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Abid Hasan Safrani

Netaji's Comrade in Arms

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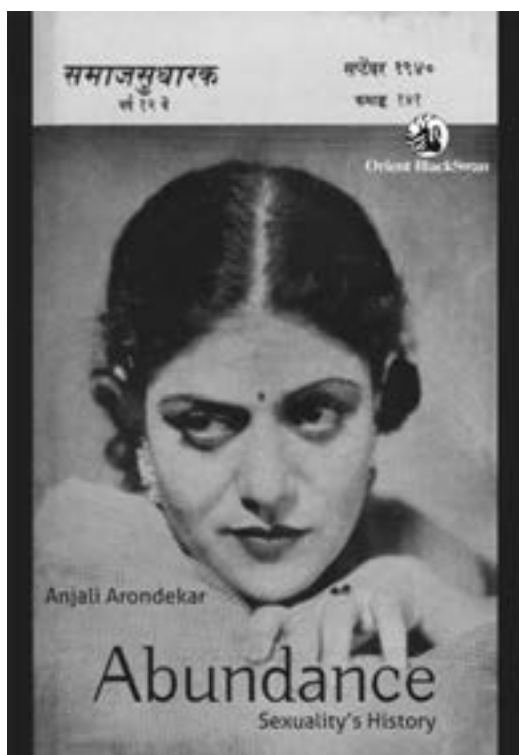
With a foreword by **Sugata Bose**

Abid Hasan's accounts of his time and journeys with Netaji—collected from his notebooks—bring alive key historical events and fill in crucial gaps in the narration of India's freedom struggle. Anecdotal memories of Safrani recounted by family and friends also reveal a self-effacing, fiercely loyal, brave and generous man with an endearing persona. The story of an unsung national hero, this book preserves and disseminates some of the finest and forgotten lessons of our freedom struggle, to better understand the evolution of independent India.

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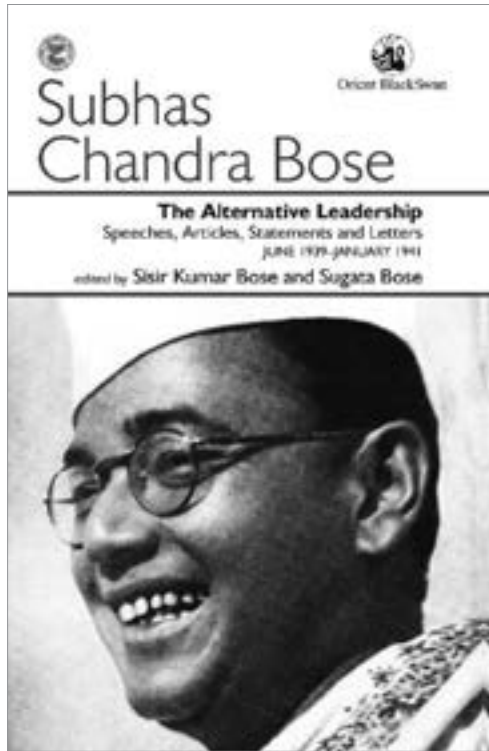
Sexuality's History

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In *Abundance*, Anjali Arondekar refutes the historical common sense that archival loss is foundational to a subaltern history of sexuality. Instead, Arondekar theorizes the radical abundance of sexuality through the archives of the Gomantak Maratha Samaj—a caste-oppressed devadasi collective in South Asia—that are plentiful and quotidian, imaginative and ordinary. Arondekar's turn to abundance does not replace paucity with overflow; rather it unravels a set of archives that are fertile ground for producing and contesting our attachments to history-writing. Three concepts are at stake here: archives, exemplarity and geopolitics.

Contents: Introduction: Make. Believe. Sexuality's Subjects; 1. In the Absence of Reliable Ghosts: Archives 2. A History I Am Not Writing: Sexuality's Exemplarity 3. Itinerant Sex: Geopolitics as Critique; coda: I Am Not Your Data. Caste, Sexuality, Protest

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Alternative Leadership, The

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Between his resignation as Congress President in Calcutta on 29 April 1939 and his escape from his Elgin Road home on the night of 16-17 January 1941, Subhas Chandra Bose provided India with an alternative leadership in place of the old guard represented by the Gandhian High Command. His alternative was based on a commitment to anti-imperialism and future socialism. This volume brings together the writings and speeches of a crucial phase in Bose's political life immediately prior to his emergence as the Netaji of India's army of liberation.

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Essays on Religion, Society, and Culture

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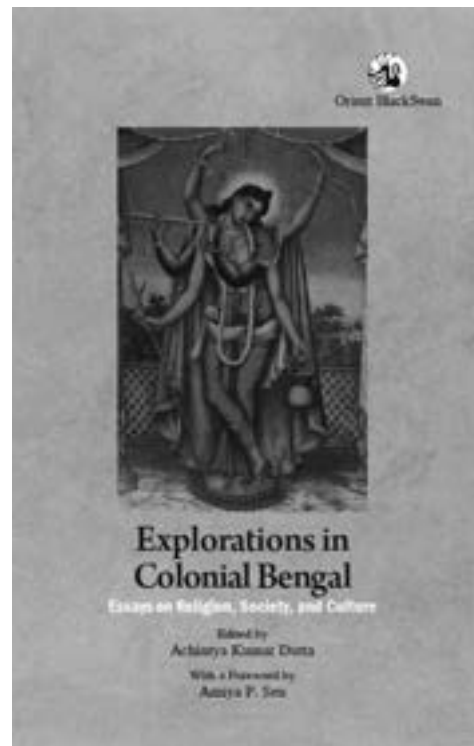
With a foreword by **Amiya P. Sen**

Explorations in Colonial Bengal sheds light on some important, yet relatively less-explored aspects of sociocultural changes that took place in Bengal in the colonial milieu. The essays engage with two major themes: Vaishnavism, and the society and culture of nineteenth and twentieth-century Bengal. The contributing authors show how Vaishnavism attracted the attention of multiple ethnic communities and institutions in contemporary society. They also study relatively unknown aspects of this culture, such as the role of women in the evolution of Bengali Vaishnava traditions.

Selected Contents: I. The Many Worlds of Bengali Culture II. Aspects of Bengali Politics, Society, and Economy

Contributors: Arun Bandopadhyay, Varuni Bhatia, Subhayu Chattopadhyay, Kailash Chandra Dash, Rajat Datta, Amit Dey, Santanu Dey, Achintya Kumar Dutta, Dipannita Dutta, Ranjeeta Dutta, Rila Mukherjee, Sujata Mukherjee, Bipasha Raha, Anuradha Roy

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Gandhi's Travels in Tamil Nadu

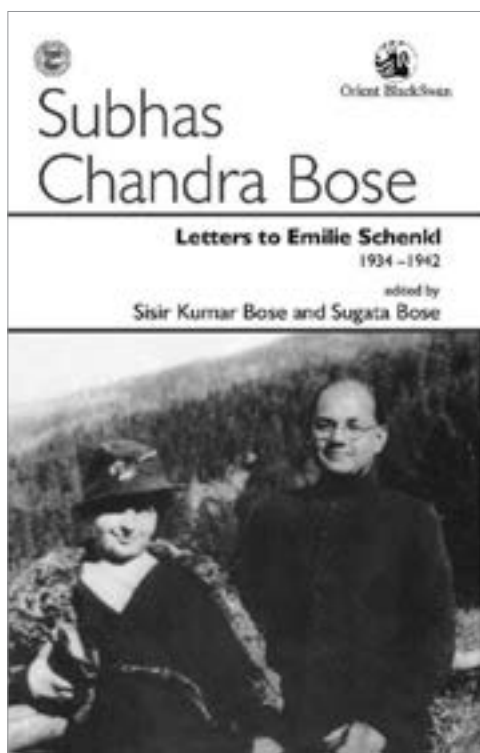
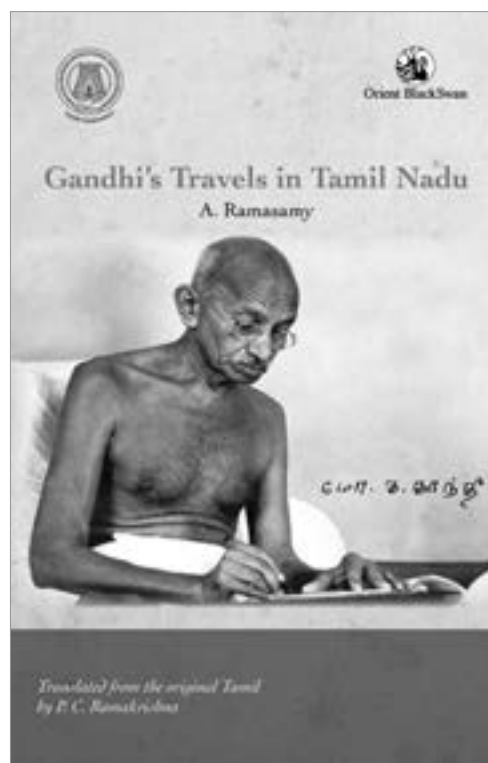
A. Ramasamy (late), from Pudhuthamaraiyapatti village in Madurai district, Tamil Nadu, was a journalist who served as news editor of the dailies *ThamilNadu*, *Gramarajyam-Weekly* and *Dinamani*; he was a staunch Gandhian, secretary of the Gandhi Manram and the Harijan Seva Sangam, Madurai, and also translated works of Gandhian literature, and authored several books in Tamil, including *Ellayil Thollai*, *Porkalathil Bharatham*, *Lykkia Naadugal Sabai*, *Kulandhai Gandhi*, and *Thamizhnaattil Gandhi*, which took him three years to complete

Translated from the original Tamil by **P. C. Ramakrishna**, theatre actor and member of The Madras Players, India's oldest English theatre group, has translated, dramatised and staged the Tamil novel *Karunai Kolai* by Sivasankari as *Mercy* in English; a leading voice professional who has lent his voice to documentaries, films and audio books, he is the author of *Find Your Voice*, co-translator of *Katha Vilasam*, and a multi-author anthology of fifty Tamil short stories, edited by S. Ramakrishnan

Gandhi's Travels in Tamil Nadu highlights the deep and abiding connection and friendship Gandhi had with Tamil Nadu and its people, from the time that he, as a young lawyer, led the struggle of Indian contractual labourers, many of them Tamilians, against the colonial government in South Africa, to when he returned to India to lead the Congress and the freedom movement. It covers the period from his very first visit to (what was then) Madras State/Province in 1896, to his last visit to the state in 1946, a year before Independence.

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Letters to Emilie Schenk, 1934–1942

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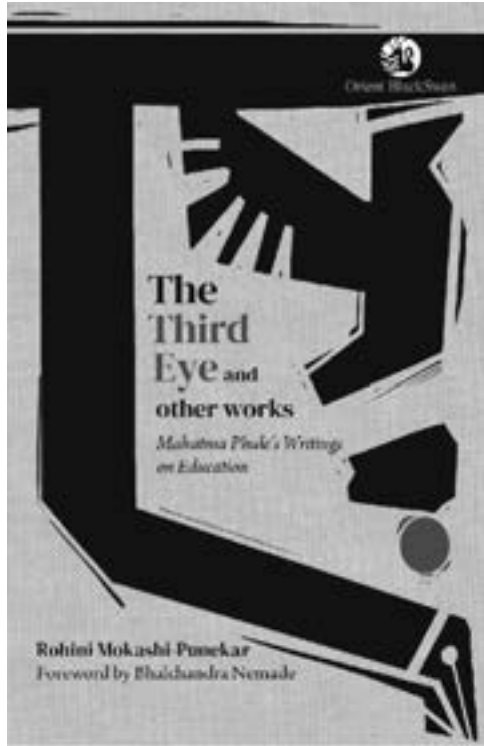
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Bose met Emilie Schenk in June 1934 in Vienna, developed a close relationship during his forced European exile, secretly married her in December 1937, and had a daughter, Anita, in November 1942. This volume of Netaji's *Collected Works* illuminates the human and emotional aspects of his many-splendoured life. One hundred and sixty-two of his letters, written between 1934 and 1942, are published in this volume, along with eighteen of Emilie Schenk's letters that have survived.

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Third Eye and Other Works, The Mahatma Phule's Writings on Education

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With a foreword by **Bhalchandra Nemade**

Phule founded schools for the Shudratishudra, for women and working caste adults, and wrote passionately on the subject of inclusive education. Translated for the first time in English, this volume offers two of his seminal works that underline why education is essential for social change and empowerment: *Tritiya Ratna* (*The Third Eye*), his subversive play of ideas written in 1855 and published 124 years later in 1979, and his satirical ballad 'Vidyakhatyateel Brahman Pantoji' ('Brahmin Teachers in the Education Department'). In *Gulamgiri* (*Slavery*), Phule wrote a preface in English, exhorting the British government to fund the education of the lower castes. This preface, along with his address to the Education Commission in 1882, is also included.

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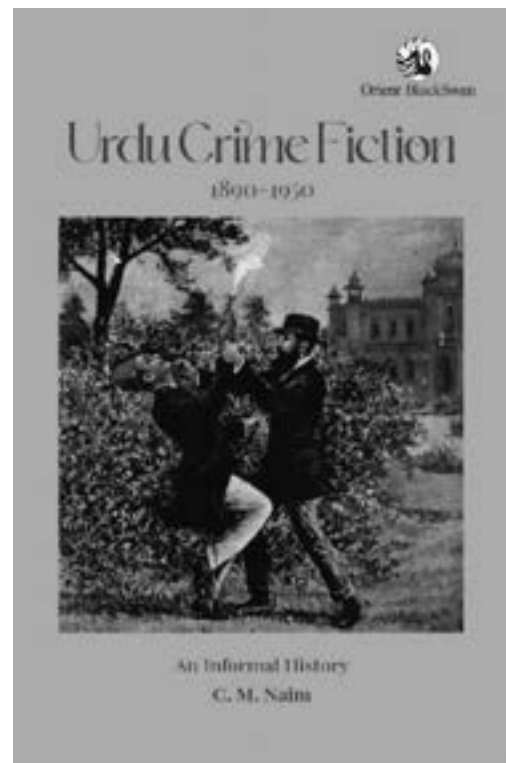
An Informal History

C.M. Naim, Professor Emeritus, Department of South Asian Languages and Civilizations, University of Chicago, founded and edited the *Annual of Urdu Studies* from 1981 to 1991, his translation of the autobiography of the famous Urdu poet Mir was published as *Remembrances* in 2019 in the Murti Classical Library of India, author of several books, including *A Most Noble Life* (2021)

Meticulously researched, this 'informal history' unravels how crime fiction first originated in Europe and North America in the nineteenth century, how Urdu writers responded to this new stimulus, and the rapid emergence of what then became the *jāsūsī adab* in Urdu. Described as 'wonder-inducing' and 'sleep-depriving,' bearing titles like *Khūnī Chhatrī* (The Murderous Umbrella), *Tilismī Burj* (The Magic Turret), and *Mistriz of Dihli* (The Mysteries of Delhi), Urdu thrillers sold in the thousands.

Contents: 1. Prologue 2. The Magic-making *Mistar Rinalds* 3. *Mistriz* and *Asrar* 4. Zafar Omar I: Enter Bahram 5. The Extraordinary Translator 6. Zafar Omar II: Bahram Redux 7. The Other Bahrams 8. Mirza Fida Ali Khanjar 9. Nadeem Sahba'i Ferozepuri 10. Other Books, Other Writers 11. Holmes in Urdu 12. Epilogue

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Chakravarti Rajagopalachari (1878–1972), popularly known as Rajaji, was a lawyer by profession. He was drawn into the non-violent nationalist movement steered by Mahatma Gandhi and came to be known as the latter's 'conscience-keeper'. He became the Premier of Madras in 1937 and was the first Indian Governor-General of independent India. He was also the Chief Minister of Madras, 1952–54. He was awarded the highest civilian award, the Bharat Ratna, in 1955. Rajaji founded the Swatantra Party in 1959. A prolific writer in Tamil and English, he is best known for his books on the *Mahabharata* and the *Ramayana*.

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Bangladesh

Writings on 1971, Across Borders

Edited by **Rakhshanda Jalil**, acclaimed writer, critic, literary historian, and translator from Urdu and Hindi; and **Debjani Sengupta** who teaches English Literature at Indraprastha College for Women, New Delhi



1971 was a decisive moment in the history of the subcontinent, one that had profound social, historical and cultural reverberations throughout the region. The birth of Bangladesh, once a part of Pakistan, in many ways overturned the lessons of 1947 and

laid bare the ironies and contradictions of history. Like any violent historical moment, the euphoria, nightmares and memories of 1971 have also spawned contested accounts. Tracing the journey of a nation that has celebrated fifty years of its birth, the stories, poems and 'memory texts' collected here, from Bangla, Urdu and English, are varied in their understandings of and responses to 1971. This anthology probes the intersection of literature and history through the eyes of writers and poets on both sides of the borders who attempt to capture and recount those turbulent months of euphoria and trauma. It is also an homage to all those who fought and lived through the aftermath, trying to shape modes of reconciliation and peace.

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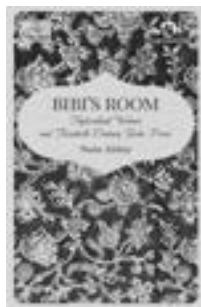
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Bibi's Room

Hyderabad Women and Twentieth-Century Urdu Prose

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Bibi's Room studies the lives and work of three women writers from Hyderabad who wrote in Urdu: Zeenath Sajida, Najma Nikhat, and Jeelani Bano. It addresses the absence of scholarship on Hyderabad women writers in three ways: representative translations; short, nuanced biographies; and critical analyses of their oeuvres—all framed against

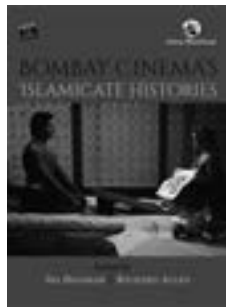
twentieth-century Hyderabad history, politics, culture, and society. The three writers showcased here offer rich portrayals of Hyderabad urban culture as well as critiques of gender and patriarchy. Zeenath Sajida's insights into Islam dramatically alter what we know of Muslim women's engagements with fundamental theological questions. Sajida is also a skilled proponent of Urdu humour and satire, a genre notorious for its exclusion of women writers. Jeelani Bano's oeuvre, spanning three schools of Urdu literature, makes vital contributions to our understanding of gender, class, communalism, and national identity. Najma Nikhat's deodi stories powerfully narrate women's lives across class in feudal aristocratic homes, and their participation in revolutionary struggles like the Telangana movement.

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Bombay Cinema's Islamicate Histories

Edited by **Ira Bhaskar**, Professor of Cinema Studies, School of Arts & Aesthetics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi; and **Richard Allen**, Chair Professor, Film and Media Art and Dean, School of Creative Media, City University, Hong Kong



Comprising fourteen essays by major scholars, this collection presents an engaging account of the history and influence of cultural Islam on Bombay cinema. The first section, 'Islamicate Histories', charts the historical roots of South Asian Muslim cultures

and the precursors of Bombay cinema's Islamicate idioms in the Urdu Parsi Theatre; the courtesan cultures of Lucknow; the traditions of miniature painting; the literary, musical and performance traditions of north India; and various modes of Perso-Arabic story-telling. The second section, 'Cinematic Forms', discusses the ways in which these Islamicate histories have contributed to the distinctive stories, performance traditions, and iconography of Bombay Cinema that persist in Bollywood. It explores 'Islamicate' genres like the

'Oriental' film and the 'Muslim Social', as well as forms of poetry and performance like the 'ghazal' and 'the qawwali'. At a time of acute crisis in the perception and understanding of Islam, the volume demonstrates how Hindu and Muslim cultures in India are inextricably entwined.

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Disciplines and Movements Conversations between India and the German-speaking World

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In India, the modern university as a 'teaching and examining body' was set up as an instrument of colonial governmentality in the late nineteenth century. At that time, while many disciplines were still fluid, there was a distinct movement towards the institutionalisation of disciplinary identities in South Asia. *Disciplines and*

Movements studies this historical period till a little after the end of colonialism in India through an exploration of a set of conversations and

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The popular perception of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose is that of a warrior-hero and revolutionary leader who led a life of suffering and sacrifice and who during the Second World War waged a great armed struggle for the freedom of India. What is often forgotten is that the warrior paused between

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Subhas Chandra Bose's 'discovery of India', unlike Jawaharlal Nehru's, occurred very early in life, when he was barely in his teens. 'How many selfless sons of the Mother are prepared, in this selfish age,' the fifteen-year-old Subhas asked his mother in 1912, 'to completely give up their personal interests and take

the plunge for the Mother? Mother, is this son of yours yet ready?' As he stood on the verge of taking the plunge by resigning from the Indian Civil

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Service in 1921, he wrote to his elder brother Sarat: 'Only on the soil of sacrifice and suffering can we raise our national edifice.' In December 1937 Bose wrote ten chapters of his autobiography, providing a narrative of his life until 1921 and a reflective chapter entitled 'My Faith-Philosophical'. The autobiography is complemented with a fascinating collection of seventy letters of Bose's childhood, adolescence and youth. It is not often that remembrances written later in life can be read together with primary source materials of the earlier, formative phases.

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A Most Noble Life is the extraordinary story of Ashrafunnisa Begum, who was born in an obscure village in Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh, taught herself to read and write, in secret, against the wishes of her elders and prevailing norms, and went on to teach and inspire

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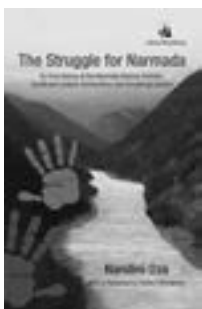
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With a foreword by **Indira Chowdhury**



One of the most powerful mass movements in independent India, the Narmada Bachao Andolan (NBA) brought together thousands of people across the country from a myriad social strata and callings. The central role played by the communities of Narmada Valley, especially the Adivasis, in this

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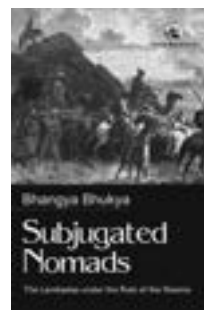
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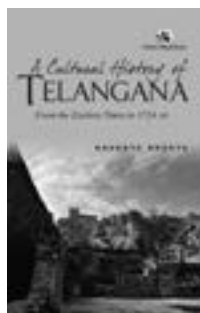
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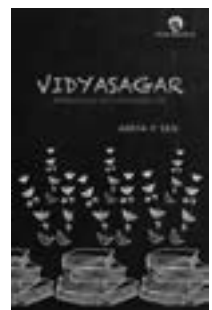
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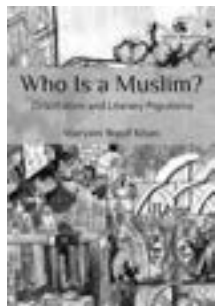
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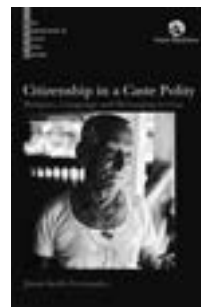
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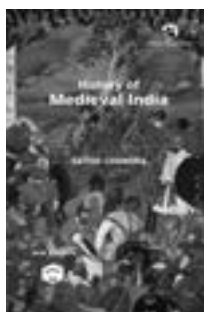
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With a foreword by Usha Thakkar



In the 1920s, amidst the upheaval of the Indian national movement and its sustained resistance to British rule, Mohandas K. Gandhi and the prominent Indian nationalist and feminist Sarala Devi Chaudhurani developed an intense but short-lived association. For over a year, they communicated with

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While Gandhi's life and work have continued to fascinate historians, Sarala Devi, like so many other remarkable women in India, has not yet been the subject of a comprehensive biography.

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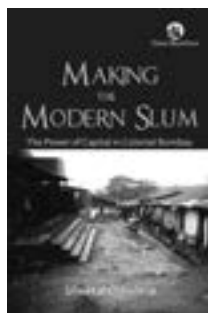
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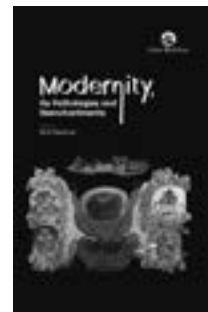
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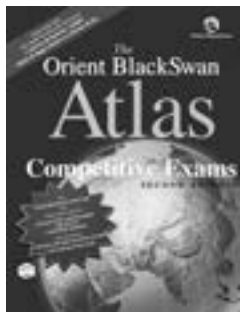
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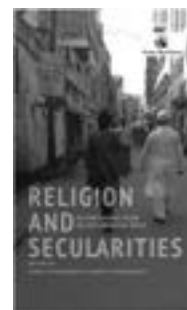
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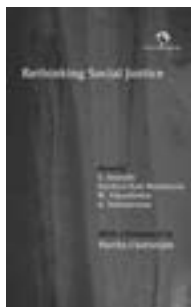
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The discourse of social justice has been much contested in India ever since the time of the Mandal Commission report. Nearly four decades on, debates on culture and identity remain strong. Rather than studying the concept of social justice in isolation, in distinct social, political or economic terms, *Rethinking Social Justice* offers

a more trans-disciplinary approach to envisioning a just society that encompasses the intersecting issues of caste, capital, nationalism, gender, region, urban planning and visual representation. This book brings together perspectives from across disciplines to rethink the question of social justice, in the process opening up a view of the panorama of Indian politics.

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Gramsci's relentless conflict with alternative and oppositional forces finds the most lucid and extended expression in his *Prison Notebooks*. This edition will make it easier for both the seasoned scholar and budding researcher who wish to study Gramsci's salient reflections and political

observations. Gramsci's major ideas and sketches of polemical thought have been ordered under larger units in this book. The introductory essay places the *Notebooks* in their socio-historical background. The considerable range of their address and focus will inspire and challenge students who have only had limited access to Gramscian terminology, such as hegemony, national-popular, subaltern, war of position, organic intellectual and so on.

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On 22 October 1947, tribal raiders from the North-West Frontier descended on the Kashmir Valley. Their attacks included plunder, killings, and pillage; their objective, to devastate the Valley and seize Srinagar. To combat the impending crisis, in late October 1947 a battalion of the Indian Army was

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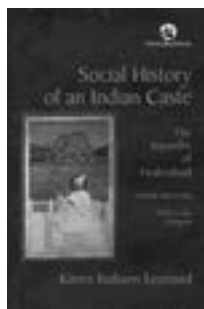
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Social History of an Indian Caste

The Kayasths of Hyderabad (Third Edition)

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This book is a historical study of the Kayasths of Hyderabad, who have adapted their occupational patterns and marriage alliances to changing political and economic conditions over 200 years. From the turbulent military campaigns of the eighteenth century to the bureaucratic modernization of the

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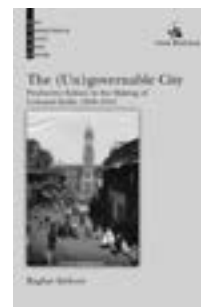
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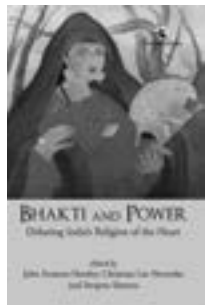
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Bhakti means many things to many people. It is private and public, personal and political, silently contemplative and loudly musical. Often it speaks in the marginalized voices of women and the oppressed, yet it has also played a role in perpetuating injustice. *Bhakti and Power* provides

an accessible entry into

these issues, presenting voices and vignettes from the sixth century to the present. Each chapter is short and pointed, generating a world of its own, but each becomes a piece in a bigger puzzle. Readers will come away with new resources for thinking about bhakti and power in specific and varied situations.

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From Vidyasagar to Satyajit Ray

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Children's Games, Adults' Gambits studies how childhood was depicted by writers of note in Bengal, some of whom also wrote for children. Late 18th and early 19th century Bengali fiction for children was influenced by the reality of colonial India. Bengal saw the opening up of the metropolitan space of the

West, and the Bengali literate elite re-oriented their understanding of the world and of themselves in relation to these new Western spaces through books and textbooks that included depictions of new lands. Childhood thus became the foundation for building a new understanding of the world and the self. This insightful study on the works of the icons of Bengali elite culture—such as Ishwarchandra Vidyasagar, Bankimchandra Chattopadhyay, Rabindranath Tagore, Saratchandra Chattopadhyay and Satyajit Ray—brings postcolonial critical literature into contact with feminist discourse.

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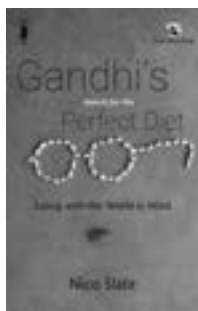
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politicization as a young lawyer in South Africa, the 1930 Salt March challenging British colonialism, and his fasting as a means of self-purification and

social protest during India's struggle for independence. What became the pillars of Gandhi's diet—vegetarianism, limiting salt and sweets, avoiding processed food, and fasting—anticipated many of the debates in twenty-first century food studies, and signaled the necessity of building healthier and more just food systems.

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Essays on Masculinities in Rural North India

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As the discipline of gender studies has almost become synonymous with women's studies, men and masculinities are subsumed under patriarchy/ies and constructed as monolithic across space, time, cultures and social groups. Though men's studies have proliferated in Western academia, in India the

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Earlier Partition anthologies have underplayed narratives of the aged, of marginal castes and tribes. The genres of poetry, drama and reportage have likewise not been collected and read as a whole. This anthology—of essays, memoirs, short fiction, art, poetry, graphic narrative,

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Papers from the Wanaparthy Samasthan, 1832–1911

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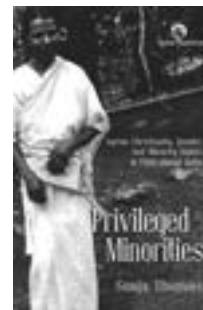
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Privileged Minorities

Syrian Christianity, Gender and Minority Rights in Postcolonial India

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In *Privileged Minorities*, Sonja Thomas questions the assumed link between numerical minorities and political vulnerability. She explores how this community sheds light on larger questions of multiple oppressions, privilege and subordination, racialization, religion and secularism in India. Using an intersectional approach and US women of color feminist theory, she demonstrates the ways that race, caste, gender, religion, and politics



are inextricably connected. *Privileged Minorities* asks not only if women benefit from the struggle for minority rights, but also which women are in a position to benefit, and what sort of benefit it is. By focusing on inequalities within groups and alliances across others, Thomas lays the groundwork for imagining

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B. R. Ambedkar and States Reorganisation

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While much has been written on Ambedkar's views on caste and identity, Buddhism, and the lower-caste movements led by him, his views on the issue of state reorganization have not attracted serious scholarship. This book addresses this lacuna by revisiting the mid-1950s

when the first round of state reorganization took place and the principles on which this was undertaken. Ambedkar feared that fostering cultural identities would result in separate nationalities. In 1956, when the States Reorganisation Commission submitted its report, he identified its flaws, and famously laid down his 'One state, one language' principle. Unfortunately, the speeches, tracts and articles that Ambedkar produced on these lines were soon forgotten.

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Late-colonial Lahore witnessed the rise of organized workers' politics with the unionization of native Indian workers at the Mughalpura railway workshops in 1920. Various ideological tendencies—the Owenist, Labourite and Communist traditions—began to

come together while power struggles gradually led to rifts within the trade-union. Ahmad Azhar questions previous research that has traditionally considered labor politics of inter-war Punjab as mere preludes to Partition. He studies crucial moments: the railway strike of 1920; Mughalpura's quest for autonomy in the interwar years; the relation of labor politics with 'Swaraj' and the Indian National Congress; and the Meerut Conspiracy Case and the Royal Commission on Labour in India.

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Domestic service was an important category of labor and social relationships in early modern and colonial India but the domestic servant has largely remained absent from historians' accounts of South Asia. *Servants' Pasts, Sixteenth to Eighteenth Century South Asia, Vol. I*, much like *Vol. 2*, covers a range of politics; it specifically explores the period



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The second volume of *Servants' Pasts* covers the colonial and postcolonial periods. It lays out the intricate relationship between domestic work and employment in light of the growth of first, new moral regimes under colonialism and second, public avenues of employment under

colonial institutions such as the municipality, school and hospital. A 'reformed' language of intimacy, conjugality and 'duties' developed in middle-class households, which impinged on the mistress-servant relationship while a distinct grammar of 'racialised distancing' underpinned the relationship between Europeans and Indians.

These changes redefined the social and administrative relationships between state and subjects, masters/mistresses and servants, and more broadly, between colonizers and colonized. At the heart of this book is the claim to push for a 'domestic turn' in the writing of South Asian social history.

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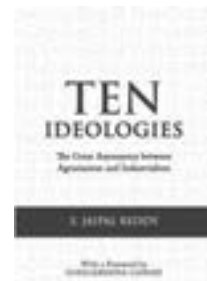
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The Great Asymmetry between Agrarianism and Industrialism

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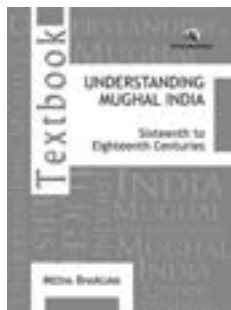
Understanding Mughal India

Sixteenth to Eighteenth Centuries

Textbook

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This book is an attempt to understand the idioms and institutions, ethnic, racial, religious, and linguistic groups, and the regions that constituted the empire. Focusing on varied interpretations, complexities, and perspectives on the Mughal



Empire across the sixteenth to the eighteenth centuries, it studies the different literary genres, including vernacular languages and Persian compositions, the scribes and travelogues, the contexts and milieu of power and authority, legitimacy and

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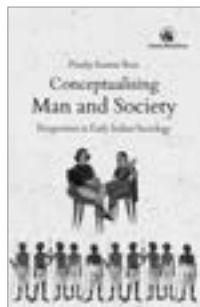
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Perspectives in Early Indian Sociology

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A study of the early history of Indian sociology, the book analyses the concerns of five early Indian sociologists and social anthropologists:

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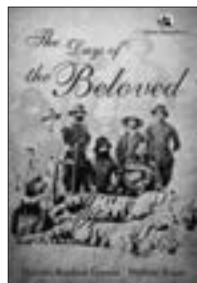
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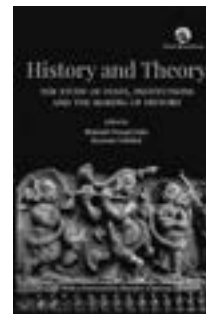
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The Study of State, Institutions and the Making of History

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With the underlying goal of studying the diverse forms of state, social and political institutions, and their role in the making of history, this volume brings together contributions from some of India's finest historians. Section I includes essays on sociology and history, the state, trade and urbanisation, and the shudras—highlighting recent developments, while acknowledging Sharma's pioneering work in these areas. Section II focuses



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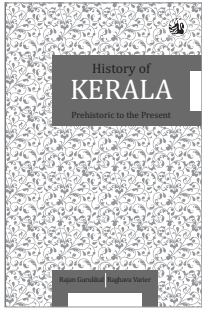
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Textbook

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This book provides a concise and lucid outline of the history of Kerala from the earliest period to the present, encompassing even the latest researches. It describes the early historical times that subsume the region as part of *Tamiḷakam*; the formation of agrarian settlements; the formation of state, overland and overseas trade; the arrival of the foreign trading companies; the Mysorean invasions; British dominance; the various peasant and reform movements; the impact of the national freedom movement; the *Aikya Kerala* movement;



and the Communist movement, which led to the Communist ministry and the making of modern Kerala.

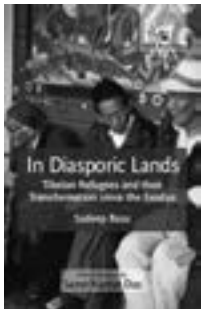
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Tibetan Refugees and their Transformation since the Exodus

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Till the end of the twentieth century, Tibetan studies focused primarily on Buddhism and pre-1950s Tibetan history in relation to Tibetan exiles, influenced largely by Western notions of Tibetan culture. *In Diasporic Lands* moves away from this norm to study the dynamics of Tibetan refugees' emergent culture

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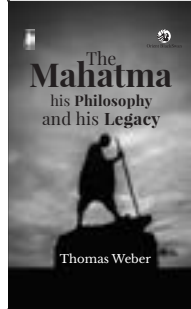
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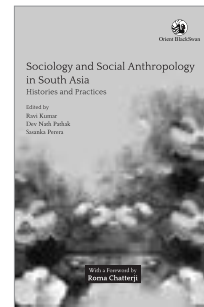
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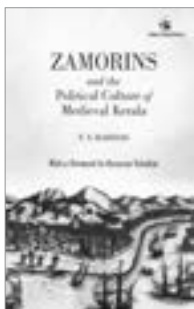
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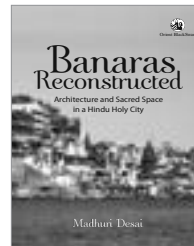
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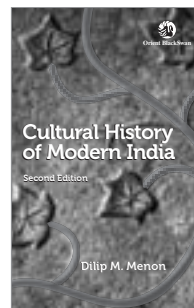
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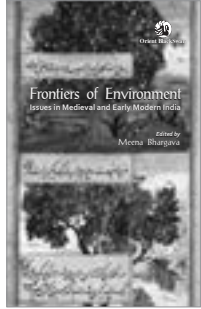
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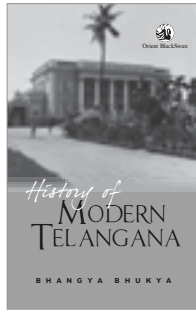
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History of Modern Telangana

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History of Modern Telangana traces Telangana's history from the establishment of the Asaf Jahi reign in the eighteenth century till the formation of the state of Telangana in June 2014, and deals primarily with the socio-economic and political developments that took place in the region during this period. This volume studies the rich history



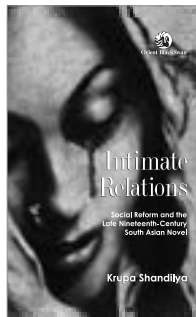
of this region in the context of historical events taking place simultaneously in the rest of India. In the process, it offers a critical and comprehensive understanding of the modern history of Telangana from a linear perspective.

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Intimate Relations takes a close look at the domestic novel as a literary genre and a tool for social reform. Originating from the intersection of literary and social reform movements, in the late nineteenth century the domestic novel led to literary innovation and to a rethinking of women's roles in society and politics. Krupa Shandilya focuses primarily on social reform movements that changed intimate relations between men and women in Hindu and Muslim society, namely the widow remarriage act in Bengal (1856) and the education of women promoted by the Aligarh movement (1858–1900).

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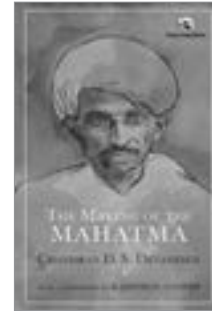
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First published over 50 years ago, *The Making of the Mahatma* was the first scholarly work to identify the forces that moulded M. K. Gandhi as a young boy from nineteenth-century Kathiawar to grow into a force that sealed the fate of colonialism in the next century. This seminal volume details the first 40

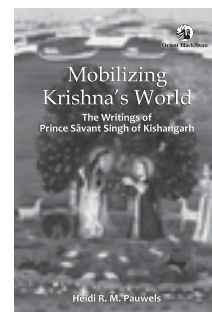
years of Gandhi's life as a late Victorian youngster in a native princely state, as a tentative student in London, and as an inexperienced but determined lawyer in South Africa. The author argues that Gandhi was influenced not just by Indian history and culture, but was also by the intellectual and spiritual impact of more than one great civilisation.

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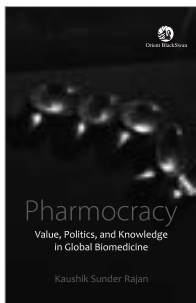
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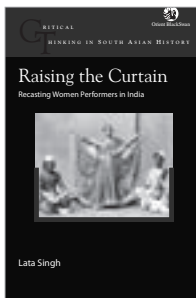
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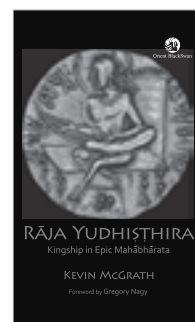
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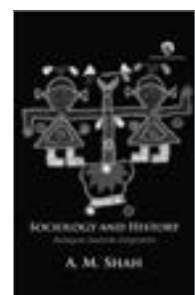
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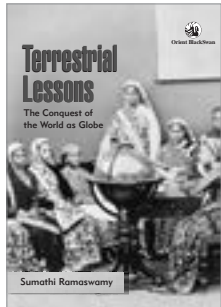
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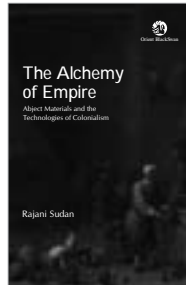
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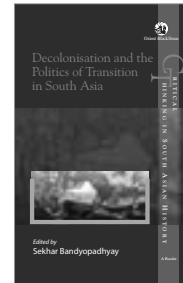
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Decolonisation involved a much more complex historical experience for the people of the postcolonial nations than a mere transfer of power from a colonial to an indigenous elite. It did not necessarily mean a clinical break with the past, but rather an incomplete, complicated process, as

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women married (or remarried) according to their own choice, or engaged in non-marital and extra-marital intimacy. Such transgression usually led to harassment, familial and social ostracism, and severe social sanctions. With the colonial bureaucracy, judiciary and media exercising control over

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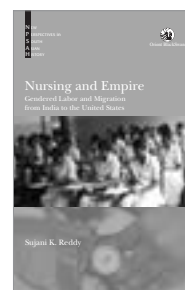
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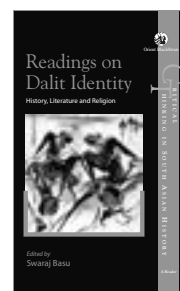
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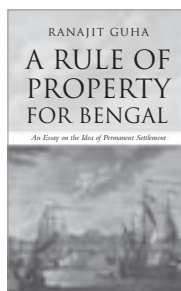
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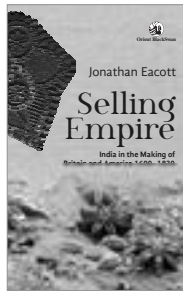
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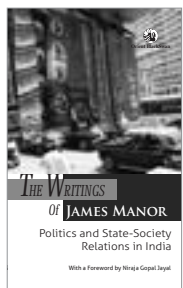
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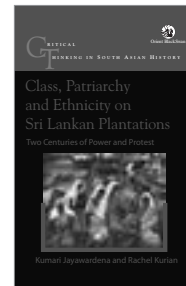
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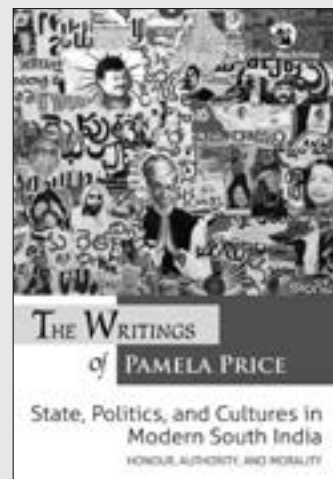
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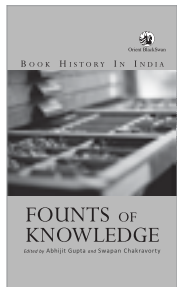
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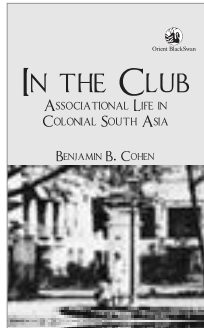
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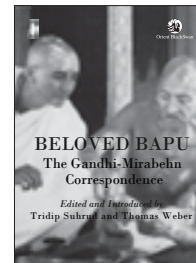
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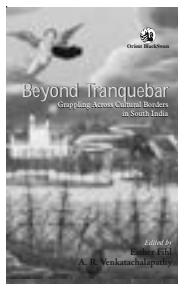
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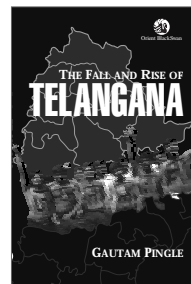
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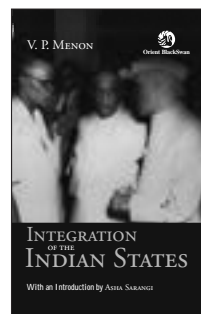
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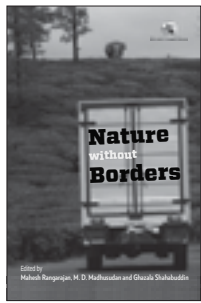
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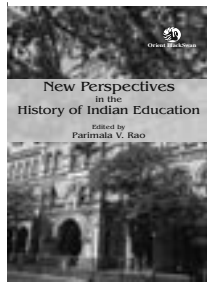
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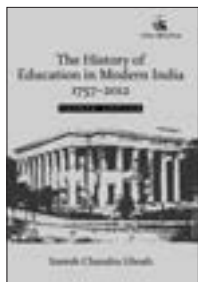
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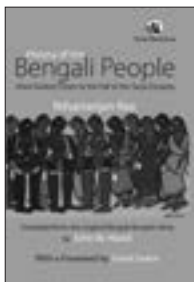
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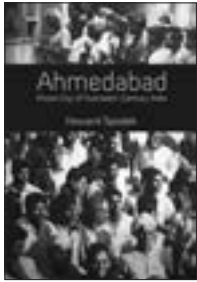
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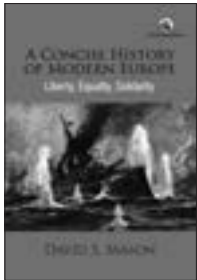
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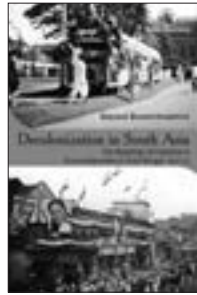
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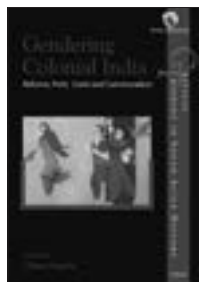
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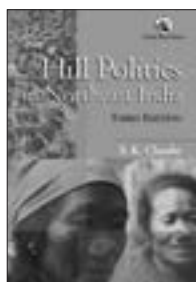
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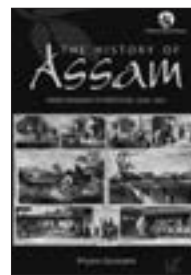
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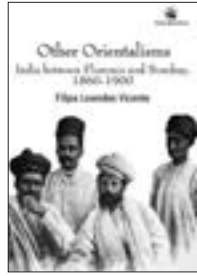
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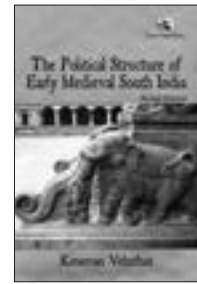
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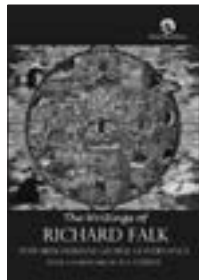
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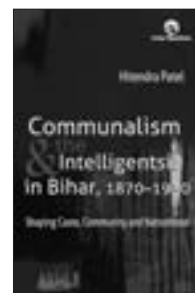
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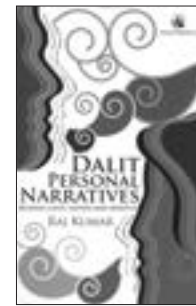
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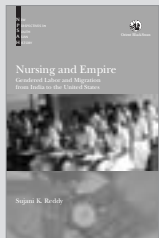
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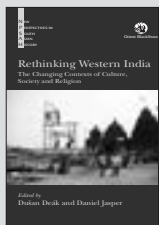
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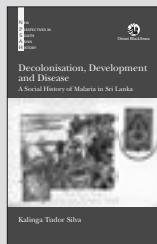
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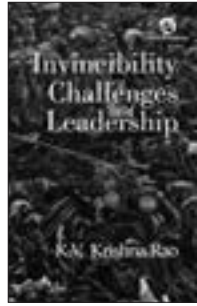
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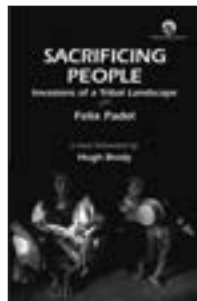
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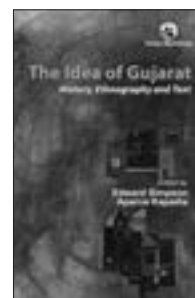


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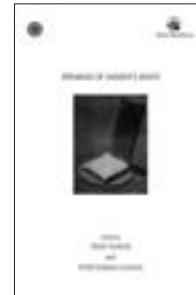
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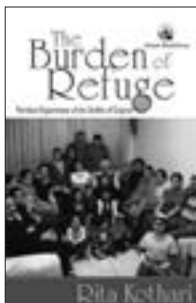
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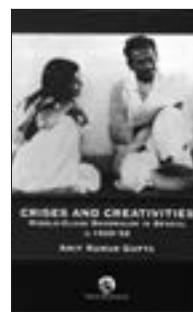
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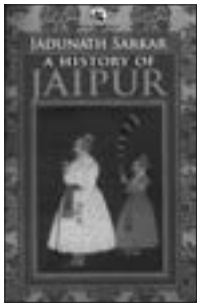
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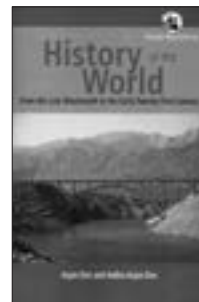
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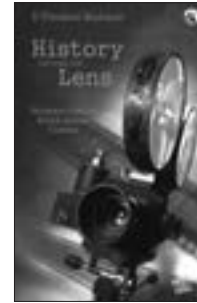
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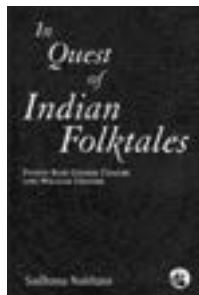
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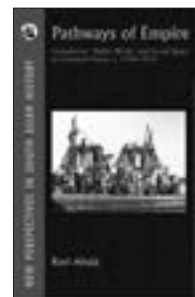
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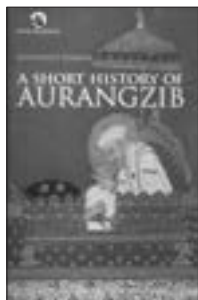
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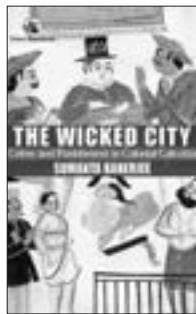
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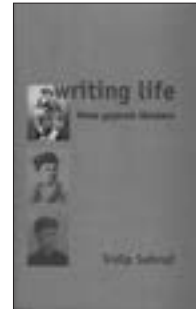
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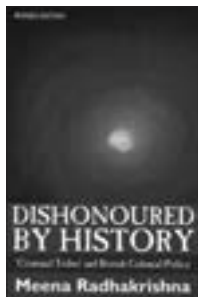
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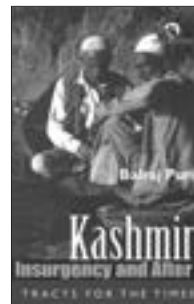
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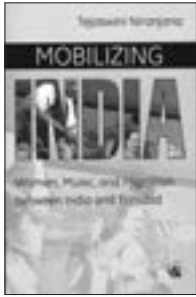
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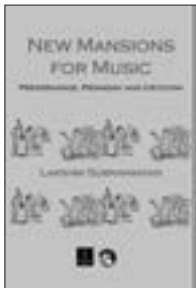
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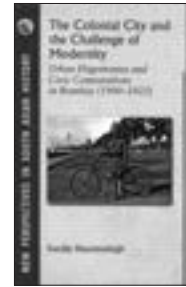
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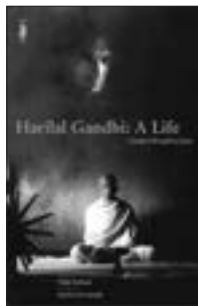
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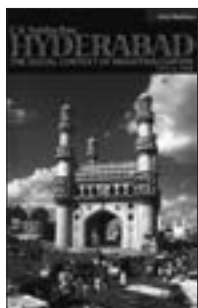
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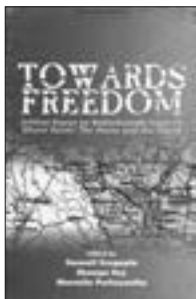
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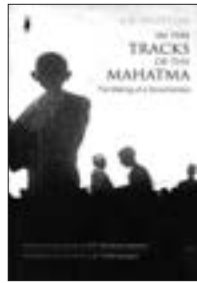
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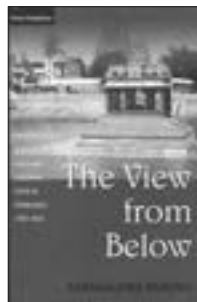
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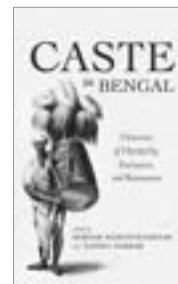
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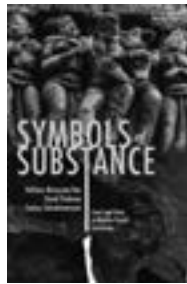
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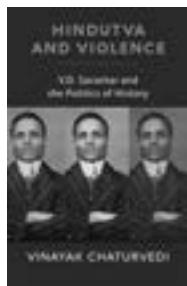
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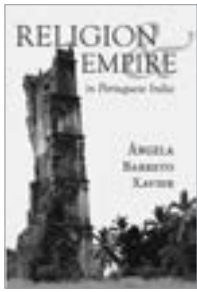
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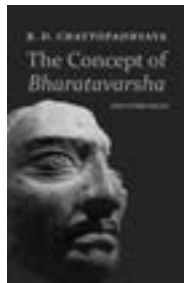
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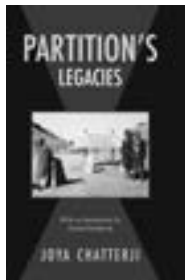
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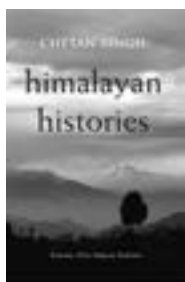
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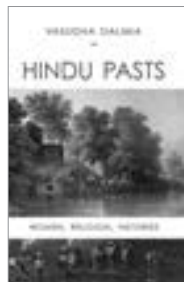
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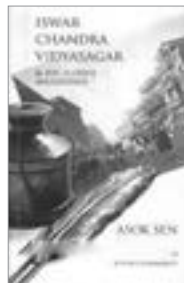
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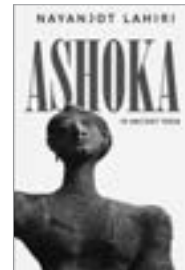
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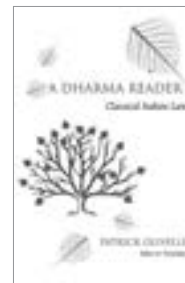
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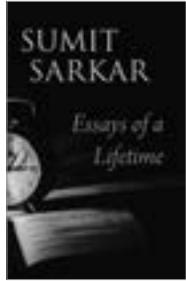
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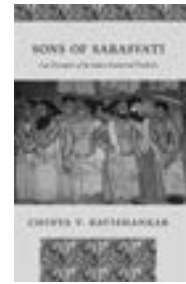
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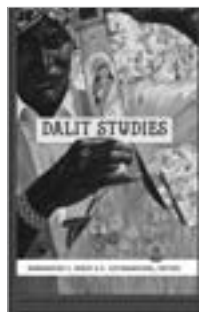
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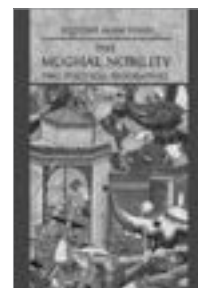
under Subhas. In October 1929 Subhas journeyed from Calcutta to Lahore to deliver the message of complete emancipation to the Punjabi students' conference, lauding Jatin's sacrifice. On his return to Calcutta, Bose was arrested and later imprisoned on charges of sedition. This volume shows Subhas as an emerging pan-Indian leader, and as the only real spokesman of the Left.

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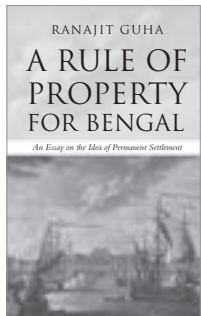
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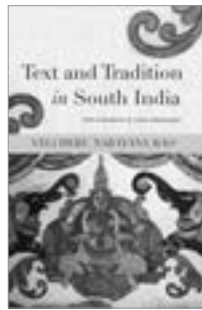
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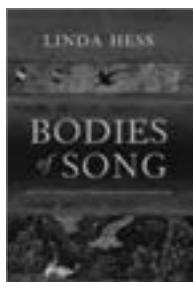
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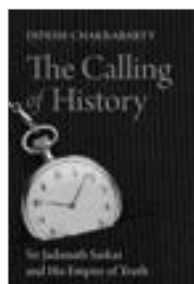
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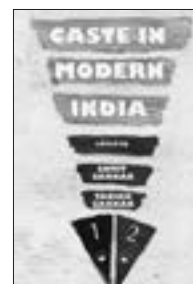
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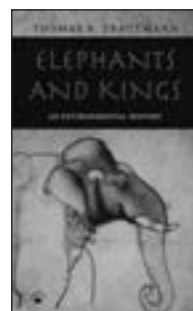
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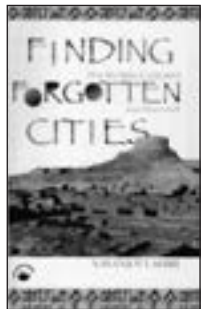
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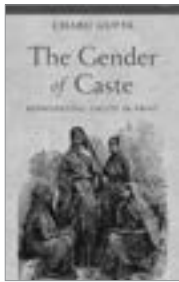
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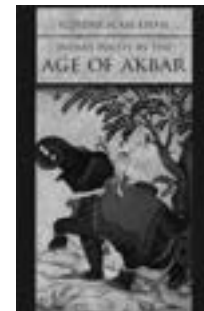
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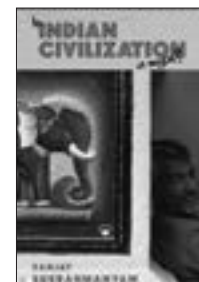
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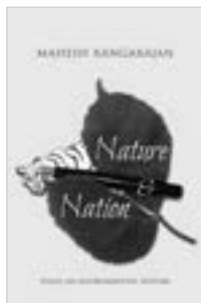
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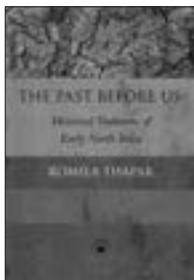
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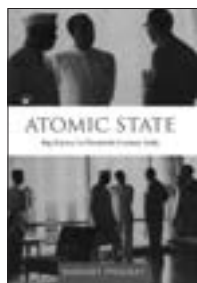
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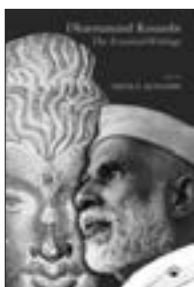
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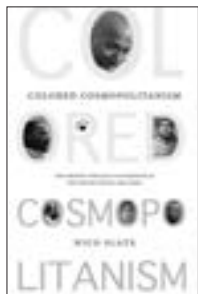
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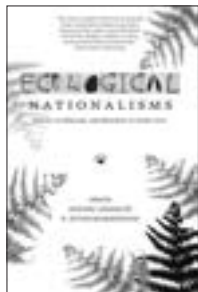
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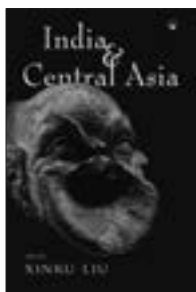
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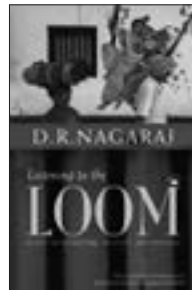
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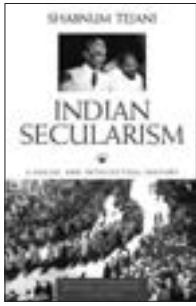
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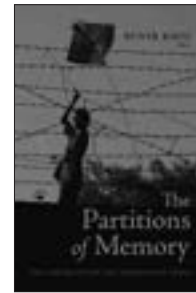
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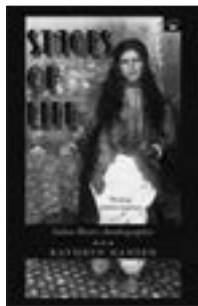
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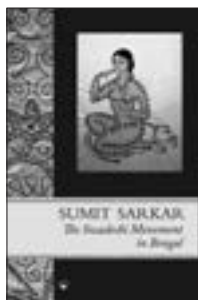
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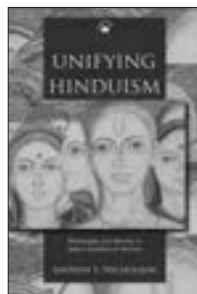
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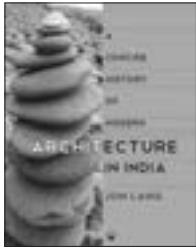
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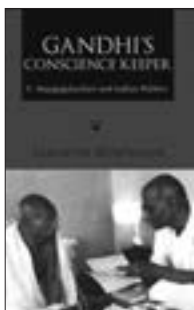
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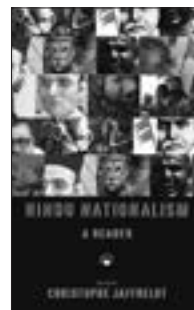
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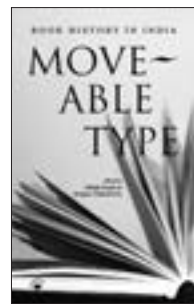
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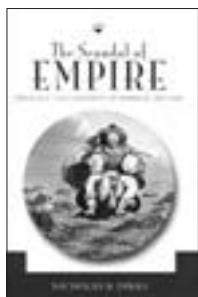
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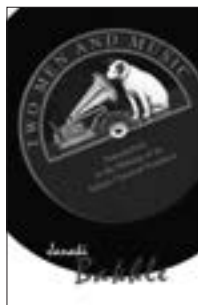
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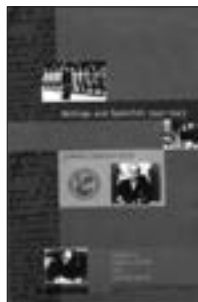
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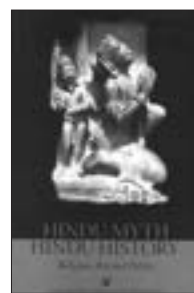
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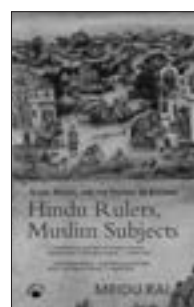
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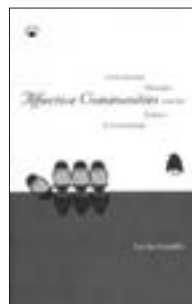
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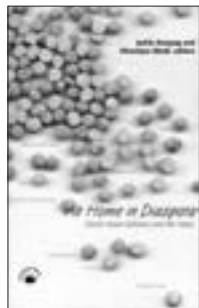
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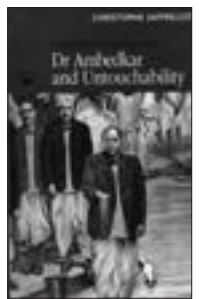
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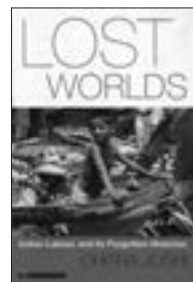
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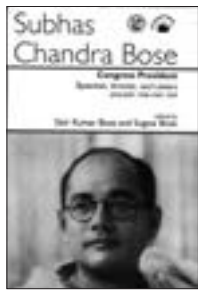
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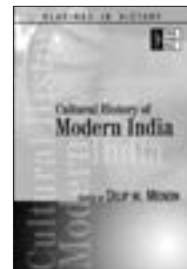
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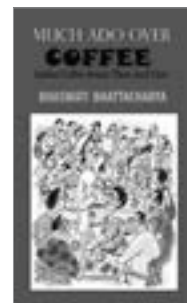
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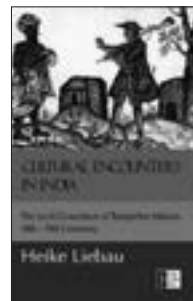
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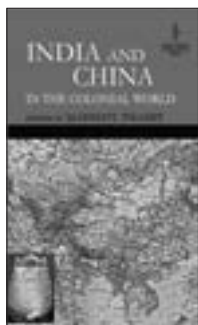
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