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List of Additions-6

Agriculture

1. Ramakumar, R., ed. Distress in the fields: Indian agriculture after economic liberalization. New Delhi: Tulika Books, 2022. (Acc. No. 55179)
362.280630954 DIS

In 2021, India completed three decades of implementation of economic liberalization policies. This volume is a composite and critical account of Indian agriculture during these decades. Agriculture was one of the most contentious arenas of policymaking in this period, with occasional spurts of growth coexisting with acute agrarian distress. This book discusses and analyses a range of themes in Indian agriculture including land ownership, tenancy, public investment and expenditure, prices, international trade, crop incomes and profitability, input subsidies, credit, insurance, marketing and food distribution. A key feature of the volume is its focus on both the broader macroeconomic outlook and evidence collected through intensive village surveys. It demonstrates that the impact of policies of liberalization on agriculture was uneven and adverse. Even as the growth of large-scale agrarian capital from below was stymied by policy, agrarian transformation continued to be characterized by inequality and differentiation.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Distress-Fields-Agriculture-Economic-Liberalization/dp/8195055907>

Arts and Architecture

2. Sinha, Gayatri, ed. Points of view: defining moments of photography in India. New Delhi: Kiran Nadar Musuem of Art, 2022. (Acc. No. 55141)
770.954 POI

The book comprises of a rich selection of 15 essays that are the outcome of first and second generation critical enquiry into the history of photography in India, its social imprints and artistic intentions. The story of the lens and shutter is not just a narrative of colonial conquest and capture, but also marks the imaginative subversion and creative enquiry that went into the making of a modern independent nation. The subjects explored include early forays in Pictorialism and studio photography, the growing prominence of photojournalism and ethnographic documentation, experimentations with performance and filmmaking, as well as the current explosion of morphed and 'poor' images in digital media.

Source: <https://www.knma.in/points-view-defining-moments-photography-india-volume-1#:~:text=Points%20of%20View%3A%20Defining%20Moments%20of%20Photography%20in%20India%20%7C%20Volume%201,-Edited%3A%20Gayatri%20Sinha&text=The%20book%20comprises%20of%20a,social%20imprints%20and%20artistic%20intentions.>

3. Desai, Madhavi, ed. Gender and the Indian city: revisioning design and planning. New Delhi: South Asia Press,2022. (Acc. No. 55187)
711.4 GEN

4. Stephens, Robert. Bombay imagined: an illustrated history of the unbuilt city. Mumbai: Urbs India, 2022. (Acc. No. 55107)
720.405475 STE

Beginning in 1670, Bombay Imagined: An Illustrated History of the Unbuilt City tells the story of 200 unrealized urban visions aspirations of an evolved metropolis boasting everything from humane housing and expanded parks to sanitation systems and more. Ideas that never saw the light of the day are richly illustrated with archival drawings, contemporary speculations and artistic overlays, illuminating long-lost futures from the city's never-before-seen past. Bombay Imagined is a testimony to the audacious dreams of city-lovers, a chronicle of untold narratives across centuries and an insight into the tides that have shaped present-day Mumbai.

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/BOMBAY-IMAGINED-Illustrated-History-Unbuilt/dp/841227475X>

5. Bajaj Saini, Malvika, eds. State of built heritage of India: case of the unprotected. New Delhi: INTACH, 2020. (Acc. No. 55175)
728.81095456 STA

Biography

6. Roy, Prasun. Rash Behari Bose: a samurai dream of Azad Hind. New Delhi: Vitasta Publishing, 2022. (Acc. No. 55144)
923.254 M91 R22

The story of Rash Behari Bose starts in the 1890s when a small boy began to dream the giant dream of an India, independent of colonial subjugation. His were the hands that made the bombs lobbed at the Viceroy of India, Lord Hardinge, in a crowded Chandni Chowk procession in 1912. The attack not only dented Britain's pride, it forever snatched their hope of ruling a sleepy subcontinent peacefully. Rash Behari then went on to become the mascot of armed struggle to free India; he was a prominent leader of the iconic Jugantar and the Ghadar Party and inspired 1857-like mutinies in 26 cantonments in 1915. Self-exiled in Japan, he gave the call, Asia for Asians; founded the Indian Independence League and later built the Azad Hind Fauj, providing a lifeline to several million POW Indian soldiers in the 1940s. Then, selflessly, he handed over the INA to Subhas Chandra Bose. The book, A Samurai Dream of Azad Hind, is also the story of thousands of other men and women involved in the armed struggle to free India and the extensive support network they created, not only throughout India but globally – from California, Mongolia to Japan. Imagine this at a time before the internet and mobiles. No wonder the British gave up the Jewel in their Crown in a hurry as soon as their war ended.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Samurai-Dream-Azad-Hind-Behari/dp/939096184X>

7. Kaul, Upendra. When the heart speaks: memoirs of a cardiologist. New Delhi: Konark, 2022. (Acc. No. 55136)
926.1N48 R22

The medical profession is considered to be one of the noblest as doctors are tasked with the responsibility of alleviating the sufferings of mankind. But there is very little understanding about the lives of doctors. Dr Upendra Kaul (Khan), one of India's most accomplished cardiologists, tries to quell this curiosity in his memoir by recalling some interesting incidents from his life. The book talks about how he did not let the difficult circumstances in Kashmir, the place where he was born, deter his dreams and kept working hard to achieve his goal of serving humanity. Throughout his career, he came across several personalities. While looking at the many positive aspects of his profession, he does not shy away from talking about the changing patterns of medical ethics and the start of kickbacks seen during his professional time. The work is an eclectic mix of events and occurrences that keeps the readers hooked till the last page. Dr Upendra Kaul, a Kashmiri cardiologist, is one of the pioneers of non-surgical procedures on heart in India. He is well known internationally for being a teacher and an academician par excellence. Dr Kaul was conferred the Dr B.C. Roy Award and Padma Shri for his contributions to Indian medicine.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/When-Heart-Speaks-Memoirs-Cardiologist/dp/8194928656#:~:text=The%20work%20is%20an%20eclectic,and%20an%20academician%20par%20excellence.>

8. Doniger, Wendy. *An American girl in India: letters and recollections*, 1963. New Delhi: Speaking Tiger, 2022. (Acc. No. 55032)
928 M40 R22

The India she describes in her letters back home to her parents is young, like her, still finding its feet, and learning to come to terms with the violence of Partition. But it is also a mature civilization which allows Vishnu to be depicted on the walls in a temple to Shiva; a culture of contradictions where extreme eroticism is tied to extreme chastity; and a land of the absurd where sociable station masters don't let train schedules come in the way of hospitality. The country comes alive through her vivid prose, introspective and yet playful, and her excitement is on full display whether she is telling of the paradoxes of Indian life, the picturesque countryside, the peculiarities of Indian languages, or simply the mechanics of a temple ritual that she doesn't understand. And amid her studies she manages to travel, north to the Mughal forts and south to the ancient temples, and make new friends—the feisty Chanchal from Lahore and the affable Mishtuni, as well as some very famous ones—including Jamini Roy and Ali Akbar Khan.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/American-Girl-India-Letters-Recollections/dp/9354472850>

9. Patten, Robert L., eds. *The Oxford handbook of Charles Dickens*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 2021. (Acc. No. 55132)
928.23M12 Q21

The Oxford Handbook of Charles Dickens is the most comprehensive and up-to-date collection of essays on Dickens's life and works yet published. It includes original articles on all of Dickens's writing and new considerations of his contexts, from the social, political, and economic to the scientific, commercial, and religious. Contributors speak in new ways about his depictions of families, the environmental degradation and improvements of the industrial age, the law, charity, and communications. His treatment of gender, his mastery of prose in all its varieties and genres, and his range of affects and dramatization all come under stimulating reconsideration. And his understanding of British history, of empire and colonization, of his own nation and foreign ones, and of selfhood and otherness, like all the other topics, is explained in terms easy to comprehend and profoundly relevant to global modernity.

Source: <https://academic.oup.com/edited-volume/34631>

10. Short, Philip. *Putin: his life and times*. London: Bodley Head, 2022. (Acc. No. 55164)
923.147 N54 R22

A young master of the Kremlin named Vladimir Putin seemed to take that to heart, pledging steadfast support for the United States. For a heady moment, it seemed as if the planet's two dominant nuclear powers would rekindle the World War II alliance that led Russian and American troops to meet at Germany's Elbe River in 1945. But now as then, it would not last. The sense of good will soon evaporated, and the illusion that Putin was a Western-oriented modernizer was shattered. Two decades later, Russia and America are facing off in a twilight struggle in Ukraine arguably as dangerous as the Cold War that followed the defeat of the Nazis.

Was that Putin's fault or ours? Did we misjudge him or did we mislead him? Was it inevitable that Putin would come to see himself as a latter-day Peter the Great seeking to re-establish the czarist empire or could we have done more to anchor a post-Soviet Russia in the community of nations? Never have those questions been more profoundly relevant. Now weighing into the debate is the British journalist Philip Short, with his expansive new biography, "Putin," which sees the rift between East and West largely through the eyes of its protagonist.

Source: <https://www.nytimes.com/2022/08/01/books/review/putin-philip-short.html>

11. Gupta, Neena. Sach kahun toh: an autobiography. Gurugram: Penguin, 2021. (Acc. No. 55146)

927.9143 N59 R22

In Sach Kahun Toh, actor Neena Gupta chronicles her extraordinary personal and professional journey—from her childhood days in Delhi's Karol Bagh, through her time at the National School of Drama, to moving to Bombay in the 1980s and dealing with the struggles to find work. It details the big milestones in her life, her unconventional pregnancy and single parenthood, and a successful second innings in Bollywood. A candid, self-deprecating portrait of the person behind the persona, it talks about her life's many choices, battling stereotypes, then and now, and how she may not be as unconventional as people think her to be.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Sach-Kahun-Autobiography-Neena-Gupta/dp/0670095273>

Children Books

12. Alter, Stephen, ed. Great Indian children's stories. New Delhi: Aleph, 2022. (Acc. No. 55165)

823 (Ind) GRE

Great Indian Children's Stories, edited by award-winning writer Stephen Alter, collects nine delightful short stories for older children by some of India's foremost writers. The handpicked stories in this anthology include classics such as Rabindranath Tagore's 'The Kabuliwallah', revolving around an unlikely friendship between a little Bengali girl and an Afghan man; Munshi Premchand's 'Idgah', the heart-warming story of the gift a young boy gives to his grandmother on Eid; Mahasweta Devi's 'The Why-Why Girl', the true story of a young girl from the Shabar community with an indomitable spirit; Ruskin Bond's 'The Blue Umbrella', a tale of jealousy and understanding set in the pristine Garhwal hills; Khushwant Singh's 'Portrait of a Lady', a poignant story about a young boy and his beloved grandmother; and Shashi Tharoor's 'The Boutique', a sensitive account of an adolescent boy's rite of passage to adulthood.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/GREAT-INDIAN-CHILDRENS-STORIES-Stephen/dp/9391047637>

13. Bond, Ruskin. The garden of dreams. New Delhi: Rupa Publications, 2022. (Acc. No. 55191)

823 (Ind) BON

In Garden of Dreams, Ruskin Bond brings together stories and personal essays that talk of such youthful exuberance. He talks of love and its effect on a tired soul; of friends that become your anchors through stormy days, of romance kindled over chocolates; and many such tales that rekindle our zest for life. This book is for all those who dare to be a little naïve in this sombre world.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Garden-Dreams-Ruskin-Bond/dp/9355207670>

Cricket

14. Tharoor, Shashi. Shadows across the playing field: 75 years of India-Pakistan. New Delhi: Roli books, 2022. (Acc. No. 55163)
796.3580954 THA

In their essays, the authors trace the growing popularization of cricket from the days of the Bombay Pentangular to the Indian Premier League. They show how politics and cricket became intertwined and assess the impact it has had on the game. But above all the book is a celebration of the talent of the many great cricketers who have captivated audiences on both sides of the border. If politics and terrorism can at times stop play, cricket is also a force for peace and healthy competition.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Shadows-Across-Playing-Field-India-Pakistan/dp/8194969190>

Economics

15. Dietl, Gulshan. The global game of oil pipelines. London: Routledge, 2022. (Acc. No. 55106)
338.476626 DIE

Oil has long been and will continue to be at the centre of the global economy. This book explores the oil trade, energy (geo)politics, and new trends in regionalising or globalising the oil industry in the new era of international relations and economic competition.

Source: <https://www.routledge.com/The-Global-Game-of-Oil-Pipelines/Dietl/p/book/9781032063072>

Education

16. Roy, Manimala. From shanties to school: a silent movement. New Delhi: Konark Publishers, 2020. (Acc. No. 55097)
371.82624 ROY

The economic reforms of 1991 unleashed a silent revolution with many migrant workers realising the possibility of their children getting good education and being able to do white-collar jobs. Without any government intervention, the country's literacy scene got a new boost, the blows of child labour were softened and within a generation the migrant community moved up socially and economically with their children becoming part of the organised sector. The book traces this journey. Dr Manimala Roy, an economist by

training, later diversified into the field of education to produce work combining both disciplines. She is currently the principal of Basava International School, New Delhi.
Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Shanties-School-Silent-Movement/dp/8194201810>

17. Ganguly, Swati. Tagore's university: a history of Visva-Bharati 1921-1961. Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2022. (Acc. No. 55130)
378.01 GAN

The book traces the first four decades of this large experiment in building a cultural community of learning, teaching, and scholarship. It tells the story of exceptional individuals from across Europe, Asia, America, and India who became Tagore's collaborators in a mini-universe of creativity and humane intellection. It reveals why in its heyday Visva-Bharati was so internationally renowned as an extraordinarily attractive institution.

Source: <https://www.permanentblack.com/product-page/tagore-s-university-a-history-of-visvabharati-1921-1961>

Environment

18. Chakrabarti, Ranjan. Climate calamity and the wild: an environmental history of the Bengal delta c. 1737-1947. Delhi: Primus Books, 2022. (Acc. No. 55118)
301.310954 CHA

Climate, Calamity and the Wild: An Environmental History of the Bengal Delta, c.1737-1947 offers a climatic and environmental history of the deltaic plains of Bengal. Unlike the prevalent model of history-writing, this book tackles historical issues in ecological, biological and cultural terms, turning away from conventional ideological and political approaches. The volume examines how the delta's political economy, production, crop pattern, inland and overseas trade, demographic pattern, culture and economy developed and were transformed by shifts in climate, forests, river systems and hydrology.

Source: <https://primusbooks.com/modern-history/climate-calamity-and-the-wild-an-environmental-history-of-the-bengal-delta-c-1737-1947-by-ranjan-chakrabarti/>

19. Shiva, Vandana. Terra Viva: my life in a biodiversity of movements. New Delhi: Women Unlimited, 2022. (Acc. No. 55034)
577.5 SHI

Vandana Shiva has been described in many ways: the 'Gandhi of Grain,' 'a rock star' in the battle against GMOs, and 'the most powerful voice' for people of the developing world. For over four decades she has vociferously advocated for diversity, indigenous knowledge, localisation, and real democracy; she has been at the forefront of seed saving, food sovereignty, and connecting the dots between the destruction of nature, the polarization of societies, and indiscriminate corporate greed.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Terra-Viva-Life-Biodiversity-Movements/dp/1645021882>

History

20. Orsini, Francesca, eds. Objects, images, stories: Simon Digby's historical method. Gurugram: Oxford University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55067)

954 OBJ

In this volume prominent scholars of South Asia in the fields of economic, social, religious, literary, music, photography, and art history reflect on Simon Digby's method and contribution to their respective fields, and each offer an example of their method through the analysis of a painting, object, manuscript, literary text, or building from the Sultanate, Mughal, and colonial periods.

Source:<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/objects-images-stories-9780190123963?cc=in&lang=en&>

21. Chaturvedi, Vinayak. *Hindutva and violence: V. D. Savarkar and the politics of history*. New Delhi: Permanent Black, 2022. (Acc. No. 55129)

954.01 CHA

Hindutva and Violence explores the place of history in the political thought of Vinayak Damodar Savarkar (1883–1966), the most controversial Indian political thinker of the twentieth century and a key architect of Hindu nationalism. Examining his central claim that "Hindutva is not a word but a history," the book argues that, for Savarkar, this history was not a total history, a complete history, or a narrative history. Rather, its purpose was to trace key historical events to a powerful source—the font of motivation for "chief actors" of the past who had turned to violence in a permanent war for Hindutva as the founding principle of a Hindu nation. At the center of Savarkar's writings are historical characters who not only participated in ethical warfare against invaders, imperialists, and conquerors in India, but also became Hindus in acts of violence. He argues that the discipline of history provides the only method for interpreting Hindutva.

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/Hindutva-Violence-Savarkar-Politics-History/dp/1438488777>

22. Sharma, Parvati. *Akbar of Hindustan*. New Delhi: Juggernaut, 2022. (Acc. No. 55098)

954.025 SHA

Akbar the Great is a familiar figure to most Indians. Hailed as a brilliant warrior, a great administrator and a visionary ruler whose ideas of pluralism and tolerance sought to unify India with all its diversity of peoples and religions, he is also an increasingly contested figure in the national discourse. And familiar though he might be, Akbar is a mystery too, locked in his own legend: a man to admire but difficult to know.

With revealing insights into Akbar's complex and magnetic personality, this biography is also the story of how Akbar's ideas and ideals of kingship evolved through his reign; of how he came to concentrate in himself both political and religious authority; of his instances of megalomania, his doubts and his yearning for justice. Rich in detail, and with a cast of unforgettable characters, it sparkles with humour and drama too, as it vividly evokes the world he lived in.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Akbar-Hindustan-Parvati-Sharma/dp/9391165516>

23. Bhatia, Mohita. *Rethinking conflict at the margins: Dalits and borderland Hindus in Jammu and Kashmir*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2020. (Acc. No. 55117)

954.6053 BHA

This book departs from the conventional academic narration of the conflict situation in Jammu and Kashmir and expands the debate by shifting the focus from Kashmir to Jammu region. Generally, it is the response of Muslim-majority Kashmir region - particularly its contestation of the hegemonic and assimilative temperament of the Indian state - that captures the attention of researchers. The Hindu-majority Jammu region which is affected by the conflict in many ways remains in the shadows. This book seeks to address this crucial academic gap by locating the conflict in Jammu region. Besides explaining the 'Hindu reactionary' and 'ultra-nationalist' responses of some sections of Jammu's society, the book also foregrounds the genuine grievances of its people and their concerns within the dominant 'Kashmir-centric' discourse.

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/Rethinking-Conflict-Margins-Borderland-Kashmir/dp/110883602X>

24. Dhawan, Erica. Digital body language: how to build trust and connection, no matter the distance. New York: St. Martin's Press, 2021. (Acc. No. 55149)

651.7 DHA

Digital Body Language will turn your daily misunderstandings into a set of collectively understood laws that foster connection, no matter the distance. Dhawan investigates a wide array of exchanges—from large conferences and video meetings to daily emails, texts, IMs, and conference calls—and offers insights and solutions to build trust and clarity to anyone in our ever changing world.

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/Digital-Body-Language-Connection-Distance/dp/1250246520>

25. Chan, Alfred L. Xi Jinping: political career, governance, and leadership, 1953-2018. New York, NY: Oxford University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55128)

951.0612092 CHA

Xi Jinping has proven to be one of the most transformative political leaders of the twenty-first century. After a long career that began at the village level, he became General Secretary of the Chinese Communist Party and China's paramount leader in 2012. Few expected what would come next: a sweeping restructuring of China's political economy and political culture which included anti-corruption campaigns against the Party, and a full recalibration of China's relations with the outside world. In Xi Jinping, Alfred L. Chan offers a comprehensive account of his life and times.

Chan discusses Xi's early years as a "princeling" and his ordeal during the tumultuous Cultural Revolution. Xi's privileged childhood was shattered during his youth when he was mercilessly tormented as a counter-revolutionary, declared a juvenile delinquent and pauper, ultimately becoming an ordinary peasant. But he clawed his way back up a ladder of success reflecting the changing zeitgeist of the times. He entered politics at age seventeen and accumulated administrative experiences at the county and provincial levels. Chan documents Xi's long path upward through the system, revealing how he built a reputation as an astute leader and a corruption fighter.

Source:<https://www.amazon.com/Jinping-Political-Governance-Leadership-1953-2018/dp/0197615228>

26. Kumar, Surendra, ed. *Azadi ka amrit mahotsav: India at 75 years*. New Delhi: Har-Anand Publications, 2022. (Acc. No. 55102)
954.04 AZA

If someone who had witnessed the impoverished stage at which the British had left India in 1947, after ruling for 200 years, and seen the horrific tragedy of Partition were to visit India in 2022, he won't believe what his eyes see all around; India has been transformed beyond recognition on all parameters. Dazed by the network of railway lines, highways, expressways, roads and link roads, flyovers, underground metros, swanky airports, ports, gated communities, sky scrappers, air-conditioned shopping malls, multiplexes, food courts, huge supermarkets, hundreds of brands, sizes and colours of cars, motorbikes and scooters filling the roads to the brim, youth hooked on their social networks on their smart phones, thousands of citizens of different age groups doing yoga on their colourful mats, for a minute, he will think that he has landed in a different country, not in India that is Bharat! We should be proud of what we have achieved as a nation in democratic ways and relatively peacefully. The results might not have met expectations; their judgments might have gone wrong but their intentions weren't wrong; all leaders tried to serve this nation. It has truly been a continuum in which successors have built over the achievements of predecessors and introduced course correction wherever necessary. India at 75 has been a collective endeavour and it is still a work in progress.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/-/hi/Amb-Surendra-Kumar/dp/9391504027>

27. Bissinger, Buzz. *The Mosquito bowl: a game of life and death in World War II*. London: Harper Collins, 2022. (Acc. No. 55181)
940.53 BIS

When the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, college football was at the height of its popularity. As the nation geared up for total war, one branch of the service dominated the aspirations of college football stars: the United States Marine Corps. Which is why, on Christmas Eve of 1944, when the 4th and 29th Marine regiments found themselves in the middle of the Pacific Ocean training for what would be the bloodiest battle of the war – the invasion of Okinawa—their ranks included one of the greatest pools of football talent ever assembled: Former All Americans, captains from Wisconsin and Brown and Notre Dame, and nearly twenty men who were either drafted or would ultimately play in the NFL.

When the trash-talking between the 4th and 29th over who had the better football team reached a fever pitch, it was decided: The two regiments would play each other in a football game as close to the real thing as you could get in the dirt and coral of Guadalcanal. The bruising and bloody game that followed became known as “The Mosquito Bowl.”

Source: <https://www.amazon.com/Mosquito-Bowl-Game-Death-World/dp/0062879928>

28. Davar, Praveen. *Freedom struggle and beyond*. Delhi: Aakar, 2022. (Acc. No. 55145)
954.03 DAV

Freedom Struggle and Beyond is a collection of articles, in national dailies, written by Praveen Davar on the Independence Movement and the making of Modern India. The latter part includes all the wars fought by India after independence till 1971 which is a

glorious chapter in the history of the subcontinent and India's 'finest hour'. The book is an inspiring account of the sage of freedom struggle and the building of modern India. It encapsulates the views of the stalwarts of the freedom struggle and makers of modern India which are extremely inspiring and of immense value to scholars and the students of modern history. As Dr. Karan Singh has written in his foreward, 'taken together, this book is an interesting and useful contribution to our contemporary intellectual discourse.

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/Freedom-Struggle-Beyond-Praveen-Davar/dp/9350027496>

29. Banerjee, Swapna M. Fathers in a motherland: imagining fatherhood in colonial India.

New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55134)

954.04 BAN

This monograph breaks new ground by weaving stories of fathers and children into the history of gender, family and nation in colonial India. Focusing on the reformist Bengali Hindu and Brahma communities, the author contends that fatherhood assumed new meaning and significance in late nineteenth and early twentieth-century India. During this time of social and political change, fathers extended their roles beyond breadwinning to take an active part in rearing their children. Utilizing pedagogic literature, articles in scientific journals, autobiographies, correspondence, and published essays, *Fathers in a Motherland* documents the different ways the authority and power of the father was invoked and constituted both metaphorically and in everyday experiences. Exploring specific moments when educated men--as biological fathers, literary activists, and educators--assumed guardianship and became crucial agents of change, Banerjee interrogates the connections between fatherhood and masculinity. The last chapter of the book moves beyond Bengal and draws on the lives of Mohandas K. Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru to provide a broader salience to its argument. Reclaiming two missing links in Indian history--fathers and children--the book argues that biological and imaginary "fathers" assumed the moral guardianship of an incipient nation and rested their hopes and dreams on the future generation.

Source:<https://www.amazon.com/Fathers-Motherland-Imagining-Fatherhood-Colonial/dp/9391050247>

30. Sainath, P. The last heroes: foot soldiers of Indian freedom. Gurugram: Penguin, 2022.

(Acc. No. 55154)

954.04 SAI

In *The Last Heroes*, these footsoldiers of Indian freedom tell us their stories. The men, women and children featured in this book are Adivasis, Dalits, OBCs, Brahmins, Muslims, Sikhs and Hindus. They hail from different regions, speak different languages and include atheists and believers, Leftists, Gandhians and Ambedkarites.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Last-Heroes-Soldiers-Indian-Freedom/dp/067009692X>

31. Ghosh, Joyjit, eds. The bleeding border: stories of Bengal partition. New Delhi: Niyogi

Books, 2022. (Acc. No. 55188)

954.14 GHO

The present volume is an anthology of twenty-four partition stories written by both prominent and lesser-known authors from West Bengal and Bangladesh. The poignant descriptions of various forms of violence, tension and anxiety at the porous border of the

two countries make these stories disturbing reading. They delineate the ghastly communal riots at various places and the trauma and disruptions of memory caused by them, the exodus of the ‘refugees’ from the then East Pakistan and their fierce struggle for survival in newly mushrooming colonies at unknown terrains, and above all, the nostalgia for an imaginary *desh* that defies cartographic barriers.

Source: <https://www.niyogibooksindia.com/books/the-bleeding-borders>

32. Elkins, Caroline. *Legacy of violence: a history of the British empire*. London: The Bodley Head, 2022. (Acc. No. 55180)
909.0971241082 ELK

Sprawling across a quarter of the world's land mass and claiming nearly seven hundred million people, Britain's empire was the largest in human history. For many, it epitomized the nation's cultural superiority, but what legacy have we delivered to the world?

Spanning more than two hundred years of history, Caroline Elkins reveals an evolutionary and racialized doctrine that espoused an unrelenting deployment of violence to secure and preserve British imperial interests. She outlines how ideological foundations of violence were rooted in Victorian calls for punishing indigenous peoples who resisted subjugation, and how over time this treatment became increasingly systematised. And she makes clear that when Britain could no longer maintain control over the violence it provoked and enacted, Britain retreated from its empire, destroying and hiding incriminating evidence of its policies and practices.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Legacy-Violence-History-British-Empire/dp/184792106X>

33. Villarruel, Anna, ed. *Global issues: selections from CQ researcher*. London: Sage Publications, 2022. (Acc. No. 55142)
909.832 GLO

Written by award-winning CQ Researcher journalists, this collection of non-partisan reports offers an in-depth examination of today's most pressing global issues. With reports ranging from rising sea levels, to global population pressures, to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, *Issues* promotes in-depth discussion, facilitates further research, and helps readers formulate their own positions on crucial global issues. And because it's CQ Researcher, the reports are expertly researched and written, presenting readers with all sides of an issue.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Global-Issues-Selections-CQ-Researcher/dp/1544369166>

34. Bose, Sumantra. *Kashmir at the crossroads: inside a 21st-century conflict*. New Delhi: Pan Macmillan, 2021. (Acc. No. 55169)
954.6 BOS

Concise and chilling' Independent An authoritative, fresh, and vividly written account of the Kashmir conflict—from 1947 to the present The India-Pakistan dispute over Kashmir is one of the world's incendiary conflicts. Since 1990, at least 60,000 people have been killed—insurgents, civilians, and military and police personnel. In 2019, the conflict entered a dangerous new phase. India's Hindu nationalist government, under Narendra

Modi, repealed Indian-administered Jammu and Kashmir's autonomous status and divided it into two territories subject to New Delhi's direct rule. The drastic move was accompanied by mass arrests and lengthy suspension of mobile and internet services. In this definitive account, Sumantra Bose examines the conflict in Kashmir from its origins to the present volatile juncture. He explores the global context of the current situation, including China's growing role, as well as the human tragedy of the people caught in the bitter dispute. Drawing on three decades of field experience in Kashmir, Bose asks whether a compromise settlement is still possible given the ascendancy of Hindu nationalism in India and the complex geopolitical context.

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/Kashmir-Crossroads-Inside-21st-Century-Conflict/dp/9390742730>

35. Nampoothiri, D. D., ed. *Nationhood, social justice, and unequal transformation: essays for K.R. Narayanan*. Delhi: Primus Books, 2022. (Acc. No. 55109)
954.04 NAT

Nationhood, Social Justice and Unequal Transformations: Essays for K.R.Narayanan is a commemorative volume consisting of lectures delivered at the Centre for Research and Education for Social Transformation, Kozhikode during the past fifteen years on varied themes that reflect the democratic and secular values cherished by K.R. Narayanan. Shri K.R.Narayanan, the late President of India, was a statesman of eminence whose remarkable achievements straddled the multiple realms of diplomacy, administration, institution-building, and scholarship. His rise from growing up as a Dalit boy from Travancore to becoming the President of India is a saga of courage, resistance, self-belief, and an unending passion for learning. This dedicatory volume explores topics ranging from nation-building to independent India's socio-economic, political, educational, and cultural transformations. The essays herein copiously draw from Narayanan's insights into the making of a humanist and secular India and highlight issues relating to caste, gender, religion as well as the triumphs and pitfalls that characterize the nation's frenetic journey after Independence. Presenting a unique overview of India as an evolving democracy, this book provides critical insights into the intertwined nature of the democracy and the worldview of its citizens.

Source:<https://arcus-www.amazon.in/Nationhood-Social-Justice-Unequal-Transformations-Narayanan/dp/9355724500>

36. Galeotti, Mark. *A short history of Russia: how to understand the world's most complex nation*. London: Penguin, 2022. (Acc. No. 55126)
947 GAL

Russia is a country with no natural borders, no single ethos, no true central identity. At the crossroads of Europe and Asia, it is everyone's 'other'. And yet it is one of the most powerful nations on earth, a master game-player on the global stage with a rich history of war and peace, poets and revolutionaries.

In this essential whistle-stop tour of the world's most complex nation, Mark Galeotti takes us behind the myths to the heart of the Russian story: from the formation of a nation to its early legends - including Ivan the Terrible and Catherine the Great - to the rise and

fall of the Romanovs, the Russian Revolution, the Cold War, Chernobyl and the end of the Soviet Union - plus the rise of a politician named Vladimir Putin.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Short-History-Russia-Mark-Galeotti/dp/1529106389>

Information Technology

37. Sonkar, Sidharth. What privacy means: why it matters and how we can protect it.

Gurugram: Hachette Book, 2022. (Acc. No. 55041)

005.8 SON

In *What Privacy Means*, Siddharth Sonkar analyses the history and understanding - both cultural and political - of privacy in India and establishes why objecting to interference with privacy is the pressing need of the day. Taking a deep dive into the grating realities of individual privacy, he explains how an Indian citizen's privacy is hardly 'private'. In the process, he urges us to question whether in India, where boundaries between the personal and public are increasingly becoming blurred, relationships of trust between governments, corporations and individual citizens can at all be rebuilt.

Today, when our privacy is in the process of being invaded, constantly and insidiously, Sonkar's incisive, revelatory and thought-provoking book provides a roadmap for everyone who is unsure of the rights they are entitled to as they continue to live their lives online.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/What-Privacy-Means-Matters-Protect-e-book/dp/B09V87F6KH>

International Relations

38. Jayasundara-Smits, Shyamika. An uneasy hegemony: politics of state-building and struggles for justice in Sri Lanka. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55111)

327.101 JAY

It departs from the dominant liberally oriented scholarship produced on Sri Lanka in the past three decades. It re-introduces the neo-Marxist approaches through the works of Antonio Gramsci and draws attention to class and inter-ethnic class relations as useful variables in the contemporary political analysis.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Uneasy-Hegemony-Politics-State-building-Struggles/dp/1009199242>

39. Narsimhan, Sushila, ed. India-Japan narratives: lesser known historical & cultural interactions. [s.l.]: Mombusho scholars Association of India, 2021. (Acc. No. 55150)

327.54052 IND

40. Kalha, Ranjit Singh. Bharat-China seema mudde: vivad niptaan ki talash. New Delhi: Prabhat Prakashan, 2022. (Acc. No. 55168)

327.54051 KAL

सीमा समझौता मात्र नक्शे में कुछ रेखाओं का खींचा जाना अथवा जमीन पर कुछ निशान चिह्नित कर देना नहीं है। यह मात्र तकनीकी व्यवस्था भी नहीं है। हालाँकि कोई सीमा-रेखा किसी देश के संप्रभुता के दायरे को बताती है, लेकिन ऐसी रेखा खींच देने भर से देश को सुरक्षा और विदेशी दखल से मुक्ति नहीं मिल जाती। भारतीय विदेश सेवा के वरिष्ठ

अधिकारी रहे श्री कल्हा ने इस पुस्तक में भारत और चीन के बीच सीमा-निर्धारण से जुड़ी वार्ताओं और प्रयासों का विस्तृत विवरण दिया है; साथ ही इस मद्दे से जुड़ी राष्ट्रीय रणनीतिक आवश्यकताओं, क्षेत्रीय राजनीति तथा तत्कालीन महाशक्तियों के प्रभाव एवं भूमिका की भी जानकारी ज़टाई है। वे भारत-चीन संबंधों और सीमा-वार्ताओं से लंबे समय तक जुड़े रहे, इसलिए उनका विवरण बहुत दिलचस्प, प्रामाणिक और महत्वपूर्ण है।

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/-/hi/Ranjit-Singh-Kalha/dp/9394534482>

41. Sabharwal, Sharat. India's Pakistan conundrum: managing a complex relationship.

London: Routledge, 2022. (Acc. No. 55192)

327.540547 SAB

Historically, the relationship between India and Pakistan has been mired in conflicts, war, and lack of trust. This book examines the nature of the Pakistani state, its internal dynamics, and its impact on India.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Indias-Pakistan-Conundrum-Managing-Relationship/dp/0367643170>

42. Ranjan, Rajiv, eds. China and South Asia: changing regional dynamics, development and power play. London: Routledge, 2022. (Acc. No. 55147)

327.51054 CHI

This book looks at the changing dynamics and regional power play between China and South Asia. It explores crucial issues such as China–Pakistan Economic Corridor and the changing nature of China–India relations; China’s trident approach in South Asia and its rising influence in the region; the responses of small states to rising China; China’s twenty-first-century Belt and Road Initiative; China and India; China’s rise and the USA’s security policy vis-à-vis India; the Shanghai Cooperation Organization and regional security; and Russia’s ‘Pivot to the East’ and its impact on the Asia-Pacific region. The volume brings together the views of scholars from China, South Asia and beyond on different aspects of China and South Asia engagement, including regional politics, connectivity, infrastructure and development projects, power politics, economy, ideology and culture. The chapters offer insights into trends and challenges within China’s economic and security environment as impacted by globalization, regional interests and the demands of cooperation.

Source: <https://www.routledge.com/China-and-South-Asia-Changing-Regional-Dynamics-Development-and-Power/Ranjan-Guo/p/book/9780367428297>

Journalism

43. Pande, Mrinal. The journey of Hindi language journalism in India: from Raj to swaraj and beyond. Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, 2022. (Acc. No. 55186)

00.954 PAN

In India, the English-language media is considered the ‘national media’, while vernacular media remains ‘regional’. However, from the 1980s onwards, demographic changes and growth in literacy in the Hindi heartland broadened the market for Hindi newspapers. In this book, well-known journalist Mrinal Pande takes us through the history of Hindi-language journalism in India. She discusses its early days as nationalist newspapers in the colonial period; its subservience to the English print media in the early decades of

independence; the fillip it received in the post-Emergency 1980s when an inclusive Hindi, propped up by regional dialects, became the best vehicle for furthering Indian democracy. The author also focuses on the current digitisation of all media, the increasing influence of social media platforms, and heavy reliance on advertisements. Examining the close connections between politics, the corporates, and newspaper/news channels, the book asks: Can editorials continue to care for individual rights and local cultures, given their proximity to political and corporate lobbyists? How far will our Constitution-given freedom of information and speech stretch if media laws are amended?

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/Journey-Hindi-Language-Journalism-India/dp/9354422861>

Law

44. Chetan, Achyut. *Founding mothers of the Indian Republic: gender politics of the framing of the constitution*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55127)
342.54029 CHE

This remarkable work is bound to alter our understanding of the making of the Indian constitution - that it was a male preserve of ratiocination about public life—and the foundational document of the people. By presenting with a powerful combination of evidence and eloquence the work of the remarkable women members in the Constituent Assembly, and their life-trajectories outside it, Achyut Chetan has recuperated a critical part of our political heritage, rescuing it from 'the enormous condescension of posterity', and presented us a precious gift - the history of Indian feminist thought and practice before the concept was born.' Sudipta Kaviraj, Columbia University, New York 'Achyut Chetan's work on the 'founding mothers' of the Constitution admirably fills a critical gap in our understanding of the Constitution. A collective biography that refrains from treating its subjects as a monolithic category, this book is a deep and insightful history of the sustained vision and politics that lay behind the interventions that women members made.

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/Founding-Mothers-Indian-Republic-Constitution/dp/1108832563>

Literature

45. Steel, Danielle. *The Dark side*. London: Macmillan, 2019. (Acc. No. 55139)
813.6 STE

Zoe Morgan's childhood was marked by her younger sister's tragic illness, watching as her parents dedicated themselves completely to her final days and then divorced. As a young woman driven by these painful memories, Zoe sets the bar high for herself, studying hard and pursuing a career in the nonprofit world, where her deep compassion for disadvantaged children finds a focus.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Dark-Side-Novel-Danielle-Steel/dp/0399179410>

46. Steel, Danielle. *Lost and found*. London: Pan Macmillan, 2019. (Acc. No. 55140)
813.6 STE

It all starts with a fall from a ladder, in a firehouse in New York City. The firehouse has been converted into a unique Manhattan home and studio where renowned photographer Madison Allen works and lives after raising three children on her own. But the accident, which happens while Maddie is sorting through long-forgotten personal mementos and photos, results in more than a broken ankle. It changes her life.

Spurred by old memories, the forced pause in her demanding schedule, and an argument with her daughter that leads to a rare crisis of confidence, Maddie embarks on a road trip. She hopes to answer questions about the men she loved and might have married—but didn't—in the years after she was left alone with three young children. Wearing a cast and driving a rented SUV, she sets off to reconnect with three very different men—one in Boston, one in Chicago, and another in Wyoming—to know once and for all if the decisions she made long ago were the right ones. Before moving forward into the future, she is compelled to confront the past.

Source: <https://www.amazon.com/Lost-Found-Novel-Danielle-Steel/dp/039917947X>

47. Bond, Ruskin. *Song of the forest: tales from here, there, and everywhere*. New Delhi: Rupa Publications, 2022. (Acc. No. 55166)

823 (Ind) BON

Ruskin Bond is a master of the short story. This pitch-perfect collection brings together the very best tales he has written in the twenty-first century. The book starts with the title story, 'Song of the Forest', which has never been published before, and includes extraordinary pieces of fiction like 'A Man Called Brain', 'Rhododendrons in the Mist', and 'Miracle at Happy Bazaar'. Dazzling, comic, and gripping, *Song of the Forest* is the latest masterpiece from India's most beloved writer.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/SONG-FOREST-Tales-There-Everywhere/dp/9391047688>

48. Lal, Ashok. *Roshnai*. New Delhi: Kautilya Books, 2022. (Acc. No. 55104)

821 LAL

The collection of Lal's select Urdu poetry is in parts political, spiritual, social and romantic. It is incisive and experiential and is in simple language.

Source: From the Book

49. Shree, Geetanjali. *Mai: silently mother*. New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022. (Acc. No. 55137)

823 (IND) SHR

Behind the walls of a house in a North Indian town a whole world thrives—of the joint family, their attendants, their visitors. Three generations of women and their men live different strategies of adjustment and achievement to accommodate or challenge patriarchy. They seem to fit in recognized frames, but what are the subtle machinations behind the apparent stereotypes? It is that which the novel uncovers, in a tale told in deceptively simple terms, using smells, sounds, tastes and flavours, scenes and tiny signs and incidents of a daily and ordinary existence to build, weave by weave, a rich and layered tapestry, saying always more than is apparent. At the centre is mai, the mother, seemingly weak and silent, but it is she who holds together the subtle patterns of

relationships and agencies and quietly carves out a life for herself as also for those around. Her New Age children are obsessed with rescuing her from the 'prison' and escaping themselves; but as the story unfolds, any simplistic notion of bondage and freedom goes for a toss. Profound stories of love and loss are lightly delivered.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Mai-Silently-Mother-Geetanjali-Shree/dp/8193393503>

50. Akhtar, Nazia. *Bibi's room: Hyderabad women and twentieth -century Urdu prose*. New Delhi: Orient Blackswan, 2022. (Acc. No. 55131)
891.4391 AKH

51. Lahiri, Jhumpa. *Translating myself and others*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55108)
418.02092 LAH
Translating Myself and Others is a collection of candid and disarmingly personal essays by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Jhumpa Lahiri, who reflects on her emerging identity as a translator as well as a writer in two languages.

With subtlety and emotional immediacy, Lahiri draws on Ovid's myth of Echo and Narcissus to explore the distinction between writing and translating, and provides a close reading of passages from Aristotle's *Poetics* to talk more broadly about writing, desire, and freedom. She traces the theme of translation in Antonio Gramsci's *Prison Notebooks* and takes up the question of Italo Calvino's popularity as a translated author. Lahiri considers the unique challenge of translating her own work from Italian to English, the question "Why Italian?," and the singular pleasures of translating contemporary and ancient writers.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Translating-Myself-Others-Jhumpa-Lahiri/dp/0691244782>

52. Kumar, Ashwani. *Ehsas O Izhar*. New Delhi: Niyogi books, 2022. (Acc. No. 55167)
821 KUM

Dr. Ashwani Kumar is a connoisseur of Urdu poetry. His latest book, 'Ehsās-o-Izhār' is an anthology of some of the finest pieces in Urdu verse which reflect his own sensitivity and also discloses the lesser known side of his multifaceted personality.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Ehsas-Izhar-Ashwani-Kumar/dp/8192693961>

53. Jahanbegloo, Ramin. *Talking poetry: conversations with Ashok Vajpeyi*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55184)
891.431 JAN

This is an interesting book of conversations, which not only endorses the life and thoughts of Ashok Vajpeyi, but also praises poetry in general. He makes the mystery of the world visible to us by speaking with/of poetry. Throughout these conversations we encounter a poet who sets his own pace through poetry, music and painting.

Source: <https://india.oup.com/product/talking-poetry-9780192869180?>

54. Bose, Samaresh. *In search of the pitcher of nectar*. New Delhi: Niyogi Books, 2022. (55135)
823 (Ind) BOS

This travelogue narrates the author's experience of visiting the Kumbh-mela, the holy site of the confluence of three rivers, Ganga, Yamuna and Saraswati, at Prayag, where pilgrims bathe at a designated time of the year. According to Hindu mythology, the nectar of immortality, amrita, arising out of the churning of oceans by gods and asuras, was spilled from the pot, kumbh, in this location. The seekers believe that bathing in the confluence is a means to atonement or penance for past sins.

The narrator commences on this journey with the desire not to achieve atonement, but to learn about life, about people. He is amazed and inspired by every character he meets, whether it is his fellow passengers on the train, sadhus and devotees like Mahavir and Ramjidasi at the festival, or the family he shares a tent with.

Source: <https://www.niyogibooksindia.com/books/in-search-of-the-pitcher-of-nectar>

55. Pamuk, Orhan. Nights of plague. Gurugram: Penguin, 2022. (Acc. No. 55183)
894.3534 PAM

As the plague continues its rapid spread, the Sultan sends a second doctor to the island, this time a Muslim, and strict quarantine measures are declared. But the incompetence of the island's governor and local administration and the people's refusal to respect the bans doom the quarantine to failure, and the death count continues to rise. Faced with the danger that the plague might spread to the West and to Istanbul, the Sultan bows to international pressure and allows foreign and Ottoman warships to blockade the island. Now the people of Mingheria are on their own, and they must find a way to defeat the plague themselves. Steeped in history and rife with suspense, Nights of Plague is an epic story set more than one hundred years ago, with themes that feel remarkably contemporary.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Nights-Plague-ORHAN-PAMUK/dp/0670092665>

Philosophy

56. Jaiswal, Ashish. Visionary thinking. New Delhi: Wisdom Tree, 2021. (Acc. No. 55095)
131.3 JAI

Visionaries have always led humankind into the realm of extraordinary. However, mystery remains around the term 'visionary'. What does it take to become one and how does he or she arrive at a blueprint of life? What constructs a powerful vision and what keeps it alive? And, most importantly, who is a true visionary and how can we all aspire to become one? Drawing from the lives of great visionaries, this book attempts to unravel the science and art of visionary thinking. It will inspire you to take the path of a visionary life and also address the deeper human questions concerning happiness, love, pain, freedom, purpose, money and eventually our final destination, with higher order of understanding.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Visionary-Thinking-Ashish-Jaiswal/dp/8183285732>

57. Singh, Hardayal. The moral compass: finding balance and purpose in an imperfect world. Gurugram: Harper Collins, 2022. (Acc. No. 55101)
150.1943 SIN

The Moral Compass delves deep into why humans behave in a certain manner under specific situations. It then goes into situations that hold a mirror to our lives, empathizing with the protagonists and laying bare their deepest fears, insecurities and motivations as they navigate the curveballs that life throws at them.

Drawing heavily from spirituality, philosophy, psychology and four decades of Hardayal Singh's experience at the helm of critical decision-making, the book will help you design your own moral compass and find balance and purpose in an imperfect world.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Moral-Compass-Finding-Balance-Imperfect/dp/935489884X>

Politics and Public Administration

58. Ansari, M. Hamid. Challenges to a liberal polity: human rights, citizenship & identity.

Gurugram: Penguin, 2022. (Acc. No. 55119)

320.51 ANS

Challenges to a Liberal Polity, amazingly relevant and thought provoking for our times- by Hamid Ansari, former Vice President of India-brings to light some of the most critical issues, which influence our thoughts every day. From Nehru's vision for India as a major world power to the issues of citizenship, religion, democracy, the idea of plurality and Muslim identity in Indian society, inclusion/exclusion of Indian Muslims, the 'mainstream' decision making process in India, the role of women in order to build a compassionate society, implication for dissent, Muslims' role and contribution to Indian culture, civilization and nation-building in the post-Independent India, among others, the book thrashes some of the burning issues of Indian polity and society. Comprehensive, argumentative and evocative, this title will not only interest a wide spectrum of readers but also politicians, policymakers and students and scholars of Indian politics, history and sociology.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Challenges-Liberal-Polity-Citizenship-Identity/dp/0670096946>

59. Nichols, Thomas M. Our own worst enemy: the assault from within on modern democracy. New York: Oxford University Press, 2021. (Acc. No. 55133)

320 NIC

A contrarian yet highly engaging account of the spread of illiberal and anti-democratic sentiment throughout our culture that places responsibility on the citizens themselves. Over the past three decades, citizens of democracies who claim to value freedom, tolerance, and the rule of law have increasingly embraced illiberal politicians and platforms. Democracy is in trouble—but who is really to blame? In *Our Own Worst Enemy*, Tom Nichols challenges the current depictions of the rise of illiberal and anti-democratic movements in the United States and elsewhere as the result of the deprivations of globalization or the malign decisions of elites. Rather, he places the blame for the rise of illiberalism on the people themselves. Nichols traces the illiberalism of the 21st century to the growth of unchecked narcissism, rising standards of living, global peace, and a resistance to change.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Our-Own-Worst-Enemy-Democracy/dp/0197518877>

60. Sarkar, Tanika. Hindu nationalism in India. Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2022. (Acc. No. 55124)

320.540954 SAR

In the twenty-first century, there has been a seismic shift in Indian political, religious and social life. The country's guiding spirit was formerly a fusion of the anti-caste worldview of B.R. Ambedkar; the inclusive Hinduism of Mahatma Gandhi; and the agnostic secularism of Jawaharlal Nehru. Today, that fusion has given way to Hindutva. This now-dominant version of Hinduism blends the militant nationalism of V.D. Savarkar; the Brahmanical anti-minorityism of M.S. Golwalkar; and the global Islamophobia of India's ruling regime. It requires deep cultural analysis and historical understanding, as only the sharpest and most profoundly informed historian can provide. For two decades, Tanika Sarkar has forged a path through the alleys and byways of Hindutva. She has trawled through the writing and iconography of its organisations and institutions, including RSS schools and VHP temples. She has visited the offices and homes of Hindutva's votaries, interviewing men and women who believe fervently in their mission of Hinduising India. And she has contextualised this new ferment on the ground with her formidable archival knowledge of Hindutva's origins and development over 150 years, from Bankimchandra to the Babri mosque and beyond. This riveting book connects Hindu religious nationalism with the cultural politics of everyday India.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Hindu-Nationalism-India-Tanika-Sarkar/dp/1787385442>

Psychology

61. Mishra, Saudamini. Dhi's oracle of numbers for relationship guidance: your guide to a harmonious relationship with others and yourself. [s.l.]: Ukiyoto Publishing, 2021. (Acc. No. 55105)

133.335 MIS

While scrolling through posts on your social media, do you also stop at a random quote and feel like the universe sent it across just for you? Well, 'Dhi's Oracle of Divine Guidance' is supposed to be just that—a self-help collection of Dhi's (the Author's alter ego and the narrator of her works) musings and epiphanies covering all spheres of life and its range of conflicting emotions that are meant to be flipped through intuitively until you arrive at the one, you're meant to ponder over concerning the situation in your life at the time. The way to use it—With a relaxed frame of mind and your eyes closed, hold this self-help oracle in your hand gently and take a few deep breaths, focusing only on them and emptying your mind of all thoughts. Then proceed to request the universe to speak to you and guide you with what you need to do through this means. Be free and expressive as you do this, not thinking so much about how you're framing your words or how you ought to speak to the 'High Power'. Allow this to be a cathartic experience if you must.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Oracle-Divine-Epiphanies-Saudamini-Mishra/dp/B08Y4FJG15>

62. Tandan, Madhu. The logic of dreams. New Delhi: Speaking Tiger, 2022. (Acc. No. 55100)

135.3 TAN

The Logic of Dreams is the perfect primer for those confounded by the multiplicity of our chaotic dream world, and simultaneously a ready handbook for those who wish to learn to interpret their own dreams.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Logic-Dreams-Madhu-Tandan/dp/9354473504>

Religion

63. Medhananda, Swami. Swami Vivekananda's vedantic cosmopolitanism. New York: Oxford University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55125)
294.555092 MED

Inspired by his guru Sri Ramakrishna, Vivekananda reconceived Advaita Vedanta as a nonsectarian, life-affirming philosophy that provides an ontological basis for religious cosmopolitanism and a spiritual ethics of social service. He defended the scientific credentials of religion while criticizing the climate of scientism beginning to develop in the late nineteenth century. He was also one of the first philosophers to defend the evidential value of supersensuous perception on the basis of general epistemic principles. Finally, he adopted innovative cosmopolitan approaches to long-standing philosophical problems. Bringing him into dialogue with numerous philosophers past and present, Medhananda demonstrates the sophistication and enduring value of Vivekananda's views on the limits of reason, the dynamics of religious faith, and the hard problem of consciousness.

Source: <https://www.amazon.in/Swami-Vivekanandas-Ved-antic-Cosmopolitanism-ebook/dp/B09LVVFXCD>

Sociology

64. Dasgupta, Sangeeta. Reordering adivasi world: representation, resistance, memory. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2022. (Acc. No. 55148)
305.56880954 DAS

Recounting the story of the Oraons and Tana Bhagats of Chhotanagpur in the present-day state of Jharkhand, this book questions postcolonial understandings of the category of 'tribe' and unravels the threads of a hierarchical adivasi world. It unpacks colonial ethnography, missionary narratives, and anthropological writings; explores issues of adivasi identity and resistance; and demonstrates how contemporary adivasi protest draws upon memories of the past. Dasgupta argues that nineteenth and early twentieth-century ideas of 'tribe' were not abstract imaginaries but structured colonial interventions. These affected the shaping of customary rights; the understanding of the rural world; and the perception of customs and practices. She analyses the ways in which Tana Bhagats questioned hierarchies among the Oraons; opposed landlords, moneylenders, and the colonial state; and engaged with Gandhi and the Congress. Dasgupta delineates how Tanas allude to their diverse experiences and distinctive memories to negotiate with the sarkar even today. Using colonial archives, oral narratives, and contemporary pamphlets,

this book examines the contending 'truths' produced around adivasi protest, and the complex interplay between the past and the present, the oral and the written.

Source:<https://www.amazon.in/Reordering-Adivasi-Worlds-Representation-Resistance/dp/0190127910>

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It is an important collection of information for scholars and students of Research on Cultural Heritage of ancient India.

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