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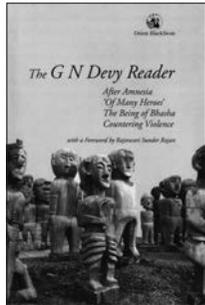
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G. N. Devy Reader, The

G. N. Devy, Founder, Bhasha Research and Publication Centre, Baroda

With a foreword by **Rajeswari Sunder Rajan**



The reader brings together four essays of Devy: 'After Amnesia', 'Of Many Heroes', 'The Being of Bhasha' and 'Countering Violence'. These philosophical essays discuss the significance of dialects and vanishing languages in the making of civilisation, the place of silence and insanity in the making of

meaning, and of language itself in the future of knowledge. The four essays together present a comprehensive theory of knowledge in postcolonial times.

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Negotiating Borders and Borderlands

The Indian Experience

Edited by **Gorky Chakraborty**, Associate Professor of Economics, IDSK, Kolkata, and **Supurna Banerjee**, Assistant Professor of Political Science, IDSK, Kolkata



Borders have always been seen as physical lines of separation, which mark the 'other' and group geographical spaces into territories and nation-states. However, can borders and borderlands also simultaneously exist as gateways for trade and commerce while being rigid institutions that

disallow the movement of people from one part to another? Are some borders seen while others are only felt? *Negotiating Borders and Borderlands* shows how these 'in-between' spaces of borders have their own stories to tell.

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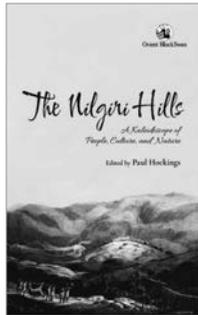
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Nilgiri Hills, The

A Kaleidoscope of People, Culture, and Nature

Edited by **Paul Hockings**, Professor Emeritus of Anthropology, University of Illinois, and Editor-in-Chief of *Visual Anthropology*



The British contact with the indigenous people of the Nilgiri Hills in south India was initiated by John Sullivan, a local official from Coimbatore, who, over a few years, founded the town of Ootacamund from scratch. Interestingly, and contrary to many accounts of colonial expansion, there is no indication anyone here

was harmed by the outsiders, let alone enslaved or killed. Thus came into being south India's first hill station in 1821. The Nilgiris District remains one of the most heavily researched areas of India. This volume brings together new articles from writers and scholars on topics that have never before been examined.

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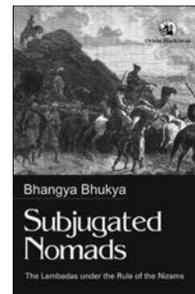
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This book deals with the transition of the Lambada community of Hyderabad state during colonial rule. The author shows how colonial power interacted with subaltern communities, who confronted a force that had adversely transformed their lives. The period covered is from the early eighteenth century to 1948—when the Nizams ruled.

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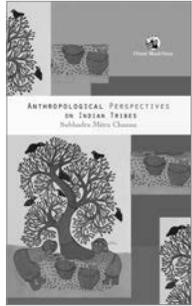
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Textbook

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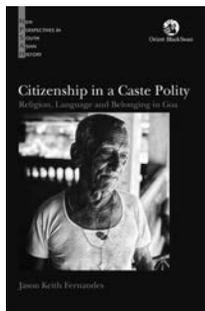
Citizenship in a Caste Polity

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Religion, Language and Belonging in Goa

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Jason Keith Fernandes, Researcher, Centre for Research in Anthropology (CRIA), ISCTE, University Institute of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal



In the mid-1980s, following mass demonstrations, violent protests and political mobilising, Konkani was declared the official language of Goa. However, this recognition was extended only to Konkani in the Devanagari script, one of two scripts used for the language in Goa—the other being the

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East India Adivasis and the Aluminium Cartel

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What is the real impact of the unending extraction of minerals—for power, for industries, for our food packaging, vehicles, arms and ammunition, for ‘development’—on local communities and ecosystems? *Out of This Earth* answers this question through a

detailed account of the aluminium industry. Focusing on the Khondalite mountains in the eastern Indian state of Odisha, capped by some of the world’s best bauxite deposits, the authors trace the roots of this industry, which promises prosperity to the most marginalised sections of the world’s poorest countries yet ends up causing them untold damage.

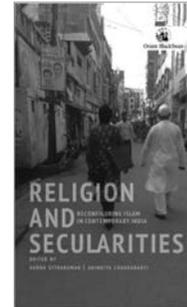
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Reconfiguring Islam in Contemporary India

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This book brings together a collection of essays focusing on the reconfiguration of Islam in the world’s largest democracy, India.

Investigating the relationship between religion, civil society and the state, this volume explores the nation’s long history with Islam as well as the categorisation of Muslims as a minority

community. The essays highlight the impossibility of understanding contemporary Islam outside the logic of modern, secular-liberal governance—a standpoint that helps take the secularism debate forward.

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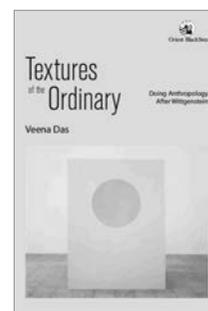
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Textures of the Ordinary

Doing Anthropology After Wittgenstein

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Departing from anthropologists who turn to philosophy to extract general theories about the human, Veena Das proposes the notion of the anthropological tone, which suffuses the writings of the philosophers Wittgenstein and Cavell. The notion of texture that Das applies to the

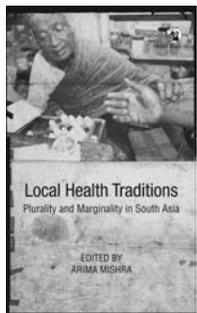
everyday of low-income families in urban India allows her to show how lives and institutions are knitted together without imposing an external voice-over on these lives.

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Local Health Traditions
Plurality and Marginality in South Asia

Edited by **Arima Mishra**, Professor, Azim Premji University, Bangalore



Pluralism in medicine, governed by an authoritative state that defines 'legitimate' inclusion and exclusion, has long been a subject of study for anthropologists. *Local Health Traditions* extends this discussion by focusing on 'marginal' traditions of medicine and healing, a category that encompasses everything from home remedies and herbal medicine to the arcana of dais, bone-setters and spiritual healers. These different forms of medicine have recently come to be known as 'local health traditions' in policy texts.

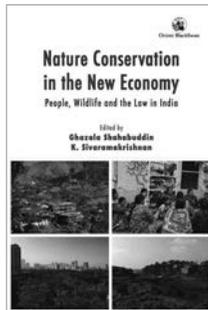
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Nature Conservation in the New Economy
People, Wildlife and the Law in India

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Building on sustained case research across India, the chapters in this book examine conservation policies in diverse contexts, such as the Wildlife Protection Act in Northeast India, the management of Delhi's forests, the conservation of the Chilgoza pine forests in the Western

Himalayas and rainforests in the Jaintia hills, Meghalaya, and forest preservation in the Western Ghats. They also explore laws and regulatory policies on species reintroduction, coastal conservation and wetland management in India. The book argues that apart from increasing the stress on natural resources and habitats, economic liberalisation has also led to conservation efforts becoming more enterprise-oriented.

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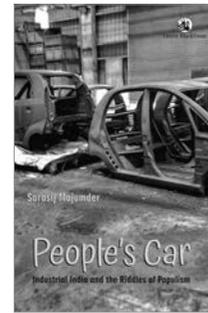
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Industrial India and the Riddles of Populism

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India is witnessing a unique moment in populism, with sentiments divided between economic reforms that promise fast industrialisation and protests that thwart such industrialisation. This book offers an ethnographic study of divergent local responses to the proposed construction of a Tata Motors factory in eastern India that



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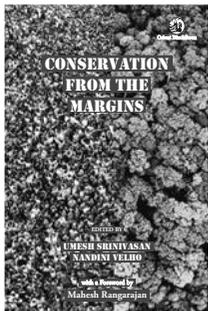
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From the impact of Naxalism on the Palamau Tiger Reserve to identity politics in the Gangetic fisheries, *Conservation from the Margins* covers a range of conservation issues that are generally neglected in India. Drawing on the personal experiences of some of the finest biologists and sociologists

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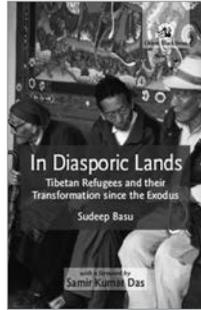
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In Diasporic Lands

Tibetan Refugees and their Transformation since the Exodus

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With a foreword by **Samir Kumar Das**



Until 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

in the midst of their hosts, and in distinctly urban settings. Tibetan refugees in India grapple with notions of what Tibet as the homeland stands for and what it means to truly belong to the host territory and to acquire Indian citizenship.

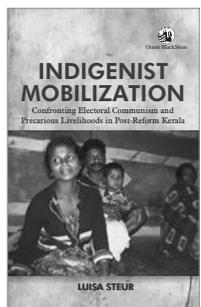
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Indigenist Mobilization

Confronting Electoral Communism and Precarious Livelihoods in Post-reform Kerala

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The emergence of the Adivasi Gothra Maha Sabha led to a shift in Kerala's political landscape, with the movement rejecting communist rhetoric and instead framing its demands around Adivasi and Dalit identities. Yet, most activists in the movement had a communist background, and building a

coherent and effective political notion of Adivasi and Dalit identities was a complex task. *Indigenist Mobilization* seeks to understand how and why the idea of indigenous belonging came to replace the discourse of class in subaltern struggles.

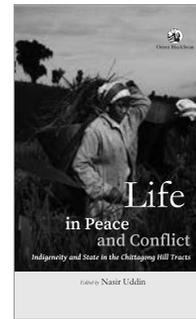
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Life in Peace and Conflict

Indigeneity and State in the Chittagong Hill Tracts

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Home to eleven indigenous groups of people collectively known as the Pahari, the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT) of Bangladesh lies at the crossroads of South and Southeast Asia, sharing borders with Myanmar and the Indian Northeast, and is therefore geopolitically vital. This book is a collection of nine essays on the decades of

conflict and peace-building measures between various indigenous groups and the state in the CHT. This book also documents everyday forms of discrimination and resistance among dispossessed communities, and critiques the 'developmental' efforts of international agencies and NGOs to resolve conflict in an understudied region of the world.

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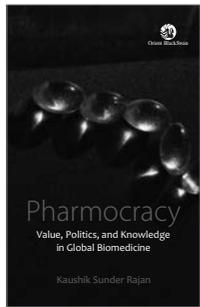
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Pharmacocracy

Value, Politics, and Knowledge in Global Biomedicine

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In this book, Kaushik Sunder Rajan introduces the concept of 'pharmacocracy' to explain the structure and operation of the global, multinational pharmaceutical industry. He highlights pharmacocracy's logic in two case studies from contemporary India: the controversial introduction of an HPV vaccine in 2010, and the Indian Patent Office's denial of a patent for an anticancer drug in 2006 and the ensuing legal battles.

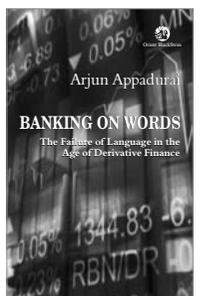
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Banking on Words

The Failure of Language in the Age of Derivative Finance

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In this provocative look at one of the most important events of our time, renowned scholar Arjun Appadurai argues that the economic collapse of 2008—while indeed spurred on by greed, ignorance, weak regulation, and irresponsible risk-taking—was, ultimately, a failure of language. To prove this sophisticated point, he takes us into the world of derivative finance, which has become the core of contemporary trading and the primary target of blame for the collapse and all subsequent woes. With incisive argumentation, he analyses this challengingly technical world, drawing on thinkers such as J. L. Austin, Marcel Mauss, and Max Weber to showcase the ways in which language paved the way for ruin.

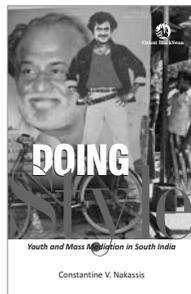
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Youth and Mass Mediation in South India

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In *Doing Style*, Constantine V. Nakassis explores youth and mass media in South India. Through ethnographic descriptions of college life in urban Tamil Nadu, Nakassis examines what Tamil youth call 'style': ostentatious brand displays, cosmopolitan English

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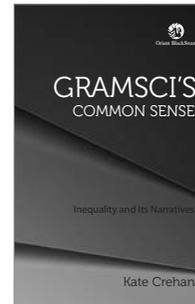
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Inequality and Its Narratives

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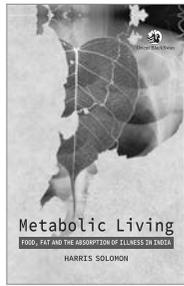
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Food, Fat, and the Absorption of Illness in India

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The book examines how people in Mumbai experience the permeability of food, fat,

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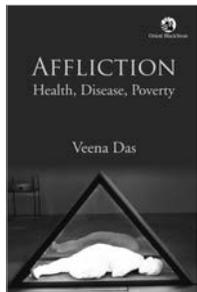
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Health, Disease, Poverty

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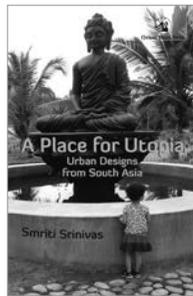
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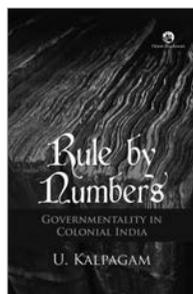
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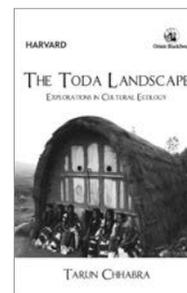
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With a foreword by **Anthony R. Walker**

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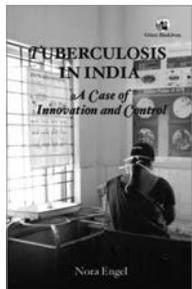
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Tuberculosis in India

A Case of Innovation and Control

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India is the country with the highest number of active tuberculosis (TB) patients. In this context, emerging drug resistance poses a huge threat, as do migration, urbanisation, poverty and the complexity of public and private healthcare. Innovation for TB control is urgently

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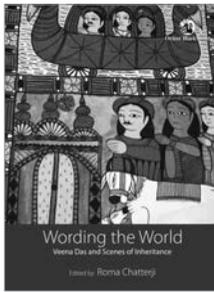
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Veena Das and Scenes of Inheritance

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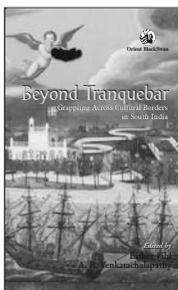
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Grappling Across Cultural Borders in South India

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This volume is a collection of essays on the Danish colony of Tranquebar, known today by the name of Tharangampadi. Drawing on ethnographic, archival and literary research on this fishing village on the Coromandel Coast by leading scholars in their respective fields from Denmark, USA

and India, the essays in this volume cover a broad range of subjects ranging from art, family, colonialism, religion, and education to print and material culture. This volume represents a significant intervention in the study of early colonialism in India as it also addresses the complexities of a post colony and how it is perceived in Denmark.

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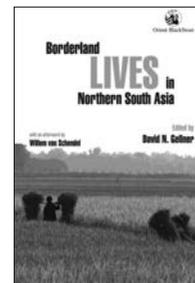
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Borderland Lives in Northern South Asia

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This volume provides valuable new ethnographic insights into life along some of the most contentious borders in the world. The collected essays portray existence at different points across India's northern frontiers and, in one instance, along borders within India. India's borders

with Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma/Myanmar, China, and Nepal encompass radically different ways of life, a whole spectrum of relationships to the state, and many struggles with urgent identity issues. Taken together, the essays show how it is possible to comprehend northern South Asia's various nation-state projects without relapsing into conventional nationalist accounts.

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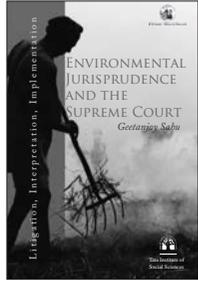
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Environmental Jurisprudence and the Supreme Court

Litigation, Interpretation, Implementation

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With a foreword by **Sanjay Parikh**



The Supreme Court of India has earned itself a reputation as a 'green court' because of its regular and active intervention in cases involving environmental issues. It has called both state and private agencies to task on environmentally destructive actions and has assertively tried to ensure

implementation of its judgments. But how 'green' is it really and what does it even mean to be green in the Indian context? *Environmental Jurisprudence and the Supreme Court* sheds light on these questions by offering the first comprehensive empirical analysis of cases pertaining to environmental litigation that appeared before the Supreme Court between 1980 and 2010. In doing so, it examines a whole range of judicial attitudes, concerns, pressures and trends with respect to environmental jurisprudence, as well as the impact of infrastructure development and social concerns on environmental issues.

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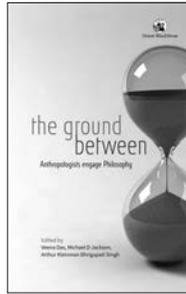
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The guiding inspiration of this book is the attraction and distance that mark the relation between anthropology and philosophy. This theme is explored through encounters between individual anthropologists and particular regions of philosophy. Several of the

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Religion, Colonialism, and Modernity

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Vasco Da Gama's celebrated passage to India (1497–99) not only initiated a period of Christian expansion, in which Jesuit missionaries declared war on the alleged 'idolatry' of Hindus. The engagement with the until then largely unknown and unexpectedly rich culture of Hinduism

was also part of a set of modern transformations that, in the long run, led Christian Europe to recognise the plurality of religions around the globe. *Hindu–Catholic Engagements in Goa* offers a novel perspective on the Portuguese empire and Catholic hegemony in Asia, which for almost half a millennium—from 1510 to 1961—had its capital in Goa. Based on fresh archival studies and extensive ethnography, it reveals the dramatic role of religion at the beginning of colonialism and modernity and provides insight into Goa's intricate Hindu–Catholic syncretism today.

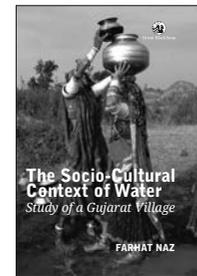
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Socio-Cultural Context of Water, The

Study of a Gujarat Village

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This book critically studies water as a commodity in a consumer society, analysing various aspects of water management in a project in Mathna in Sabarkantha, Gujarat, a district noted for its aridity. The small village of Mathna is sharply differentiated along the lines

of caste, tribe, class and gender. Wells are the main source of irrigation, rainfall being erratic. Water scarcity breeds conflict, which leads to social actors trying to exploit the situation to their own advantage based on their relative power positions. The author has examined the extent to which attempts to revive the institutions for

community water management have been successful, illustrating local power dynamics in terms of wealth, land ownership and access to water.

This book could be beneficial to readers, researchers and academicians because it gives basic information as well as innovative ideas on water management, structural aspect of caste/class that influences it and the technique of sustainability in water management techniques.

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Transnational Cultural Heritage in a Former Danish Trading Colony in South India

SERIES: NEW PERSPECTIVES IN SOUTH ASIAN HISTORY

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This volume explores the significances of cultural heritage in the small town of Tranquebar, a former Danish trading colony on the coast of Tamil Nadu. It focuses on the negotiations of historicity that come into play between the many stakeholders in the present development of

Tranquebar, including the residents, heritage and

tourism developers, public authorities, researchers, and tourists.

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Unforgotten

Love and the Culture of Dementia Care in India

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As life expectancy increases in India, the number of people living with dementia will also rise. Yet little is known about how people in India cope with dementia, how relationships and identities change through illness and loss. In

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Censorium

Cinema and the Open Edge of Mass Publicity

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In the world of globalised media, provocative images trigger culture wars between traditionalists and cosmopolitans, censors and defenders of free expression. But are images censored because of what they mean, what they do, or what they might become? And must audiences be

protected because of what they understand, what they feel, or what they might imagine? *Censorium* is an innovative analysis of Indian film censorship.

William Mazzarella argues that we must go beyond understanding the regulation of Indian cinema as a violation of free speech, a colonial hangover, a symptom of repressive moralism, or a struggle between liberals and conservatives.

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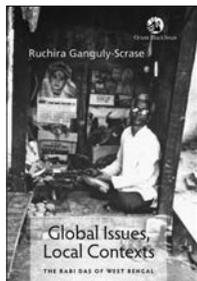
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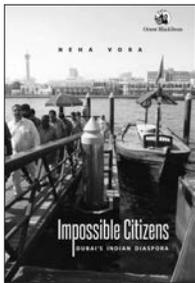
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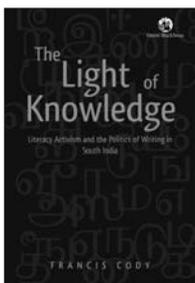
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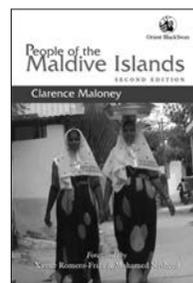
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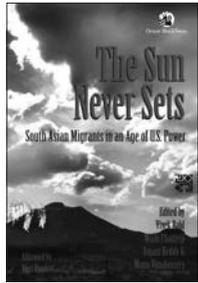
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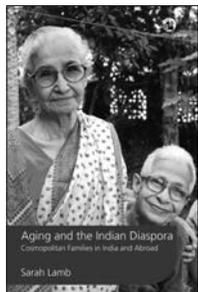
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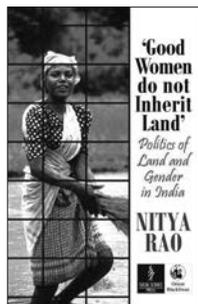
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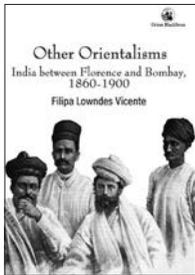
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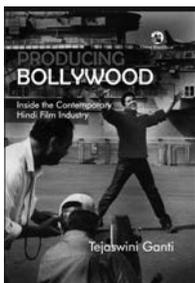
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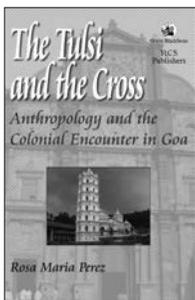
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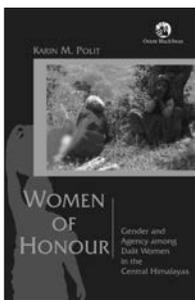
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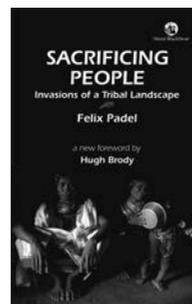
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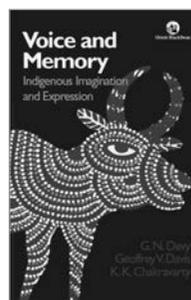
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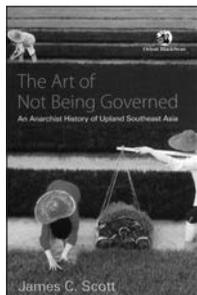
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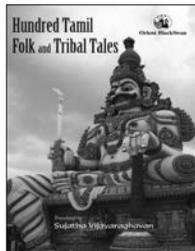
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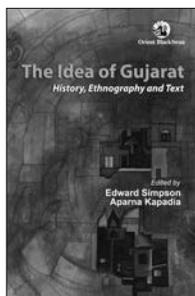
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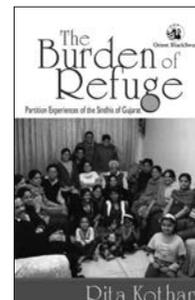
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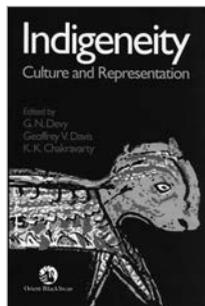
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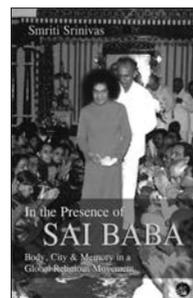
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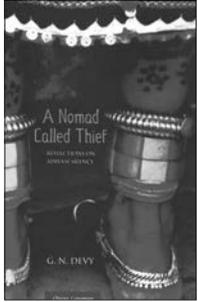
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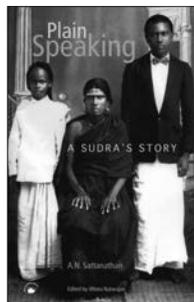
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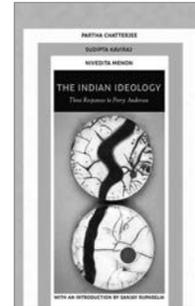
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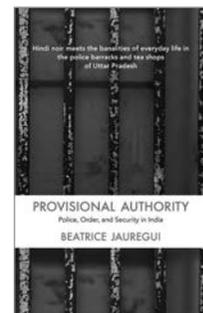
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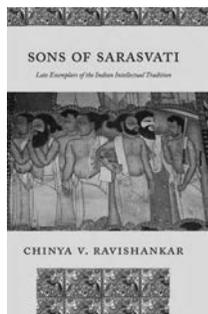
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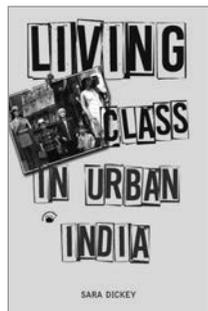
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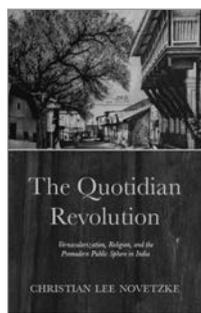
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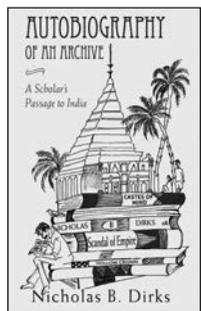
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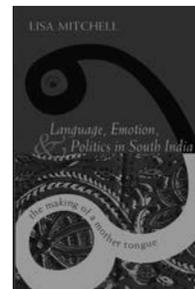
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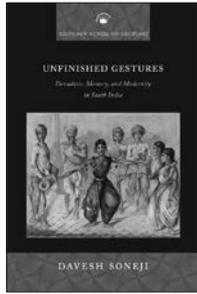
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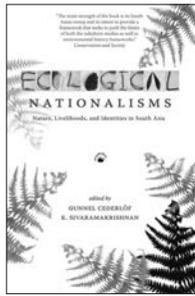
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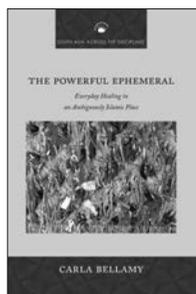
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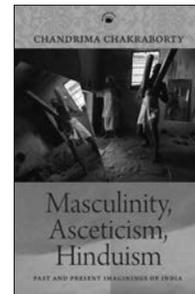
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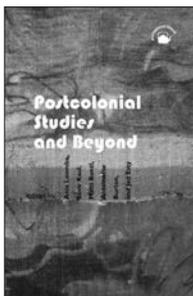
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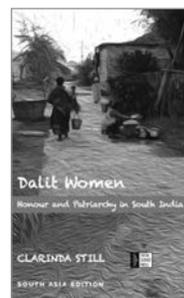
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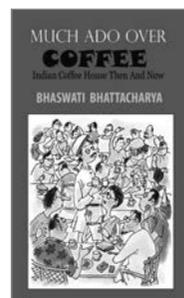
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In this volume, the authors ask whether there is anything particularly Adivasi about the forms of resistance that have been labelled Adivasi movements. What does it mean to speak about Adivasi as opposed to peasant resistance? Can one differentiate Adivasi resistance from that of

other marginalised communities? The authors move beyond stereotypes of tribal rebellion to argue that it is important to explore how and why particular forms of resistance are depicted as Adivasi issues at particular points in time. Interpretations that have depicted Adivasi as a united and highly politicised group of people have romanticised and demonised tribal society and history, thus denying the individuals and communities involved any real agency.

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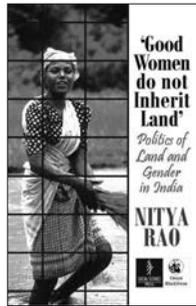
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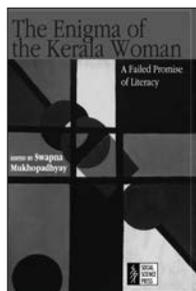
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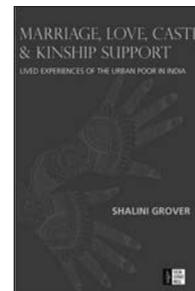
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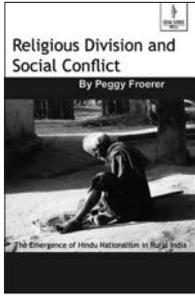
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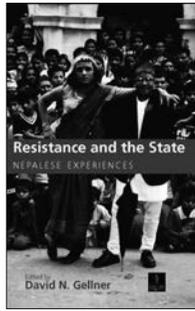
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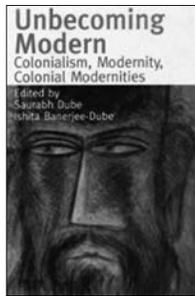
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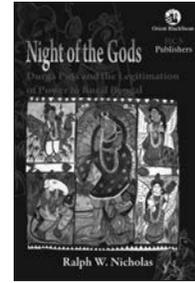
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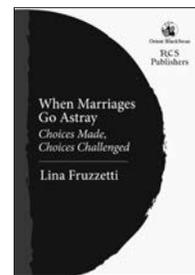
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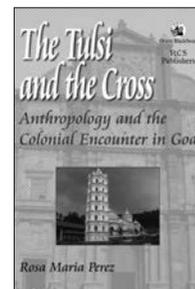
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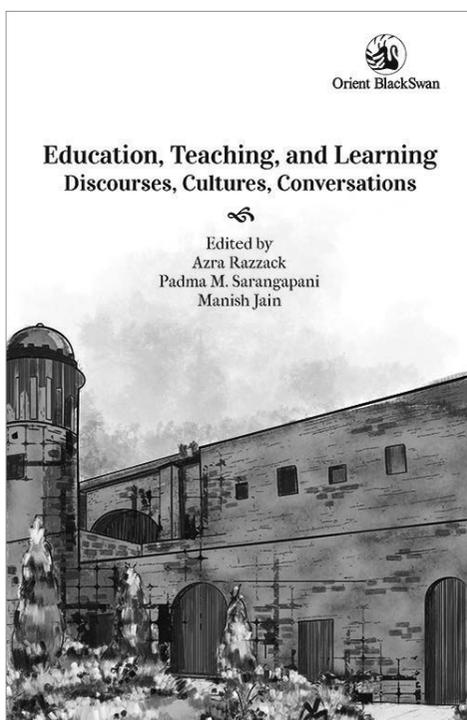
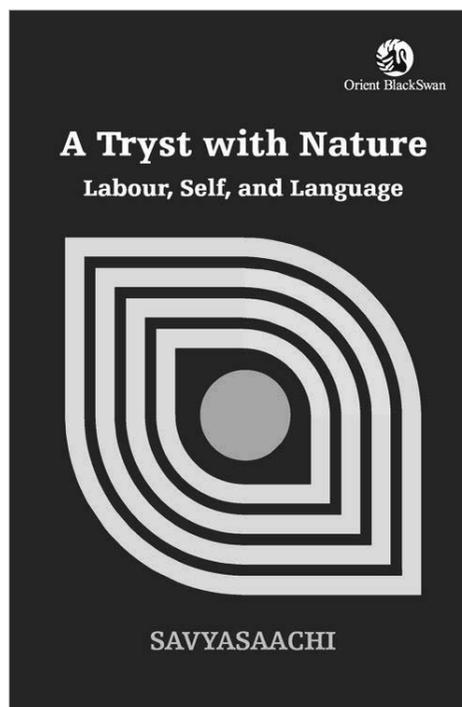
Labour, Self, and Language

Savyasaachi, an independent researcher who was formerly at the Department of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi

A Tryst with Nature examines the contradiction between two separate aspects of modern life: one that defines development according to a colonial legacy of instrumental labour, and another that embraces the economy of nature that is nourished by the labour of forest-dwelling tribes. Central to this examination are questions about the role of the state in favouring one aspect over the other and the meaning of 'harmony'. These questions are incisively explored by the author through a thoroughgoing critical engagement with the problematic impacts of capitalism-friendly legal regimes on the lives and cultures of tribal people in India.

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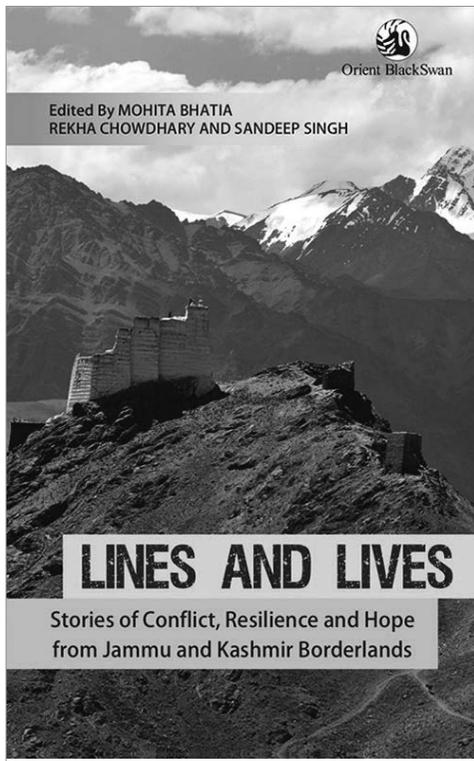
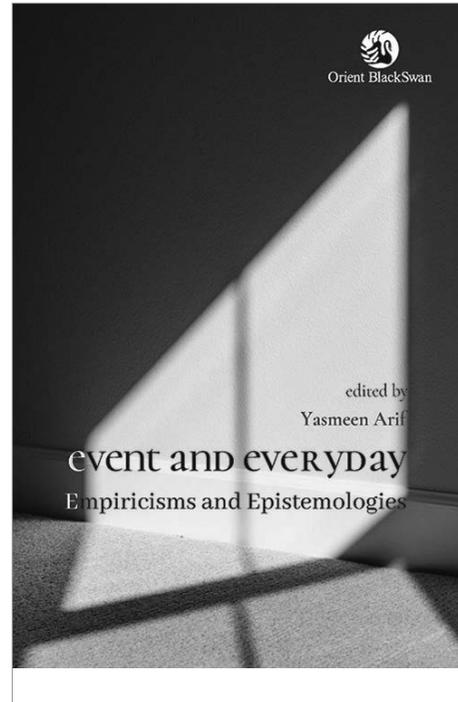
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While the conflict in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) has been extensively analysed, the J&K borderlands remain astonishingly under-explored. Through semi-structured and focus group interviews and narrative analysis, *Lines and Lives* explores the paradoxical nature of the J&K borders, the everyday life of people living around them, the role played by divided families in resisting as well as reinforcing borders, and cross-border interactions via trade and the bus service.

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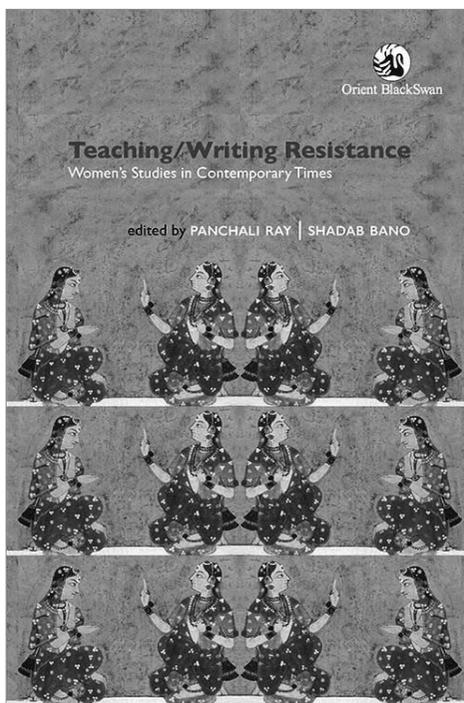
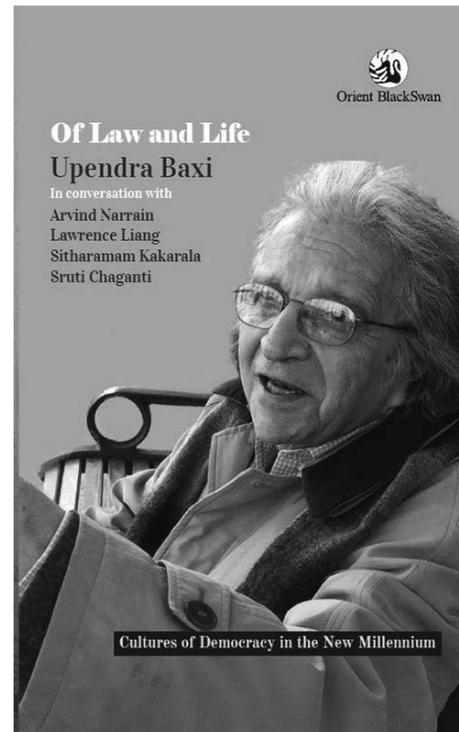
Upendra Baxi in Conversation with Arvind Narrain, Lawrence Liang, Sitharamam Kakarala, and Sruti Chaganti

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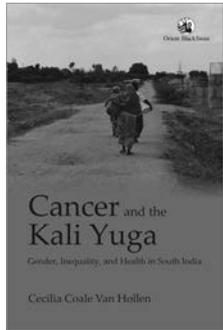
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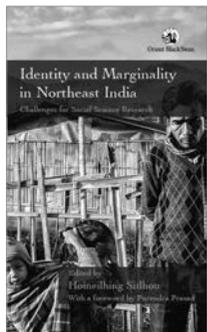
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Challenges for Social Science Research

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With a foreword by **Purendra Prasad**



Northeast India is home to numerous ethnic communities. Considered a marginal geographical space, this region is as diverse as India itself in terms of its languages, cultures, and ethnicities. However, the dominant tendency is to conceptualise the Northeast as a singular, homogeneous territory,

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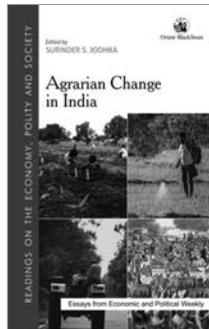
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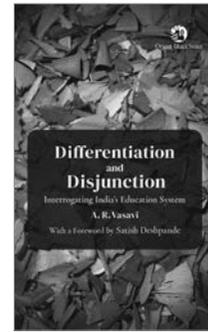
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Differentiation and Disjunction

Interrogating India's Education System

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With a foreword by **Satish Deshpande**



Differentiation and Disjunction is an incisive interrogation of India's education system, which it looks at through a socio-anthropological lens. The author, having studied government elementary schools for fifteen years, highlights their failure to consider the specific disadvantages of underprivileged children

and their interests. She further discusses India's highly differentiated schooling system, studies policy documents to discuss the decentralisation of elementary education administration, and critiques the limitations of current university education.

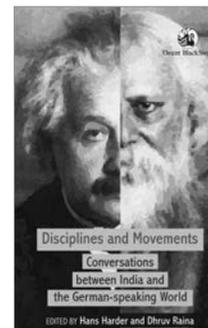
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In India, the modern university as a 'teaching and examining body' was set up as an instrument of colonial governmentality in the late nineteenth century. At that time, while many disciplines were still fluid, there was a distinct movement towards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

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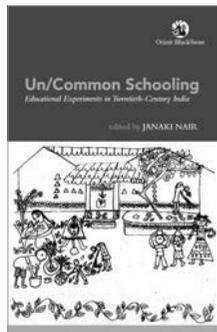
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Educational Experiments in Twentieth-Century India

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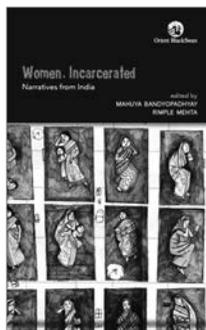
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Women, Incarcerated

Narratives from India

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In the popular imagination, the female criminal/prisoner is a figure of curiosity and intrigue. Hidden behind male prisoners, partners in their lives and/or crimes, the female prisoner is made invisible, or she is memorialised as a grotesque and demonic figure, one who has transgressed the legal,

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Muslim Women and the Politics of Modernity

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Gendering Minorities: Muslim Women and the Politics of Modernity explores the politics of framing Muslim women's identity in India. Examining Muslim women's negotiations with their cultural and religious identities, the author also analyses the exclusion and homogenisation that did

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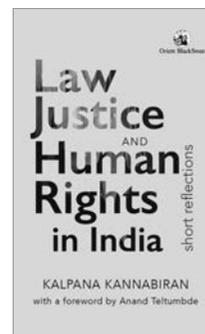
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Short Reflections

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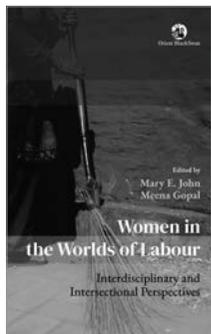
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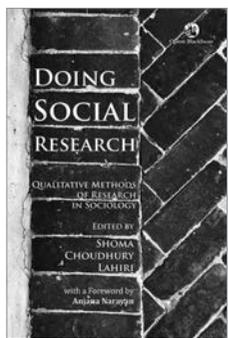
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Qualitative Methods of Research in Sociology

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In an ex-colonial nation such as India, the discipline of sociology grew by absorbing multiple influences from local milieu and national concerns. However, research methodology is still not considered a distinct field in Indian academia, because of which emerging issues and concerns around the

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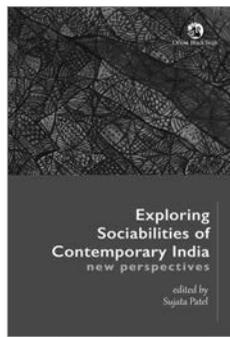
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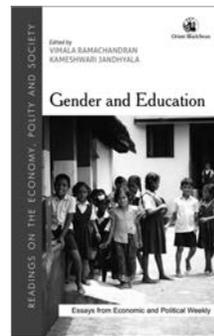
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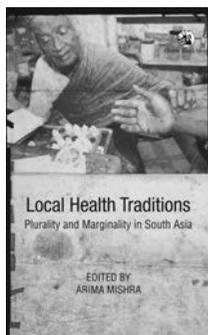
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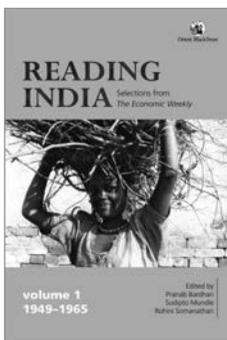
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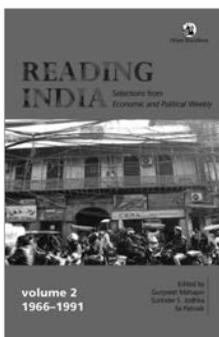
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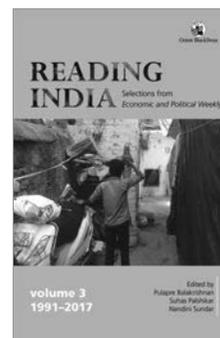
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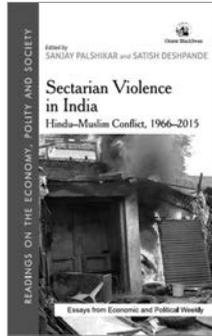
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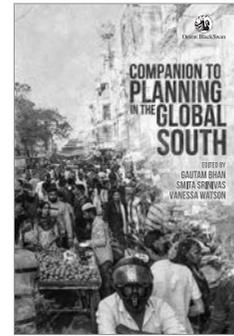
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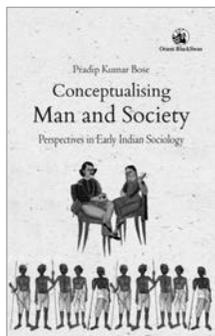
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community, person and personality, and the vital concept of man, which they considered an integral part of Indian social reality. Their writings on the ontological and ethical nature of man are not just important historically, but vital for contemporary thought and politics, for they critiqued the

dominant knowledge of their times, and their work alerts us to the question: what should be the sociology of the present?

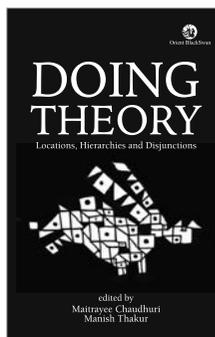
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Doing Theory initiates a critical dialogue with received (Western) theories of sociology and examines the nexus between these theories and the empirical studies they inform, with the contributors focusing on the way theories get read, appropriated and indigenised in the Indian socio-cultural context.

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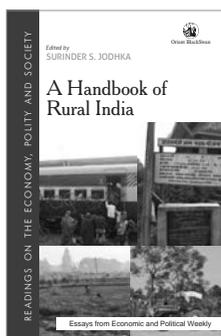
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Handbook of Rural India, A

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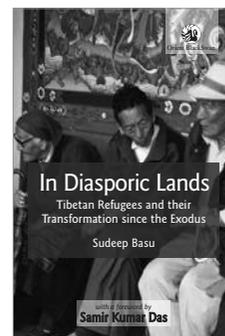
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In Diasporic Lands

Tibetan Refugees and their Transformation since the Exodus

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With a Foreword by **Samir Kumar Das**



A large number of Tibetans migrated to India following the Chinese occupation of Tibet in 1950. This volume studies the dynamics of Tibetan refugees' emergent culture in the midst of their hosts, and in distinctly urban settings. Based on the author's ethnographic fieldwork

in Darjeeling town, West Bengal, this volume looks at how places and identities are redefined and transformed by refugees negotiating their 'belonging' in an alien country over time. It also shows how the experience of movement to and from a place alters the idea that people have of their relation to a specific place and how this 'sense of place' adds meaning and purpose to refugee lives.

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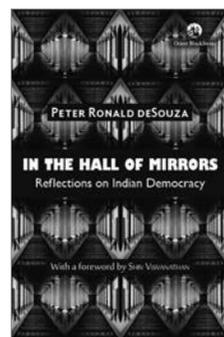
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In the Hall of Mirrors

Reflections on Indian Democracy

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With a Foreword by Shiv Visvanathan



Should we be pragmatic or principled, realistic or idealistic, intellectuals or activists, interpreters or changers of our society? With courage and caution, Peter deSouza ushers us into a realm of 'reflections' where we feel an obligation to be both. These reflections

are important, but as J. L. Austin reminded us, importance is not important, truth is. They ring true.

—**Arindam Chakrabarti**, Lenney Distinguished Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Hawaii

A nuanced rendering of the liberal predicament in post-Independence India, the book turns the spotlight on a society that is seeking to bridge the demands of constituents simultaneously occupying different, sometimes irreconcilable, mental universes. The essays here should force serious

introspection, both among political and thought leaders.

—**Harsh Sethi**, Consulting Editor,
Seminar, New Delhi

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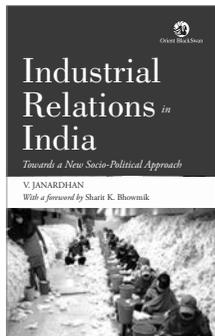
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Industrial Relations in India

Towards a New Socio-Political Approach

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With a Foreword by **Sharit K. Bhowmik**



This volume focuses on the sociology and politics of the relations between management and the workforce, and details the highly statist and legalist industrial relations 'system' in India. It discusses the role of dominant institutions in the way the system evolved. Drawing on a broad corpus of literature

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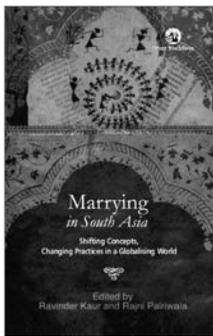
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Marrying in South Asia

Shifting Concepts, Changing Practices in a Globalising World

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This book looks closely at the changing notions and practices of marriage in Bangladeshi, Pakistani and south Indian Muslims, Bhutanese ethnic groups, Nepali widows, the Sri Lankan Tamil diaspora, south Asian gays and lesbians, middle class and urban, working class communities, and many other groups. With the globalising world as the backdrop, the essays in this volume



examine the processes that make a marriage, the implications of marriage, cohabitation and divorce on domesticity and work, and the acknowledgement of multiple sexualities, as well as the contestations and conflicts—including in the law courts—that are part of the institution.

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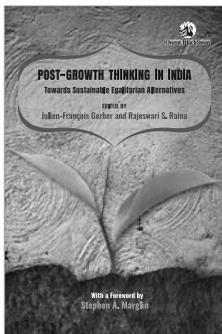
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Towards Sustainable Egalitarian Alternatives

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With a Foreword by **Stephen A. Marglin**



This volume discusses the relevance of 'prosperity without growth', or 'post growth' for India, at a time when grassroots alternatives confront and question the consequences of growth. 'Post-growth' calls for a resizing and reorganisation of the social metabolism that

would allow societies to live within their ecological means, and within democratic, equitable, and localised economies.

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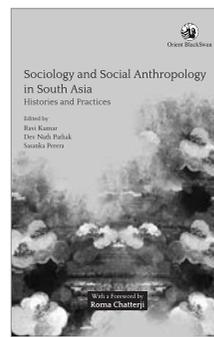
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Histories and Practices

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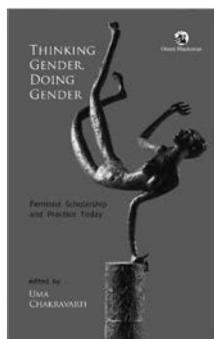
In the belief that disciplinary histories, even while engaging with the local and the national, are influenced by larger regional forces, this volume calls for a nuanced understanding of history and culture in the region, over time and at specific moments.

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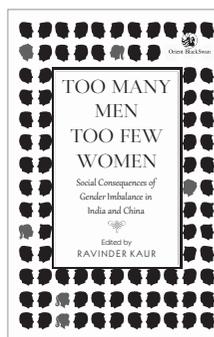
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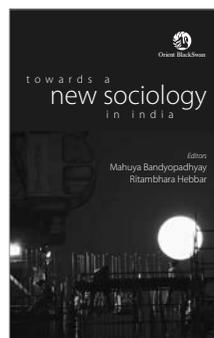
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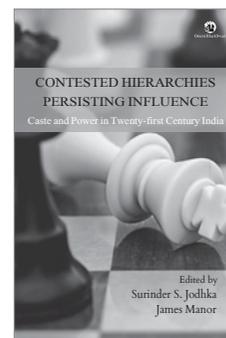
Towards a New Sociology in India brings together research conducted in new and unusual sites to present a different sociological imagination that bypasses the dominant categories (caste and village) through which India is sociologically known and represented. It presents a collection of essays by young scholars attempting to redefine the contours of the discipline—through the choice of field sites, the exploration of new issues and problems, and the reworking of traditional anthropological methodology in new, unconventional sites.

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Contested Hierarchies, Persisting Influences
Caste and Power in Twenty-first Century India

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Contested Hierarchies, Persisting Influences shows that caste survives beyond the arenas of electoral politics and quotas. Caste-based divisions matter in modern-day urban centres, business life, institutions of higher education, and social life and practices. Arguing that the logic and

persistence of caste cannot be reduced to Hindu religious beliefs, this book studies the practice of caste in various regional and historical contexts, among the non-Hindus of India, and in the complex interplay between caste and politics.

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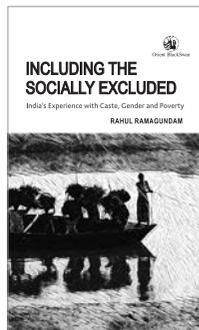
Including the Socially Excluded
India's Experience with Caste, Gender and Poverty

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This volume explores the inter-linkages between social exclusion and poverty in rural north India.



Social exclusion is understood as a pervasive phenomenon. Inclusion is seen more as a concentrated effort by state and non-state actors to include the socially excluded in the mainstream by means of empowerment and education. This volume is an outcome of the author's decade-long fieldwork and grassroots activism.

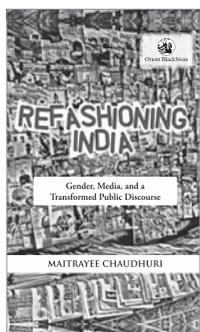
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Refashioning India

Gender, Media, and a Transformed Public Discourse

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In 1991, the Indian state's new economic policies led to a greater role of the market. A public discourse that had till then hinged on self-reliance, equity and austerity had to be recast. The Indian middle class learnt that 'thrif' was not a virtue, and 'shopping was legitimate pleasure'. This book details how consumerism, meshed with ideas of individualism,

empowerment and choice in a contemporary public culture paved the way for an instant, feel-good, and then aggressive nationalism. *Refashioning India* provides a chronicle of contemporary India, written by an author who is as much a participant member as an observer of everyday life in a changing India. It will be of interest to students and scholars of sociology, political science, culture studies, gender studies, and the media.

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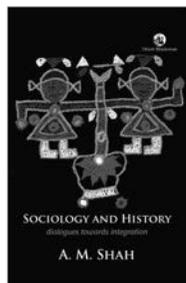
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With a foreword by **M. N. Srinivas**



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Shah's well-known study of the Vahivancha Barots—traditional record-keepers of genealogies and narrators and creators of myths. Shah offers several essays on theory and method in sociology and history. A significant inclusion is the discussion between Shah and Romila Thapar on the sociological understanding of ancient India, examining the relation between lineage, clan, caste and the state.

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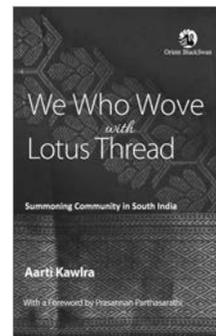
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We Who Wove with Lotus Thread

Summoning Community in South India

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With a Foreword by **Prasannan Parthasarathi**



This is the first in-depth ethnographic study of the Telugu-speaking Padma Saliyar weaving community of Tamil Nadu, who consider themselves 'on par' with Brahmins, claiming difference through their 'thread' and the divinely ordained work of weaving. The book explores handloom

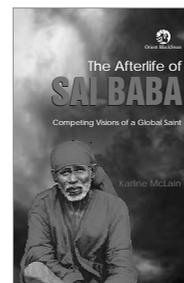
weaving in light of the different regimes of value—craft (as opposed to machine) aesthetic, traditional technology, cottage industry and embodied work—that define its lived reality in South India. Approaching community not as a closed and unchanging world but as a dynamic one, the book contributes to the growing scholarship on re-articulations of caste in South Asia.

Selected Contents: 1. Claims on Community 2. Reform and Revival 3. Sustaining Production 4. Weaving as Sacrament 5. Reproductive Household 6. Mobilising Value 7. Concluding Reflections

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Afterlife of Sai Baba, The Competing Visions of a Global Saint

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Nearly a century after his death, the image of Sai Baba, the serene old man with the white beard from Shirdi village in Maharashtra, India, is instantly recognisable to most South Asians (and many Westerners) as a guru for all faiths—Hindus, Muslims, and others. During his lifetime Sai Baba accepted all followers

who came to him, regardless of religious or caste background, and preached a path of spiritual enlightenment and mutual tolerance. These days, tens of thousands of Indians and foreigners make the pilgrimage to Shirdi each year, and Sai Baba temples have sprung up in unlikely places around the world, such as Munich, Seattle, and Austin.

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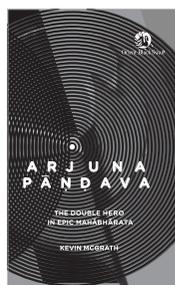
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Arjuna Pandava

The Double Hero in the Epic Mahabharata

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Why should Arjuna, a late Bronze Age hero in the Mahabharata, be worshipped today and receive popular devotion, not just in India but throughout the world? Mahabharata scholar Kevin McGrath addresses this question through an examination of Arjuna's presence in the Pune Critical

Edition of the epic. According to him, the heroic Arjuna, the perfect warrior, acquired such significance because of his dual nature—he exists simultaneously in two worlds, the human and the supernatural. As the first study of the late Bronze Age period in which the Mahabharata is set, McGrath also provides us with an understanding of how kinship systems worked during that time, and how political alliances functioned. The volume's well-tested and innovative concepts and methods of analysis will change contemporary understandings of epic heroes and heroines.

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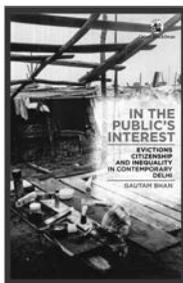
In the Public's Interest

Evictions, Citizenship and Inequality in Contemporary Delhi

Gautam Bhan, senior consultant, Indian Institute of Human Settlements, Bengaluru

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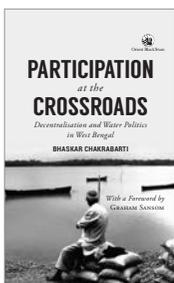
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Participation at the Crossroads

Decentralisation and Water Politics in West Bengal

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With a foreword by **Graham Sansom**



Participation at the Crossroads discusses decentralised governance and the politics of water management in India, with a focus on West Bengal. While the initial years of Left Front rule saw enthusiastic participation by the village poor, today, when the water crisis has reached a peak, relatively few people in

villages take part in government-sponsored initiatives. Why? Why are small cultivators and agricultural labourers, who are most profoundly affected by decisions regarding water management, less inclined to participate in the decision-making process? Through his case studies, the author shows how the unavailability of water is causing small cultivators to turn away from agriculture; the reasons behind the low turnout of small cultivators and agricultural labourers at village meetings; and how political interference at various levels in the decentralisation process creates problems in local participation and decision-making, finally leading to a skewed distribution in the supply of water.

Selected Contents: 1. Introduction 2. The Study Area and Fieldwork Experience 3. Panchayat Raj: Political Context and Local Control of Water 4. Conflict within the Ruling Party for Control of Water 5. Local Control of Water by the Opposition 6. Water Conflict between the Ruling Party and the Opposition 7. Conclusion

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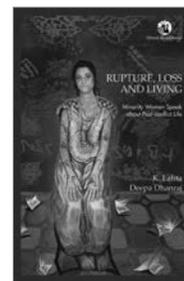
Rupture, Loss and Living

Minority Women Speak About Post-conflict Life

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This remarkable book is oral history at its best; informed by a framework of investigation that is rigorously analytic even as it is touchingly human.

— **Akeel Bilgrami**



This volume puts together the oral narratives of women survivors of collective violence that took place in Hyderabad, Mumbai and Gujarat in the recent past. Spanning three decades of events, these voices represent different classes, and rural and urban locations. This

book challenges existing assumptions on minority women's engagement with public and private institutions in a post-conflict context. The narratives presented here foreground a critique of power and contemporary society rooted in these women's experiences of violence and survival.

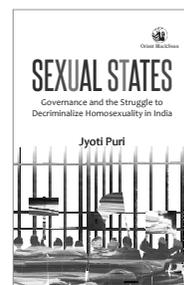
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Governance and the Struggle to Decriminalize Homosexuality in India

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In *Sexual States*, Jyoti Puri tracks the efforts to decriminalise homosexuality in India to show how the regulation of sexuality is fundamentally tied to the creation of and the enduring existence of the state.

Through extensive fieldwork among state institutions, she finds that the law and state agencies such as the police are preoccupied with managing sexuality and its perceived threat to the social order. Equally interested in efforts to modify Section 377, this book draws on encounters with sexuality rights activists to highlight the approaches and strategies that have evolved over the course of their struggle.

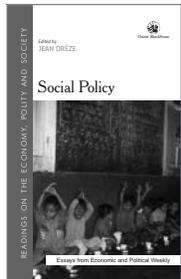
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SERIES: READINGS ON ECONOMY, POLITY AND SOCIETY

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The reach of social policy in India has significantly expanded in recent years. Facilities such as schools and anganwadis have become an accepted norm for every village. Better equipped health centres are closer to people's homes. Nutrition programmes, public works and social security pensions

are reaching vastly larger numbers of people than they used to. Yet the performance of these social programmes is far from ideal, and some of them are controversial. The essays included in this volume illustrate the value of careful research on these areas.

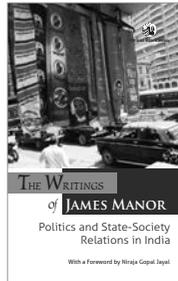
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With a foreword by **Niraja Gopal Jayal**



This definitive collection of essays, divided into five sections, depicts James Manor's wide range of interests. The first section is a commentary on the emergence of a consolidated democracy in India, and discusses two major themes—political awakening and political decay—which,

together with political regeneration, form the three key processes at work in Indian politics over the past forty years. He devotes three sections to the nature of political parties, the trends of regional politics, and how, at all these levels, political actors manage the challenges of governance. He addresses the regional dynamics of politics through the lens of political leadership in the fourth section, and in the last, comments on the more recent phase of Indian politics.

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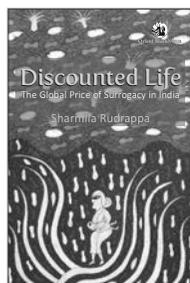
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Discounted Life

The Price of Global Surrogacy in India

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India is the top provider of surrogacy services in the world, with a multi-million dollar surrogacy industry that continues to grow exponentially, as an increasing number of couples from developed nations look for wombs in which to grow their babies. Some scholars have exulted transnational surrogacy for the possibilities it opens for infertile

couples, while others have offered bioethical cautionary tales, rebuked exploitative intended parents, or lamented the exploitation of surrogate mothers—but very little is known about the experience of and transaction between surrogate mothers and intended parents outside the lens of the many agencies that control surrogacy in India. A detailed and moving study, *Discounted Life* delineates how local labor markets intertwine with global reproduction industries.

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Trouble with Marriage, The Feminists Confront Law and Violence in India

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The Trouble with Marriage considers the legacies of legal reforms around marriage and gendered violence in India in the 1980s, which were strongly influenced by demands of the women's movement: lawyer-free Family Courts, the criminal prosecution of domestic

violence, rape law reform, and the promotion of alternate dispute resolution as a mode of better gendered access. Looking backward to legislative debates, and forward to everyday life in legal sites of marital trouble, such as Family Court, police cells for women, and mediation organisations, this book presents a portrait of contemporary marriage and of legal culture.

The significance of this book lies in its bringing forth the complicated relationship that law shares within its various forms and with women often reinforcing discrimination and patriarchy but also at times granting women agency even through its parochialism.... This book is a useful reader for

students engaged in gender studies especially those interested in gender violence, family and law. It is also immensely useful for scholars working on legal pluralism.

—*Sociological Bulletin* 65 (1): 135–56, January–April 2016

The stunning ethnographic account of how women speak and how their silence is interpreted invites us to take courtroom performance seriously as constitutive of law's power.... The value of this ethnography lies in its deft navigation between different sets of laws, sites and frameworks to show how law can pleasure, disgust and humiliate.

—Pratiksha Baxi, *The Book Review XL* (7), July 2016

[It] is an influential treatise on legal pluralism in India... [T]his well-written book contributes a wealth of information to feminist scholarship and legal studies.

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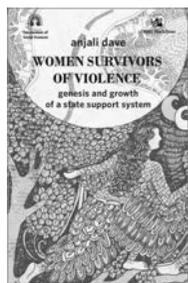
Women Survivors of Violence

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Genesis and Growth of a State Support System

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With a Foreword by Armaity Desai



Women Survivors of Violence is a first-person account of the evolution of the Special Cells. In the mid-1980s, the author, an assistant lecturer at the TISS, Mumbai, initiated a 'field action project'—working on the issue of violence against women from within the police system. The result was the introduction

of Special Cells in police stations. This narrative traces the 29-year-old journey of this institution, and provides a deeply personal account of the effectiveness of a multi-agency coordinated response to VAW, in the form of a partnership between an academic institute, the police system, and the violated woman.

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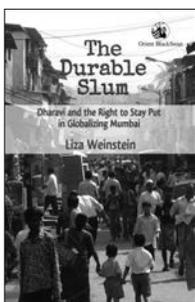
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Durable Slum, The

Dharavi and the Right to Stay Put in Globalizing Mumbai

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Directly opposite Mumbai's newest and most expensive commercial developments, lies Dharavi, where as many as one million squatters live in makeshift housing on 535 acres of prime urban land. As property prices are booming and cities are now vying to be 'world class', governments across India, and throughout the world,

are facing new pressure to clear settlements like these. But Dharavi and its residents have endured for a century, holding on to what has become some of Mumbai's most valuable land. Liza Weinstein draws on a decade of work, including more than a year of firsthand research in Dharavi, to explain how, despite innumerable threats, the slum has persisted for so long, achieving a precarious stability.

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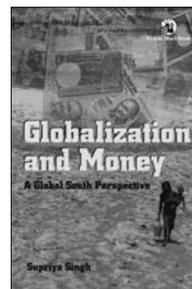
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A Global South Perspective

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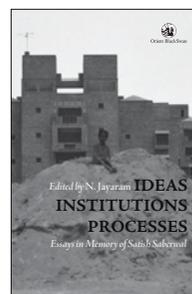
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Essays in Memory of Satish Saberwal

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This volume commemorates the career and contributions of eminent sociologist Satish Saberwal. It features fifteen essays written by some of Saberwal's eminent students, colleagues and admirers. The first of its four parts takes a biographical approach and includes an extensive interview with the scholar

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Modern Spirit of Asia, The The Spiritual and the Secular in China and India

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The Modern Spirit of Asia challenges the notion that modernity in China and India are derivative imitations of the West, arguing that these societies have transformed their ancient traditions in unique and distinctive ways. Peter van der Veer begins with nineteenth-century imperial

history, exploring how Western concepts of spirituality, secularity, religion, and magic were used to translate the traditions of India and China.

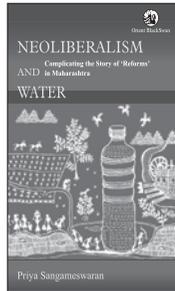
He traces how modern Western notions of religion and magic were incorporated into the respective nation-building projects of Chinese and Indian nationalist intellectuals, yet how modernity in China and India is by no means uniform.

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Neoliberalism and Water Complicating the Story of 'Reforms' in Maharashtra

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Pathways to Power The Domestic Politics of South Asia

Edited by **Arjun Guneratne**, Professor and Chair, Department of Anthropology, Macalester College, Minnesota, USA; and **Anita M. Weiss**, Professor and Head, Department of International Studies, University of Oregon, USA

This volume introduces the domestic politics of South Asia in broad comparative perspective, revealing the interplay between politics, cultural values, human security, and historical luck. While



these are important correlations everywhere, nowhere are they more compelling than in South Asia where such dynamic interchanges loom large on a daily basis. Identity politics—not just of religion but also of caste, ethnicity, regionalism, and social class—infuses all aspects of

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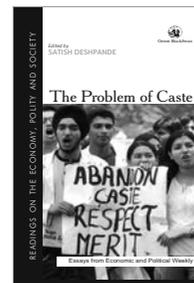
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Caste is one of the oldest themes in the literature on traditional India, and it also claims significant space in work on the modern period. As such, it has been extensively and intensively studied, both as an empirical phenomenon and as a civilisational idea. This volume brings together

essays by well-known sociologists, political scientists and historians which highlight contemporary concerns on caste, while also giving space to long-established perspectives in order to offer the reader a sense of the shifts that have occurred.

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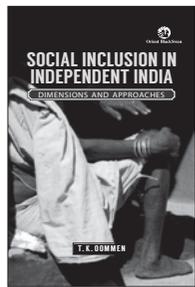
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Social Inclusion in Independent India

Dimensions and Approaches

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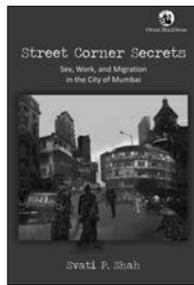
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Street Corner Secrets

Sex, Work, and Migration in the City of Mumbai

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Street Corner Secrets challenges widespread notions of sex work in India by examining solicitation in three spaces within the city of Mumbai where sexual commerce may be solicited alongside other



income-generating activities. These spaces—brothels, streets, and public day-wage labour markets (nakas)—are seldom placed within the same analytic frame. Focusing on women who had migrated to Mumbai from rural, economically underdeveloped areas within India, the author

argues that selling sexual services is one of a number of ways women working as labourers may earn a living, demonstrating that sex work, like day labour, is a part of India's vast informal economy.

“This work could be seen as taking further the project “ethnography of the particular”, which by focusing on the nuanced everyday life of the women gives a more complex and layered understanding of subjectivity of women thus engaged...”

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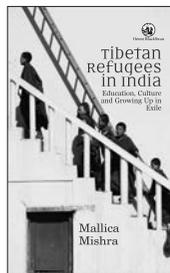
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Tibetan Refugees in India

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Education, Culture and Growing Up in Exile

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This volume looks at the lives of Tibetan refugees in India and the policies of the governments (Indian and Tibetan) regarding their education in India. Education for the Tibetan community, recognised as one of the most 'successful' refugee communities in the world, is an important ingredient that helps to protect and preserve their traditions as well as engage with the modern world. The book looks at the dilemmas that the community grapples with in trying to achieve a balance of 'tradition' and 'modernity' in education and the strategies it has evolved to deal with the issue.

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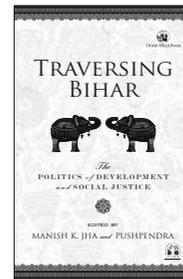
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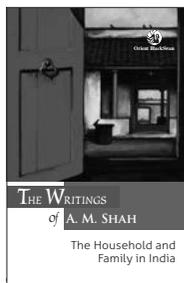
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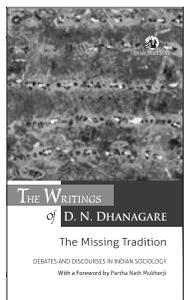
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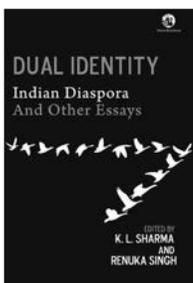
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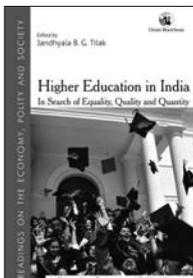
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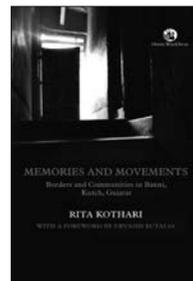
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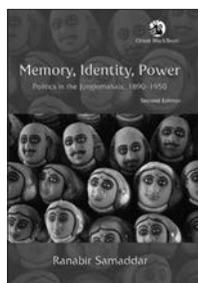
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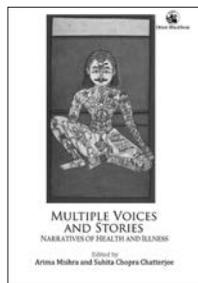
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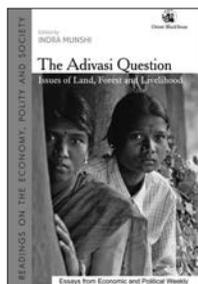
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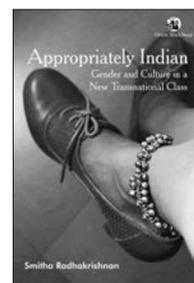
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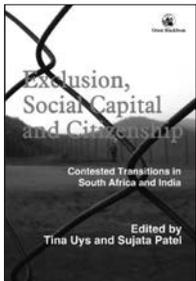
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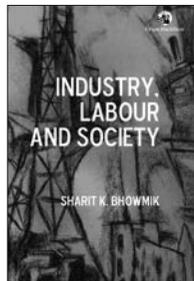
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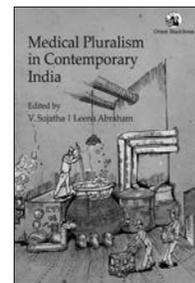
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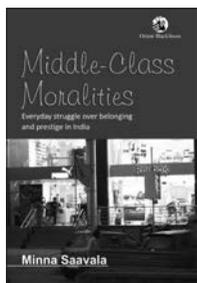
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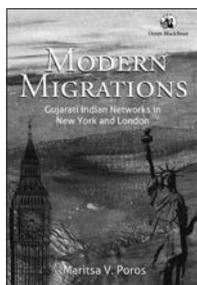
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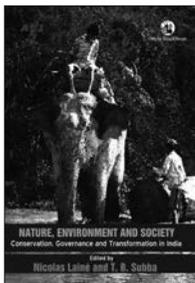
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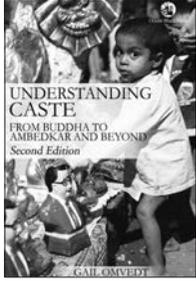
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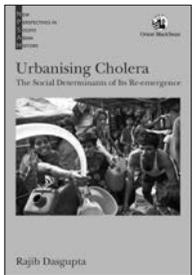
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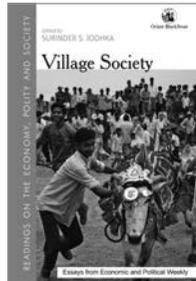
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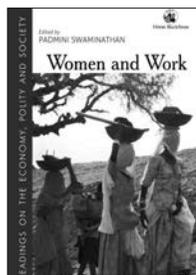
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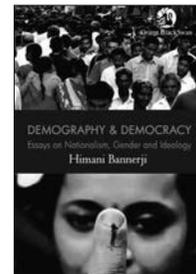
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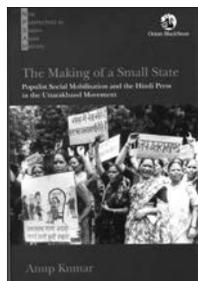
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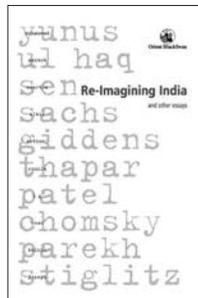
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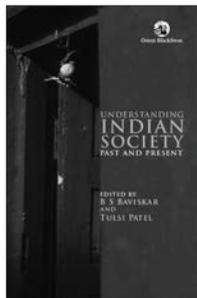
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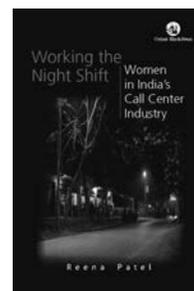
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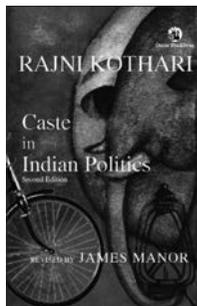
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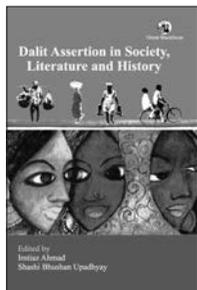


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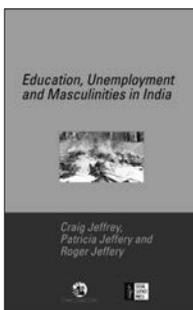
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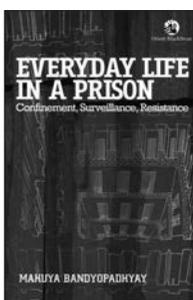
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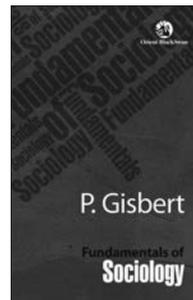
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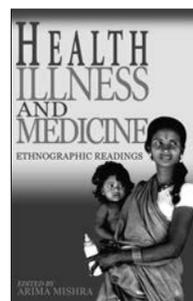
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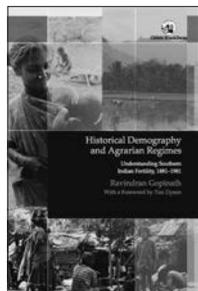
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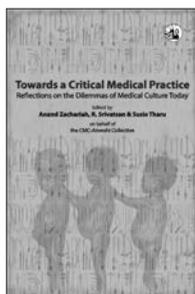
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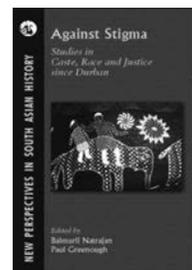
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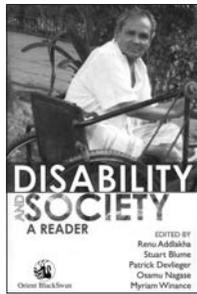
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In the 1980s and 1990s, disabled scholars in the West began to develop a radical critique of biomedical conceptions of disability that focused exclusively on the individual body and its limitations. They also exposed the failure of the social sciences to critically address what

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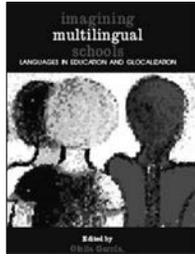
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This book brings together visions and realities of multilingual schools throughout the world in order



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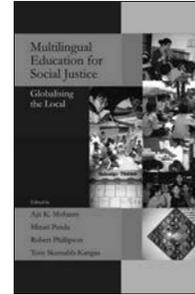
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The book resonates with the contemporary Indian scene, where language, particularly as a medium of learning, has become a fiercely contested terrain. The scales are disastrously tilting to suit the elite design of language as [a] tool of domination.

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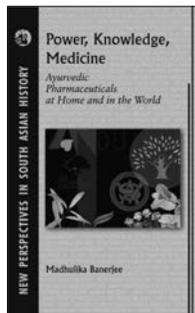
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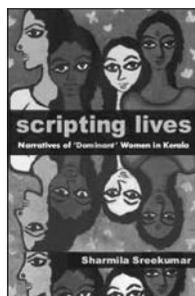
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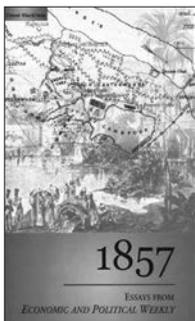
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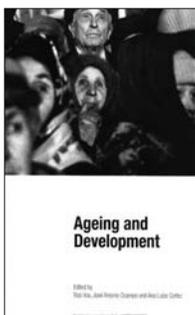


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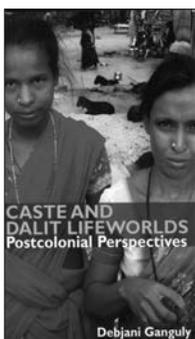
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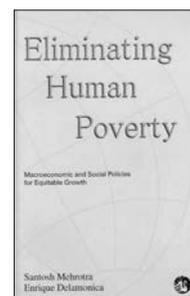
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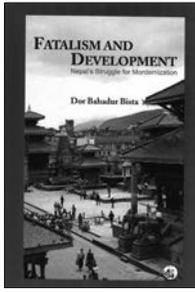
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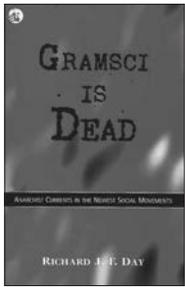
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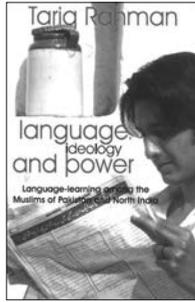
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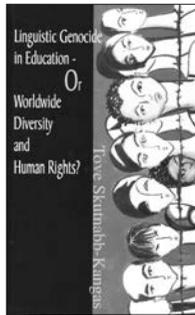


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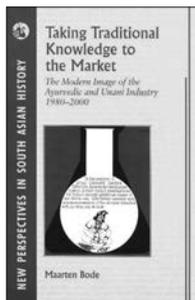
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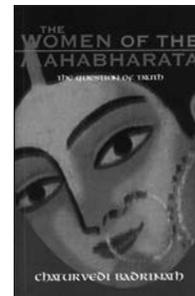
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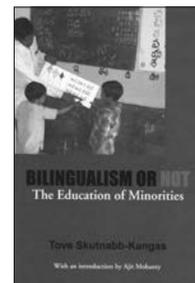
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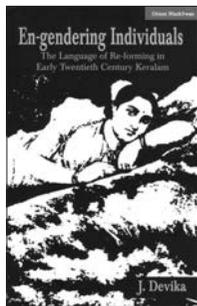
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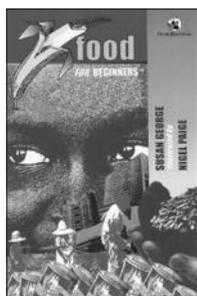
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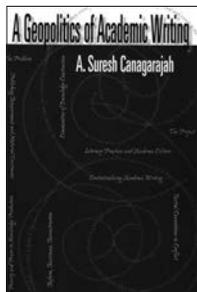
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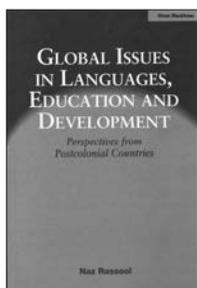
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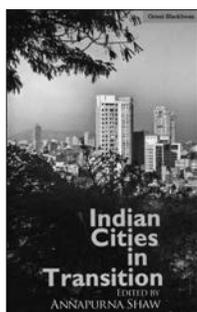
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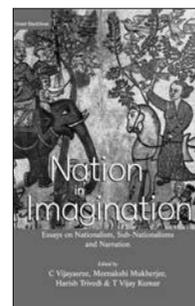
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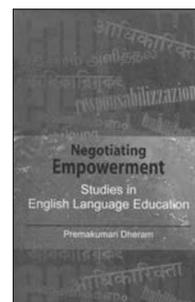
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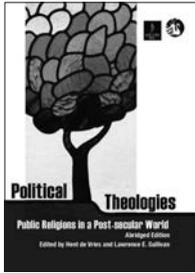
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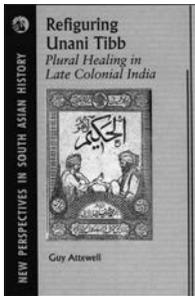
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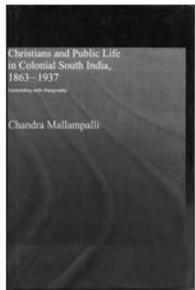
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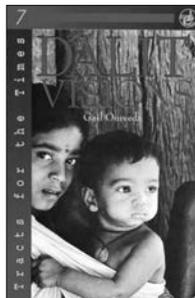
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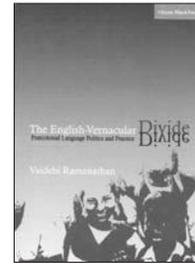
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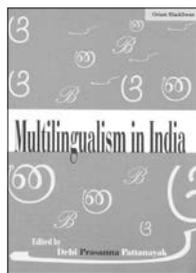
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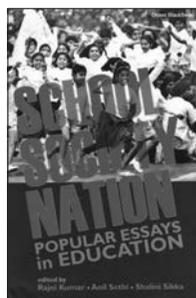
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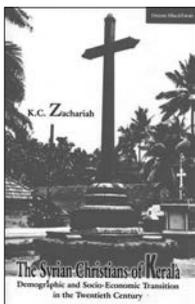
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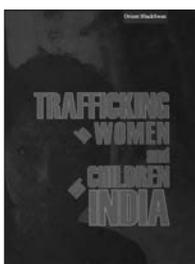
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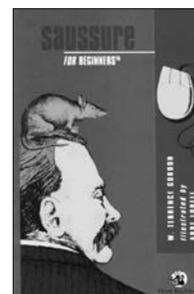
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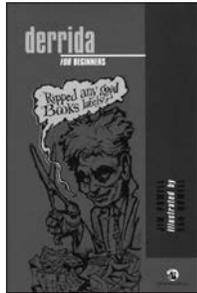
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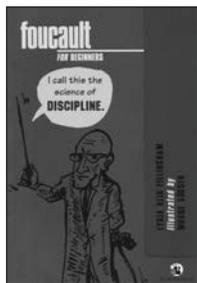
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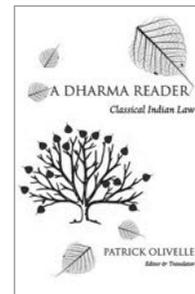
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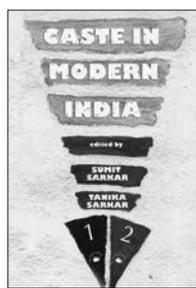
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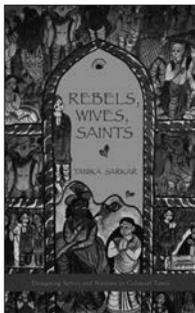
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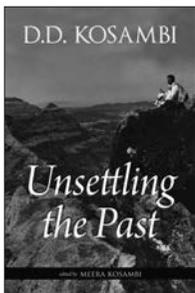
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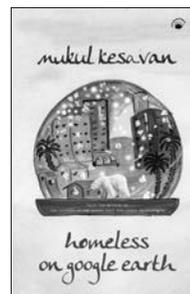
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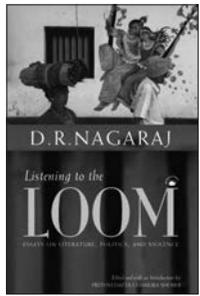
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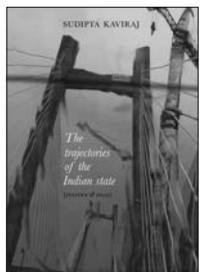
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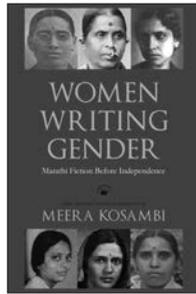
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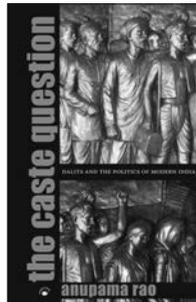
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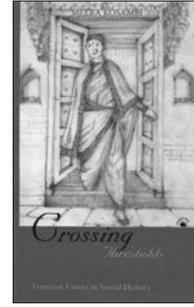
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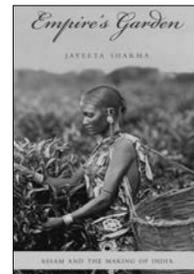
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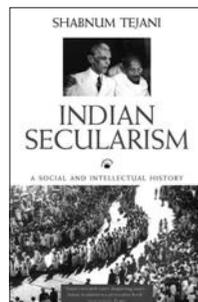
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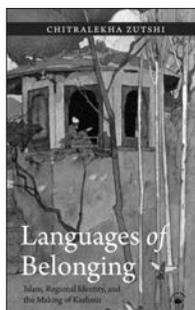
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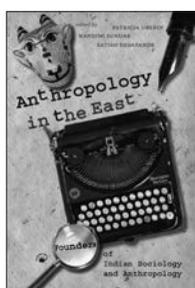
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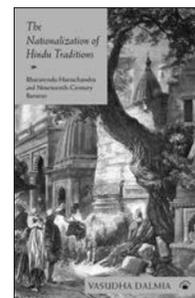
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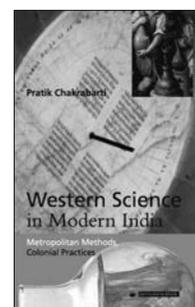
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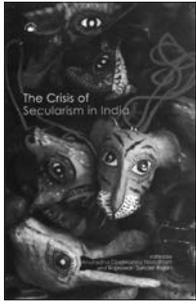
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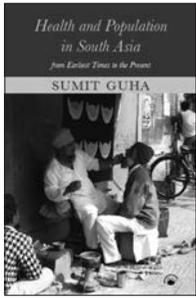
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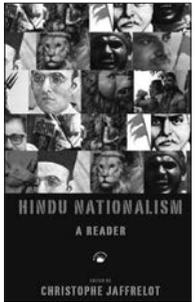
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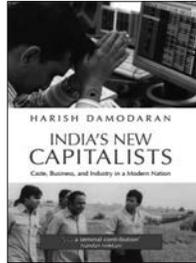
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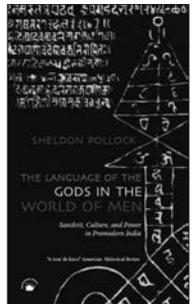
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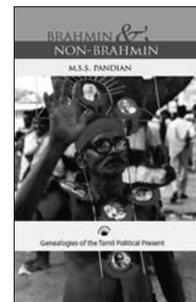


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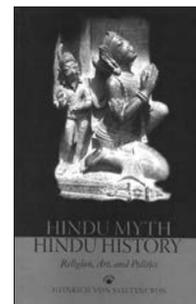
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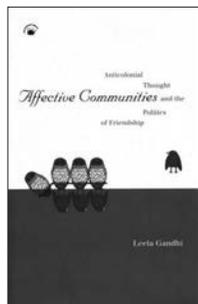
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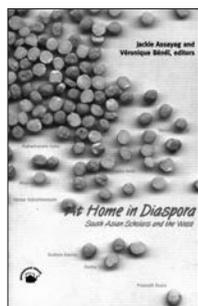
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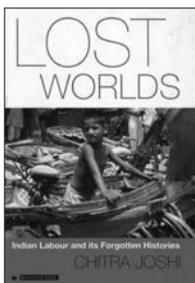
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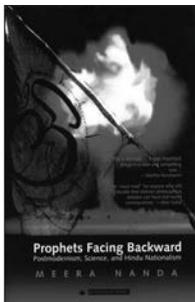
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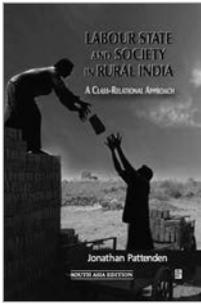
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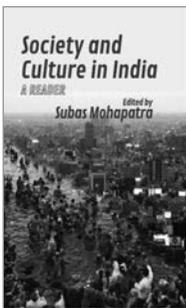


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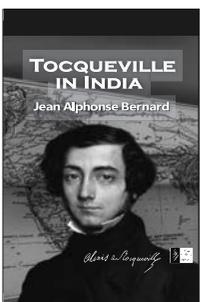
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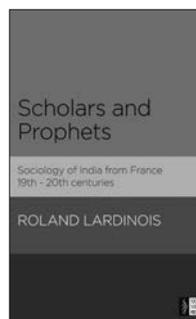
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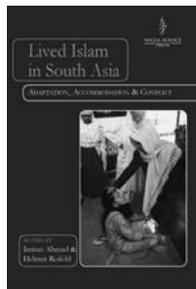
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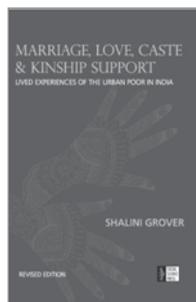
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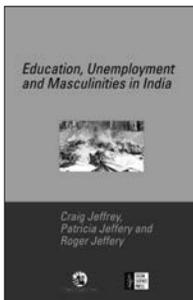
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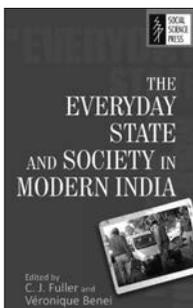
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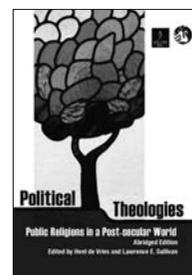
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