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Atal Bihari Vajpayee / Sagarika Ghose
Juggernaut Books, New Delhi 2021

414p.; 24 cm.
Bibliography Includes Index.
9789391165932
\$ 20.00 / HB
630 gm.

Atal Bihari Vajpayee's life in politics spanned the evolution of Hindutva politics from the days when the Jana Sangh was just a marginal player in Nehru's India to its rise to power as the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). His driving ambition from the day he entered Parliament was to make his party the national alternative to the Congress, and this book tells the gripping story of how he achieved this ambition, becoming the first non-Congress prime minister to serve a full five-year term, paving the way for the BJP's political dominance. In many ways Vajpayee represents a bridge between the Nehruvian age and the Narendra Modi years. Spellbinding orator, coalition builder, wise statesman, benevolent father figure, Vajpayee was also a bundle of contradictions. He was both Hindutva loyalist and liberal centrist; eloquent poet and ruthless political tactician; faithful member of the puritanical Sangh Parivar who never hid his unconventional personal life. The political leader whom even his opponents dubbed the good man in the bad party, he became with all his flaws and weaknesses arguably India's most loved prime minister. Deeply researched, and with new insights and anecdotes from his closest confidants, this is the most revealing personal portrait there is of Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=784265>

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

HarperCollins Publishers India, Noida, Uttar Pradesh 2021

xiv, 253 pages ; 24 cm.

9789354224423

\$ 17.50 / HB

520 gm.

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

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800349>

The Lady of Two Nations: Life and Times of Ra'ana Liaqat Ali Khan / Raj Gopal Singh Verma

Vitasta Publishing Pvt.Ltd, New Delhi 2022

260p.;19cm.
9789390961269
\$ 12.50 / null
300 gm.

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

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800352>

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

He was silently managing the crisis in India's banking sector then. Now he shares these stories in his memoir. It began from a modest house in one of the narrowest lanes of the old city of Meerut. From being a probationary officer in the State Bank of India (SBI) in 1980 to its Chairman in 2017, Rajnish Kumar had an amazingly interesting journey in which he saw the many changes in India's banking sector that greatly impacted the country and its economy. As the Chairman of SBI, Kumar recounts, his term was rather momentous as the period—from 2017 to 2020—during which he shouldered this responsibility was rather unique under any circumstances. The Indian banking sector was going through one of its most tumultuous phases. The problem of non-performing loans (NPLs) had severely impacted the balance sheet and profitability of banks, especially those in the public sector. In the aftermath of demonetization, the YES Bank fiasco, the crisis in Jet Airways and NPLs, among others, The Custodian of Trust is a candid memoir by the former Chairman of India's largest commercial bank. Anecdotal, engaging and evocative, this book is an unputdownable memoir of a former banker.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800358>

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

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

Vidyasagar : reflections on a notable life / Amiya P Sen

Orient BlackSwan Pvt Ltd, Hyderabad 2021

xiv, 240p ; 22cm.

Includes Index

9789354420399

\$ 23.50 / HB

500 gm.

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

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800366>

Zohra! : A Biography in Four Acts / Ritu Menon

Speaking Tiger Books, New Delhi 2021

xii, 254p.; 22cm.

9789354470790

\$ 15.00 / HB

520 gm.

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

In this biography of the unlikely star, Ritu Menon helps us understand both the performer and the person, and the times she lived in

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800368>

To Hell and Back : Humans of Covid / Barkha Dutt

Juggernaut Books, New Delhi 2022

269p.; 22cm.

9789391165574

\$ 17.50 / HB

480 gm.

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

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800362>

The warrior democrat : Syama Prasad Mookerjee / Tarun Vijay ,Om Birla
Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, New Delhi 2021

ii, 323 pages : illustrations (black and white, and colour) ; 29 cm.
Includes Index

9789354091667

\$ 52.50 / HB

2560 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800347>

Memories of Arrival: A Voice from the Margins / Adhir Biswas, V
Ramaswamy(Translator)

Sage Publications India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2022

xxxv,303p.;22cm.

9789381345733

\$ 15.00 / null

540 gm.

Translated for the first time into English, Memories of Arrival brings together four books of a migrant's story of displacement and exile in one volume. Adhir Biswas, a Dalit, makes the subalterns gain some visibility. The author, though half-starved, gets an education. He finds possibilities, delighting in the city of Calcutta, making the most of what he can. He finds a place in the book world, finally emerging as the distinguished editor and publisher of Gangchil and Doel. Adhir Biswas writes quietly and tersely, with much unsaid, to depict a life where the past and the present keep coalescing with dreams of the old place and the dreaminess of the new land. His story has much in common with that of migrants who leave a village or a small town to come to a big city and live in its shadows.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800375>

Enter Stage Right: The Alkazi-Padamsee Family Memoir / Feisal Alkazi

Speaking Tiger Books, New Delhi 2021

246p.;22cm.

9789390477029

\$ 17.50 / HB

580 gm.

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

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800373>

Bajirao Peshwa: A Soldiers' General / Shashikant Pitre

Vij Books India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi 2021

x,341p.:20 maps (black and white) ; 24cm.

Includes Index

9789390917303

\$ 21.50 / HB

720 gm.

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

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800380>

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

Manohar Publisher & Distributors, New Delhi 2022

644p.;22cm.

9789391928766

\$ 56.50 / HB

1050 gm.

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

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800381>

I Faced it All: Episodes From My Public Service Career(1960-2019) /
K.C.Logeswaran

Kumaran Book House, Sri Lanka 2021

xxiv, 960p.

9789556597677

\$ 45.00 / HB

1352 gm.

The autobiography of a civil servant who started his career as divisional Revenue Office and going on to be a Government Agent, Ministry Secretary, Diplomat and ended his career as the 10th Governor of North Western Province. The book covers Mr. K C Logeswaran story, a long and distinguished career in the Sri Lanka Administrative service.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=791719>

My Innings – Roshan Mahanama: Retired Hurt to the Best View of the Game /
Roshan Mahanama, Ken Piesse & Ashan Peiris

Darshana Publishers, Sri Lanka 2021

xx, 436p.

9786245771004

\$ 30.00 / HB

768 gm.

Former Sri Lanka cricketer and ICC match referee Roshan Mahanama's autobiography takes us on journey from his early childhood, playing school cricket, challenges as a teenager and breaking into the national side. In addition to his cricketing journey, it also elaborates on personal milestones highlights his experiences, thoughts, and opinions in retrospect of enjoying the Best View of the Game as an ICC Élite Panel Match Referee, an Administrator, a Coach and most importantly as a Father, a Grandfather and a Responsible citizen of the country. It explore his diverse capabilities, as a coach, as a commentator and as an Elite Panel international match referee. We also get to see his deep connection with charitable causes which are dear to his heart and his extensive social work.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=791723>

J R Jayewardene's Racism, Cold War Posturing and the Indian Debacle / Rajiva Wijesinha

S.Godage & Brothers(Pvt)Ltd., Sri Lanka 2021

224p.

9786240013871

\$ 25.00 / null

296 gm.

This account of JR Jayewardene's political life is a unique departure in Sri Lanka, for we have no tradition of analytical biography. This book tries to fill the void, by analysis of the first Executive President of Sri Lanka who ignored all principles in creating a constitution designed to perpetuate his power. The corrosive effect of ad hoc amendments, including to the electoral system, has not been thoroughly examined, but should be in view of the increasingly hopeless situation in which this country finds itself.

The book also examines the racist streak he displayed from the start, as well as his obsequiousness to more powerful countries. Unfortunately this led to adventurism with regard to India which forcefully cut him down to size. The effects of that intervention are with us still.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=791725>

My Seven Decades' Journey Through British India, Pakistan and Bangladesh :
Memoir / Mirza Nurul Huda

The University Press Limited, Dhaka, Bangladesh 2021

xviii, 218p.

Includes Index

9789845062992

\$ 25.00 / HB

480 gm.

This memoir encapsulates the essence of the life of Professor Mirza Nurul Huda over seven decades. His formative years and student life were spent in British India. Pakistan saw Professor Huda in his prime. Ignoring threats from the highest quarters of Pakistan's Central Government, Professor Huda fought valiantly for Bangladesh's (then East Pakistan) economic rights and was one of the main proponents of the "Two Economies" theory for Pakistan's two disparate wings. During the Bangladeshi period of his life, Professor M. N. Huda served his homeland over a period of six and a half years, as an Advisor to the government, the Minister of Finance and Planning, and the Vice President of Bangladesh.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800422>

Diplomacy in Obscurity : A Memoir / Hemayet Uddin

The University Press Limited, Dhaka, Bangladesh 2021

xiv, 210p.

Includes Index

9789845063739

\$ 35.00 / HB

500 gm.

Hemayet Uddin depicts the positives, the thrilling, and as well as exasperations in the conduct of diplomacy. In this transcendental diplomatic memoir, Hemayet Uddin uses an aphorism— diplomacy in obscurity-- to explain the life of a diplomat in making and unmaking history.

Hemayet Uddin's diplomatic career crisscrosses many of the significant political events spanning between the 1970s and the millennium that witnessed quantum leaps. In those formative years - when the country was struggling with resource constraints, economic backwardness, fragile social infrastructure, and some in the outside world yet to visualize the potential of the newly independent country— efforts by the country's professional diplomats played a big role in securing a seat in the global stage which did not receive due appreciation. While for many practitioners, this was one of the reasons for severe frustrations, Hemayet Uddin never relented in sharing his knowledge and experience and offering his advisory notes from a neutral platform. This book is a dispassionate analysis of the events and policies taken by governments on global and regional issues that had direct or indirect impacts on Bangladesh.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800423>

My Two Families: A Memoir: 73 Years a Member of the Cornelio Alfeche and
Natividad Allin Clan; Half a Century a Religious Augustinian / Mamerto Alfeche,
OSA

Santo Nino de Cebu Publishing House, Philippines 2021

viii, 142p.

9786219645119

\$ 35.00 / null

232 gm.

This is a memoir of the author, Fr. Mamerto Alfeche, that contains certain reflection of his personal experiences that affected his life, family, institutions and persons he served and has related with for many years. He used Bible and the works of St. Augustine as his guide.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789594>

Luis Guevara Dato / Stephen Cenon D. Talla

Ateneo De Naga University Press, Philippines 2020

32p.

9789719913962

\$ 15.00 / null

62 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789592>

Jose Rizal: How Filipinos Hailed Him As Their Greatest Hero / Jon E. Royeca

Central Book Supply, Inc., Philippines 2022

190p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

9786210216837

\$ 30.00 / null

284 gm.

This book consists of a condensed biography of Jose Rizal and 14 essays that discuss his ideals and works – his undying love for the motherland, his encouragement of reforms, his advocacy for Philippine independence, his schemes for a bloody revolution to end Spanish rule, and his championing of education and labor as the most effective tools to end ignorance, poverty, and injustice – which all led him into being hailed by his countrymen themselves as the greatest of their heroes.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799776>

My Reflections on Nepal's Constitution, Governance and Politics / Ganesh Raj Sharma (Foreword) Kalyan Shresthna

Mandala Book Point, Kathmandu, Nepal 2022

xx, 240p.

Includes Index

9789993342571

\$ 35.00 / null

310 gm.

This book is Ganesh Raj Sharma's anthology on Nepal's political and legal affairs spanning four decades covering topics ranging from the role of monarchy to the responsibilities of parliament in the nation's development. The collection provides insight into Nepal's experimentation with representative government and incisive observations on the influence of Geo- Politics on the systems trajectory.

Ganesh Raj Sharma was a lawyer of extraordinary caliber, vision and integrity. He recognized and appreciated that democracy is a market of thoughts, opinions, arguments and beliefs. He strongly held the view that both India and China should treat Nepal based on sovereignty, equality, justice, fairness, regardless of differences in the sizes of our respective countries.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=791859>

Letter to Grandson Jun: I Found Myself Hiking. / Anthony SC Teo (Illustrator)
Sania Himawan

World Scientific, Singapore 2022

136p.
9789811255915
\$ 20.00 / null

Raised on a farm near Changi (visited by Albert Einstein in the 1920s), Anthony Teo attended Singapore's 19th century St Anthony's Boys School and St Joseph's Institution. Having completed a course at the 330-year-old Harvard at new Cambridge in Massachusetts, USA, Anthony then went in search of America, driving across country from New York to San Francisco, through the mile-high Jackalopean landscape of Wyoming. His co-driver was his friend Leo Soong in his classic 1,000-mile-a-day steed of the 1960s — BMW 2002 ti. Leo, who unbeknownst to Anthony at the time, was Madame Chiang Kaishek's favourite nephew.

Years later, Anthony was at old Cambridgeshire's 800-year-old University of Cambridge, UK as a Visiting Fellow to complete his hunt for the origins of the two univer-cities (Harvard-Cambridge and Cambridge-Cambridge Market Town).

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799830>

Letter to Grandson Jun: I Found Myself Hiking / Anthony SC Teo (Illustrator)
Sania Himawan

World Scientific, Singapore 2022

136p.
9789811255199
\$ 40.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799828>

Witnessing Gwangju: A Memoir / Paul Courtright (Eds) Park So-Yeon & Lisa Wolff
Hollym Corp., Publishers, Seoul, South Korea 2020

192p.
9781565914957
\$ 15.25 / null

Young Peace Corps volunteer, Paul Courtright was helping leprosy patients in the countryside of South Korea 1980. He enjoyed cooking eggs and listening to music. On his way back home from his medical checkup, he got caught in the middle of Gwangju massacre. Between Peace Corps policy and frustration, He couldn't stop writing notes about what he was witnessing. It was the only way he could process what he was seeing. Witnessing Gwangju is based on his massive amount of notes. This memoir is not only the record of Gwangju uprising but also a great story of how the incident changed a young man's life in a very short period of time.

"We have no voice. You have to be our voice. You have to tell people outside what they're doing to us." She glanced around the street, then returned her fearless gaze to me. I was rooted to the spot. I was to be the "witness" and she had given me a clear task. I failed the halmeoni. I was given a responsibility that now, forty years later, I can finally face. I hope I'm not too late. -From the Prologue-

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=791981>

Silencing of a Laotian son : the life, work, and enforced disappearance of
Sombath Somphone / Shui Meng Ng; Semasikkapalai,; International Network of
Engaged Buddhists,

Bangkok 2022
xvi, 270p.
9786168209516
\$ 32.00 / null

The book describes how Sombath's ground-breaking community and youth development work earned him widespread recognition as Laos' leading development specialist.

It also documents the Lao authority's cynical denial of state involvement in Sombath's disappearance and his wife Shui Meng's tireless and agonizing struggle to rally international support to secure Sombath's safe return.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=791992>

A President, A Prime Minister, and a Party : Interactions with Farooq Leghari, Meraj Khalid – and the Millat Party : A Political Memoir / Javed Jabbar

Paramount Books (Pvt.) Ltd., Karachi, Pakistan 2022

xvi, 304p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789692103213

\$ 50.00 / HB

500 gm.

This book contains memorable accounts of the author's interactions at various times and in different capacities with two of our most distinguished statesmen-politicians, Farooq Ahmed Khan Leghari and Malik Meraj Khan Khalid, both men of honour and integrity. Javed Jabbar gives them the praise they deserve but does not shy away from making pertinent mention of mistakes. His book is worth reading and preserving.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=800572>

Motivated by Life Undaunted by Strife Memoirs of MMK Wali / Ajay Singha and Dr. Charu Walikhanna

Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi 2022

114p.;

9789391844257

\$ 10.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=801056>

Childhood Days in Chaku Bantang / Baba Galleh Jallow

Baba Galleh Jallow, Gambia 2020

102p.

97899839400707

\$ 35.00 / null

144 gm.

Set in a village in Farafenni in the Northern Region of The Gambia, Childhood Days In Chaku Bantang is a collection of memories from the author's early childhood and adolescence. Written in light-hearted, simple, almost child-like language, the book pieces together memories so vivid and vibrant, that the reader finds themselves stepping into Chaku Bantang, seeing through the eyes of the writer and feeling so intensely, the joys, the excitements, the fears and disappointments of Galleh, the child whose experiences it narrates. A plethora of emotions are stirred as the stories unfold, yet, there are two feelings which override all others and which are present from the beginning to the very end of the novel. They are feelings of the deepest fondness and amusement, which keep the reader smiling and chuckling through the entire book, even through the less joyful parts.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=791959>

The Wild Twins : Tales of Strength and Survival / Amber and Serena Shine

HarperCollins Publishers, Auckland, New Zealand 2021

320p.

9781775541769

\$ 45.00 / null

500 gm.

Amber and Serena Shine have wild in their blood. From their first steps, the twins set out from their family farm in rural Waiuku with the bush and mountains in sight. Together they've run the world's highest marathon on Mount Everest, walked jaguars in the Amazon, sailed treacherous seas from Hawai'i to San Francisco, navigated ice falls while climbing Mount Cook, raced 322 kilometres on a dogsled, and survived naked in the African wilderness for twenty-one days on the hit Discovery show Naked and Afraid. In The Wild Twins, Amber and Serena share their most extreme achievements, the secrets behind their strength and endurance, and advice on living life to its fullest. With go-getter attitudes, perseverance and fearlessness, these inspiring sisters are all about getting outdoors and reaching your potential - returning home covered in mud and with a story to tell.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799920>

The Accidental Entrepreneur – John Garlick: His Life and Legacy: Merchant, Politician, Philanthropist and Family Man, 1852-1931 / Sherry Garlic Stanton
Footprint Press, South Africa 2021

462gm.

Includes Index

9781928539803

\$ 75.00 / null

752 gm.

John Garlick was one of the principal people in Cape Town from 1872 until 1931, and this biography by one of his descendants lovingly tells his story.

An enormous amount of research over twenty years has gone into the work, and it never flags. The content has been carefully pared and crafted to create a sparkling book. It is packed with interesting facts, anecdotes and tales from cover to cover. The focus is the fascinating life of this department store owner, city councillor, politician, benefactor, philanthropist and family man.

The author also tells succinctly what his successors did with the business and his legacy; and those who wonder what happened to the famous department store group will find the answer. This is a book that will be enjoyed by anyone interested in history of the city of Cape Town and South Africa, the civilised department stores of old, and top-notch biographies.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799925>

Conversations With My Father: Forty Years On, Daughter Responds / Moneeza Hashmi

Sang-e-Meel Publications, Pakistan 2022

160p.

9693534069; 9789693534061

\$ 45.00 / HB

580 gm.

Poet Faiz Ahmed Faiz's daughter Moneeza Hashmi, herself a significant figure of Pakistani art and culture, has, after 40 years, carried out a conversation with her father at length, taking her time to reflect on life over the years and then finally deciding to say what she couldn't say to her father while he was alive. The questions which Moneeza Hashmi wanted to ask from her father, and the discussions she wished to hold with him are now compiled in this book called 'Conversations with my father' published by Sang-e-Meel.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799156>

Pratham Telugu Krantiveer Upplayava Narasingha Reddy / Prof. I. N. Chandershekar Reddy

Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi 2021

115p.;

9788193342060

\$ 10.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802435>

Memoirs of General Artemio Ricarte / Artemio Ricarte (Preface) Alejandro R. Roces (Intro) Armando J. Malay
National Historical Commission of the Philippines, Manila, Philippines 2021
xvi, 274p.
9789715382564
\$ 35.00 / null
500 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802478>

The Life of a Filipino Inventor / Gary Vazquez (Edgardo Gaddi Vazquez) (Ed)
Celso L. Cainglet
Central Book Supply, Inc., Quezon City, Philippines 2022
96p.
9786210216820
\$ 20.00 / null
200 gm.

This book is a memoir which captured the past and reminisce a life well-spent, which made possible by proper bearings most especially the author's parents, families and friends. Introduced the following technologies: VAZBUILT Pre-Fabricated/Modular Housing Technology (1990) and Misty Kool, with numerous awards from Consumer Union Society, Filipino Inventors Society, Rotary Club of QC, World Intellectual Property Organization, Biz News Asia, Asian Scientist Magazine, Philippine Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology, and The Asian Scientist 100 (2021).

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802475>

Maria Lilia F. Realubit / Carlos O. Aureus
Ateneo de Naga University Press, Naga City, Philippines 2021
36p.
9786214720019
\$ 10.00 / null
100 gm.

Ma. Lilia F. Realubit is a native of Naga City. A colegiala, she then proceeded to the University of the Philippines and in the US to advance her educational degrees. Like other scholars of her generation, she dedicated the focus of her studies to anything that is Bikol, covering wide areas on folklore, archaeology, language history, arts, cultures, and political history.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802479>

Chinatown Is Not A Place / Jullie Yap Daza
Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation, Philippines 2020
208p.
9789719488064
\$ 30.00 / null
280 gm.

"Chinatown is not a place," declared journalist-author Jullie Yap Daza to her friends. Now that sentence is the title of her latest book.

Technically, Chinatown is only one square kilometer in size, an area surrounded by streets whose real estate values rival Makati's. If it's not a place, what is it? In Daza's words, Chinatown is as much about the Binondo-born as the Greenhills-bred. It is remembering the hard-working "Intsik" who rose from rags to riches as it is about raising today's generation of Chinese Filipinos who, like her own grandchildren, show no trace of the Chineseness that once set their ancestors apart as a minority group in Philippine society.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802480>

Hong Kong's Last English Bishop : The Life and Times of John Gilbert Hindley Baker / Philip L. Wickeri

Hong Kong University Press, Hong Kong 2021

xvi, 196p.

Includes Index ; Bibliography

9789888528714

\$ 62.00 / HB

500 gm.

A vivid picture of the life and work of Hong Kong's last English bishop. In Hong Kong's Last English Bishop, Philip L. Wickeri explores the life and times of John Gilbert Hindley Baker, who served as Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Hong Kong and Macau from 1966 to 1981. Before being elected bishop, Baker served as a missionary in wartime and revolutionary China, as a priest in America during the early years of the Cold War, and as a mission leader in the Church of England when churches in many parts of the world were becoming independent. He was a faithful correspondent and a prolific writer throughout his life, offering a personal commentary on the churches and the societies in which he lived. Wickeri has made extensive use of Baker's writings and other archival materials to provide a vivid picture of his life and work. Bishop Baker was instrumental in working for reconciliation after the 1967 riots, expanding the work of the diocese, and engaging Hong Kong with the wider world. In 1971, he opened a new era in the Anglican Communion by legally ordaining the first women priests. This book is indispensable for understanding the development of the Hong Kong Anglican Church.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=793930>

Morgan Richard Tsvangirai's Legacy : Opposition Politics and the Struggle for Human Rights, Democracy and Gender Sensitivities / Ngonidzashe Marongwe, Fidelis Peter Thomas Duri

Langaa RPCIG, Bamenda, Cameroon 2022

xii, 354p. ; 229x152mm.

9789956552894

\$ 38.00 / null

600 gm.

Morgan Richard Tsvangirai is arguably the most polarising figure and advocate of democracy and human rights in the history of opposition politics in Zimbabwe. He is as much a topic of debate in Zimbabwe and beyond as the late president Robert Gabriel Mugabe. Tsvangirai's legacy, like Mugabe's, remains indisputably controversial and conflicted. Broadly, the divided opinion on the Tsvangirai legacy can be represented, firstly, by those who argue that Tsvangirai was the champion of democracy and the face of the struggle for human rights in Zimbabwe. In this light, Tsvangirai has been variously described as a "selfless...people's hero", a "colossus of the struggle for democracy", "the commander of the struggle", "a symbol of courage and resistance", and "the doyen of constitutionalism" in Zimbabwe. On the other hand, critics have described Tsvangirai as a "sell-out", "a Judas Iscariot", "traitor", and "coward", among other nefarious and pejorative characterisations. Drawing on all these opinions and the various characterisations of Tsvangirai, this book provides a comprehensive and multi-disciplinary appraisal of a gigantic trade unionist and political figure who, in his life and in death, inspires different narratives, emotions and values. This book is therefore about a mortal but "living" figure who left an indelible mark on Zimbabwe, Africa and the rest of the world in fields such as trade unionism, governance and politics. As such, the book is handy for students and practitioners in African studies, political science, policy studies, economics, history, global studies and development studies.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802591>

Wang Gungwu and Malaysia / Danny Wong Tze Ken and Lee Kam Hing

University of Malaya(UM)Press,Kuala Lumpur,Malaysia 2021

xxxii, 340p.

Includes Index

9789674882006

\$ 35.00 / null

600 gm.

- 1.Wang, Gungwu, Prof.
- 2.Historians – Malaysia.
- 3.Malaysia – History.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=802609>

Love and Revolution:Faiz Ahmed Faiz:A Biography / Ali Madeeh Hashmi
Sang-e-Meel Publications,Pakistan 2022

292p.

Includes Index

9693534050; 9789693534054

\$ 40.00 / HB

574 gm.

- 1.Biography – Literature.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799373>

Unravelling Gordian Knots: The Works and Worlds of Dr. Ishrat Husain / Sibtain Naqvi

Liberty Publishing, Pakistan 2021

xviii, 474p.

9789698729561

\$ 50.00 / HB

624 gm.

Unravelling Gordian Knots explores the life and times of Dr. Ishrat Husain, from his earliest days in a refugee camp in newly made Pakistan to his impactful tenures in the civil services, World Bank, State Bank of Pakistan, academia and institutional reform.

A sweeping story, the biography touches upon the key moments in Pakistan's history as told through the eyes of Dr. Ishrat Husain who served as Governor of State Bank and also other notables drawn from Pakistan's politics and industry and the institutions Dr. Ishrat Husain has contributed to.

As a high-ranking civil servant Dr. Ishrat Husain is an eyewitness to such epochal episodes as the separation East Pakistan and while at the World Bank he saw firsthand the economic struggles of African nations and countries formerly in the Soviet Union. Later he led Pakistan's economic recovery in the 2000s and for past two decades has been involved in reform of the country's public and private institutions. A savant and celebrated economist, Dr. Ishrat Husain has left his mark on several institutions.

Currently Dr. Ishrat Husain is the Minister for Institutional Reform and as Pakistan strives to improve its public institutions and reform its bureaucracy, his timely biography is a must read for policy makers, educationists, economists, corporate managers and anyone interested in learning about a lifetime of service.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799374>

Recollections of My Life: Memoirs of Eight Decades / Tariq Masud

Dost Publications, Pakistan 2021

xxviii, 388p.

9789694965574

\$ 40.00 / HB

702 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799376>

Ruttie Jinnah: The Woman Who Stood Defiant / Saad S. Khan & Sara S. Khan

Vanguard Books, Pakistan 2022

xxxvi, 316p.

Includes Index; Bibliography

9789694026381

\$ 35.00 / HB

486 gm.

An immaculate political biography of Ruttie Jinnah by a Pakistani civil servant-cum-scholar Saad S. Khan, co-authored by former head of Jinnah Academy and his better half, Sara Khan. Painstakingly researched for over 12 years by personally visiting almost every conceivable place associated with Ruttie's life - India, Pakistan and England, and interviewing scores of historians, family members and lawyers of Jinnah's descendants, this hard-hitting book analyses the role Jinnah's wife played during the freedom struggle.

Would Pakistan have still been created if Jinnah's terminal illness was leaked? So, would India have still been partitioned if Ruttie was not his wife? Why did Gandhi ji, never known to have communicated with any other Muslim leader's wife, choose to write letters directly to Mrs. Jinnah? Why did Motilal Nehru's descendants distance themselves from Mrs. Jinnah despite his great regard for her? Was it merely a coincidence that nationalist Jinnah's reorientation towards his two-nation theory took place during his married years?

This book is an attempt at incisively understanding Jinnah's politics through his lover and a highly influential yet unstudied historical figure, Ruttie Jinnah's eyes!

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799377>

Paradise Lost: A Journey from Kashmir to Karachi : Memoirs / Syed Nizam Shah

Paramount Books (Pvt) Ltd., Pakistan 2021

xiv, 282p.

9789692101110

\$ 30.00 / HB

556 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799379>

Samdech Hun Sen: Cambodia's Elegant Hero Who Goes Against the Tide to Fight COVID-19 / Pov Sok, Khem Chan So Ak Having (Ed)

Khmer Books Editions, Khmer Writers Association, Cambodia 2020

202p.

9789924542407

\$ 60.00 / null

256 gm.

"Samdech HUN SEN: Cambodia's Elegant Hero Who Goes Against the Tide to Fight COVID-19" is an honorable title given by the Chinese people while China was facing and fighting against Covid-19 pandemic. In this meantime, unlike many other countries all around the world that seemed to discriminate against China to the point of closing flight with it, Cambodia did not act like that to Chinese people, yet high ranking delegates from Cambodia had visited Beijing, China.

This book written by author H.E. Pov Sok, was not only meant to deeply understand the situations of the pandemic but also meant to provide historic evidence for mankind in the nation, regions and the world. These all undeniably suggest that the Kingdom of Cambodia is a small country but have a big heart along with a great and respectful leader in this 21st century to fight against Covid -19.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789134>

Samdech Hun Sen: Supreme Founder and Father of Peace of Cambodia / Pov Sok (Translator) Sok Prem

Khmer Books Editions, Khmer Writers Association, Cambodia 2021

620p.

9789924542445

\$ 65.00 / HB

1140 gm.

This book is publicized so that the younger generations of Cambodians can get to understand about the trust of Cambodian History ranging from the war time passing through the life of great suffering, family separation, starvation, and horror in the doomsday of the genocidal regime of the Khmer Rouge or Democratic Kampuchea lead by Pol Pot and the revival filled with peace, development, prosperity under the unique roof of peace.

Cambodia used to be a place almost totally destroyed, but today we would like to welcome you as the new Cambodia becoming an example of how this country can be built from the ashes of a miserable past to an optimistic new future. Therefore, in order to participate in preserving peace in Cambodia for a long time together with Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo Hun Sen, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia through this book.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789132>

Heart of Savior / Pov Sok (Translators) Kheng Sokkunthea & Aing Povmanich

Khmer Books Editions, Khmer Writers Association, Cambodia 2021

460p.

9789924542551

\$ 50.00 / HB

926 gm.

This book, the "Heart of Savior", will highlight the admirable and heroism of Samdech Bun Rany Hun Sen, who sacrificed her youth, family and education in the struggle for national liberation during the 1970s, and her leadership as the first lady of Cambodia from 1980s to 1990s and from the 1998s to the present (2020).

This book is authored not to glorify Samdech Kittipritha Bandit Bun Rany, but to preserve the precious achievement that she has done to save the victims from incidents for the sake of history for nation and the world.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789133>

Michael Sata:Portrait of a Populist / Reginald Ntomba

Gadsden Publishers,Lusaka,Zambia 2021

vi, 198p. ; 229x152mm.

9789982241243

\$ 40.00 / null

324 gm.

Sata was a giant figure in Zambia's political landscape for over thirty years. Reginald Ntomba argues that 'how Sata became president is as thought-provoking a story as what he did with the power he had spent decades fighting for'. He explores the political journey of Michael Sata from councillor to president of Zambia, relating Sata's policies and approaches to theories of populism. In opposition Sata promised the electorate more money in their pockets. In power he tried to improve the lives of the poor and underprivileged, and to develop the country through huge infrastructure projects. But he incurred massive debts, ran a chaotic government and refused others in politics the freedoms he had enjoyed. His term in office was cut short by sickness and finally his death.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789130>

Memoirs of a Half Baked Economist / Amitava Mitra

Serials Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi 2021

143p.

9788195288724

\$ 19.00 / HB

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=780700>

Justice A. R. Cornelius: A Constitutionalist / Asad Ullah Khan & Amna Umar Khan (ed)

Jahangir's World Times Publications, Pakistan 2021

448p.
Includes Index
9789696641483
\$ 55.00 / HB
990 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=799346>

Prisoner of Conscience: Badshah Khan / Pervaiz Khan

Emel Publications, Pakistan 2021

xviii, 358p.

Includes Bibliography

9789699556494

\$ 45.00 / HB

808 gm.

There are none, other who contributed as much as he did, lesser-known valorous freedom fighter who made a mark in India's history, but was relegated to history. He was incredibly complex, contradictory and larger-than-life human being, he was wrestled with these contradictions during his lifetime, not to be measured by the rare moments of greatness in his life, but by the amount of dust he collected on his feet in the course of life's journey, that lead him through great movements of separation, descent, ordeal and return.

It is sad that independent did not accord him any recognition, and he spent his remaining life in penury away from political limelight, a forgotten hero.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=798940>

Local Outsider: A Sabahan's View of West Malaysia / Sherra Yeong

Sherra Yeong, Malaysia 2021

144p.

Includes Index

9729678563204

\$ 12.50 / null

150 gm.

From the shores of Sabah to the hills of Penang, Local Outsider highlights true stories and revelations of Malaysian life as told by one of its own. A local. An outsider. A local but an outsider. Discover what makes Malaysians so similar to each other yet easily distinguishable by subtle nuances. A single word, an awkward gesture, the one look that tells the natives you are a foreigner even if you speak the same language, wear the same clothing or have lived in the same country your whole life. Experience Malaysia through the eyes of a Local Outsider.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=784367>

Alberto G. Romulo: A Life in Words and Pictures / David Jonathan Y. Bayot & Raphael A. Coronel (eds)

De La Salle University Publishing House, Philippines 2021

xii, 246p.

9789715556873

\$ 100.00 / null

1166 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789156>

Rising with the Filipino: A Collection of Essays on Philippine History, Culture, Arts and Lifestyle / Visitacion "Chit" R. De La Torre

Brown Movement for Cultural Advancement, Inc., Philippines 2021

vi, 306p.

9786219526006

\$ 150.00 / HB

1836 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789155>

Chito Madrigal / Alexandra Madrigal Eduque
Ateneo De Naga University Press, Philippines 2020
32p.
9789719913955
\$ 15.00 / null
62 gm.

For the inaugural issue of the new Bikolnon Biography Series (BBS), Ateneo de Naga University Press features philanthropist Chito Madrigal whose paternal origin is from the province of Albay. In this brief and intimate account of Alexandra Madrigal Eduque one gets a new window into the lives of this extraordinary woman. Tito Genova Valiente, the series editor writes, 'Intimate and rendered up-close, the reminiscences do not only bring into the enclaves of Chito Madrigal's home but also into the heart of this great woman. This is an essay that will remain incomparable because no other writer can write about Chito in the most subjective way, and be not apologetic about such perspective.'

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=780894>

A Biography of Estelito P. Mendoza : Forrester of Nations and The Last Resort /
Adrian E. Cristobal & Francisco S. Tatad
Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation, Manila 2021
282p.
Includes Index
9786219663502
\$ 60.00 / HB
736 gm.

"Forester of Nations & The Last Resort" reveals the significant events that shaped the life of lawyer Estelito Mendoza whose brilliant career started when he was tapped by former President Ferdinand Marcos to join his government initially as Solicitor General.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789246>

Sisa's Vengeance: Jose Rizal's Sexual Politics and Cultural Revolution / E. San Juan Jr.
Vibal Foundation Inc., Philippines 2021
x, 158p. ; 15.24x22.86cm.
Includes Index
9789719707660
\$ 20.00 / null
212 gm.

1.Rizal, Jose Alonso, 1861-1898.

2.Heroes – Philippines – Biography.

In Sisa's Vengeance: Jose Rizal's Sexual Politics and Cultural Revolution, acclaimed literary scholar E. San Juan Jr. casts a critical eye on the biases of some of the prominent scholarship of Rizal over the decades. This book invites readers to look past the popular image of Rizal in order to understand his ideas as embodied in his work, and how these ideas and beliefs were shaped by the events and circumstances of his life. In the essays gathered here, the author uses the perspective of historical materialism to consider Rizal as a social and historical product of the time he lived in.

San Juan argues that Rizal's criticism of colonial society can be gleaned from the tribulations facing his fictional women characters like Sisa, and that these injustices reflected the circumstances of the various women in his own life. Thus Rizal recognized gender equality as a key component of national liberation.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789247>

Hands that Rocked Vivekananda: The Life of his Parents / Chirasree Bandyopadhyay
Manohar Publishers & Distributors, New Delhi 2021
185p.; 22 cm.
Bibliography Includes Index.
9789390729555
\$ 31.00 / HB
430 gm.

Swami Vivekananda has remained an eternal source of inspiration for many. It is, however, not widely known that his inspiration was profoundly influenced by his parents, especially his mother Bhuvaneshwari Devi. This book essentially covers the period when Bengal Renaissance was at its crest. It gives us a picture of the socio-cultural life of Bengal. This book also covers the life of his parents, who had a profound and lasting impact on his personality, and from whom he inherited his rare and striking qualities.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=783948>

Patricio M. Janer / Raniela Evangelista Barbaza
Ateneo de Naga University Press, 2020
30p.
9789719913979
\$ 15.00 / null
58 gm.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789251>

Sr. Felicitas De Lima, DSA / Sen. Leila M. de Lima
Ateneo De Naga University Press, Philippines 2021
44p.
9789719913993
\$ 15.00 / null
76 gm.

A living inspiration, a gentle woman who in the words of Senator Leila de Lima, is 'a priceless family gem' shared to the world. This Augustinian nun has dedicated her life and mission to be of service to the poor, the orphaned children and the indigenous people in Bikol. Through the Fatima Center of Human Development in Iriga City which she established together with Sr. La Sallete Baisa, Sister Itat, as she is fondly called, continues to build God's Kingdom here on earth.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=789250>

Together We Prosper: A Memoir of Daniel Teo / Bak Lim Kua
World Scientific, Singapore 2021
250p.
9789811219061
\$ 42.00 / HB

The book depicts the storied life of Daniel Teo Tong How, a second-generation Singapore real estate developer, by chronicling the major events that took place in his family.

In tracing the developments of a family, we trace the opportunities paved and traditions passed on from generation to generation, as seen in the rise of Tong Eng Group as well as the family's pride for Daniel's granduncle, World War II hero Lim Bo Seng, and Lim Loh, a well-known building contractor in the early 20th century. Through oral history accounts and research, the authors provide a unique look into life in Singapore and China from the 19th up to the 21st century through the lens of a family.

<https://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=747477>

Parliament, Unexpected: Recollections Of Parliament, Politics, And Pandemic In Malaysia / Tan Sri Ariff Yusoff & Lutfi Hakim Ariff (Ed) Siti Nurbaiyah Nadzmi
Matahari Books (Buku Fixi Sdn Bhd), Petaling Jaya, Malaysia 2022

304p.

Includes Index

9789672328780

\$ 30.00 / null

322 gm.

The Speaker of the Dewan Rakyat, despite the name, is seldom heard.

In this recollection of his short tenure as the Dewan Rakyat Speaker, Tan Sri Ariff Yusof, reveals his side of the story – dissecting the events and procedures of Parliament while providing an insider's view of the unprecedented political developments that led to the fall of the Pakatan Harapan government in 2020 and his eventual removal. Meanwhile, a global pandemic starts to rage and is met with a faltering response from the government, and a suspension of Parliament. Can we expect change to come from the Parliament, in the current scheme of things? Is there political interest to find new ground to move beyond race and religion? Can a Speaker alone change how things are done, independent of the other branches of government?

Parliament, Unexpected brings readers through an autobiographical journey to understand the sources of our political dysfunction, and what needs to be done to reset and retell the Malaysian story for a fairer, kinder and more equitable tanah air for all.

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