying the concept of social justice in isolation, in distinct social, political or economic terms, Rethinking Social Justice offers a more transdisciplinary approach to envisioning a just society that encompasses the intersecting issues of caste, capital, nationalism, gender, region, urban planning and visual representation.

Divided into five broad thematic sections—Politics of Culture and Identity; Critical Social History; Nation and the Region; Political Economy; and Cinema and Society—this volume brings together perspectives from across disciplines to rethink the question of social justice, in the process opening up a view of the panorama of Indian politics.

This collection is an homage to M. S. S. Pandian who, through his writings on political economy, Dravidian politics, film studies, and social and intellectual history, interrogated questions of caste, identity and cultural elitism in his broader quest for social justice.

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Powershift : India–China Relations in a Multipolar World / Zorawar Daulet Singh

Pan Macmillan Publishing India Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi 2020

hb;xi,335p.;22cm.

Includes Index

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\$ 16.50 / HB

500 gm.

As India and China stand at a crossroads, Powershift goes a long way to explain how we got here and where we might go' SHIVSHANKER MENON, former National Security Advisor 'An insightful and timely re-examination of the increasingly volatile relationship between India and China' AMITAV GHOSH, author of the Ibis Trilogy 'Powershift should be on the shelves of every China-watcher in India and should be read carefully' VIKRAM SOOD, former Chief of R&AW Just like seven decades ago when the dramatic re-emergence of India and China from their traumatic encounter with colonialism followed by a war between them in 1962 transformed this region's geopolitical landscape, the equation of the two countries is once again poised to influence the future course of Asia. Wider interests demand that both countries craft a tenuous coexistence and stabilize a fragmenting world order. There are also circumstances that are bringing new frictions and differences to the fore as India and China pursue their regional interests and attempt to settle old scores. Although both leaderships have chosen to delicately manage this see-saw, recurring border crises have repeatedly questioned whether Delhi and Beijing can maintain such a balancing act for much longer. The emerging multipolar world has brought the relationship at a crossroad where today's choices will set in course events that will profoundly impact India's economy, security and the regional order. It is, therefore, critical that India's leaders get our China policy right. Powershift helps us make sense of a complex relationship and how India and China are learning to cope with each other's rise on the world stage. Whether it is intricacies of the border dispute and the complicated history of their Himalayan frontier, the flux in US-China relations, the geopolitics of Greater Eurasia and the Indo-Pacific, China's belt and road initiative and growing connectivity footprint in the region, BRICS and a changing world order, or the conundrum of formulating a far-sighted China policy, the book casts a wide net in unpacking India-China relations. Powershift provides much-needed context for Indians to start thinking more strategically and realistically about their largest neighbour.

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India and the World: Through the Eyes of Indian Diplomats / Surendra Kumar
Wisdom Tree , New Delhi 2015 (Reprinted 2020

pb;xxiii,459p.;22cm.
Includes Bibliography, Index

9788183283847

\$ 12.50 / null

680 gm.

If there is anything constant in the world, it is change, especially in today's globalised world. Thirty mandarins of the South Block look at the current changes in different parts of the world, try to connect them with developments of the recent past, analyse and dissect them with experience and understanding spanning decades and strive to foresee what's likely to happen and weigh how that could impact India's relations with the rest of the world. This book is a unique treasure of thoughts and ideas of Indian diplomats who have collectively put in more than 1150 years in Indian Foreign Service, representing three generations: those who joined in 1950s, in the 1960s and the 1970s. While some have shared reflections and reminiscences of their roller coaster journey of diplomatic career, others have focused on India's relations with different countries and regions. A few have set out on a rather philosophical mode wondering whether it's hard power or the soft power or the soul power that serves national interests best and whether the days of quiet diplomacy are numbered. All in all, it's a heady cocktail of reflections and reminiscences, hardnosed analysis and dispassionate interpretation and, of course, some crystal ball gazing. This distinctive study of international relations and contemporary history offers thought-provoking ideas and will not just benefit practitioners and informed students of foreign affairs but the general readers as well.

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In A Gentle Way We Can Shake The World : Mahatma Gandhi and Today's Global Challenges / Bhavya Arya (Ed)

Wisdom tree, New Delhi 2020

hb;xii,100p.;20cm.

9788183285544

\$ 7.50 / HB

300 gm.

Is the legacy of the great Mahatma Gandhi as timeless as it is made out to be? Does his soul force revolution have any relevance in this era of technological revolution and artificial intelligence? Are his ideas really actionable or mere symbolism? Who could have answered these questions better than the generation who is going to lead the world into the future! This thought-provoking collection of writings—sensitive and sharp, evocative and endearing—written by school students from India was selected through a rigorous process and is accompanied with similarly selected pithy illustrations. A valuable insight into how the young generation perceives contemporary global challenges, like climate change and terrorism, and importantly, the Gandhian thoughts of truth and nonviolence, this book is a glowing tribute to the Mahatma on his 150th anniversary. Bhavya Arya is an avid observer of human behaviour and likes to connect the dots between individual patterns and social moorings. She has co-written a position paper on "How Inculcating Kindness among the Youth is a Step Towards Implementation of SDGs" with Dr Nandini Chatterjee Singh of UNESCO India and has done independent research with 500 middle school students on the effects of positive psychology. An awarded top-ranking school student, she lives in Gurgaon with the goings-on in her mind and makes all effort to also accommodate her parents and younger brother.

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Undercover : My Journey into the Darkness of Hindutva / Ashish Khetan

Westland Publication Pvt Ltd, Chennai 2021

pb;xxi;309p.;22cm.

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400 gm.

'I had to submit my work to the ultimate test to which a piece of journalism can be subjected—a forensic scrutiny, criminal investigations and finally a rigorous judicial cross-examination in three separate trials by a battery of aggressive defence lawyers who scrutinised, examined and doubted every word I had written and every fact I narrated.' Ashish Khetan went undercover in Gujarat thrice in four years. He penetrated deep into the world of Hindutva and uncovered a hate-filled universe, where stories of rape and murder are exchanged over a cup of tea. Each time, he returned with reports that shook the country to its core. Equipped with cameras small enough to be clipped to a button on his shirt, Khetan secretly filmed men close to the corridors of power, or indeed in them, admitting to mind-numbing venality during the Gujarat riots of 2002. The men he filmed said the riots could not have happened without the implicit, sometimes explicit, support of the state government. His investigations led to the conviction of Babu Bajrangi, his close aides and Maya Kodnani, and in the Best Bakery case, he proved that the defence had bribed Zahira Sheikh to turn hostile. One of India's leading investigative journalists, Khetan has broken some of the biggest stories of the last twenty years, but the time he spent in Gujarat, especially a gruelling six-month spell in 2007, left gaping emotional wounds. As he recounts the course of the three investigations, and the long, frustrating legal processes that followed, Khetan fills in the gaps in the Gujarat-model narrative. He also reminds us that this is not the story of something that happened nearly two decades ago—it is a portrait of the present and future of India. The Gujarat playbook is now the India playbook.

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The Great Unravelling : India after 2014 / Sanjay Jha

Westland Publication Pvt.ltd, Chennai 2020

hb;277p.;22cm.

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\$ 15.00 / HB

520 gm.

For the first time, I was not so sure that the survival of an idea could be taken for granted. But I was sure of one thing: the battle to salvage it, whether in whole or in part, had to be fought.' Since May 2014, under a resurgent Bharatiya Janata Party, it appears that the Nehruvian—read liberal, secular, scientific—Idea of India has come utterly undone. Institutions of governance that had weathered great turbulence in the past seem to be disintegrating. The economy, once the celebrated 'India story', is in a shambles due to self-inflicted blows. Large sections of the media genuflect in cringe-worthy surrender to the ruling dispensation. Two hundred million Indians are being repeatedly reminded about their irrelevance in the new political narrative. Meanwhile, the grand old party of India flounders on unfamiliar territory—trapped in its past and unsure about its future. Sanjay Jha, long-time Congress spokesperson, now suspended from the party for his outspokenness against it, takes a long, hard look at what all of this means for the future of India. What are the reasons for the Congress's acute lack of oppositional ability? Is a resurrection of this seemingly somnolent giant even possible? What would it entail? Can the party look beyond the easy fallback of the Gandhi-family charisma and embrace transformational change? Can it sell its vision—of inclusive growth and social justice—to a nation that seems mesmerised by hate? Even as he asks tough questions of the government and his party, Jha has not lost faith in Mahatma Gandhi's India. He writes of renewal, of hope. And the Congress, he firmly believes, is central to that revival of India.

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Our Hindu Rashtra : What It Is. How We Got Here / Aakar Patel

Westland Publication Pvt. Ltd, Chennai 2020

hb;viii,356p.;22cm.

Includes Index

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\$ 20.00 / HB

570 gm.

India has taken so sharp a turn in recent years that the very centre has shifted considerably. What led to this swing? Is it possible to trace the path to this point? Is there a way back to the just, secular, inclusive vision of our Constitution-makers? This country has long been an outlier in its South Asian neighbourhood, with its inclusive Constitution and functioning democracy. The growth of Hindutva, in some sense, brings India in line with the other polities here. In *Our Hindu Rashtra*, writer and activist Aakar Patel peels back layer after layer of cause and effect through independent India's history to understand how Hindutva came to gain such a hold on the country. He examines what it means for India that its laws and judiciary have been permeated by prejudice and bigotry, what the breach of fundamental rights portends in these circumstances, and what the all-round institutional collapse signifies for the future of Indians. Most importantly, Patel asks and answers that most important of questions: what possibilities exist for a return? Thought-provoking and pulling no punches, this book is an essential read for anyone who wishes to understand the nature of politics in India and, indeed, South Asia.

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New Age Hunger Games: Warring Farmers and the Violence of Sustenance / Sujata Dutta Hazarika

Synergy Books India, New Delhi 2020

hb;xxv,152p.;22cm

Includes Biographical Sketch

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500 gm.

The Book tries to unfold the crisis of food system management by systematic analysis of areas that impact hunger health equity and environment. In trying to unfold the nuances it engages with four fundamental areas the challenge posed by the developing south to the claims of low carbon footprint of sustainable agricultural techniques popularized by the western disciplinary premises of Agro-ecology, as they reaffirm the foundation of Agro-ecology as embedded in their age old heritage of traditional wisdom.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=751073>

Reflections on Politics Governance and Gender in Kashmir / Aaliya Ahmad
Synergy Books India, New Delhi 2020
hb;viii,152p.;22cm.
9788194466888
\$ 22.50 / HB
420 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=751074>

Himalayan Challenge : India, china and the quest for Peace / Subramanian Swamy

Rupa Publications India Pvt.ltd, New Delhi 2021

hb;xv,240p.;22cm.

Includes Index

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\$ 15.00 / HB

480 gm.

Himalayan Challenge In September 1978, at the invitation of the prestigious Chinese peoples Institute of foreign affairs, Subramanian Swamy, then a Lok Sabha member of Parliament of the ruling Janata party and an elected member of the Partys National executive, travelled to China as an envoy of the then prime Minister, Morarji Desai, where he met senior leader Ji pengfei. This led to the first contact, since 1962, between the ruling parties of both countries. Later, in April 1981, Swamy, the then deputy leader of the opposition, was invited to meet Chinas Supreme leader, Chairman Deng Xiaoping. In this historic 100-minute meeting, Swamy successfully

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=751077>

Balochistan : Bruised, Battered and Bloodied / Francesca Marino

Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt.ltd., New Delhi 2020

pb;xiii,238p.;22cm.

9789389867633

\$ 12.50 / null

380 gm.

A time will come when children can play in the streets without the fear of being abducted, women in their homes can be sure that their husbands and sons will return, and young women will no longer feel afraid to go to their university or workplace. I hope that dawn will break one day on a free and peaceful land.

Balochistan is an account of the trials and tragedies suffered by this region, which has been forcefully annexed to Pakistan against the will of its people. The area is of fundamental strategic and geopolitical importance not only to Islamabad and to the Chinese CPEC project, but also to the numerous players that act as avatars of the powers in the long-running 'Great Game'. What is woefully ignored is that the lives of the locals are under stake. The Baloch people have long been trying to draw international attention to what is happening to them and their homeland. However, the world has turned a blind eye to the ethnic and cultural genocide carried out so far.

Starting from the history of Balochistan and the wrongs done to its people, along with detailed interviews with the lead actors in this struggle, acclaimed journalist Francesca Marino attempts to lend a voice to the Baloch people and speak for themselves about one of the most reprehensible and inexplicable silences of our times.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=754720>

Populism and Its Limits: After Articulation / Prasanta Chakravarty

Bloomsbury Publishing India Pvt.ltd., New Delhi 2020

hb;x,285p.;22cm

Includes Index

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Populism and Its Limits is a response to the evaluative and celebratory approaches to populism in social sciences and humanities. It seeks to study the phenomenon of populism, thoroughly consider its limits and, if possible, proposes ways out to other kinds of commitment in life, living and politics. It aims to formulate responses that take on the spurious and non-dialectical dissociation between thought and action, intellect and emotion, the people and the elite.

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Political and Social Transformations in North India and Nepal (Volume 2) / Hiroshi Ishii, David N.Gellner, Katsuo Nawa(Eds.)

Manohar Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi. 2020

pb; xvi, 520p.; 22cm

Includes Personal name Index, Subject Index

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"Northern South Asia – including Northern India, Nepal, Pakistan, Bhutan and Bangladesh – encompasses huge ethnic, cultural, and socio-political diversity and has experienced far-reaching social change in recent times.

This volume analyses the dynamics of social categories, group identities, and social and political movements in the region.

Part 1 examines political and social processes, focusing on the different ways in which the rise of previously subordinate castes has changed the practical and normative bases of local life. In Part 2 four contrasting chapters bring new perspectives, insights, and materials to bear on communal conflict and the rise of Hindu nationalism in India and on religious and ritual change in Nepal. Part 3 deals with various forms of activism including Bengalis in Delhi, movements of bonded agricultural labourers, ethnic groups, anti-dam movements, and the social basis of Maoism in Nepal. Part 4 consists of an `Afterword` by Jonathan Parry analysing the changing significance of caste in the region.

This is second of the two volumes jointly entitled Social Dynamics in Northern South Asia. They bring together scholars from Japan, Nepal, India, Europe, and America in order to deepen our understanding of social change in the region, on the basis of fresh fieldwork reports and new analyses.

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Understanding Governance in South Asia / Adluri subramanyam Raju (Ed.)

Manohar Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi. 2020

hb; 304p.; 23cm

Includes Index

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This book discusses in detail the central theme of understanding Governance in South Asia.

Governance in South Asia is something that needs to be reformed to ensure that poverty can be reduced if not completely removed. Due to poor governance and the various means by which governance has fallen short has led to lack of development and continuance of poverty in South Asian societies.

The application of the concept of good governance in South Asia poses a challenge at the implementation level, mainly due to ethnocentricity, regional disparities, division between poor and rich, rural and urban division among the people. Concepts such as decentralization, citizen engagement, lean public service, privatization, autonomy, public-private partnership may work well in developed countries but may not produce the same results in the region where the majority of poor people expect their government to fulfil their basic needs.

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Religion and Politics in Sri Lanka / Urmila Phadnis
Manohar Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xi, 376p.; 23cm
Includes Bibliography, Index

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"This study attempts to analyse the interaction between the religious and political systems in Sri Lanka over the past 2,500 years since Buddhism was introduced in the island. It traces the evolution of the Sinhalese Buddhist system and its relationship with the sources of political power from the early era of Kandyan kingdoms through the colonial rule of the Dutch, the Portuguese and the British, right up to the contemporary period.

Against this background, the author appraises the structure and functions of the Sangha in order to identify the continuities and discontinuities in the religious system and assesses the impact of the dominant social, economic and political factors on it in different periods of history. She also examines the role of the professional elites in electoral politics and their influence on the religious policies of various political parties since the country achieved independence in 1948.

Based on Sinhalese and English sources and on extensive interviews with both the Bhikkus and the lay leaders in Sri Lanka, the work is the first in-depth probe into the role of Bhikkus as pressure groups in the formulation and implementation of cultural, economic, political and foreign policies. Finally, the study evaluates the changes in the religious system itself because of its involvement in secular affairs. It also spells out the challenges confronting the monastic order in modern Sri Lanka and its varied responses in the context of similar dilemmas facing the professional religious elites in the 'third-world' countries."

"Born in 1931, Urmila Phadnis got her Ph.D. from Benares Hindu University in 1961. She joined the Indian Council of World Affairs in 1956 and later the Indian School of International Studies in 1960. After Jawaharlal Nehru University was set up the ISIS became part of the University. She retired as Professor from Jawaharlal Nehru University. Besides this book and a large number of articles in academic journals she also published *Towards the Integration of Indian States 1919-1947*."

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=754729>

Emergence of Political Awakening in Kashmir : A Study in Political Cum Socio Economic Background to 1931 Upsurge / Upinder K. Zutshi

Manohar Publishers and Distributors, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xix, 252p.; 23cm
Includes Select Bibliography, Index

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In 1931, Kashmir witnessed the dawn of a political awakening in the form of a popular upsurge against the ruler, which was unprecedented both in magnitude and the far-reaching consequences that it had for the whole state. This work is an in-depth study of the character and *raison d'etre* of the upsurge and its consequences and makes an attempt to provide a well-decorated and systematic analysis of the issues involved. The author shows how various political forces that had been in operation in this region for a long time appeared in conjunction in the fateful year resulting in the upsurge.

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Simultaneous Identities : Language, Education and the Nepali Nation / Uma Pradhan

Cambridge University Press, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xviii, 271p.; ill.; 24cm
Includes Bibliography, Index

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The recent socio-political changes in Nepal have brought assimilationist notions of Nepali nationalism under a tight scrutiny and drawn attention to more plural, inclusive, and diverse notions of Nepaliness. However, both assimilationist and pluralist visions continue to remain normative in their approach, and often posit ethnic and national identity in opposition to each other. Drawing on the everyday practices in the two schools, this book illustrates that social actors in minority language education did not necessarily select between minority identity and national identity, but instead made simultaneous claims to more than one social identity by discursively positioning 'ethnic identity' as 'national identity'. It builds on the notion of 'simultaneity' to illustrate that it is through the 'unresolved co-presences' of apparently contradictory ways that people maintain their multi-layered identities. By arguing for an analytical necessity to adopt relational approach, it aims to complicate the neat compartmentalisation of identities.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=750650>

China, The Rising Aerospace Power : Implications for India / Anil Chopra, RKS Bhadauria (Foreword)

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xxxii, 283p.; 24cm

Includes Index.

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Among the many defining developments of the 21st Century is the Rise of China in every sphere of economic and military power. The world is going through a period of strategic uncertainty as China seeks to dislodge the United States as the leading power in Indo-Pacific region. While USA wants a "uni-polar world, but a bi-polar Asia", China is clearly working towards a "bi-polar world and uni-polar Asia". In its quest for what it thinks is its rightful place, China believes that the one who controls aerospace, controls the planet. China has been investing heavily in "aerospace" technologies and capabilities, which has been part of its so-called "peaceful rise" strategy. China has had major boundary disputes with a large number of its neighbours, including India. It has often tried to use muscle-flexing approach to resolve them. Chinese rising military power thus has implications for India.

This book, China The Rising Aerospace Power - Implications for India is aimed at comprehensive evaluation of how the Chinese aerospace technologies, industrial capability, the People's Liberation Army Air Force (PLAAF) and various other elements of air and space are getting into place. In the very dynamic, and continuously evolving scenario, the book is meant to be a one stop place to understand the current status and unfolding future of Chinese aerospace power.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=750838>

Kashmir : Beyond Article 370 / Bashir Assad

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xvi, 177p.; 23cm

Includes Index

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Provocative, insightful and passionately argued, *Kashmir: Beyond Article 370* brings a unique perspective to an increasingly polarized debate on the dilution of Article 370 and 35A of the Indian Constitution and subsequent bifurcation of the erstwhile state of Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories. On one hand, the book raises some interesting but out of sight issues that moulded public opinion in favour of the scrapping of the special status of Jammu and Kashmir. On the other hand, it accurately highlights the anti-India provocations leading to the unprecedented August 5 decision by the Indian Parliament. The book reveals how the government of India was prompted to do away with the special status of Jammu and Kashmir and how the people in Kashmir responded to the situation that emerged in the wake of the Indian Parliament's August 5 decision. The book provides a fascinating account of the events that actually added to the ideological commitment of the BJP government in revoking the special status of Jammu and Kashmir.

It gives a detailed account of the challenges the Indian state faces in Kashmir post-Article 370 abrogation and explores what could be a possible way out. The book suggests that revulsion against religious extremism is pivotal in dealing with terrorism in all its manifestations.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=750839>

To the Edge and Back 1962 India-China War / Rohit Agarwal

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xviii, 190p.; 24cm

Includes Bibliography, Index

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The saga of 1962 is one of failure at multiple levels. Starting from the failure of the Prime Minister and the government to formulate a coherent national security policy, to the failure of the diplomats to effectively engage and gauge the Chinese. It was a failure on the part of the senior military leadership to provide sound military advice to the political leadership. In fact, they are guilty of ignoring basic military precepts in order to meet political requirements.

This book traces the historical background of the boundary dispute and the slow build-up of mistrust, suspicion and acrimony between India and China that started sometime after the `Hindi Chini Bhai Bhai` phase of relationships and resulted in the outbreak of war in October 1962. It documents the course of the battle, where the robust junior leadership and steadfastness of the Indian Jawan are the two factors that stand out as saving grace amidst the overall disaster. Everywhere small bodies of men fought isolated battles under desperate conditions and extreme shortages. In every instance, the junior leaders on the spot led from the forefront, often to their last breath. And the jawans followed their leaders unquestioningly, unhesitatingly and uncomplainingly. Never once were the `Naam, NamakaurNishaan` let down. This was a testimony to the strong esprit de corps forged by the regimental system of the army, which continues to stand the test of time even to date.

1,383 soldiers had lost their lives, 1,696 were missing and 3,968 had been captured, of which 36 died in captivity.

Written with the lay reader in mind, this book avoids military jargon and can be easily followed by readers without any prior knowledge of military matters. It is suitable for students, youth and others who are interested in learning more about the dispute and the war.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=750841>

One Mountain Two Tigers : India, China and the High Himalayas / Shakti Sinha

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xviii, 201p.; 24cm

Includes Index

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The May-June standoff in Ladakh between the Indian Army and the Chinese PLA caught not just India, but the world by surprise as everyone's attention was on tackling the Covid-19 pandemic.

Why did China choose this moment to become an aggressor militarily? What are the lingering disputes between these Asian giants, who would soon become the top two economies in the world?

Is India's claim to Aksai Chin based only on the security needs of colonial India? Or did Indian control over these areas go back in history?

What has been the historical links with these areas with the Indian mainland?

What is the geostrategic importance of Ladakh?

Did internal tensions within the Chinese Communist Party cause relations with India to break down?

Has India internalised the lessons of 1962, and how is it placed militarily in Ladakh?

Has India fundamentally misunderstood China?

Did the Wuhan Spirit and the Chennai Connect serve any purpose?

Are there other critical dimensions to the India-China relations where the latter may be at a disadvantage?

This book addresses these, and many such questions in detail.

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General B.C. Joshi Memorial Lectures on National Security / Nitin Karmalkar, Vijay Khare (Eds), Bhushan Patwardhan (Foreword)

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2021

hb; xx, 184p.; 24cm

Includes Index

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In post COVID-19 Pandemic, the global geopolitics will be completely different and national security will become more complex. Addressing such issues along with safeguarding national interests remains a major challenge for any country or nation. Book focuses on contemporary security challenges and highlights the internal and external aspects of national security, changing nature of conflict, emerging trends, complex geo-political and security environment. This is the first book ever, which contributed by distinguished Service Chiefs from the Armed Forces, Constitutional Expert, a Governor of the State and a Defence Minister of India on various national and global security issues shared in the General B.C Joshi memorial Lectures series which includes maritime security, geo-strategic concerns of Indo-Pacific, Indian Ocean Region, proxy war, insurgency, threats to critical infrastructure, the role of Indian Air Force in security matrix and Indigenous Science and Technology. This book provides a comprehensive understanding of the national security issues, geo-political compulsions, changing environment of regional security, India's maritime and security interests. The book reflects the role of armed forces, academia and military in national security and in national development. This book also gives a larger perspective of non-traditional security issues by focusing on the issues of drug trafficking, illegal immigration, fake currency; human trafficking and issue of climate change and argues ignoring such issues has serious implications on national security. Finally, this book enriches the ideas of India's geo-strategic position; geo-strategic compulsions and security threats, which are significant for determining the foreign and security policies.

It is a must-read book in defence and security professionals, strategists, scholars, researchers and security and foreign policy analysts.

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India's Battlefields : From Kurukshetra to Balakot / Ajay Singh, Monika Naik-Singh(Ed)

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xiii, 242p.; Photos; Map

Includes Index

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INDIA`S BATTLEFIELDS from Kurukshetra to Balakot is an account of 42 of India`s battles, right from the epic battle of Kurukshetra fought over 3000 years ago, down to the present day. Virtually every battle of India`s vast history has been depicted in its pages.

Each battle comes alive as an individual story, complete with maps and pictures. The battles have been cross-referenced so as to establish the thread in the canvas of Indian history. Human interest stories and vignettes are sprinkled to provide unknown insights of these battles.

So, let us visit these battlefields and discover the stories they tell.

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Politics of Climate Change and Global Peace and Security / Vijay Khare

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2021

hb; xi, 256p.; 24cm

Includes Bibliography, Index

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This book focuses on a very significant current issue, which is highly relevant in the present context, which is completely unexplored in an in-depth manner. The concept of Climate Change has been discussed minutely by the author. It states how climate change affects on global politics peace and security. Especially, the author has emphasised, climate change is not only a topic of discussion but also one of the serious issues which need a special action to be taken.

This book gives detail information about how climate change is becoming the greatest threats across the globe. The author has genuinely attempted to ponder over the importance of climate change and global peace and security. The book explicates how India-US working constructively to control climate change for the betterment of the world. It has included much useful information as this issue is worldwide important. Through this book, the author has portrayed the intricate and multidimensional importance of Climate change.

The most remarkable thing about this book is, the author has successfully remounted and tried to trace the productive journey of India-US towards climate change through numerous pacts and agreements. It gives the glimpses of how India-US strategically tackled the climate change issues and role of India in under the leadership of newly elected US President, Joe Biden. Finally, this book has clearly stated how the climate change issue is a crucial factor and it affects on global peace and security. Ultimately, this book is an essential work to study in deep the Climate change and global peace and security.

A must-read book for scholars, political analyst, environmental expertise, academicians across the globe.

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Impact of Social Media on Peace and Security / Vijay Khare

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2021

hb; xix, 188p.; 24cm

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This book constructively articulates the key issues and shifting nature of social media and technology. It also critically examines the impact of social media on foreign policy, economic security, national security, social behaviour, conflict prevention and global peace and security in the larger framework.

Since 2004, the growth of social media has increased extensively and currently it has become more accessible to the public and has turned into a means by which people, non-state actors and also governments can share their foreign policy priorities to receive feedback, engage in diplomacy, educate the people and influence the foreign policy process. It has made an attempt to influence perceptions through digital diplomacy inevitable.

Social media is both an asset and a threat to social and political well-being. There are various types of media used globally that provide platforms to debate as part of the freedom of expression which can also be misused for propaganda, spread hate speeches, rumours and fake news. They can also create instability in society and threaten national security. Apart from this, around 90 per cent of organised terrorism on the Internet takes place through social media.

In this context, this book helps to identify the contemporary challenges and various issues emerging in the sphere of social media and advanced technology and suggests a mechanism to keep a check on activities that threaten national security.

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Influence of Social Media on India's Foreign Policy Making / Vijay Khare

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2021

hb; xvii, 305p.; 24cm

Includes Bibliography, Index

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This book focuses on an unexplored theme of Influence of Social Media on India`s Foreign Policy Making. As social media has become equally important in sphere of foreign policy field which is completely unexplored. The book states the role of social media as, it is not only serving as an information provider but also serves as a platform of interaction between the government and public where government receives the feedback. This book especially emphasizes the entity of media and its effect on the human mind and society. Author has genuinely attempted to ponder over the influence of social media on India`s foreign policy. It meticulously displays the pros and cons of social media which directly and indirectly effects on the foreign policy of the country. Today social media has become one of the biggest influences in the society. In each sector we can see the existence of it. This book clearly explicate that the social media would be stronger and more persuasive than the any other media in influencing the people. The media has deeply rooted in society and prevailed in personal and social lives of human beings. This attempt of author also shed some light on impact of social media in global politics. This book has useful information as this predictive analysis which will be use in analyzing the worldwide comprehensive data and its global application. This book explored comparative analysis of social media uses by P-5 states i.e. USA, China, France, Russia, United Kingdom and India and data analyzed by author is correlated to foreign policy. Through this book the author has portrayed the intricate and multi-staged procedure of foreign policy decision making in India.

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Vimarsh : New Frontiers in Public Debate / C D Sahay (Ed)

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi. 2020

hb; xvi, 230p.; 24cm

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There is always a purpose, an objective and a target audience behind the exercise of writing and publishing any book. Measured against these classical parameters, the book on `Vimarsh` might appear a bit different from the normal. Yes, it is so in many ways since it a book that seeks to present before the readers a glimpse of the evolving thinking by experts in different fields on different critical aspects of India`s growth story.

That story is sought to be conveyed through a carefully compiled narrative emerging out of a series of public lectures delivered by eminent personalities on a variety of issues and subjects over a span of ten years commencing 2010 that marked the founding of Vivekananda International Foundation (VIF). These lectures have been carefully converted into articles with minimal editing, ensuring that the essence of the speakers are retained in the narrative presented before the readers.

The journey begins with exploration of India`s civilisational past through fascinating discourses on the Saraswati River and the contemporary relevance of Swami Vivekananda.

The narrative then moves on to incisive examination of a variety of complex challenges of governance, national security and international diplomacy that an aspirational India confronts.

What is truly remarkable is that the key messages emanating from these articles are relevant even today as the country continues its march for establishing a modern state.

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Accounting and Transparency : Critical for Functional Democracy / G. Ramachandra Reddy

Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2020

138p.;

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Indian Diaspora and Trnasnationalism : Trends and Issues in the 21st Century / Ajaaya K. Sahoo and P. Venkata Rao

Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi , India 2020

307p.;

9788194556305

\$ 37.50 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755169>

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

Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2021

240p.;

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\$ 30.00 / HB

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Indigenous System of Governance in Tribal India / Tabang Mibang

Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2021

139p.;

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Bleeding India: Four Aggressors, Thousand Cuts / Binay Kumar Singh

Garuda Prakashan Pvt. Ltd., Gurugram, Haryana 2019

254p.;

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On 15 August every year, PFI cadres dressed in uniforms similar to paramilitary organisations stage a perfectly synchronised march in cities across Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka. The 15th August Parade is also a tactic for hiding their extremist ideology and an attempt to portray themselves as a good, nation loving and law abiding citizen group." "On the other hand, proselytisation of innocent tribals continued unabated under the sponsorship of the colonial regime." "It is a joint action plan and well-coordinated effort of all the four (Islamic fundamentalism, Christian evangelicals, Urban naxalism and media -NGO-human rights nexus) which forms the recipe that poses gravest threat, where one helps the other to achieve the Common Minimum Programme i.e. to bleed India" "These elements use finance coming to them in any form, to further their agenda....not bound by national boundaries..." The activities of the PFI, the Rohingyas, the Patthalgadi in Jharkhand, or the proposed Khalistan Referendum; or even the blasts in Sri Lanka may look like disparate events, fuelled and supported by different people for different reasons. But are they? With six case studies of events in our recent history, Author Binay Kumar Singh gives a unique perspective as to how forces inimical to India's growth and civilisational ethos work in tandem to inflict injury on her. Read the story of how Islamic fundamentalism, Christian evangelism, urban naxals and the media-NGO-human rights nexus have come together in what appears to be a common goal -to make India bleed. Are we paying heed?

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Food and Power : Expressions of Food-Politics in South Asia / Kanchan Mukhopadhyay

Sage Publications India Pvt.Ltd.,New Delhi, India 2020

hb,xviii,424p.;24cm.

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Food practices of a people is the product of multiple factors. Endogenous as well as exogenous factors influence people's opinion and preferences about food. In India and its neighbouring countries, food practices are often delimited by economic standing, religion, caste and analogous systems of social ranking of the consumers. State and market forces also influence food behaviour by exercising control over production and trade.

Food and Power: Expressions of Food-Politics in South Asia studies power relations between those who eat and those who decide (or at least try to decide) what people should eat. It raises questions pertaining to the politicization of ethnographic tradition in South Asia in relation to the intersection of religion, economy and food. This book explores how traditional food practices have undergone change owing to the influences of migration globalization and popular media to understand how ethos of the powerful affects the foodways of relatively weaker ethnic, religious, occupational and gender groups

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755447>

India's Foreign Policy: Surviving in a Turbulent World / Arvind Gupta, Anil Wadhwa

SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2020

hb,vii,428p.;24cm.

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Written by foreign policy experts, academics and practitioners, this book develops the frameworks and strategies for India's foreign policy that can be adopted to meet the emerging challenges and non-traditional threats in the new world order. It studies the important aspects of India's foreign policy in the present unsettled world order and comes up with strategies and policy suggestions. It raises several questions to highlight the future direction of foreign policy and the challenges that India may have to deal with in the coming years. The book covers the domestic dimension of the country's foreign policy, which is often missed out in policy discussion. It examines the close link between national security and foreign policy, and shows how foreign policy can be leveraged to strengthen the economy and make India a hub of innovation. This book emphasizes soft power strategies to ensure that a strategic approach to soft power projection is adopted.

India's Foreign Policy: Surviving in a Turbulent World is a ready reference on India's foreign policy that can be used to understand the complexities of the topics covered.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755448>

Realpolitik: Exposing India's Political System / Mamta Chitnis Sen

SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2020

pb,xi,204p.;22cm.

Includes References, About the Author

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Political parties are more than just an idea or a representation. They are full-fledged organizations of committed grassroots-level workers helping to build the party brick by brick. Many factors come into play in the rise and survival of a political party. In this book, various leaders and party workers from across party lines bring you insight stories about their associations with political parties, their role in electioneering and fundraising, their emotional investment and its toll on their personal and professional lives. Realpolitik: Exposing India's Political System delves into the structure and hierarchy of political parties, political godfathers and dynasty politics. It examines the career roadmap of political workers, appeasement of marginalized groups for vote bank politics, tackling dissent, the play of power and money, and the setbacks when tall leaders desert the party.

A deeply fascinating read for people interested in the Indian political system and a 'manual' for those interested in a career in Indian politics.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755453>

Middle Class, Media and Modi: The Making of a New Electoral Politics / Nagesh Prabhu

SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2020

hb,xxxiii,374p.;22cm.

Includes Bibliography, Index

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\$ 35.00 / HB

650 gm.

The spectacular victory of Narendra Modi and the BJP in 2014 and again in 2019 demands a nuanced exploration of the factors that led to it. Though the role of the middle class and the media in the making of what is called the 'Modi Wave' is often talked about, a clear-eyed and unbiased look at how they transformed the political landscape in post-liberalization India is still wanting.

This book studies how the Indian middle class, once seen as politically indifferent, has gradually become a player of importance. This change, which slowly began in the 1990s, has now reached a crescendo, and Modi has become the icon of the changing economic demands of the middle class and their ideological rightward shift. The new middle class played a decisive role in the electoral outcomes of 2014 and 2019—two elections that have undoubtedly changed the way India imagines itself and how the rest of the world sees India. Modi's management of mainstream and social media—primary consumers of which is the ever-growing middle class—has played a key role in his emphatic victories. This book will help the reader understand the arsenal that Modi used in these elections and is a must-read for scholars of politics, media studies and sociology.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755455>

Reconceptualizing Indian Democracy: The Changing Electorate / Bidyut Chakrabarty, Rajendra Kumar Pandey

SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi, India 2020

hb,xv,263p.;22cm.

Includes Bibliography, Index

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Although the adoption of a democratic system of government based on universal adult franchise has been considered a gamble on the part of the fathers of the Indian constitution, it has undoubtedly paid rich dividends in terms of establishing India as one of the most vibrant democracies in the world. Reconceptualizing Indian Democracy adopts a new prism in analysing the institutional vibrancy and functional dynamism of democratic experiences in India. It suggests that elections are not only mechanisms that change the political guard, but also devices for reconceptualizing the politico-constitutional fabric on which the Indian polity rests. Among the different factors that have made democracy a way of life for Indian people, elections, particularly the Lok Sabha elections, stand out prominently. In the first four general elections, the electorate appeared duty bound to vote for the Congress, but the 5th Lok Sabha elections saw a real churning in the political psyche of the common people. The book, thus, begins with an exploration of the 5th Lok Sabha elections and comprehensively studies each of the general elections from the 5th (1971) to the 17th (2019).

By directing attention to the processes changing the texture of Indian democracy, the book highlights the inputs that democratic experiences in India offer to both the literature on democracy and to democratic experiences across the world.

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Politics, Ideology and Nationalism: Jinnah, Savarkar and Ambedkar versus Gandhi / Bidyut Chakrabarty

SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2020

hb,xii,290p.;22cm.

Includes Bibliography, Index

9789353883843

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Politics, Ideology and Nationalism: Jinnah, Savarkar and Ambedkar versus Gandhi is a new argument based on familiar historical evidences. It discusses three leaders—Savarkar, Ambedkar and Jinnah—in their opposition to Gandhiboth in terms of ideology as well as social and political discourse. Although there are biographical works and other notable publications on them, none of these attempt to engage in contrasting their ideology and practices on a common platform. This book examines Gandhi and Savarkar–Ambedkar–Jinnah’s commonality of opposition and their differing ideas of modernity. All three of them saw Gandhi as the biggest hurdle to the projects that they conceived. The book explores how these differences went beyond politics and shaped the contours of Indian politics during the 1930s and 1940s, and continue to affect it even today.

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India's 2019 Elections: The Hindutva Wave and Indian Nationalism / Paul Wallace
SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2020

hb,xvi,400p.;22cm.
Includes Index

9789353882440

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680 gm.

This book, the sixth in the series on India’s elections from SAGE, is arguably the first to critically analyze the 17th General Elections held in India in 2019. It closely analyzes how the elections were conducted and what factors influenced the electorate in returning Narendra Modi to power with a thumping majority. The book critically explores underlying factors such as the absolute dominance of extreme nationalism based on majoritarian religious identity as well as the increased participation of women and the marginalized sections of Indian society.

The initial chapters focus on national topics and are followed by fourteen analytical state and regional studies grouped into four regional clusters. A highlight of the book is its strong focus on contentious issues such as the structure, stability and integrity of electoral institutions as well as caste, tribal, minority and ethnic politics.

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Indian Democracy: Contradictions and Reconciliations / Arvind Sivaramakrishnan,
Sudarsan Padmanabhan

SAGE Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi, India 2020

hb,viii,333p.;22cm.
Includes Index

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Indian Democracy: Contradictions and Reconciliations provides a vivid presentation of major facets of democracy in India. It aims to explore how Indian democracy has functioned, with reference to its theoretical foundations, institutional mechanisms and procedures, and political practices.

The book starts with a close analysis of the Constitution of India, which provides the theoretical validation for democratic politics and serves as a reflective and regulative ideal. It highlights the way adherence to democratic principles and nurturing of strong institutions have helped India negotiate and often reconcile contradictions such as caste inequalities, linguistic and ethnic identities, majority–minority divide, gender bias and divergences in the conception of democracy itself. Furthermore, the book delineates significant improvements in the maintenance of accurate electoral registers, enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct and use of electronic voting machines, considerable reductions in violence and intimidation in the recent decades, which have together contributed to strengthening the Indian voter’s confidence in democratic processes. This edited book will prove indispensable for all those who are interested in a close understanding of democracy in India.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755460>

Gender and Neoliberalism: The All India Democratic Women's Association and its Strategies of Resistance / Elisabeth Armstrong, Brinda Karat (Foreword)

Leftword Books, New Delhi, India 2021

pb,xviii,326p.;22cm.

Includes Bibliography, Index

9788195031023

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This book describes the changing landscape of women's politics for equality and liberation during the rise of neoliberalism in India. Between 1991 and 2006, the doctrine of liberalization guided Indian politics and economic policy. These neoliberal measures vastly reduced poverty alleviation schemes, price supports for poor farmers, and opened India's economy to the unpredictability of global financial fluctuations. During this same period, the All India Democratic Women's Association (AIDWA), which directly opposed the ascendance of neoliberal economics and policies, as well as the simultaneous rise of violent casteism and anti-Muslim communalism, grew from roughly three million members to over ten million. Beginning in the late 1980s, AIDWA turned its attention to women's lives in rural India. Using a method that began with activist research, the organization developed a sectoral analysis of groups of women who were hardest hit in the new neoliberal order, including Muslim women and Dalit women. AIDWA developed what its leaders called inter-sectoral organizing, that centred the demands of the most vulnerable women in the heart of its campaigns and its ideology for social change.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755466>

Born A Muslim: Some Truths About Islam In India / Ghazala Wahab

Aleph Book Company, New Delhi, India 2021

hb,399p.;23cm.

Includes Index

9789390652167

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700 gm.

Who are the Indian Muslims? Are they a monolithic community practising a faith alien to India? Or are they a diverse people, geographically rooted in the cultural ethos of the land? Is there an 'Indian Islam', a religion that grew out of Arabia but was nurtured in India and influenced by local traditions and customs? Has the power of Islam declined over the centuries because the faithful have forgotten the spirit of the religion, and are sticking to dogma and rigid rules instead? Born a Muslim: some truths about Islam in India attempts to answer these questions by taking a hard look at how the world's second largest religion is practised in the country. The book tracks the history of the religion from its revelation in Arabia in the seventh century to its spread through many parts of the world. It arrived in India by multiple routes—in the South, in the eighth and ninth centuries CE, with traders from Arabia, and in the North, in the tenth and eleventh centuries, with invaders, rulers, and mystics, largely from central Asia. Once it was established in India, it morphed and evolved through the centuries until it took on the distinctive contours of the religion that is practised here at present. The author takes a clear-eyed look at every aspect of Islam in India today. She examines the factors that have stalled the socio-economic and intellectual growth of Indian Muslims and attributes both internal factors—such as a disproportionate reliance on the ulema—as well as external ones that have contributed to the backwardness of the community. She shows at length, and with great empathy and understanding, what it is like to live as a Muslim in India and provides suggestions on how their lot might be improved. Weaving together personal memoir, history, reportage, scholarship, and interviews with a wide variety of people, the author highlights how an apathetic and sometimes hostile government attitude and prejudice at all levels of society have contributed to Muslim vulnerability and insecurity. Born a Muslim goes beyond stereotypes and news headlines to present an extraordinarily compelling and illuminating portrait of one of the largest and most diverse communities in India.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755467>

India's Foreign Policy Modi 2.0: Challenges and Opportunities / Sudhir Singh

Pentagon Press LLP, New Delhi, India 2020

hb,xxviii,392p.;24cm.

Includes Index

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Indo-Pacific has become the pivot of the global politics and the salience of the region is bound to increase in the foreseeable future. India`s profile has rapidly grown since the end of Cold War and now India is being considered an important country in shaping the power equilibrium within the Indo-Pacific in particular and at the global level in general. The security architecture has remained turbulent in the region and in this prevailing scenario India has the golden opportunity to maximize its national interests. The phenomenal rise of China in the region and its diverging interests with India and many other important countries within the region have further complicated the security situation. India had a coalition government from 1989 till 2014. The 2014 General elections have given a thumping majority to Modi-led BJP. This government has performed excellently on the foreign policy front in its first tenure and has contributed as a motivating factor in the return of Modi government with a bigger majority in May 2019. At this juncture, India needs to reformulate its policies to cope up with the emerging situation. PM Modi is considered a strong leader and has adopted a pro-active foreign policy. But now, India has to reformulate its foreign policy in a structural manner to cope up with changing global power structure. It offers both challenges and opportunities to the Narendra Modi-led NDA-3 government.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=755468>

Ekitipanupo – Indigenous Think-Tank and Intellectual Roundtable : Historical Excerpt of Ekitipanupo Deliberations 2005-2015 / Seye Adetunmbi

Minscope Africa, Lagos, Nigeria 2015

xviii, 332p.

Includes Index

9789789458196

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1100 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756366>

Alani Akinrinade : My Dialogue with Nigeria / Soji Akinrinade

MayFive Media Limited, Lagos, Nigeria 2017

xxii, 442p.

Includes Index

9789789589487

\$ 55.00 / null

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Alani Akinriade: My Dialogue With Nigeria pulls together the innermost thoughts and veils of Lieutenant General Ipoola Alani Akinrinade, former Chief of Defence Staff and pro-democracy activist, on true Federalism in Nigeria and how to acheive unity that is equitable and neneficial to all Nigerians.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756367>

The Politics of Corruption and the Corruption of Politics : The Atiku Abubakar Cases in Perspective / Richard Akinnola

Rich Konsult, Lagos, Nigeria 2008

v, 430p.

978356336x

\$ 55.00 / null

600 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756368>

Out of Africa : Fashola Reinventing Servant Leadership to Engender Nigeria's Transformation / John M. O. Ekundayo, PhD , Femi Falana, SAN

AuthorHouse, Indiana, USA 2013

xxxii, 292p.

\$ 39.50 / null

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This book focuses on the Servant Leadership practice as exemplified by Governor Babatunde Raji Fashola of Lagos State, Nigeria. Lagos State is the most populated (about 21 million people) in Nigeria. Transformational strides have been witnessed by the people of Lagos State which are showcased in this book. Dr Ekundayo, John, did his PhD, on the Governor's leadership style conducting both quantitative and qualitative research studies spanning three years. The outcome is the production of this book.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756369>

The 2019 General Elections in Nigeria : Levelling the Democratic Playing Field / V. Adefemi Isumonah and Eghosa E. Osaghae

PEFS-Programme on Ethnic and Federal Studies, Ibadan, Nigeria 2020

viii, 312p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789785815290

\$ 50.00 / null

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<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756370>

Nigerian Election 2003 : The Distortion and Suppression of Evidence by the Court of Appeal on the Adamawa State Governorship Case : The Facts and the Figure / Alkasum Abba

CEDDERT, Zaria, Nigeria 2004

ix, 74p.

Includes Index

9782557013

\$ 15.00 / null

200 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756371>

The Chibok Girls : The Boko Haram Kidnappings and Islamic Militancy in Nigeria / Helon Habila

Parresia Publishers Ltd, Lagos, Nigeria 2016

94p.

9789785468144

\$ 20.00 / null

200 gm.

On April 14, 2014, 276 girls from the Chibok Secondary School in northern Nigeria were kidnapped by Boko Haram, the world's deadliest terrorist group. Most were never heard from again. Acclaimed Nigerian novelist Helon Habila, who grew up in northern Nigeria, returned to Chibok and gained intimate access to the families of the kidnapped to offer a devastating account of this tragedy that stunned the world. With compassion and deep understanding of historical context, Habila tells the stories of the girls and the anguish of their parents; chronicles the rise of Boko Haram and the Nigerian government's inept response; and captures the indifference of the media and the international community whose attention has moved on. Employing a fiction writer's sensibility and a journalist's curiosity, THE CHIBOK GIRLS provides poignant portraits of everyday Nigerians whose lives have been transformed by extremist forces. Habila illuminates the long history of colonialism--and unmasks cultural and religious dynamics--that gave rise to the conflicts that have ravaged the region to this day.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756372>

Regional Conference on ASEAN-EU Relations : Navigating Divides, Deepening Cooperation : 31st of October – 1st of November 2019, Phnom Penh, Cambodia / Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace (CICP), Phnom Penh, Cambodia 2019

126p.

\$ 25.00 / null

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<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756413>

Diplomatic Briefing : Toward a Sustainable and Digital Future of ASEAN?, Issue 02/2020 – December 2020 : A Biannual Collection of Categorized Opinion Pieces and Short International Relations Articles / Pich Charadine and Robert Hor Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Phnom Penh, Cambodia 2021

62p.

9789924571056

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<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756414>

Outcome Report : Regional Conference on Inter-Korean Relations in 2018 and Beyond : New Realities, New Challenges , 14-15 November 2018, Phnom Penh, Cambodia / Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace (CICP)

Cambodian Institute for Cooperation and Peace (CICP) & Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Phnom Penh, Cambodia 2018

180p.

\$ 30.00 / null

600 gm.

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Cambodia 2040 , Volume 3 : International Relations and Governance / Deth Sok Udom (et al.)

Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Phnom Penh, Cambodia 2019

ix, 219p.

\$ 90.00 / HB

750 gm.

Cambodia has experienced drastic change since the signing of the Paris Peace Accords in 1991. Twenty-five years later, Cambodia is a lower middle income country with consistently high GDP growth rates with concomitant improvements in human security as measured by the HDI. The question that Cambodia confronts today is a seemingly simple but in fact a remarkably complex one: Whither Cambodia? From housing to industrialization to agriculture, how are the diverse sectors of Cambodian society and the Cambodian economy likely to develop over the next two decades? As a relatively small country in a region of growing, global geopolitical and economic importance – how will Cambodia respond to various global trends (e.g., the continued rise of China, climate change, digitalization, etc)? Will Cambodia in 2040 be a middle income state with growing prosperity or will it have stagnated at its current lower middle income level or indeed dropped back to the status of a low income state?

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756416>

Democracy and Social Change in South Korea / (Ed) Center for Future Policy Studies

Purengil. Co., Ltd., Seoul, South Korea 2020

210p.

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Democracy and Social Change in South Korea investigates important political issues of South Korea, with each article offering substantial background and multiple viewpoints. Special features include: Political changes for Korean democracy. Social conflict and inequality. Social inclusion and political tolerance. The development of information technology and political communication.

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What is to be done : political engagement and saving the planet / Jones, Barry

Scribe Publications, Australia 2020

xiv, 386 pages : charts ; 24 cm

9781925849912

\$ 35.00 / HB

500 gm.

A follow-up to the author's prescient bestseller, first published in 1982, that alerted the public to the likely impacts of information technologies and the emergence of a post-industrial society. When *Sleepers, Wake!* was released in Australia, it immediately became influential around the world: it was read by Deng Xiaoping and Bill Gates; was published in China, Japan, South Korea, and Sweden; and led to the author being the first Australian minister invited to address a G-7 summit meeting, held in Canada in 1985. Now its author, the polymath and former politician Barry Jones, turns his attention to what has happened since especially to politics, health, and our climate in the digital age and to the challenges faced by increasingly fragile democracies and public institutions. Jones sees climate change as the greatest problem of our time, but political leaders have proved incapable of dealing with complex, long-term issues of such magnitude. The Trump phenomenon overturns the whole concept of critical thinking and analysis. Meanwhile, technologies such as the smartphone and the ubiquity of social media have reinforced the realm of the personal. This has weakened our sense of, or empathy with, 'the other', the remote, and the unfamiliar, and all but destroyed our sense of community, of being members of broad, inclusive groups. The COVID-19 threat, which was immediate, and personal, showed that some leaders could respond courageously, while others denied the evidence. In the post-truth era, politicians invent 'facts' and ignore or deny the obvious, while business and the media are obsessed with marketing and consumption for the short term. *What Is to Be Done* is a long-awaited work from Jones on the challenges of modernity and what must be done to meet them.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756151>

China's Grand Strategy and Australia's Future in the New Global Order / Raby, Geoff

Melbourne University Press, Australia 2020

232 pages ; 23 cm.

9780522874945

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Disruption has blown the old world apart. The rise of China, Trump's America First policies, division within Europe and successful defiance by authoritarian states are affecting the shape of the emerging new order.

Human rights, rule of law, free media and longstanding global institutions all seem set to be weakened. Autocracies are exercising greater control over world affairs.

Australia will need to engage heightened levels of diplomacy to forge relations with countries of opposing principles. It will need to be agile in pursuing a realistic foreign policy agenda. *China's Grand Strategy and Australia's Future in the New Global Order* contains answers for how Australia must position itself for this possibly dystopian future.

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Open minds : academic freedom and freedom of speech in Australia / Carolyn Evans and Adrienne Stone with Jade Roberts ; [foreword by Glyn Davis]

La Trobe University Press 2021

xv, 202 pages ; 24 cm

9781760641634

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340 gm.

Recently the alarm has been raised -- basic freedoms are under attack in our universities. A generation of 'snowflake' students are shutting out ideas that challenge their views. Ideologically motivated academics are promoting propaganda at the expense of rigorous research and balanced teaching. Universities are caving in and denying platforms to 'problematic' public speakers. Is this true, or is it panic and exaggeration? Carolyn Evans and Adrienne Stone deftly investigate the arguments, analysing recent controversies and delving into the history of the university. They consider the academy's core values and purpose, why it has historically given higher protection to certain freedoms, and how competing legal, ethical and practical claims can restrict free expression. This book asks the necessary questions and responds with thoughtful, reasoned answers. Are universities responsible for helping students to thrive in a free intellectual climate? Are public figures who work outside of academia owed an audience? Does a special duty of care exist for students and faculty targeted by hostile speech? And are high-profile cases diverting attention from more complex, serious threats to freedom in universities -- such as those posed by domestic and foreign governments, industry partners and donors?

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756184>

Becoming John Curtin and James Scullin : the making of the modern Labor Party: 1876 - 1921 / Liam Byrne

Melbourne University Press, Australia 2020

187 pages ; 25 cm

9780522876468

\$ 140.00 / HB

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Before becoming the prime ministers who led Australia in moments of extraordinary crisis and transformation, John Curtin and James Scullin were two young working-class men who dreamt of changing their country for the better. Becoming John Curtin and James Scullin tells the tale of their intertwined early lives as both men became labour intellectuals and powerbrokers at the beginning of the twentieth century. It reveals the underappreciated role each man played in the events that defined the modern Australian Labor Party - its first experience of national government, the turmoil of war, the great conscription clash and party split of 1916, and the heated debates over the party's socialist objective. Becoming John Curtin and James Scullin shows how they became the leaders that history knows best by painting a portrait of two young men struggling to establish their identities and find their place in the world. It tells of their great friendships, loves and passions, and reminds us that these were real men, with real weaknesses, desires and dreams. It explains how their early political careers set the scene for their later prime ministerships as they honed the techniques of power that led them to the summit of Australian politics. This is the story of two young men striving to better the world they had inherited, a story of optimism and hope with enduring relevance for today's troubled politics.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756137>

A liberal state : how Australians chose liberalism over socialism, 1926-1966 / David Kemp

Miegunyah Press 2021

xiii, 601 pages, 16 unnumbered pages of plates : illustrations (some colour), portraits ; 25 cm

9780522873443

\$ 59.00 / HB

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This book explores the revival of Australian political liberalism after the Great Depression of the 1930s, and its sweeping domestic political triumph after World War II over utopian socialism and Labor's statism. It examines how Australians reasserted their claim to control their own lives, following decades of expanded government control over economic and social life, and intrusive wartime and post-war restrictions. From the 1920s Robert Menzies became the major voice for liberal thought in the nation's political life and David Kemp looks at his role in reconstructing liberal and conservative politics. The book highlights the importance of the factional struggles within the Labor Party arising from its adoption of a Socialist Objective, and the domestic and international advance of utopian socialist ideology during World War II and the Cold War. A Liberal State tells of Jack Lang's advocacy of the socialisation of industry in New South Wales in the 1930s, and of Menzies as war-time prime minister and his key relationship with John Curtin. It assesses Menzies's historic Forgotten People statement of liberal ideas, the formation of the Liberal Party of Australia, and how, after his election victory in 1949, Menzies rebuilt a liberal basis for national policy during sixteen and a half years as prime minister.

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The Chinese Communist Youth League : Juniority and Responsiveness in a Party Youth Organization / Konstantinos D. Tsimonis (Series Ed) Qiang Fang

Amsterdam University Press, Amsterdam, Netherlands 2021

324p. ; 156x234x25.4mm.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789462989863

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The Chinese Communist Youth League is the largest youth political organization in the world, with over 80 million members. Former Chinese President Hu Jintao was a firm supporter of the League, and believed that it could play a bigger role in winning the hearts and minds of Chinese youth by actively engaging with their interests and demands. Accordingly, he provided the League with a new youth work mandate to increase its capacity for responsiveness under the slogan 'keep the Party assured and the youth satisfied'. This original investigation of the hitherto-unexamined organization uses a combination of interviews, surveys and ethnography to explore how the League implemented Hu's mandate at both local and national levels, exposing the contradictory nature of some of its campaigns. By doing so, it also sheds light on the reasons for Xi Jinping's turn against the League during his first term in office. The Chinese Communist Youth League: Juniority and Responsiveness in a Party Youth Organization develops the original concept of 'juniority' to capture the complex ways that generational power is institutionalized, alienating young people from official political processes, with significant implications for China's political development. The book will be of interest to researchers and students of Chinese politics, as well as to scholars of comparative youth politics and sociology.

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Sanctions with Chinese Characteristics : Rhetoric and Restraint in China's Diplomacy / Angela Poh

Amsterdam University Press, Amsterdam, Netherlands 2021

376p. ; 156x234x25.4mm.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

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The view that China has become increasingly assertive under President Xi Jinping is now a common trope in academic and media discourse. However, until the end of Xi Jinping's first term in March 2018, China had been relatively restrained in its use of coercive economic measures. This is puzzling given the conventional belief among scholars and practitioners that sanctions are a middle ground between diplomatic and military/paramilitary action. Using a wide range of methods and data - including in-depth interviews with 76 current and former politicians, policy-makers, diplomats, and commercial actors across 12 countries and 16 cities - *Sanctions with Chinese Characteristics: Rhetoric and Restraint in China's Diplomacy* examines the ways in which China had employed economic sanctions to further its political objectives, and the factors explaining China's behaviour. This book provides a systematic investigation into the ways in which Chinese decisionmakers approached sanctions both at the United Nations Security Council and unilaterally, and shows how China's longstanding sanctions rhetoric has had a constraining effect on its behaviour, resulting in its inability to employ sanctions in complete alignment with its immediate interests.

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Decoding the Sino-North Korean Borderlands / Adam Cathcart, Christopher Green, Steven Denney

Amsterdam University Press, Amsterdam, Netherlands 2021

444p. ; 156x234x31.75mm.

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788 gm.

Since the 1990s, the Chinese-North Korean border region has undergone a gradual transformation into a site of intensified cooperation, competition, and intrigue. These changes have prompted a significant volume of critical scholarship and media commentary across multiple languages and disciplines. Drawing on existing studies and new data, *Decoding the Sino-North Korean Borderlands* brings much of this literature into concert by pulling together a wide range of insight on the region's economics, security, social cohesion, and information flows. Drawing from multilingual sources and transnational scholarship, this volume is enhanced by the extensive fieldwork undertaken by the editors and contributors in their quests to decode the borderland. In doing so, the volume emphasizes the link between theory, methodology, and practice in the field of Area Studies and social science more broadly.

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The Heritage Turn in China : The Reinvention, Dissemination and Consumption of Heritage / Eds)Carol Ludwig, Linda Walton & Yi-Wen Wang (Series Eds) Adele Esposito & Michael Herzfeld

Amsterdam University Press, Amsterdam, Netherlands 2020

320p. ; 156x234x25.4mm.

Includes Index

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\$ 123.53 / HB

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The Heritage Turn in China: The Reinvention, Dissemination and Consumption of Heritage focuses on heritage discourse and practice in China today as it has evolved from the 'heritage turn' that can be dated to the 1990s. Using a variety of disciplinary approaches to regionally and topically diverse case studies, the contributors to this edited volume show how particular versions of the past are selected, (re)invented, disseminated and consumed for contemporary purposes. These studies explore how the Chinese state utilises heritage not only for tourism, entertainment, educational and commercial purposes, but also as part of broader political strategies on both the national and international stage. Together, they argue that the Chinese state deploys modes of heritage governance to construct new modernities while strengthening collective national identity in support of both its political legitimacy and its claim to status as an international superpower. The authors also consider ways in which state management of heritage is contested by some stakeholders whose embrace of heritage has a different purpose and meaning.

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Local Government : A Turkish Perspective / Prof. Dr. Hamza Ates
Savas Yayinevi, Ankara, Turkey 2020
432p.
9786257127967
\$ 65.00 / null
700 gm.

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World in transition: Singapore's future / Chan Heng Chee
World Scientific Publishing Co. Pte. Ltd., Singapore 2021
xvi, 136p.
Includes Index ; Bibliography
9789811234453
\$ 28.00 / null
238 gm.

Professor Chan Heng Chee is the Institute of Policy Studies' 7th S R Nathan Fellow for the Study of Singapore. This book is an edited collection of her three IPS-Nathan Lectures, delivered between June and July 2020, and includes highlights of her question-and-answer segments with our virtual audience. Professor Chan analyses the uncertain and fast-changing world, and Singapore's place in it. She examines the major fault lines today, wrought by the sudden COVID-19 pandemic, the ongoing malfunctioning of democracies and capitalist economies, and the unravelling of the world order. The United States-China rivalry has continued to intensify, with ripple effects on the world order, global trade and technology. Singapore will need to navigate this evolving relationship skilfully, while adapting its governance and economic models to respond to other challenges. But is it all doom and gloom for Singapore? Could our circumstances help us as we approach the new normal that lies ahead of us? The IPS-Nathan Lecture series was launched in 2014 as part of the S R Nathan Fellowship for the Study of Singapore. It seeks to advance public understanding and discussion of issues of critical national interest for Singapore.

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Voting in a Time of Change : Singapore's 2020 General Election / (Ed) Kein YL Tan and Terence Lee
Ethos Books, Singapore 2021
374p.
9789811800764
\$ 25.00 / null
504 gm.

GE2020: an election that should not be forgotten for yielding startling outcomes, including the appointment of the first Leader of the Opposition. Voting in a Time of Change is part of a longitudinal study by editors Kevin YL Tan and Terence Lee, who have been assembling trenchant analyses of each General Election by leading academics and commentators since GE2011. Their long game makes possible specific and unique insights. Of GE2020, this is what they have to say:

"The major political shift in Singapore that started in 2011 is marching on, even amidst a Covid-19 pandemic that was to have been a great disrupter. Whether we call this a 'New Normal' – as many did back in 2011 – or otherwise is not as important as the momentum for change that has built up since then. Covid-19 thus became a political backdrop to a social and political shift that was merely searching for a catalyst."

What insights and lessons can we carry forward to the next General Elections? This is an indispensable milestone publication for citizens who wish to commit to even more informed choices, and for political observers who are keeping close tabs on the evolution of our political landscape.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=756752>

Unmasking Singapore's 2020 General Elections : COVID-19 and the Evolving Political Landscape / Bilveer Singh , Walid Jumblatt Abdullah & Felix Tan

World Scientific, Singapore 2021

xxxvi, 350p.

Includes Index ; Select Bibliography

9789811229329

\$ 28.00 / null

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On 10 July 2020, Singapore held its 18th general elections in history and the 13th since independence in 1965. The ruling People's Action Party (PAP) once again retained its supermajority by capturing 83 out of the 93 seats, controlling 89.2 percent of parliamentary seats. In spite of a changing social, political and economic landscape, Singapore is still very much identified as an illiberal democracy that has somehow thrived over the years.

As the general elections was held during the COVID-19 pandemic, there were expectations that Singaporeans would overwhelmingly vote for the PAP government as the country was facing a serious crisis of a generation. The 'flight-to-safety' mode that some had expected in an election during a crisis, however, did not materialise. In the end, Singaporean voters decided to send a strong warning to the PAP that not all was well, with the opposition achieving its strongest gains since 1965, capturing 10 seats and an additional two Non-constituency Member of Parliament seats. The PAP's total votes dropped from 69.9 percent in 2015 to 61.2 percent in 2020. The rise of a credible opposition has also further strengthened Singaporeans' resolve to ensure that a fair-playing field exists in the political realm. With the highest voter turnout since independence, many have made it known that their voices mattered. The PAP also saw some cracks in its ranks, with some former cadre members and supporters being critical of the new fourth-generation team.

Against this backdrop, this book hopes to address the following questions. What were the key issues in the general elections? Who were the main contenders in the polls? What accounted for the PAP's continued hold on power in Singapore? Why did the opposition perform much better than in the previous general elections? What are the main implications of the 2020 general elections results for the PAP, opposition and the broader society at large? How far have electoral issues shifted from 'bread and butter' concerns to much broader topics of social injustices and diversity of voices in parliament? What were some of the crucial talking points during this election? Last, but not least, how far did social media and internet campaigning determine the outcome of this election?

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Indonesian Pluralities : Islam, Citizenship, and Democracy / (Eds) Robert W Hefner and Zainal Abidin Bagir

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The crisis of multiculturalism in the West and the failure of the Arab uprisings in the Middle East have pushed the question of how to live peacefully within a diverse society to the forefront. Against this backdrop, Indonesia—as the largest Muslim-majority country in the world and the third-largest democracy—has taken on particular importance. Some analysts say Indonesia offers proof of the compatibility of Islam and democracy, but sceptics argue that the growing religious intolerance that has marred the country's political transition discredits this. Based on a twenty-month project carried out in several regions of Indonesia, Indonesian Pluralities shows that when assessing democracy and citizenship in Indonesia today, we must examine not only elections and official politics but also the less formal yet more pervasive processes of social recognition at work. The contributors demonstrate that in fact citizen ethics are not static discourses but living traditions that co-evolve in relation to broader patterns of politics, gender, religious resurgence and ethnicity in society.

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This book discusses Vietnam's relations with ASEAN in the period from the early 1970s to mid-1990s. It focuses on the evolution of Hanoi's view on ASEAN, from denial to integration in the organization. Further, it reveals the reasons behind Hanoi's decision to join ASEAN in 1995 in the context of the transformation of the overall Vietnam's foreign policy when the Cold War ended. Relaxation of the Cold War conditions allowed Hanoi to improve understanding of ASEAN that resulted in better Vietnam-ASEAN relations and subsequent Vietnam's membership in ASEAN.

The author has had access to documents and interviewees that few other researchers can rival. And the richness of the empirical evidence of this book makes a significant contribution to the studies of Vietnam foreign relations in specific and Southeast Asian international relations in general.

"This is a uniquely well-informed account of Vietnam's serious internal debates leading to the decision to join ASEAN in 1995. The story starts with a probing analysis of Hanoi's regional diplomacy and relations with the Soviet Union, China and the United States from the 1970s onward. Entering the 1990s, the narrative shows how Vietnamese policymakers struggled to reconcile ideological and pragmatic considerations as they navigated complex great-power and regional environments. Professor Tung dispels conventional balance-of-power explanations for Hanoi's embrace of ASEAN, and argues persuasively that the decision to join grew out of a shift from a revolutionary national identity to an identity centred on developmental state model of the Southeast Asian type. This honest and close-up view of policy debates offers a rare opportunity for readers to understand the logic of policy-making in one of the world's most complex diplomatic environments." - Andrew J. Nathan, Class of 1919 Professor of Political Science, Columbia University

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Upsurge of the People's Resistance in the Philippines and the World : Selected Works 2020 / Jose Maria Sison (Ed) Julieta De Lima

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This book presents and analyzes the major events and issues that agitate the people in the Philippines and world in 2020 and that continue to drive them to carry out mass protest actions as well as the revolutionary armed resistance. The perfect storm--the convergence of extreme conditions of oppression and exploitation--has already beset the Philippines and is generating the powerful resistance of the Filipino people and all their patriotic and democratic forces.

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Struggle against Terrorism and Tyranny, Volume I, January-July 2018 / Jose Maria Sison (Ed) Julieta De Lima

International Network for Philippine Studies , Utrecht, The Netherlands 2019

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Resist Neoliberalism, Fascism and Wars of Aggression : Selected Writings 2019 /
Jose Maria Sison (Ed) Julieta De Lima
International Network for Philippine Studies (INPS),Utrecht, The Netherlands
2020
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This book Resist Neoliberalism, Fascism and Wars of Aggression compiles Jose Maria Sison's articles and speeches; statements and interviews; and messages and letters that he wrote in the whole year of 2019, when the peoples in the Philippines and abroad rose up to resist imperialism and all reaction on a scale and with intensity not seen before in decades. With the purpose of clarifying the issues, he wrote and made analysis in his various capacities as the Founding Chairman of the Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP), Chief Political Consultant of the National Democratic Front of the Philippines (NDFP) and Chairperson of the International League of People's Struggle (ILPS).

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Filipino Leadership : Stories and Science / Mendiola Teng-Calleja (et al.)
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Given the globalization of many organizational processes, many leadership practices in the Philippines resemble those in other countries. And while it is true that leaders worldwide similarly experience the complexity of organizations and societies, their particular context and culture shape their day-to-day interactions and responses to challenges. To resonate therefore among our leaders, this book showcases researches and stories on Filipino leadership. It is interesting to see how leadership acquires a distinct flavor in a high power distance, highly collectivist, developing country.

The book captures local knowledge and translates these into practical and useful applications relevant to the practice of leadership in various settings and sectors in the Philippines. Its findings are enriched by experiences of leaders thereby connecting the science to actual stories of leadership.

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On life's lottery / Glyn Davis
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Birth is a throw of the dice. The consequences last a lifetime. We like to think of Australia as the land of the 'fair go', a land of choice and equal opportunity. But behind the facade of meritocracy lies an uncomfortable truth: much of your life is already decided by the lottery of where you are born and who you are born to. Entrenched inter-generational poverty, like the property of the wealthy, can be handed down from parent to child. With one in eight adults and one in six children living below the poverty line in Australia, Glyn Davis asks the question: If life is a game of chance, what responsibility do those who are given a head start have to look after those less fortunate?

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Nature creates viruses. But people and politics create pandemics. And pandemics create new politics. In the 1980s, the toxic politics of the response to HIV/AIDS turned a serious but manageable viral threat into a global pandemic that took the lives of 32 million people and brought illness and suffering to millions more. In 2020, COVID-19 emerged into a world where many governments had failed to heed the lessons of the past, and so they were unprepared and unable to stop its global spread. But some countries had learned the harsh lessons of HIV/AIDS, and had contained SARS1, Ebola, Zika and MERS. When coronavirus hit, they knew what to do to save their people from avoidable infections and deaths. In *Unmasked: the Politics of Pandemics*, Bill Bowtell draws on his four decades of experience in the global and local politics of public health to examine why some countries got it right with coronavirus while others collapsed into misery and chaos. He looks closely at the critical weeks when poor planning brought Australia to the brink of disaster, until the Australian people forced their governments to put public health before politics. *Unmasked* reveals how and why our politicians failed us during the greatest public health crisis of this century to date.

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For some time, Australia's democracy has been slowly sliding into disrepair. The nation's major policy challenges go unaddressed, our economic future is uncertain and political corruption is becoming normalised. It's tempting, but distracting, to point to the usual list of reasons, from the declining calibre of the political class to the growing polarisation of politics. But we can't understand the current predicament of our democracy without recognising the central role of Murdoch's national media monopoly. In Queensland, where national elections are determined, he owns thirteen of the state's fourteen newspapers. All his papers are loss-making and retained for political influence only; nationally, they act as a Liberal Party protection racket, providing zero accountability on Coalition corruption and incompetence. Together with the Liberal Party, the Murdoch media cultivates a climate of national anxiety, fear and anger through relentless campaigns on deficit, debt and the threat to Australia from ever-changing but always nefarious foreign interests. Their goal is an anxious Australia, reinforced by the latest campaign applications of political neuroscience, permanently predisposing the electorate towards the reassurance of having conservatives in power. For these reasons, there is no longer a level playing field in Australian politics. We won't see another progressive government in Canberra until we deal with this cancer in our democracy. Three more things must change for Labor to be returned to office. Labor must significantly broaden its political base; demolish the entire rationale for the conservative political project now that the Liberal Party has abandoned its position on debt, deficit and government intervention in the economy; and put forward a clear plan dealing with the challenges ahead: recurring pandemics; demographic decline; technological disruption undermining economic competitiveness and employment; the rise of China; and the continued economic and environmental devastations of climate change. All four tasks are essential. All four will require great political courage to bring about fundamental change. And now is the time for women and men of courage to act.

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Australia has enjoyed an unprecedented period of prosperity in recent decades, yet despite this there has been a widely reported loss of faith in politics and institutions. With the COVID-19 pandemic, Australia faces its most significant economic and social challenges in decades. How is politics placed to deal with these challenges and what is the capacity of our key institutions to do so? What are the lessons and warnings from history? In *Challenging Politics*, longtime politician Scott Ryan argues that the way we determine issues, the way we practice politics, and what we expect from politicians and government, is in flux. To some, the virtue of compromise has become the sin of sellout. The louder voices of fringe and single-issue movements attract attention, money and commitment, and apply litmus tests to those who seek to govern. This makes it more difficult for our institutions, and therefore our politics, to function effectively. The long-talked-about collapse of the centre isn't solely about extreme ideas. It is also about how our expectations of politics and our institutions have changed.

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The scandal involving Dyson Heydon, former justice of the High Court, confirmed that the scourge of sexual harassment in Australian workplaces was also to be found in the chambers of one of the seven most senior judges in the country. An unquestioning reliance on the calibre of the fine legal minds appointed to the High Court had blinded us to the reality that sexual harassment is as common in the legal profession as it is in corporate Australia and in all other industries. In particular, in the legal profession, a hierarchical structure and a culture of silence had served to perpetuate feelings of embarrassment, fear and shame on the part of victims. In *Power & Consent*, Rachel Doyle, a practising Senior Counsel for over a decade, argues that we need to understand the power relationships at the heart of the modern workplace. Sexual harassment is rarely a 'one off'. Perpetrators continue their harassment because they are not called to account for their actions. Silence and complicity allow recidivists to go unpunished and normalise the phenomenon of 'getting away with it'. Perpetrators must be taught what consent means. This book demands a new response to complaints of sexual harassment; one which recognises the power of strength in numbers, the probative value of multiple complaints, and the restorative power of grievances shared. It also calls for the imposition of new obligations: it asks bystanders to become participants and to take collective responsibility for supporting victims and stopping perpetrators.

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By the late 1960s, Indigenous education in Australia was in crisis. When Whitlam swept to power in 1972, his Labor government reached out to Indigenous people to guide change at a national level. The National Aboriginal Education Committee was the result. This comprehensive history by Leanne Holt traces the journey of the committee and its members from its inception in the mid 1970s to its completion in 1989. In *Talking Strong*, Holt introduces us to the radical men and women, from all walks of life, who served on the committee. Women like May O'Brien, one of the Stolen Generation, who fought the odds to become the first Aboriginal teacher in Western Australia. Men like charismatic Stephen Bamba, a musician, diesel mechanic and teacher from Broome, who at just 27 became the committee's chair. The committee travelled all over Australia and listening to teachers and communities tell their stories, they met with and challenged politicians. They believed that an education in harmony with their own cultural values and identity was the best means for Indigenous people to achieve self-determination, and they forever influenced the participation, retention and success of Indigenous people at all levels of education in Australia.

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