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Foreword

The current issue of “New Arrivals: List of New Additions with Summaries” contains a list of New Books that were processed in the month of November 2023 and are available for use in the National Social Science Documentation Centre of ICSSR. In the main text, entries are arranged by the title, followed by bibliographical details and a summary of the document. For easy retrieval Author and Keyword Index are also given at the end where the number in front of the Author or Keyword denotes the serial number of the entry in the main list of New Additions. Interested readers can consult the listed titles by visiting the library.

Suggestions are always welcome.

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| 1 | India, Bharat and Pakistan: the constitutional journey of a sandwiched civilisation/ Deepak, J. Sai - Bloomsbury: New Delh, 2022; xiii, 616p. | 52871 |
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This book delves into the impact of European and Middle Eastern colonial influences on Bharat (India) as the successor state to the Indic civilization, particularly focusing on the origins of the Indian Constitution. Exploring the historical timeline from the rise of Islamic Revivalism in the 1740s to the culmination of the Khilafat Movement in 1924, the author traces the thought continuum that led to the idea of Pakistan. The narrative sheds light on the collaboration between proponents of Middle Eastern coloniality and the British colonial establishment, which had adverse effects on the Indic civilization. The book aims to draw parallels between the challenges faced by Bharat from 1740 to 1924 and contemporary issues, encouraging readers to undertake a critical decolonial study of Bharat's history. Ultimately, the larger goal is to inspire a balanced and informed perspective on Bharat's history, especially in relation to the Constitution, fostering a sense of proportion, perspective, and purpose.

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| 2 | Invaders and infidels:from Sindh to Delhi: the 500-year journey of Islamic invasions/ Balakrishna, Sandeep - Bloomsbury India: New Delhi, 2020; 224p. | 52872 |
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This book offers a compelling historical account of Islamic invasions into India, spanning from the first conquest to Babur's invasion. Covering the 320-year rule of the Delhi Sultanate, the book explores a transformative era marked by heroism, brutality, resistance, intrigues, and tragedies. It delves into the transient nature of Muslim invasions over three centuries and their enduring consequences, particularly the permanent destruction of Classical India. The author provides a captivating journey into pre-Medieval India, shedding light on a pivotal era that significantly shaped the ancient culture and civilization of the region.

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| 3 | The perfect weapon: war, sabotage and fear in the cyber age/ Sanger, David E. - Amaryllyis: Edinburgh, 2019; 384p. | 52873 |
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This book unveils the gripping narrative of how the emergence of cyberweapons has reshaped global geopolitics, comparable in significance to the advent of the atomic bomb. This insightful account explores the transformative impact of cyberweapons – easily attainable, deniable, and adaptable for various malicious purposes – making them the preferred choice for democracies, dictators, and terrorists alike. David Sanger, New York Times national security correspondent, takes readers on a journey from the White House Situation Room to the realms of Chinese government hackers and Silicon Valley boardrooms. The book delves into pivotal events, such as Operation Olympic Games, initiated by Presidents Bush and Obama, which utilized cyber tools to disrupt Iran's nuclear program. However, it also sheds light on the unanticipated vulnerabilities as America's own cyber weapons were pilfered and turned against the United States and its allies. The narrative culminates in the challenges faced during President Trump's tenure, including the unsuccessful defense against Russia's extensive cyber assault on the 2016

US election. "The Perfect Weapon" provides a stark portrayal of a world confronting the dangers of technological revolution, where everyone becomes a potential target.

- 4** The Caliphate's soldiers: the Lashkar-e-Tayyeba's long war/ John, Wilson, - Amaryllis in association with Observer Research Foundation: New Delhi, 2011; xxxi, 295p. **52874**

This book is a meticulously researched and insightful book that delves into the history and current standing of Lashkar-e-Tayyeba, Pakistan's prominent terrorist organization. Authored with comprehensive detail, the book traces the origins of the group, led by Hafiz Mohammad Saeed, and sheds light on its strategic positioning and malicious intentions. What sets this book apart is its adept marshalling of little-known data, convincingly portraying Lashkar-e-Tayyeba as a threat on par with the globally recognized al Qaeda. The book compellingly argues that this state-based terror group poses a significant danger not only to India but also to South East Asian countries, spanning across the Indian Ocean, reaching the Pacific to the US, and even posing a threat to Pakistan itself. The book's unequivocal conclusion underscores the imperative need to dismantle and decimate such terrorist groups, emphasizing that their ambitions extend beyond regional borders. A crucial read for those seeking a world free from violence and terror, "The Caliphate's Soldiers" advocates for dismantling groups like Lashkar-e-Tayyeba for the sake of enduring stability, especially in regions with nuclear capabilities.

- 5** Pakistan: a new history/ Talbot, Ian - Amaryllis: New york, 2012; xv, 304p. **52875**

This book explores, among major turning points and trends of Pakistani History over the past six decades, the civil - military relationship and focuses on the increasing entrenchment of Pakistan's army in its political and economic arenas. It also explains why Pakistan must face the deterioration of its social and political institutions, if it is to preserve all that is good about its country, like the generosity and hospitality of its people, the dynamism of its youth, etc.

- 6** The Pakistan Military in Politics / Ahmed, Ishtiaq - Manjul publishing House: Edinburg, 2013; x, 540p. **52876**

This book acts as a manual to success and provides readers with a step-by-step approach to changing their attitudes. It shows you how to turn your problems into opportunities and that it is alright to fail once in a while. This book has been of great use to readers who are a fan of self-help books and has worked for many. The author, Jeff Keller, used these principles and they helped him build his career and make a transition from a lawyer to a motivational speaker.

- 7** Bilateral and Multilateral Cooperation in South / Adluri, Subramanyam Raju (ed.) - Routledge: London, 2022; 218p. **52877**

This book examines how bilateralism and multilateralism serve as cornerstones in bringing countries together to enhance regional cooperation. It explores the unfolding dynamics of bilateral and multilateral relationships in South Asia and looks at how factors like the absence of shared identities or common threats from external sources, a lack of trust, and suspicion are manifesting as obstacles for regional cooperation. With case studies from various constituent countries, the volume studies themes such as economic cooperation in South Asia,

connections through sub-regional initiatives, migration and refugee problems in the region, SAARC and terrorism, the Pashtun factor in Afghanistan–Pakistan relations, India’s interests in ASEAN and BIMSTEC, the nuclear dynamics of India–Pakistan relations, India–Bangladesh connectivity issues, Sri Lanka as a troubled island nation, and Afghanistan’s relations with the Kashmir Valley. It discusses the implications of these long-standing issues that have stood as impediments to regional cooperation and bringing new perspectives to enable greater understanding and probable solutions. A comprehensive and accessible volume, it will be useful for scholars and researchers of international relations, international trade, South Asian studies, SAARC, regional development, international and multilateral trade, political studies, geo-politics, strategic and defence studies, and peace and conflict resolution.

- 8** China, India and Alternative Asian Modernities / Sanjay (ed) - Routledge: UK, 2019; 286p. **52878**

This book challenges the conventional narrative of modernity as a complete break from the past, which is often tied to the Eurocentric view of global history. Instead, the essays in this volume focus on early modern Chinese and Indian history and culture to contest the temporal and spatial divisions imposed by the traditional concept of modernity. The authors argue for a transcultural and pluralistic understanding of modernity, rejecting the idea that it is exclusively rooted in the West. The central argument emphasizes that modernity lacks a singular core or essence, urging a disaggregation of its key features and the exploration of new configurations. By examining the Bhakti movement, Confucian democracy, and the maritime and agrarian economies of China and India, the book broadens the terms of the modernity debate and reconsiders devalued concepts like tradition, religion, authority, and rural as potential resources for modernity. Geared towards researchers and academicians in history, sociology, cultural studies, literature, geopolitics, South Asian, and East Asian studies, this book offers a fresh perspective on the multifaceted nature of modernity beyond Western-centric frameworks.

- 9** China's digital Silk Road: setting standards, powering growth/ Chan, Gerald - Edward Elgar Publishing: New Delhi, 2022; xii, 183p. **52879**

According to this book in recent years, China has become a world leader in e-commerce, e-currency, 5G and artificial intelligence, cementing itself as a major competitor to established powers. Gerald Chan poses the question: How has China pulled this off? Arguing that the answer lies in the country’s Digital Silk Road, a multi-faceted programme to connect the world via digital means, the book explores how China has shaped the development of the digital order, secured a critical role in internet governance and upset the status-quo powers.

- 10** Culture as power: Buddhist heritage and the Indo-Japanese dialogue/ Bhalla, Madhu (ed) - Routledge: New Delhi, 2021; xxiv, 213p. **52880**

This book presents new studies on intellectual and cultural interactions in the context of Buddhist heritage and Indo-Japanese dialogue in the late 19th and early 20th centuries on art, religion, and cultural politics. By revisiting Buddhist connections between India and Japan, it examines the pathways of communication on common aesthetic and religious heritage that emerged in the

backdrop of colonial experiences and the rise of Asian nationalisms. The volume discusses themes such as Asian arts and crafts under colonialism, formation of East Asian art collections, development of Buddhist art history in Japan, Japanese encounters with Ajanta, India in the history of the Shinto tradition, Japan in India's xenology, and Buddhism and world peace, and suggests paradigms of reconnecting cultural heritage within a global platform. With essays from experts across the world, this book will be an essential read for scholars and researchers of history, art history, ancient Indian history, colonial history, heritage and cultural studies, South Asian and East Asian history, visual and media studies, Asian studies, international relations and foreign policy, and the history of globalization.

- 11** From Bactria to Taprobane: selected works of Osmund Bopearachchi Vol. 2/ Bopearachchi, Osmund - Manohar Publishers & Distributors: UK, 2015; 1167p. **52881**

This volume presents a comprehensive collection of Osmund Bopearachchi's significant works, focusing on Art History and Maritime Trade in the regions spanning from Bactria to Taprobane. This volume explores the intersection of art and commerce, shedding light on the cultural exchanges and influences along ancient maritime trade routes. Bopearachchi's insights provide a valuable resource for scholars and enthusiasts interested in the art history and economic dynamics of these diverse regions.

- 12** From Bactria to Taprobane: selected works of Osmund Bopearachchi Vol. 1/ Bopearachchi, Osmund - Manohar: UK, 2016; xiii, 701p. **52882**

This volume presents a comprehensive collection of the notable works of Osmund Bopearachchi. Focused on Central Asian and Indian Numismatics, the volume delves into the study of coins, offering insights into the rich history and cultural exchanges in these regions. Bopearachchi's selected works provide a valuable resource for scholars, historians, and numismatists interested in understanding the intricacies of coinage and its significance in the historical narrative from Bactria to Taprobane.

- 13** Global Indian diaspora: charting new frontiers Vol. 1/ Samaroo, Brinsley (ed) - Manohar: New Delhi, 2022; 182p. **52883**

This volume stands as a noteworthy contribution to ongoing research on India's cultural expansion into the Atlantic and Pacific worlds. Focused on the perspective of the Girmityas, or agreement signers, it portrays the former indentured Empire's narrative positively and diversely. The Girmityas, while maintaining their core values, strategically integrated into new environments, leveraging agencies like the Canadian Mission for broader community inclusion. The book highlights their adept preservation of cultural ties with India, facilitated by visits from scholars and missionaries, enriching the colonial society with diverse cultural observances. Overall, this work offers a refreshing perspective on global interconnectedness, revealing that the process of globalization began long before contemporary times.

- 14** Global Indian diaspora: charting new frontiers Vol. 2/ Brinsley Samaroo (ed) - Manohar: UK, 2022; 260p. **52884**

This volume offer a diverse and comprehensive exploration of the theme. Delving into the conundrum of national citizenship in relation to roots and

routes, the contributors provide varied perspectives. The monograph underscores the interdisciplinary nature and continual evolution of the study of the Indian diaspora, revealing the dynamic and complex nature of this field of research.

- 15** India - Africa Relations: Changing Horizons/ Bhatia, Rajiv - Routledge: New York, 2022; xxiii, 219p. **52885**

This book explores the emergence and assertion of Africa as a significant actor and stakeholder in global affairs and the transformation of the India–Africa relationship. Beginning from this strategic perspective, the book presents an in-depth exploration of India–Africa partnership in all its critical dimensions. It delineates the historical backdrop and shared colonial past to focus on and contextualise the evolution of the India–Africa engagement in the first two decades of the 21st century. The book scrutinises the unfolding international competition in Africa in depth, which includes global actors such as the EU, US, and Japan, among others, focusing especially on China's growing influence in the region. Further, it dissects objectively the continental, regional and bilateral facets of India–Africa relations and offers a roadmap to strengthen and deepen the relationship in the coming decade. This volume will be very useful for students and researchers working in the field of international relations, foreign policy, governance, geopolitics, and diplomacy.

- 16** India-Myanmar relations: changing contours/ Bhatia, Rajiv K. - Routledge: UK, 2016; xxi, 257p. **52886**

This book provides a comprehensive evaluation of India's multi-faceted relations with Myanmar. It unravels the mysteries of the complex polity of Myanmar as it undergoes transition through democracy after long military rule. Based on meticulous research and understanding, the volume traces the trajectory of India–Myanmar associations from ancient times to the present day, and offers a fascinating story in the backdrop of the region's geopolitics. An in-depth analysis of 'India–Myanmar–China Triangle' brings out the strategic stakes involved. It will be of great interest to researchers and scholars of international relations, peace and conflict studies, defence and strategic studies, politics, South and Southeast Asian studies, as well as policy-makers and political think tanks.

- 17** Indian soldiers in the First World War: re-visiting a global conflict/ Kumar, Ashutosh (ed) - Routledge: Florida, 2022; 207p. **52887**

This book explores the lives and social histories of Indians soldiers who fought in the First World War. It focuses on their motivations, experiences, and lives after returning from service in Europe, Mesopotamia, East Africa, and Palestine, to present a more complete picture of Indian participation in the war. The book looks at the Indian support to the war for political concessions from the British government and its repercussions through the perspective of the role played by more than one million Indian soldiers and labourers. It examines the social and cultural aspects of the experience of fighting on foreign soil in a deadly battle and their contributions which remain largely unrecognised. From micro-histories of fighting soldiers, aspects of recruitment and deployment, to macro-histories connecting different aspects of the War, the volume explores a variety of themes including: the material incentives, coercion and training

which converted peasants into combatants; encounters of travelling Indian soldiers with other societies; and the contributions of returned soldiers in Indian society. The book will be useful to researchers and students of history, post-colonial studies, sociology, literature, and cultural studies as well as for those interested in military history, World War I, and colonial history"--

- 18** Indo-Burma Frontier and the Making of the Chin Hills: Empire and Resistance/ Pau, Pum Khan - Routledge: New Delhi, 2019; xvi, 343p. **52888**

This book examines the British colonial expansion in the so-called unadministered hill tracts of the Indo-Burma frontier and the change of colonial policy from non-intervention to intervention. The book begins with the end of the First Anglo-Burmese War (1824–26), which resulted in the British annexation of the North-Eastern Frontier of Bengal and the extension of its sway over the Arakan and Manipur frontiers, and closes with the separation of Burma from India in 1937. The volume documents the resistance of the indigenous hill peoples to colonial penetration; administrative policies such as disarmament; subjugation of the local chiefs under a colonial legal framework and its impact; standardisation of ‘Chin’ as an ethnic category for the fragmented tribes and sub-tribes; and the creation and consolidation of the Chin Hills District as a political entity to provide an extensive account of British relations with the indigenous Chin/Zo community from 1824 to 1935. By situating these within the larger context of British imperial policy, the book makes a critical analysis of the British approach towards the Indo-Burma frontier.

- 19** Military History of India / Sarkar, Sir Jadunath - Gyan Publishing House: Delhi, 2022; 189p. **52889**

This book is about wars fought in India from Alexander invasion to Mughal and Maratha period by a highly qualified and renowned scholar. It gives detailed and in-depth analysis of their military systems, their strategies, armaments, logistics, control and command. Much is made of the strategic culture of India. Here is a book which examines and analyses the roots of India strategic culture and its evolution. Hence it is of greatest importance for defence studies and of course historians.

- 20** Queer China: lesbian and gay literature and visual culture under post socialism/ Bao, Hongwei - Routledge: Delhi, 2020; xvi, 213p. **52890**

This book analyses queer cultural production in contemporary China to map the broad social transformations in gender, sexuality and desire. It examines queer literature and visual cultures in China’s post-Mao and post socialist era to show how these diverse cultural forms and practices not only function as context-specific and culturally sensitive forms of social activism but also produce distinct types of gender and sexual subjectivities unique to China’s post socialist conditions. From poetry to papercutting art, from ‘comrade/gay literature’ to girls’ love fan fiction, from lesbian films to activist documentaries, and from a drag show in Shanghai to a public performance of a same-sex wedding in Beijing, the book reveals a queer China in all its ideological complexity and creative energy. Empirically rich and methodologically eclectic, Queer China skilfully weaves together historical and archival research, textual and discourse analysis, along with interviews and ethnography.

Breaking new ground and bringing a non-Western perspective to the fore, this transdisciplinary work contributes to multiple academic fields including literary and cultural studies, media and communication studies, film and screen studies, contemporary art, theatre and performance studies, gender and sexuality studies, China/Asia and Global South studies, cultural history and cultural geography, political theory and the study of social movements.

- 21** Regulating religion in Asia: norms, modes, and challenges/ Neo, Jaclyn (ed) - **52891**
Cambridge University Press: Delhi, 2019; xv, 325p.

This volume delves into the evolving field of law and religion scholarship, which increasingly underscores the importance of exploring the interplay between legal and religious ideas, institutions, norms, and practices. The central question driving this scholarship revolves around understanding how legal and religious elements influence each other, both positively and negatively, across historical, contemporary, and future contexts. Specifically, this book focuses on the regulation of religion by law and how religious entities respond to such regulations. It delves into the underlying norms that shape state intervention in religious matters and examines the challenges that arise from such regulatory frameworks. What sets this volume apart is its departure from traditional Anglo-European perspectives, actively emphasizing Asian viewpoints to broaden and enrich our understanding of the intricate relationship between law and religion. By doing so, the book aims to contribute to and build upon existing knowledge, providing a more comprehensive exploration of this complex and dynamic interconnection.

- 22** Shi'a minorities in the contemporary world: migration, transnationalism and multilocality/ Scharbrodt, Oliver (ed) - **52892**
Edinburgh University Press: London, 2020; xix, 324p.

This book explores the under-researched experiences of Shia Muslim minorities in various global regions outside the traditional 'Muslim heartland' (Middle East, North Africa, Central and South Asia). Focusing on the 20th and 21st centuries, it provides new comparative perspectives on Shi'a minority communities that have emerged due to global migration flows. The volume includes contributions discussing Shi'a minority experiences in Europe, North and South America, Sub-Saharan Africa, and East Asia. As a 'minority within a minority,' Shi'a Muslims grapple with the dual challenge of preserving both their Islamic and distinct Shi'a identity amidst issues related to communal activities, practices, public perception, and recognition. This work sheds light on the complex dynamics faced by Shi'a minorities in the diaspora, contributing to a more comprehensive understanding of their unique challenges and experiences.

- 23** Shivaji and his Times / Sarkar, Sir Jadunath - Manohar: London, 2023; 524p. **52893**

This book offers a comprehensive account of the life and era of Shivaji, one of Maharashtra's revered heroes. Beginning with an overview of Maharashtra's geography and its people, the book traces the rise of Shivaji's father, Shahji Bhonsle, in the service of the Adil Shah of Bijapur. The narrative unfolds Shivaji's boyhood, early victories, and wars against the Mughals and the Adil Shah in intricate detail. A significant portion of the book delves into Shivaji's complex relations with the Mughal emperor Aurangzeb and his persistent

struggles to secure Maratha territory. The narrative encompasses key events such as Shivaji's coronation, military campaigns in southern India, endeavors to build a formidable navy, and diplomatic engagements with foreign powers. The author critically assesses Shivaji's contributions, achievements, and historical significance, drawing upon a diverse range of sources and historical documents in various languages to present a definitive portrait of this great Maratha ruler and his era.

- 24** The global game of oil pipelines / Dietl, Gulshan - Routledge: London, 2022; **52894**
xiii, 289p.

This book delves into the intricate intersection of the global economy, energy geopolitics, and the evolving dynamics of the oil trade. With a focus on the new era of international relations and economic competition, the author explores emerging trends in regionalizing or globalizing the oil industry. The narrative unfolds the complexities of energy pipelines that span multiple states and continents, mapping the flow of oil and unravelling the political, commercial, and technological considerations behind oil route planning and trade alliances between nation-states. Through in-depth case studies from major oil-exporting regions like Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Iran, the USA, Canada, and Russia, the book analyzes changing policies related to oil trade, bilateral relations, energy, and security. It also addresses environmental protests against oil dependency, the impact of teapot refineries under the Islamic State, investments, oil lobbies, and insurrections, providing a comprehensive view of shifting regional and geopolitical realities and the competitive pursuit of crucial resources. This book is a valuable resource for students and researchers in geopolitics of energy, international relations, security studies, and energy studies, as well as for policymakers and the media.

- 25** The Gulf in World History: Arabia at the Global Crossroads/ Fromherz, Allen James (ed) - Edinburg university Press: London, 2020; xvii, 370p. **52895**

This book explores the historical and cultural significance of the Gulf region as a crossroads of civilizations and a hub of modern trade with roots in the origins of human civilization. This book examines the Gulf through the lens of world history, emphasizing its role as a site of both conflict and peaceful interaction. The chapters cover a diverse range of topics, from medieval astrology to museum architecture, trade of glass and pearls, and the influence of various groups including Indians, Africans, Christian monks, Mandaeans, and merchants. The narrative spans different historical periods and utilizes various disciplinary approaches, all united by the overarching theme of the Gulf as a cosmopolitan nexus and a space of encounter. With new evidence, theoretical perspectives, and arguments, this volume aims to reshape understandings of the Gulf's global significance and its multifaceted role in shaping world events.

- 26** The Modernist world / Ross, Stephen (ed) - Routledge: London, 2019; 650p. **52896**

This book is a comprehensive and cutting-edge volume that redefines the boundaries and connections within interdisciplinary and transnational modernisms. Featuring over 60 new essays, the book is divided into sections covering literature, visual arts, theatre, dance, architecture, music, and film, with a final section that integrates these various forms as 'intellectual currents.' Embracing diverse modernisms from around the world, the book establishes

innovative links and connections, presenting a holistic view of the 'Modernist World.' The introduction provides a clear and detailed overview of the terrain while highlighting the plurality and adaptability of the subject. Accessible for both beginners and advanced scholars, the book offers clear introductions alongside new and refreshing insights, making it an essential read for those interested in modernist studies.

- 27** The world in words: travel writing and the global imagination in Muslim South Asia/ Majchrowicz, Daniel - Cambridge University Press: London, 2023; xvii, 262p. **52897**

This book, based on extensive archival research, explores the role of Urdu travel writing as a platform for shaping a global imagination in the 19th and 20th centuries. Authored by Daniel Majchrowicz, the interdisciplinary study spans from 1840 to 1990, analyzing six chronological chapters that delve into the social and literary history of Urdu travelogues. The book examines how travel writers, including significant contributions from women, navigated the changing colonial and postcolonial landscapes of South Asia. With a focus on narratives about Asia and Africa, the work provides a nuanced exploration of the intersections between travel writing, identity, and the evolving geopolitical dynamics of the region.

- 28** Thinking past 'post-911': home, nation and transnational desires in Pakistani English novels and Hindi films/ Jain, Jayana - Routledge: London, 2022; 224p. **52898**

This book offers new ways of constellating the literary and cinematic delineations of Indian and Pakistani Muslim diasporic and migrant trajectories narrated in the two decades after the 9/11 attacks. Focusing on four Pakistani English novels and four Indian Hindi films, it examines the aesthetic complexities of staging the historical nexus of global conflicts and unravels the multiple layers of discourses underlying the notions of diaspora, citizenship, nation and home. It scrutinises the "flirtatious" nature of transnational desires and their role in building global safety valves for inclusion and archiving a planetary vision of trauma. It also provides a fresh perspective on the role of Pakistani English novels and mainstream Hindi films in tracing the multiple origins and shifts in national xenophobic practices, and negotiating multiple modalities of political and cultural belonging. It discusses various books and films including *The Reluctant Fundamentalist*, *Burnt Shadows*, *My Name is Khan*, *New York, Exit West*, *Home Fire*, *AirLift* and *Tiger Zinda Hai*. In light of the twentieth anniversary of 9/11 attacks, current debates on terror, war, paranoid national imaginaries and the suspicion towards migratory movements of refugees, this book makes a significant contribution to the interdisciplinary debates on border controls and human precarity. A crucial work in transnational and diaspora criticism, it will be of great interest to researchers of literature and culture studies, media studies, politics, film studies, and South Asian studies

- 29** Tibet And Nepal / Landor, A.H. Savage - Manohar Publisher: New Delhi, 2022; x, 233p. **52899**

This book presents an entertaining and often exaggerated account of an adventurous Englishman's journey into Nepal and Tibet. Initially met with scepticism and ridicule by contemporary scholars, the narrative is crafted to captivate and astonish readers. Enhanced by illuminating paintings from the

author, a gifted artist, the book raises questions about the authenticity of the journey itself. The author's claims of traveling to challenging terrains in minimal clothing and naming geographical features after family members contribute to doubts about the veracity of the account. Notably, the narrative includes a dramatic episode of the author's supposed capture and escape from Tibetan authorities, complete with vivid descriptions of tortures endured. Overall, the work leans more towards a novel than a factual travelogue, challenging the credibility of the depicted adventures.

- 30** United States and Pakistan in the 21st century: geostrategy and geopolitics in South Asia/ Raja, Syed Tahseen - Routledge: New Delhi, 2021; xxi, 271p. **52900**

This book historically maps and examines the evolving, contemporary geostrategic and geopolitical imperatives of the United States within Pakistan and the South Asian region, especially after September 11, 2001. It offers a detailed and theoretical account of the rapidly changing context of US foreign policy towards Pakistan after 2001. The history of the US-Pakistan relationship has been a complex and inscrutable mix of cooperation and conflict has turned even more challenging after 9/11. This book covers the latest developments and relevant themes from world politics as it discusses the impact of the unprecedented rise in religious extremism in Pakistan, stemming from the US War on Terror as well as Pakistan's economic vulnerability and military dictatorship, India's offer to support the US in its war in Afghanistan, Pakistan's nuclear capability, and the US administration's decision to end financial aid to Pakistan. The study highlights the fact that, from the receding of British influence in the region through the Cold War and post-Cold War phases to the post-9/11 period, US-South Asia policy has been informed by the theoretical paradigm of the grand strategy of primacy. This topical book will be useful to scholars and researchers of international relations, politics, political studies, strategic and defence studies, security and peace studies, foreign policy, area studies, and South Asian studies. It will also interest diplomats, politicians, policymakers, security experts, journalists, and think tanks interested in India, Pakistan, and the United States on issues of international politics, world affairs, and terrorism.

- 31** US - China Relations in the 21st Century / Vinodan , C. - Routledge: Newyork, 2022; 148p. **52901**

This book delves into the complex dynamics of China's ascendancy in the early 21st century, challenging the longstanding global dominance of the United States. The book examines the historical evolution of the US-China relationship, analyzing their strategic power struggles in different regions and their bilateral engagements. Emphasizing the importance of enhanced Sino-American political and strategic partnerships, the volume addresses global issues like non-proliferation, climate change, energy security, and international terrorism. It explores China's expanding influence, the Belt and Road initiative, and areas of conflict and mutual interest. The authors provide insights into the significant conflicts and political developments between the two nations, offering a deeper understanding of the challenges and strategies for increased cooperation and conflict resolution in the years to come. This book is valuable for researchers, scholars, and policymakers in international relations, China studies, comparative politics, development studies, and public policy, as well

as for readers interested in the complex relationship between the USA and China.

- 32 Wars and war-tactics in ancient India: with special reference to the Vedas, Epics, Purāṇas and Nīti works/ Thapliyal, Uma Prasad - Manohar: Cheltenham, UK, 2021; 269p. 52902**

This book explores the ancient wars fought in India and the evolution of war strategies and combat techniques during this era. The book delves into the rich historical sources, including The Mahābhārata and other significant texts like the Arthaśāstra, the Kāmandakīy Nītisāra, and the Śukranīti. These texts provide detailed and graphic descriptions of war tactics, showcasing the development of advanced modes of combat and the refinement of methods related to the use of various weapons over the centuries. The volume offers insights into the military history of ancient India, shedding light on the strategic thinking, technological advancements, and martial traditions that shaped the warfare of that time.

- 33 Yunnan-Burma-Bengal corridor geographies: protean edging of habits and empires/ Smyer Yü, Dan (ed) - Routledge: New York, 2022; xvi, 258p. 52903**

This book explores the historical interconnections between Bengal, Burma, and Yunnan (China), and views the corridor as a trans region that exhibits mobility, connectivity and diversity as well as place-based Eco geological uniqueness. With a focus on the concept of corridor geographies that have shared human and environmental histories beyond sharply demarcated territorial sovereignties of modern individual nation-states, it presents the variety and complexity of premodern and modern pathways, corridors, borders, and networks of livelihood-making, local political alliances, trade and commerce, religions, political systems, and colonial encounters. The book discusses crucial themes including environmental edgings of human-nonhuman habitats, transregional migratory routes and habitats of megafauna, elephant corridors in Yunnan–Myanmar–Bengal landscape, framing spaces between India and China, Tibetan–Myanmar corridors, transboundary river systems, narratives of a Rohingya jade trader, cross-border flow of De’ang’s fermented tea, house holding in upland Laos, cultural identities, and trans-border livelihoods. Comprehensive and topical, with its wide-ranging case studies, this book will be of interest to scholars and researchers of history, routes and border studies, sociology and social anthropology, South East Asian history, South Asian history, Chinese studies, environmental history, human geography, international relations, ecology, and cultural studies.

- 34 Commonwealth Education: adapting to survive/ Kreling, Beth (ed) - Routledge: New York, 2023; xi, 116p. 52904**

This volume reflects on the historical significance of education within the Commonwealth, its current status on Commonwealth agendas, and future prospects for educational cooperation. Addressing various dimensions of education development in Commonwealth member states, the book explores challenges such as girls' education, student exchange, technology integration, and educational obstacles in small states. It also examines efforts to achieve Sustainable Development Goals through education. The contributors make a compelling case for prioritizing education as a continued focus for

Commonwealth collective engagement, considering future directions amid resource constraints. Scholars and researchers in Commonwealth studies, political science, economics, and education will find this book to be a valuable and insightful resource.

- 35** The Theory of Economic Development / Schumpeter, A. Joseph - Rotledge: New York, 2023; xix, 234p. **52905**

This book is a seminal work that has left an indelible mark on 20th-century economics. Renowned for his unconventional insights into capitalism, Schumpeter poses a fundamental question: why does economic development proceed cyclically rather than evenly? Challenging prevailing equilibrium-based economic theories, Schumpeter contends that economic transformation is driven by internal forces such as the 'circular flow' of economic life, disruptive innovation, and levers like credit, profit, and interest. His groundbreaking analysis of the 'business cycle' has become a cornerstone in economics and business curricula. Notably, Schumpeter places the entrepreneur at the core of capitalism, anticipating later emphasis on entrepreneurship in management literature. The work also lays the foundation for his influential concept of 'creative destruction,' capturing the essence of radical and rapid economic change. "The Theory of Economic Development" remains a vital and magisterial account of economics and capitalism, with enduring insights that resonate in contemporary economic discourse.

- 36** Taxonomic nomenclature: what's in a name -- theory and history/ Pavlinov, I. IA. - Auerbach: New York, 2022; 265p. **52906**

This book offers a conceptual exploration of the role of nomenclature in systematics, presenting more than just a practical guide to nomenclature codes. Instead, it delves into the theoretical foundations of taxonomic nomenclature, providing an in-depth review of its fundamental regulating features and tracing the historical development of these principles. The aim is to provide readers with a comprehensive understanding of the theoretical underpinnings of taxonomic nomenclature, fostering a deeper appreciation for its conceptual basis and evolution over time.

- 37** Glimpses into the world of Verrier Elwin / Sinha Roy, K. M - Gyan: Los Angeles, 2021; 210p. **52907**

This book is an outcome of the Seminar entitled "Tribal world of Verrier Elwin" organized by the Anthropological Survey of India, at its Sub-Regional Centre, Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh, during 21st -23rd, December, 2017. The book is a compilation of the lectures that was given by various Research Scholars and local people, during the seminar. The volume "Glimpses into the World of Verrier Elwin" comprises of 21 selected papers. We have published the papers as it is, in Hindi/English version. These lectures were presented and discussed by the scholars of AnSI, various educational institutes and local people. These are people who have read about Elwin or had learnt about him from their parents, who had been fortunate to have seen and interacted with him. The volume provides a glimpse of the overall contribution of Elwin in the field of tribal ethnographic work in Central India especially among the Maria, Muria a community and the ever-important developmental aspects of the Tribal world of India. The readers, be it researchers, students or administrators, this volume

will be able to give clear insight into the works of this invaluable anthropologist, and also the field experiences of various senior researchers. These valuable papers have been treasured here and can be immense value to future developmental prospects.

- 38** Sociology of Education: theories and issues/ Chattopadhyay, Kaushik - Kalpaz **52908**
Publication: New Delhi, 2022; 285p.

This comprehensive book offers a cross-cultural exploration of the sociological analysis of education, presenting a diverse array of theoretical approaches. Covering the historical context, problems, and transitions within educational sociology, the author discusses theoretical development and practical applications. Current educational issues are addressed, including the structures and processes governing education systems. The book examines the intersections of pedagogy, andragogy, and social movements in spaces of social agitation. It explores a range of topics, such as everyday life, schools, teachers, inequality, gender gap, class identity, technology, multiculturalism, and globalization. Incorporating both qualitative and quantitative approaches, the book blends classic and emerging research to provide a holistic view of the sociology of education as an academic discipline. Suitable for students, scholars, teachers, and general readers, it offers valuable insights into the sociological dimensions of education.

- 39** Human diversity in North-east India: bio-anthropological approaches/ Sengupta, Sarthak (ed) - Kalpaz: UK, 2021; 265p. **52909**

This book presents a collection of essays that delve into various areas of contemporary biological anthropological studies in Northeast India. Covering topics such as demography, genetics, human growth and nutrition, somatotype, ageing, reproductive health and disease, and metabolic syndrome, the essays provide a comprehensive overview of the diverse aspects of human diversity in the region. The compilation aims to attract attention from those interested in the unique anthropological characteristics of Northeast India, offering valuable insights into the demographic, genetic, and health-related dimensions of the population in this geographical area.

- 40** Empowerment of tribal women in South India: gender perspectives/ Sukumaran, M (ed) - Kalpaz: Noida, 2020; 243p. **52910**

This collection of papers delves into the multifaceted issues of gender and domestic violence, specifically examining the challenges and opportunities for empowering tribal women in South India. Focused on the unique context of tribal communities in the southern region, the papers offer a platform for scholarly discussions and insights. The collection provides a comprehensive exploration of the complex dynamics surrounding gender and domestic violence, contributing to a better understanding of the specific challenges faced by tribal women in South India and offering potential avenues for empowerment within these communities.

- 41** Action research / Stringer, Ernest T. - Sage: UK, 2020; xxvi, 382p. **52911**

In this edition, the emphasis is on meaningful methodologies that yield practical, effective, and sustainable solutions for real-world issues. The book underscores the significance of connecting research to contexts beyond

academia, showcasing the transformative potential of action research. Targeted at both students and practitioners, it encourages a comprehensive understanding of how action research can bring about positive change on a larger scale. The edition promotes a holistic perspective on the impact of research methodologies, emphasizing their practical and transformative applications beyond theoretical realms.

- 42** Analyzing and interpreting qualitative research: after the interview/ Vanover, Charles (ed) - Sage: New Delhi, 2021; xxiv, 480p. **52912**

This book provides comprehensive coverage of the key methods for analyzing, interpreting, and writing up qualitative research in a single volume, and drawing on the expertise of major names in the field. Covering all the steps in the process of analyzing, interpreting, and presenting findings in qualitative research, the authors utilize a consistent chapter structure that provides novice and seasoned researchers with pragmatic, "how-to" strategies. Each chapter introduces the method; uses one of the authors' own research projects as a case study of the method described; shows how the specific analytic method can be used in other types of studies; and concludes with questions and activities to prompt class discussion or personal study

- 43** Biographical research methods / Eichsteller, Marta - Sage: UK, 2022; xiii, 217p. **52913**

This book serves as a comprehensive and adaptable guide for social science researchers looking to integrate biographical narrative methods into their projects. Drawing from the authors' own research and international case studies, the book provides insights into overcoming challenges and customizing biographical approaches for various research questions and environments. The authors offer guidance on navigating complexities, applying analytical tools, and selecting appropriate research designs, whether single or mixed methods. Grounded in real-world examples, the book is clear, flexible, and practical, making it an essential resource for researchers seeking to effectively incorporate biographical methods into their studies.

- 44** Doing document analysis: a practice-oriented method/ Asdal, Kristin - Sage: Noida, 2021; xii, 241p. **52914**

This book introduces an innovative approach to document analysis, incorporating methods from various social science disciplines. The authors present a comprehensive framework for studying documents, offering a systematic analysis of diverse materials, whether in print or digital form. Emphasizing document analysis as both a practical skill and a methodological approach, the book provides an innovative and versatile toolkit for researchers. Addressing the impacts of digitalization on documents and research methods, it also focuses on research ethics and critical engagement with digital sources. With practical guidance for preparing and conducting document analysis research projects, the book offers insightful perspectives on the indispensable role of documents in society and how to effectively analyze their significance.

- 45** Foundations of mixed methods research: integrating quantitative and qualitative approaches in the social and behavioral sciences/ Tashakkori, Abbas - Sage: New York, 2020; xx, 448p. **52915**

This edition offers students a comprehensive overview of mixed methods research, covering philosophical roots, traditions, design, conduct, and dissemination of studies. Authors Abbas Tashakkori, Burke Johnson, and Charles Teddlie provide thorough updates reflecting advances in the field over the last decade. New example studies and an updated appendix showcase the latest research and best practices in mixed methods. Additional sections on evaluating quality in mixed methods studies and writing up research results enhance the overall process of mixed methods research. The book includes new features like content summaries, objectives at the beginning of each chapter, and summaries and previews at the end of each chapter, aiding readers on their mixed methods journey.

- 46** Introducing research methodology: thinking your way through your research project/ Flick, Uwe - Sage: New Delhi, 2020; 416p. **52916**

This book offers a comprehensive introduction to research, guiding readers through every stage of a research project with a focus on qualitative research methodology. Designed to equip readers with the tools needed to understand and effectively apply research processes, the book includes relevant examples for students, fostering the development of academic and research skills. The third edition provides hands-on guidance on critical thinking, effective writing, and argument building. It also offers insights into interpreting findings and understanding the broader impact of research. The accompanying website provides additional resources, templates, case studies, and videos, making this book an ideal companion for those seeking a clear introduction to research methodology.

- 47** Qualitative research / Silverman, David (ed) - Sage: Noida, 2020; 520p. **52917**

This book offers an interdisciplinary and up-to-date exploration of various qualitative research methods. The contributors discuss the theoretical foundations of these methods, guide readers through the process of each approach, and assist in developing the skills necessary for independent and confident qualitative research. The new edition includes chapters on multimethod qualitative research, utilizing digital data and video, and addressing social issues in research. It provides additional guidance on data storage and management and offers advice on publishing research in journals. With practical tips, exercises, and summaries, this book serves as a masterclass in qualitative research, catering to students and researchers across the social sciences and beyond.

- 48** Research methods in the social and health sciences: making research decisions/ Palys, T. S. - Sage: New Delhi, 2021; xxix, 722p. **52918**

This book provides a comprehensive and reader-friendly introduction to the entire research process. Emphasizing that research questions and objectives should guide the research, the book covers each step, from literature review to ethical considerations, choosing methods, data analysis, and presenting findings. The authors encourage deep thinking about research decisions, discussing the strengths and limitations of different methods with examples from their own and student research. The book covers qualitative and quantitative methods, major research types, and integrates 21st-century technologies. It supports students in designing original research projects,

constructing proposals, and disseminating research. With study questions at each chapter's end, the book helps students develop confidence in ethical and thoughtful research practices.

- 49** Research methods, statistics, and application / Adams, Kathryn Ann - Sage: **52919**
New Delhi, 2023; xxvii, 667p.

This book is a comprehensive and engaging text that seamlessly integrates research methods and statistics. The third edition emphasizes the interrelated nature of these concepts, guiding students through the research process with numerous examples and practical applications from various social and behavioural sciences. The book's conversational tone and focus on decision-making aim to captivate students, showcasing the relevance of rigorous research in academic and real-world contexts. This edition includes a new chapter on measurement, updates aligned with the 7th edition of the APA Publication Manual, examples related to social justice, a section on case studies, and enhanced coverage of research ethics. The goal is to spark students' interest in research and enhance their ability to critically analyze research findings in their daily lives.

- 50** A Beginner's Guide to Learning Analytics / K G, Srinivasa - Springer: UK, **52920**
2021; 339p.

This book serves as an entry-level guide for those seeking to enhance evaluation and assessment in educational settings. It is particularly beneficial for individuals and institutions wanting to optimize learning and teaching strategies, bringing efficiency and deeper engagement to students, learning communities, and educators. The book covers key concepts related to learning analytics, making it valuable for both researchers and practitioners interested in applying analytics to learning and development programs. Additionally, it offers insights into personalized learning experiences, aiding educational institutions in identifying and supporting learners who require assistance. With diverse examples showcasing the practical application of learning analytics in different educational domains, the book provides a coherent framework for effectively translating research into practical use. Educators and researchers will find this book to be a valuable resource, offering tools and frameworks to make sense of and utilize data and analytics in their everyday practices.

- 51** Digital learning in higher education: covid-19 and beyond/ Smith, Matt (ed) - **52921**
Edward Elgar Publishing: New Delhi, 2022; xv, 156 pages :

This book explores the transformative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on higher education institutions, which rapidly shifted to digital learning to sustain the educational experience. The book examines the uncertain landscape of education, providing reflections from practitioners in higher education who experienced the transition to digital and remote learning. Key perspectives are shared by students, teaching staff, and professionals in the education field, including learning technologists, librarians, and publishers. The book delves into the possibilities and challenges of online learning, emphasizing enhanced inclusivity and expanded accessibility. It concludes by proposing a vision for "building back better" in higher education, urging continued evolution in the sector. Timely and comprehensive, the book serves as a valuable resource for higher education practitioners, supporting pedagogical decision-making and

offering insights into the potential future of education. It is also beneficial for higher education management and other educational professionals, guiding policy and financial decisions related to digital technology.

- 52** Maternal transition: a North-South politics of pregnancy and childbirth/ Johnson, Candace, - Routledge: New York, 2014; xii, 230 pages ; **52922**

This book explores the political dimensions inherent in women's preferences for health care during pregnancy and childbirth, unveiling variations across different communities and regions, notably between the Global North and South. Author Candace Johnson employs three conceptual frames—medicalization, the public-private distinction, and intersectionality—to analyze and compare women's experiences in Canada, the United States, Cuba, and Honduras. The book delves into narratives from women in privileged and marginalized groups, highlighting disparities within the North-South divide, and sheds light on the constrained decision-making faced by women in developing countries. Drawing from in-depth interviews, Johnson contends that women's expressed preferences reveal insights into the inequality and identity shaped by their context, emphasizing the impact of the public-private divide and intersectionality. This cross-cultural and comparative research contributes significantly to global debates on maternal health policy.

- 53** Transitional justice after German reunification: exposing unofficial collaborators/ Espíndola, Juan. - Cambridge University Press: New York, 2015; viii, 273 pages ; **52923**

This book explores the intricacies of societies transitioning from oppressive to democratic rule, specifically examining the accountability of citizens who collaborated with oppressive regimes, particularly through secret denunciations. Centered on East Germany and the Ministry of State Security, the book investigates the contemporary German practice of publicly revealing these collaborators. It assesses justifications for and against public identifications, analyzes collaborators' reactions, and evaluates the effectiveness of this practice. Throughout, the book critically examines how these actions align with or undermine the value of respect for individuals involved in denunciation, shedding light on the complex dynamics of societal transitions and accountability.

- 54** Entrepreneurship in India / Newman, Alexander - Routledge: New York, 2022; vii, 187 p. **52924**

This book explores the evolution of entrepreneurship in India over the last three decades following economic liberalization. With India ranking as the world's third-largest source of start-ups and being recognized for its entrepreneurial activity, the book delves into the historical context, diverse entrepreneurship models, the entrepreneurial ecosystem, and the future trajectory of entrepreneurship in the country. Aimed at business professionals, policymakers, and researchers, the book provides insights into the dynamic landscape of entrepreneurship in India and offers guidance for foreign businesses seeking to engage with Indian entrepreneurs.

- 55** Routledge handbook of immigration and refugee studies / Triandafyllidou, Anna - Routledge: New York, 2023; xxvii, 469 p. **52925**

This book offers a comprehensive study of the multi-disciplinary field of international migration and asylum studies. The new edition incorporates numerous new chapters on issues including return migration, the relationship between urbanisation and migration, the role of advanced digital technologies in migration governance, decision making and human agency, and the COVID-19 pandemic and its impact on global migration. Utilising contemporary information and analysis, this innovative Handbook provides an in-depth examination of the major analytical questions pertaining to migration and asylum, whilst discussing key areas such as work, welfare, families, citizenship, the relationship between migration and development, asylum and irregular migration. With a comprehensive collection of essays written by leading contributors from different world regions and covering a broad range of disciplines including sociology, geography, legal studies, political science, and economics, the Handbook is a truly multidisciplinary reader. Organised into thematic and geographical chapters, the Routledge Handbook of Immigration and Refugee Studies provides a concise overview on the different topics and world regions, as well as useful guidance for both the starting and the more experienced reader. The Handbook's expansive content and illustrative style will appeal to both students and professionals studying in the field of migration and international organisations

- 56** Education in India: policy and practice/ Tilak, Jandhyala B.G (ed) - SAGE **52926**
Publications: Los Angeles, 2021; 398p.

This book offers a comprehensive examination of the evolving education policies in independent India and the responses from the State, academia, and civil society over the past 50 years. Authored by distinguished scholars, the 20 chapters delve into key policy issues at both grassroots and macro levels, addressing challenges such as growth, inequalities, women's education, and the quality of higher education and research. The book provides valuable insights for policymakers, educators, and researchers, with a focus on the implications of these issues for broader social transformation, making it a relevant reference tool, particularly in light of the new National Education Policy 2020.

- 57** India's skills challenge: reforming vocational education and training to harness the demographic dividend/ Mehrotra, Santosh (ed) - Oxford University Press: **52927**
New Delhi, 2014; xxv, 297p.

This book critically reviews the vocational training system in India. Based on primary surveys of vocational training providers and enterprises, it provides a comprehensive agenda of reforms to improve the employability of India's youth.

- 58** Caste: the lies that divide us/ Wilkerson, Isabel - Penguin Random House: UK, **52928**
2020; xvii, 476p.

According to this book the hierarchy of caste is not about feelings or morality. It is about power - which groups have it and which do not' Beyond race or class, our lives are defined by a powerful, unspoken system of divisions. In Caste, Pulitzer Prize-winning author Isabel Wilkerson gives an astounding portrait of this hidden phenomenon. Linking America, India and Nazi Germany, Wilkerson reveals how our world has been shaped by caste - and how its rigid, arbitrary hierarchies still divide us today. With clear-sighted rigour, Wilkerson

unearths the eight pillars that connect caste systems across civilizations, and demonstrates how our own era of intensifying conflict and upheaval has arisen as a consequence of caste. Weaving in stories of real people, she shows how its insidious undertow emerges every day; she documents its surprising health costs; and she explores its effects on culture and politics. Finally, Wilkerson points forward to the ways we can - and must - move beyond its artificial divisions, towards our common humanity. Beautifully written and deeply original, *Caste* is an eye-opening examination of what lies beneath the surface of ordinary lives

- 59** *A Dismantled State: The Untold Story of Kashmir After Article 370* / Bhasin, Anuradha - HarperCollins India: Noida, 2022; xiv, 385p. **52929**

This book provides a courageous chronicle of the events following the alteration of Jammu and Kashmir's status on August 5, 2019. With a focus on the impact of revoking Articles 370 and 35A, the book explores the consequences for the region's 1.4 crore citizens. Bhasin reveals the challenges faced by Kashmiris amidst increased militarization, communication lockdowns, and the suspension of internet services. Drawing on eyewitness accounts, the book offers a vital perspective on the unfolding events, shedding light on the complexities of Kashmir's relationship with India. It serves as an urgent and fearless exploration of the turn towards authoritarianism in Indian democracy.

- 60** *Resurgent India: The Economics of Atmanirbhar Bharat* / Shettigar, Jagadish - Oxford University Press: UK, 2022; xv, 233p. **52930**

This comprehensive book explores India's response to the global pandemic, delving into crucial aspects such as government stimulus strategies, debates on stimulus size, adoption of Keynesian economic principles, and lessons from historical crises. The authors analyze the impact of COVID-19 on both demand and supply sides, fiscal deficit concerns, and the implications of deficit monetization on inflation and interest rates. Organized into three parts, the book examines economic trends, government policies for an Atmanirbhar Bharat (self-reliant India), and proposes a roadmap for self-reliance through structural reforms, agricultural transformations, technological advancements, and cooperative federalism. Providing valuable insights into India's economic recovery, the book emphasizes the nation's journey toward self-reliance within the dynamic global economic landscape shaped by the pandemic.

- 61** *Regional Economic Diversity: Lessons from an Emergent India* / Dore, Poornima - Oxford University Press: New Delhi, 2022; xxii, 301p. **52931**

This book explores India's longstanding goal of achieving balanced regional development, a key objective in the country's development strategy since the 1950s. The systematic examination of inter-state variations in economic activities emphasizes differences in growth rates and levels across sectors. Going beyond state-level analysis, the book also explores regional diversity at the sub-state level, with a specific focus on NSS regions. The findings underscore the necessity of adopting an aspirational regions approach to foster comprehensive development throughout the country. This insightful analysis contributes to the ongoing discourse on regional development in India, offering valuable perspectives for policymakers and researchers alike.

- 62** Ideology and organization in Indian politics: polarization and the growing crisis of the Congress Party (2009-19)/ Hasan, Zoya - Oxford University Press: UK, 2022; x, 205p. **52932**

This book critically examines the substantial changes that have shaped Indian politics in the last decade, particularly their impact on the Indian National Congress. Focusing on the Congress party's setbacks in the 2014 and 2019 elections, the book delves into the underlying conditions contributing to its decline. It analyzes both internal and external challenges, such as majoritarianism, the Gujarat model, hyper nationalism, secular retreat, and restrictions on the opposition, to understand their impact on the Congress and Indian politics. This study highlights the interplay between ideological debates, organizational constraints, and the broader political transformation in India, offering insights applicable to centrist and centre-left parties globally facing similar challenges.

- 63** No land's people: the untold story of Assam's NRC crisis/ Saha, Abhishek - Harper Collins: Noida, 2021; xviii, 303p. **52933**

This book provides a comprehensive exploration of the unprecedented National Register of Citizens (NRC) preparation in Assam, aiming to establish Indian citizenship for its 33 million residents. Published on August 31, 2019, the final list excluded around 1.9 million applicants, raising concerns about potential statelessness after their appeals are heard. This book delves into the intricate narrative of the NRC, incorporating elements of history, politics, law, human rights, and administrative complexities. It sheds light on the unfolding humanitarian crisis, navigating the technical, social, and legal dimensions of the NRC process in Assam.

- 64** New India: reclaiming the lost glory/ Panagariya, Arvind - Oxford University Press: New York, 2020; xii, 275p. **52934**

This book provides a concise roadmap for India's economic transformation as it aims to become the world's third-largest economy. Despite the significant GDP growth, prosperity for India's vast population remains a challenge. The book outlines reforms essential for creating well-paid jobs in industry and services, focusing on reducing workforce in agriculture and tiny enterprises. It emphasizes the need for medium and large enterprises, especially in labour-intensive sectors, and advocates policies supporting their growth. The proposed reforms include greater outward orientation, flexible markets, quality higher education, urbanization, and improved governance to enhance India's global competitiveness and increase its share in the world export market.

- 65** Development, distribution, and markets / Basu, Kaushik (ed) - Oxford University Press: New Delhi, 2021; xvii, 328p. **52935**

This volume delves into critical institutional features shaping land, labour, and financial markets, exploring their efficiency and impact on inclusive growth. The essays are organized into three themes: anti-poverty policies, labour-land-financial markets, and political regimes and economic development. Focusing on India, the book examines programs and policies, providing a theoretical foundation for discussions on poverty measurement, income inequality, and rural unemployment. Additionally, it draws international comparisons,

analysing cash transfer programs and alternative growth strategies' impact on poverty and inequality. The work offers valuable insights for policymakers and researchers grappling with issues of economic development and social equity."

- 66** The population myth: Islam, family planning and politics in India/ Quraishi, S. Y. - Harper Collins: Noida, 2021; xxxii, 301p. **52936**

This book critically examines the distortion of population data perpetuated by right-wing narratives, specifically debunking myths surrounding the 'Muslim rate of growth.' Challenging misconceptions, the author highlights the benefits of planned population for all communities. Drawing on facts and referencing the Quran and Hadith, the book counters the idea that Islam opposes family planning, showcasing how several Islamic nations have population policies. Supported by thorough research, the book addresses the politicization of demographics in India, making a valuable contribution to the discourse on population issues.

- 67** Social sector development in North-East India / Pankaj, Ashok (ed) - SAGE: New Delhi, 2021; xxv, 404p. **52937**

This book advocates for a paradigm shift in the development approach of North-east India, emphasizing people-centric social sector development as the primary strategy for human capital formation. It contends that the region's potential for service sector development surpasses that of the primary and secondary sectors. Critiquing existing top-down, infrastructure-centric policies, the book calls for a bottom-up, people-centric approach. It also challenges the monolithic perception of North-east India, highlighting its ethnic diversities, cultural pluralities, and regional variations. In essence, the book provides a comprehensive argument for reshaping development policies in the region towards a more inclusive and locally rooted approach.

- 68** Political economy of caste in India / Chalam, K. S. - Sage: New Delhi, 2020; x, 274p. **52938**

This book introduces the caste mode of production as a crucial analytical framework for understanding India's socio-economic and political landscape. It explores caste from an economic base, connecting it with super structural elements such as the judiciary, untouchability practices, caste atrocities, and social exclusion. Using empirical studies, the book illustrates how discriminatory social practices persist in the 21st century, contributing to the physical alienation of marginalized communities and ensuring a cheap labour supply. Critiquing Marxist perspectives on caste, the book highlights the economic intensity of caste through the caste mode of production and proposes a human rights approach to combat caste-based discrimination.

- 69** Asian transformations: an inquiry into the development of nations/ Nayar, Deepak (ed) - Oxford University Press: UK, 2019; xxiv, 577p. **52939**

This book delves into the remarkable social and economic transformation of Asia over the past fifty years, challenging Gunnar Myrdal's pessimistic predictions in his 1968 work, 'Asian Drama: An Inquiry into the Poverty of Nations.' Divided into three parts, it explores the historical context, cross-country thematic studies on various aspects of development, and detailed analyses of individual countries and sub-regions. With contributions from

eminent economists and social scientists, the book provides insights into the diverse paths and outcomes of Asian economies, offering a comprehensive examination of the shifts in economic power and future prospects for the continent over the next twenty-five years.

- 70** Bottle of lies: Ranbaxy and the dark side of Indian Pharma/ Eban, Katherine - Juggernaut: New Delhi, 2019; xxviii, 482p. **52940**

This book unveils the shocking story of corruption and deception in the Indian pharmaceutical industry, focusing on the infamous case of Ranbaxy, once the country's largest pharma company. Dinesh Thakur, a former senior employee, blew the whistle on Ranbaxy's fabrication of drug test results, leading to a high-stakes chase by the US FDA and the company's eventual downfall. Investigative journalist Katherine Eban, drawing on thousands of FDA documents and numerous interviews, exposes the widespread fraud in the Indian pharma sector, raising concerns about other major players. The book sheds light on the dark realities of the industry, leaving readers wary of the medications they consume.

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