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## **Foreword**

The current issue of “New Arrivals: List of New Additions with Summaries” contains a list of New Books processed in the month of October, 2020 and available for use in the National Social Science Documentation Centre of ICSSR.

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| 1 | Are You Prepared for a Disaster? Mitigation and Management of Disasters/ Sibal, Rajni Sekhri -- New Delhi: Bloomsbury, 2020; xx, 265p. | 50973 |
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The book discuss about disaster management and its impact on the world which experiences the dramatic loss of life due to natural disasters and hazards. This comprehensive book by Rajni Sibal, formerly the Additional Secretary (Disaster Management), Government of India, outlines methods for preparing households, businesses, commercial establishments and communities to address the substantial risk of disasters. This is a must-have manual for every home, office and enterprise-since each one of these places needs to have a disaster management plan in place before disaster strikes. Rajni Sibal addresses considerations important in understanding hazards of cyclones, chemical spills, floods and landslides to catastrophic events. The book not only includes the procedures used by safety experts but also focuses on areas often overlooked during the response and post-disaster periods. Packed with information, real-life experiences, case studies and important details, the book contains an extensive list of the how-to for avoiding mistakes which turn natural and man-made catastrophes into larger disasters and makes preparing for disasters less intimidating.

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| 2 | Bonding With the Lord: Jagannath, Popular Culture and Community Formation/ Tripathy, Jyotirmaya & Skoda, Uwe (ed.) -- New Delhi: Bloomsbury, 2020; xxxvii, 284p. | 50974 |
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The book describes that few other Hindu gods guide a regional consciousness, pervade walks of everyday life and define a collective psyche the way Lord Jagannath does in Odisha and its contiguous areas. Jagannath is metonymic of Odisha and the Odia way of life, arguably much more than any other god for a particular geography or its peoples. While not derecognising the historical and the spiritual aspects of Jagannath, Bonding with the Lord attempts to look at the deployment of Jagannath in contemporary cultural practices involving the sensorium in the widest sense. The project of a cultural Jagannath not only materialises him in people's everyday practices but also democratises scholarship on him. The expansion of the scope of research on Jagannath to cultural expressions in a more encompassing way rather than confining to 'elitist' religious/literary sources makes him an everyday presence and significantly enhances his sphere of influence. Jagannath's 'tribal' origin, his association with Buddhism and

Jainism and his avatar status make him an all-encompassing, multi-layered symbol and a treasure trove for multiple interpretations.

- 3 Carbon Capture and Storage: Efficient Legal Policies for Risk Governance and Compensation/ Faure, Michael G. & Partain, Roy A. - 50975  
- Cambridge: MIT Press, 2017; xii, 360p

The book explain that Carbon capture and storage (CCS) systems inject highly compressed carbon dioxide gas deep into geological formations to contain the gas and its harmful effects on the planet, for the foreseeable future and beyond--for centuries or even millennia. Used effectively, CCS could lessen the impact of climate change while carbon-free energy sources are developed. And yet CCS is not widely deployed. In this book, Michael Faure and Roy Partain offer a theoretical and practical discussion of one of the main obstacles to CCS adoption: complex liability and compensation issues. Faure and Partain point out that current liability rules are unclear in their application to CCS. Causation is complicated, and the timeline of hundreds of years goes beyond the lifetimes of people or corporations. Examining the subject from legal and economic perspectives, they consider whether rules of civil liability can govern CCS risk; how a liability system might address the open-ended timeline; what role public and private regulatory measures could play; and whether compensation should be provided from public or private resources. They investigate the utility of different forms of insurance and such financial tools as guarantees, deposits, and catastrophe bonds. They offer not only a rigorous framework for assessing policy but also a summary of policy recommendations they develop from their findings

- 4 Caste Discrimination/ Jagan Karade (ed.) -- New Delhi: Rawat Publications, 2015; 248p 50976

This book analyse caste discrimination and mention caste as a cultural category that has crippled the Indian society for centuries. Caste discrimination is deeply rooted in Indian social life. The Constitution of India protects Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes against caste discrimination. Scores of laws and rules have been formulated for preventive action and their protection but they all seem to be inadequate. Even after sixty-six years of Independence, caste discrimination continues in its various forms. Backward caste people are victims of caste discrimination in social, economic, educational, legal and cultural fields. The social institutions have been changing in India, but the caste system has not changed yet in modern India because of the mindset of the majority of Indians. This book will be helpful to understand the facts and different forms of caste

discrimination prevailing in India today. Caste discrimination is not only found in the Hindu religion but in Islam and Christianity too. In the present volume, there are twelve research articles contributed by eminent academicians, experts and researchers who are representative of the states of Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Karnataka and Maharashtra. These articles focus on myriad issues related to caste-based discrimination that is deeply institutionalized in India.

- 5 Caste Discrimination and Exclusion in Modern India (Indian Institute of Dalit Studies)/ Borooah, Vani Kant et. al. -- New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2015; xi,337p 50977

This book addresses caste-based discrimination & Exclusion and comprehensive assessment of the broad issues that underpin social exclusion in India This book posits the Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) vis-A-vis their upper-caste Hindu peers and establishes how caste is a lived reality in everyday life in modern India. It explores areas where caste and religious exclusion are most visible, such as human development, inequality, poverty, educational attainments, child malnutrition, health, employment, wages, gender, and access to public goods. With an in-depth theoretical foundation and empirical analysis, it establishes that in each of these sectors, the performance of upper-caste Hindu households is far better compared to that from the SC, ST, and Muslim households

- 6 Climate of Capitulation: An Insider's Account of State Power in a Coal Nation/ Thomson, Vivian E. -- Cambridge: MIT Press, 2017; ix, 242p 50978

The book talk about the United States pledge to the world community about a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 26–28 per cent below 2005 levels in 2025. Because much of this reduction must come from electric utilities, especially coal-fired power plants, coal states will make or break the U.S. commitment to emissions reduction. In Climate of Capitulation, Vivian Thomson offers an insider's account of how power is wielded in environmental policymaking at the state level. Thomson, a former member of Virginia's State Air Pollution Control Board, identifies a "climate of capitulation" in state government—a deeply rooted favouritism toward coal and electric utilities in states' air pollution policies. Thomson narrates three cases involving coal and air pollution from her time on the Air Board. She illuminates the overt and covert power struggles surrounding air pollution limits for a coal-fired power plant just across the Potomac from Washington, for a controversial new coal-fired electrical generation plant in coal country, and coal dust pollution from truck traffic in a country hollow. Thomson links Virginia's climate of capitulation with campaign donations that

make legislators politically indebted to coal and electric utility interests, a traditionalistic political culture tending to inertia and a part-time legislature that depended on outside groups for information and bill drafting. Extending her analysis to fifteen other coal-dependent states, Thomson offers policy reforms aimed at mitigating the ingrained biases toward coal and electric utilities in states' air pollution policymaking.

- 7 Climate Risk and Resilience in China/ Nadin, Rebecca, Opitz-Stapleton Sarah & Yinlong Xu (ed.) -- New York: Routledge, 2016; xx, 340p 50979

The book discusses about Climate Risk and Resilience in China. It mention that China has been subject to floods, droughts and heatwaves for millennia; these hazards are not new. What is new is how rapidly climate risks are changing for different groups of people and sectors. This is due to the unprecedented rates of socio-economic development, migration, land-use change, pollution and urbanisation, all occurring alongside increasingly more intense and frequent weather hazards and shifting seasons. China's leadership is facing a significant challenge – from conducting and integrating biophysical and social vulnerability and risk assessments and connecting the information from these to policy priorities and time frames, to developing and implementing policies and actions at a variety of scales. It is within this challenging context that China's policymakers, businesses and citizens must manage climate risk and build resilience. This book provides a detailed study of how China has been working to understand and respond to climatic risks, such as droughts and desertification in the grasslands of Inner Mongolia to deadly typhoons in the mega-cities of the Pearl River Delta. Using research and data from a wide range of Chinese sources and the Adapting to Climate Change in China (ACCC) project, a research-to-policy project, this book provides a fascinating glimpse into how China is developing policies and approaches to manage the risks and opportunities presented by climate change

- 8 Conservation From the Margins/ Srinivasan, Umesh & Velho, Nandini (ed.) -- New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan, 2018; xvii, 276p 50980

The book discusses that the diverse landscape of India is home to globally important wildlife species and habitats. However, a rapidly growing economy and human population, along with socio-political issues such as ethnic and political marginalisation, have serious, if often unrecognised, impacts on this vast biodiversity. While some of India's conservation issues—the tiger and elephant conservation, mining and global warming—have gained currency in media and policy discourse, several others remain confined only to the academic world of conservation biologists and environmental activists, and rarely enter

either public consciousness or public policy. Conservation from the Margins talks about some of these neglected conservation issues. Conservation and environmental degradation cannot be confined to domains of only the state and activists; communities are also actively engaged with their natural surroundings. The essays in this volume do not merely analyse the ecological aspects of these environmental problems unidimensional; instead, they examine the complex intersection of the natural with the social. The chapters range from the realities of illegal wildlife trade in India to the impact of Naxalism on the Palamau Tiger Reserve, and from conservation in marine fisheries to identity politics in the Gangetic fisheries. The result of extensive fieldwork done by some of the finest biologists and sociologists across the country, the book highlights the personal experiences of the scientists to understand and resolve the issues. While the stories told are specific to India, the overarching questions this volume raises about conservation are relevant to the developing world, particularly to Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America. This volume will be of interest to undergraduate and postgraduate students and scholars of environmental studies, sociology, ecology and conservation.

- 9 Cross-cultural Conversation: a New Way of Learning/ Balslev, Anindita 50981  
N. -- New York: Routledge, 2020; xv,138p

This book proposes a radical shift in the way the world thinks about itself by highlighting the significance of cross-cultural conversations. Moving beyond conventional boundaries, it examines the language in which histories are written; analyzes how scientific technology is changing the idea of identity; and highlights the need for a larger identity across nationality, race, religion, gender, ethnicity and class. It asks for a concerted effort to engage each other in open conversational forums on a range of contemporary global issues, alter our attitudes toward self and the other, and unlearn prejudices that perpetuate the practice of divisive identities. The book also explores critical themes such as political actions, solidarity-in-diversity, clash of social identities, tensions between nationalism and globalism, the quest for global peace and authentic meeting of world religions. Further, it discusses the evolving connection between Science and religion, focusing on key philosophical ideas that have permeated the Indian cultural soil. The book will be of great interest to scholars and researchers of philosophy, religious studies, Science and Technology studies, and cultural studies.

- 10 Culture History and Politics: South Asian Narratives/ Jain, Jasbir, 50982  
Ramakrishnan E.V & Chandra Mohan (ed.) -- New Delhi: Rawat Publications, 2019; vii, 241p

This book is a collection of essays which explore the region's shared pasts, formulating histories and its plural culture. Despite the distinctiveness of each people and nation, the spilling over of religions and languages across political borders weaves a complex web of commonalities. The contributors to this volume have discussed issues such as aesthetics, the coming into being of new faiths, encounters with outsiders as the people have journeyed through conflicts of various kinds and the need and impact of philosophies such as Sufism. Contemporary socio-political concerns also claim attention as the writers explore histories of conflict – wars both global and local – and processes of recovery and rehabilitation. Gender issues are another area which open discourses of social oppression, art forms, creativity and cultural differences. As the writers engage with them, they bring to the discussion their own experiences, memories and perspectives. The persistence of old hostilities, the almost invisible shifts of power, the changing social and artistic concerns all find a place in these discussions, opening out new areas of insight and understanding. The present volume's special significance lies in the comparative perspective that these eminent scholars from Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and India engage with. The essays, both individually and collectively, are a valuable contribution to South Asian Studies, an area whose strategic importance has long been on the political map. As such the book will be of great interest and use to research scholars and academicians of Comparative Literature, Cultural and Interdisciplinary Studies.

- 11 Culture of Surveillance: Watching as a Way of Life/ Lyon, David -- 50983  
United Kingdom: Polity Press, 2018; vi,239p

This book describes from 9/11 to the Snowden leaks, stories about surveillance increasingly dominate the headlines. But surveillance is not only 'done to us' – it is something we do in everyday life. We submit to surveillance, believing we have nothing to hide. Or we try to protect our privacy or negotiate the terms under which others have access to our data. At the same time, we participate in surveillance to supervise children, monitor other road users, and safeguard our property. Social media allow us to keep tabs on others, as well as on ourselves. This is the culture of surveillance. This important book explores the imaginaries and practices of everyday surveillance. Its main focus is not high-tech, organized surveillance operations but our varied, mundane experiences of surveillance that range from the casual and careless to the focused and intentional. It insists that it is time to stop using Orwellian metaphors and find ones suited to twenty-first-century surveillance — from 'The Circle' or 'Black Mirror.' Surveillance culture, David Lyon argues, is not detached from the surveillance state, society

and economy. It is informed by them. He reveals how the culture of surveillance may help to domesticate and naturalize surveillance of unwelcome kinds, and considers which kinds of surveillance might be fostered for the common good and human flourishing.

- 12 Denotified Tribes of India: Discrimination, Development and Change/ Gandhi, Malli & Sundar, Kompalli H.S.S. -- New Delhi: Manohar Publishers, 2020; 454p 50985

The book mentions that social stigmatization is a virtual curse imposed on certain Indian social sections by the colonial government as part of their contextual political strategies by the late nineteenth century. The so-called denotified tribes (formerly known as ex-criminal tribes) in Indian society occupy this state-made category. According to the latest survey reports, India has 198 groups belonging to nomadic and denotified tribes: unorganized, scattered and utter nobodies. Social justice is alien to them and economic disempowerment eventually resulted in slavery, bonded labour and poverty. Public welfare measures pay scant attention to the issue of reform and rehabilitation of these sections and, they are made to suffer from an identity crisis today. Most of these communities are split under reserved categories: Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes. The work tries to present a narrative detailing the conditions of denotified tribes during colonial and post-colonial India. And the undeclared wish in doing so is to seek the attention of those in policy-making and decision-making bodies under the Indian government.

- 13 Digital Sociology: The Reinvention of Social Research/ Marres, Noortje -- United Kingdom: Polity Press, 2017; vi,240p 50986

Digital Sociology introduces key concepts, methods and understandings that currently inform the development of specifically digital forms of social enquiry. Marres assesses the relevance and usefulness of digital methods, data and techniques for the study of sociological phenomena and evaluates the major claim that computation makes possible a new 'science of society'. As Marres argues, the digital does much more than inspire innovation in social research: it forces us to engage anew with fundamental sociological questions. We must learn to appreciate that the digital can throw into crisis existing knowledge frameworks and is likely to reconfigure wider relations.

- 14 Disasters: a Sociological Approach/ Tierney, Kathleen -- United Kingdom: Polity Press, 2019; xiii,311p 50987

This important book sheds light on the social conditions and on the global, national, and local processes that produce disasters. Topics covered include the social roots of disaster vulnerability, exposure to natural hazards such as hurricanes and tsunamis as a form of environmental injustice, and emerging threats. Written by a leading expert in the field, this book provides the necessary frameworks for understanding hazards and disasters, exploring the contributions of very different social science fields to disaster research and showing how these ideas have evolved. Bringing the social aspects of recent devastating disasters to the forefront, Tierney discusses the challenges of researching the aftermath of disasters and critiques the concept of disaster resilience, which has come to be seen as a key to disaster risk reduction.

- 15 Ethnicity and the Dementias/ Yeo, Gwen, Gerdner, A. Linda & Gallagher-Thompson Dolores (ed.) -- New York: Routledge, 2019; xii,414p 50988

This third edition of *Ethnicity and the Dementias* offers invaluable background information in this area, while also examining how those suffering from dementia and their family members respond or adapt to the challenges that follow. Thoroughly updated and revised throughout, the book features contributions from leading clinicians and researchers in the field, with particular attention given to genetic and cultural factors related to dementia, effective prevention and treatment strategies, and issues in caregiving and family support. Chapters offer specific recommendations for dementia care in eleven ethnic/racial groups, as well as suggestions for working effectively with LGBTQ families. Providing a truly comprehensive resource on ethnicity and dementia, and including reflections on emerging trends and the future of caregiving, this new edition is ideal reading for clinicians, educators, researchers, policymakers, and families, in search of the most current orthogeriatric findings.

- 16 Experience, Caste and the Everyday Social/ Guru, Gopal & Sundar, Sarukkai -- New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2019; vii,211p 50989

This book develops a radically new way of understanding the social by focussing on different experiences we have of the everyday empirical reality. This book offers a new way of understanding the social processes of societies in Asia, Africa, and the Middle East, all of which have complex experiences of the everyday social. The authors begin with the argument that the everyday social is the domain where the first experiences of the social are formed and these experiences influence to a great extent meaning-making of the structural social. Following a

critique of some dominant trends in social ontology, they discuss in detail, and with many common examples, how the social is experienced through the perceptual capacities of sight, touch, sound, taste, and smell. They then discuss the relation between experience of belongingness and the social, and show how the social gets authority in a way similar to how nature gets authority in the natural sciences. Moreover, the social appears through the invocation of we-ness, suggestive of a social self. The everyday social also creates its sense of time, a social time which orders social experiences such as caste. Finally, the authors explain how the ethics of the social is formed through the relationship of Maitri (drawn from Ambedkar) between the different socials that constitute a society. This is not just a new theory of the social but is filled with illustrations from the everyday experiences of India, including the diverse experiences of caste.

- 17 Exploring Sociabilities of Contemporary India: New Perspectives/ 50990  
Patel, Sujata (ed.) -- New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan, 2020; vii, 307p

In a path-breaking volume, contemporary India's most prominent sociologists reflect on and reframe the three 'classic' fields that have defined sociology in India since independence: family–marriage–kinship; caste and tribal inequalities; and belief, religion and religiosities. The authors, all of whom are experts in each of these areas, are seized by the need to intervene in the present moment that is being defined by global processes and elaborate the challenges facing the reframing of sociological scholarship in these arenas. The essays in the volume assert a need to desist from finding singular theories of change and transformation. They recognise that these three fields are suffused with power, its ideologies, its representations and its practices. They thus argue for a need to empirically study their current manifestations in daily practices and everyday social lives in India. The essays contend that the intersection of received diversities and the current unevenness in the processes of transformation in India are highly complex and multifarious and assert that these need to be examined at various scales from global to regional, national and local. Exploring Sociability's of Contemporary India also demands that the readers reflect on the ways hierarchies and practices of the rule are imbricated in professional knowledge. Thus the authors argue for a methodological focus that combines a discursive deconstruction, a historical sensitivity and an empirical focus on practices. Offering a new repertoire of issues, theories and perspectives, this volume will be invaluable to students and scholars of sociology and social anthropology.

- 18 Field Instruction in Social Work Education: the Indian Experience/ Nair; Roshni, Juvva Srilatha & Nadkarni V. Vimla (ed.) -- New Delhi: Routledge, 2020; xv, 214p 50991

A comprehensive guide to social work praxis, this book provides a clear conceptual understanding of fieldwork supervision in India. It elaborates on the dynamic components of fieldwork instruction – the methodologies and effective strategies, the supervisor–student–agency triad, challenges and the future. The volume underlines the importance of student mentoring and the imperative need to develop creative and competent strategies to make fieldwork education more responsive and effective. It also emphasises the need for the inclusion of social justice-oriented perspectives and approaches in fieldwork training in India. Instructive and anecdotal, the chapters in this volume reflect on the challenges which students and supervisors face regularly in different environments while dealing with critical circumstances. The focus of the book is to delineate strategies and approaches which promote skill-building and the ability in students to understand sociocultural contexts of the field and engage with them effectively. This volume will be an essential resource for social work educators, field practitioners and students of social work, law, public policy, sociology and social entrepreneurship.

- 19 Forest Governance and Sustainable Resource Management/ Khan, Irshad A. -- New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2019; xiii, 220p 50992

It focuses on the substantial underperformance and needs to ensure effective implementation of the national forest policy to arrest further depletion of India's rapidly declining forest cover. The book extensively covers the history of forestry in India, the various forest policies, the legal and management frameworks, the various international conventions and protocols for dealing with climate change and how effective forest management can enable their implementation. It recommends various strategic, implementation and governance reforms to deal effectively with the current situation. A highlight of this book is its extensive coverage of the Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Developing Countries (REDD+), a climate change mitigation solution adopted by the United Nations, and India's state of readiness in implementing it. The book suggests that foresters need to overcome their siege mentality and instead work towards empowering themselves to play a more proactive role in saving India's forest resources.

- 20 Gender and the Environment/ Detraz, Nicole -- United Kingdom: Polity Press, 2017; x, 214p 50993

This timely and insightful book explains why gender matters to the environment. In it, Nicole Detraz examines contemporary debates around population, consumption, and security to show how gender can help us to better understand environmental issues and to develop policies to tackle them effectively and justly. Our society often has different expectations of men and women, and these expectations influence the realm of environmental politics. Drawing on examples of various environmental concerns from countries around the world, *Gender and the Environment* makes the case that it is only by adopting a more inclusive focus that embraces the complex ways men and women interact with ecosystems that we can move towards enhanced sustainability and greater environmental justice on a global scale.

- 21 Gender Socialization and the Making of Gender in the Indian Context/ Chattopadhyay, Sujit Kumar -- New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2018; xv, 274p 50995

The book discusses what gender is, its formation and effects, and how children form gender identities by conforming to social expectations and imitating gender-specific behaviour. As they grow older, they learn to assimilate this behaviour and the norms that they had earlier merely imitated. They also learn the consequences of deviating from these norms. Each culture has a set of practices for teaching gender roles. This book examines the social arrangements in India that make a child conform to normative femininity or masculinity. It studies the role of family, religion, mythology, teachers, peer group and the various media in inculcating this. Further, the book looks at the root cause of sexist injustices rampant even today in the making of gender inequality.

- 22 Gender, Culture and Honour: Gender Audit of Punjab and Haryana/ Gill, Rajesh -- New Delhi: Rawat Publication, 2019; vii, 382p. 50994

This book explains about the two of the most progressive states of India, Punjab and Haryana, have captured the attention of media, planners, scholars and development experts for a long time now. The most outstanding attributes which have drawn public attention are agricultural development and gender discrimination; and ironically both these have gone together, belying all presumptions including the one that economic development per se results in gender equality. This book is an outcome of a research project “Cultural Fixation on Honour: A Gender Audit of Punjab and Haryana”, conducted at the UGC Centre with Potential for Excellence in Particular Area (CPEPA) at the Panjab University, Chandigarh during 2011–2017. Drawing heavily on extensive fieldwork done in twelve select villages of Punjab and

Haryana, using an ethnographic approach, the study unveils the ground reality, using narratives of women and men, through the prism of caste, religion, age, culture and tradition. The book brings out the lived-in experiences of women through the life cycle, drenched in the idioms of caste, religion and patriarchy. Several dimensions of gender violence, as taken for granted reality, within home and outside, are presented in various chapters. Of particular importance are the culturally defined issues governing menstruation and personal hygiene, female foeticide, political participation, domestic violence, physical mobility, trafficking in the name of marriage, child marriage, denial of equal life opportunities and decision making, and marital rape, which continue to haunt these otherwise economically prosperous states. Rich first-hand data in the form of personal accounts, expose the paradox of development and gender bias in the two most forward-looking states of India.

- 23 Gender, Law and Health: International Perspectives/ Vanka, Sita & Pande, Rekha Pande (ed.) -- New Delhi: Rawat Publications, 2019; 228p 50996

The book examines gender discrimination and the role of the United Nations in spearheading the movement to eliminate gender discrimination and bring gender equality to the centre stage of the global agenda. Several meetings and conferences were organized to bring the attention of the world community on the issue. The first three decades of the work of UN focused primarily on the codification of women's legal, civil and human rights along with a gathering of data on the status of women around the world. However, later it was evidenced that formulating laws do not suffice to ensure rights and gender equality. The Beijing Conference of 1995 assured women of their rights. It was here that gender and law assume significance and attracted scholarly attention to focus on the strategies and plans of action for the advancement of women in terms of their legal rights to fully participate at all levels of human activity. In addition to legal rights, international agencies like the World Health Organization (WHO) has contributed significantly to formulate gender strategies to ensure equality in health. It has developed tools to ensure systematic consideration of gender in the design, implementation and evaluation of health policies and programmes. Strategies for gender mainstreaming, women empowerment and developing gender-responsive health programmes have been devised to ensure the physical and mental health of women. Taking a clue from research, an attempt was made to discuss, deliberate and present multiple perspectives in a volume showcasing the best practices, research papers and viewpoints from across the world. The contributors of this volume, have covered a wide variety of

subjects encompassing gender, law and health which broadly includes the implementation of law in India and across the world. This book is an excellent compendium of interdisciplinary articles on issues relating to gender, law and health, which will benefit professionals, scholars and researchers.

- 24 Gender, Power and Identity: Essays on Masculinities in Rural North India/ Chowdhry, Prem -- New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan, 2019; 288p 50951

The book explains that gender studies it has almost become synonymous with women's studies, men and masculinities are subsumed under patriarchies and constructed as monolithic across space, time, cultures and social groups. Though men's studies have proliferated in Western academia, in India the research in this direction is lacking. Neither is there a coherent theory of masculinities, nor individual studies of different regions. This book fills this conceptual gap by emphasising the need to engage with the complexity of masculinities; to understand it not only as an ideological construct but also a set of practices that are both diverse and fluid. It throws much-needed light on how, despite various contradictions and mutual antagonisms, different masculinities can act in unison on certain crucial matters that have severe societal repercussions. The field area of this study is rural north India, with special reference to Haryana, which has been the author's focus of research for three decades. She locates the study of masculinities in different historical junctures in the political economy of Haryana, stretching from the colonial period to the era of globalisation, to understand how notions of masculinity are defined and redefined. In the context of caste and class relations, patriarchy and other social divisions, the author investigate the contribution of such masculinities to what we are witnessing today: greater aggression and violence, worsening gender equations, greater exploitation of other subordinate categories, consolidation of repressive social forces and the strengthening of casteism and communalism

- 25 Gendered Citizenship: Understanding Gendered Violence in Democratic India/ Behl, Natasha -- New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2019; ix,172p 50997

The author of the book offers an examination of Indian citizenship that weaves together an analysis of sexual violence law with an in-depth ethnography of the Sikh community to explore the contradictory nature of Indian democracy—which gravely affects its institutions and puts its citizens at risk. Through a situated analysis of citizenship, Behl upends longstanding academic assumptions about democracy, citizenship, religion, and gender. This analysis reveals that religious spaces and

practices can be sites for renegotiating democratic participation, but also uncovers how some women engage in a religious community in unexpected ways to link gender equality and religious freedom as shared goals. Gendered Citizenship is a groundbreaking inquiry that explains why the promise of democratic equality remains unrealized and identifies potential spaces and practices that can create more egalitarian relations.

- 26 Geographies of Difference: Explorations in Northeast Indian Studies/ Vandenhelsken Melanie , Barkataki-Ruscheweyh Meenaxi & G. Karlsson Bengt (ed.) -- New York: Routledge, 2018; xxvii, 297p 50998

This book rethinks Northeast India as a lived space, a centre of interconnections and unfolding histories, instead of an isolated periphery. Questioning dominant tropes and assumptions around the Northeast, it examines socio-political and historical processes, border issues, the role of the state, displacement and development, debates over natural resources, violence, notions of body and belonging, movements, tensions and relations and strategies, struggles and narratives that frame discussions on the region.

- 27 Geomatics in Natural Disasters/ Kumanan C.J, Ramasamy, SM & Muthukumar M. (ed.) -- New Delhi: Rawat Publications, 2018; xviii,246p 50999

The book is on scientific studies on various aspects of natural disasters vulnerability mapping, modelling and management have phenomenally grown in recent years, especially after the advent of Geomatics technology. This book carries 24 articles covering seismicity, multivariate methods of landslide vulnerability mapping, tsunami vulnerability of parts on the east coast of India and the inputs of offshore and onshore geosystems over tsunami run-up and inundation, visualization of scenarios of impacts of sea-level rise and floods. This book will be of topical interest to all those concerned with natural disasters.

- 28 Globalisation, Environment and Social Justice: Perspectives, Issues and Concerns/ Verma, Manish K. (ed.) -- New York: Routledge, 2019; xvi, 432p 51000

This book provides a comprehensive account of the connections between globalisation, environment and social justice. It examines varied dimensions of environmental sustainability; the adverse impact of globalisation on environment and its consequences for poverty, unemployment and displacement; the impacts on marginalised sections such as scheduled castes and tribes and women; and policy

frameworks for ensuring environmental sustainability and social justice. The chapters build on detailed case studies from different parts of the world and deal with critical environmental issues such as global emissions, climate change, sustainable development, green politics, species protection, water governance, waste management, food production and governance besides education, inclusivity and human rights. Presenting a range of topics alongside new perspectives and discourses, this interdisciplinary book will be useful to students and researchers of political studies, sociology and environmental studies as well as policymakers and those working in the government and civil society organisations.

- 29 Healers or Predators? : Healthcare Corruption in India/ Sanjay 50952  
Nagral(ed.), Samiran Nundy & Keshav Desiraju (ed.) -- United  
Kingdom: Oxford University Press, 2018; xxviii,657p.

This book shows a mirror to the society and, more specifically, to those associated with the health sector---on how healers, in many cases, are shifting shape to becoming predators. In the essays by contributors from within and outside the medical fraternity, we see the many faces, the many facets of corruption---from exorbitant billing by corporate hospitals to the non-merit-based selection in medical colleges to the questionable motives playing strong in the area of organ transplantation. But Healers or Predators? is not only about the illness affecting the sector. It also offers solutions and some stories of hope. The Foreword by Amartya Sen is a bonus.

- 30 Humanitarians at War: the Red Cross in the Shadow of the Holocaust/ 50953  
Steinacher, Gerald -- United Kingdom: Oxford University Press, 2017;  
xiii,330p

This book examines the role of the Geneva-based International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), one of the world's oldest, most prominent, and revered aid organizations. At the end of World War II, things could not have looked more different. Under fire for its failure to speak out against the Holocaust or to extend substantial assistance to Jews trapped in Nazi camps across Europe, the ICRC desperately needed to salvage its reputation to remain relevant in the post-war world. Indeed, the whole future of Switzerland's humanitarian flagship looked to hang in the balance at this time. Torn between defending Swiss neutrality and battling Communist critics in the early Cold War, the Red Cross leadership in Geneva emerged from the world war with a new commitment to protecting civilians caught in the crossfire of conflict. Yet they did so while interfering with Allied de-nazification efforts in Germany and elsewhere, and coming to the defense of former

Nazis at the Nuremberg Trials. Not least, they provided the tools for many of Hitler's former henchmen, notorious figures such as Joseph Mengele and Adolf Eichmann, to slip out of Europe and escape prosecution-behaviour which did little to silence those critics in the Allied powers who unfavourably compared the 'shabby' neutrality of the Swiss with the 'good neutrality' of the Swedes, their eager rivals for leadership in international humanitarian initiatives. However, despite all this, by the end of the decade, the ICRC had emerged intact from its moment of existential crisis, navigating the new global order to reaffirm its leadership in world humanitarian affairs against the challenge of the Swedes, and playing a formative role in rewriting the rules of war in the Geneva Conventions of 1949. This uncompromising new history tells the remarkable and intriguing story of how the ICRC achieved this - trying to escape the shadow of its ambiguous wartime record to forge a new role and a new identity in the post-1945 world

- 31 Is This Who We Are ?: 14 Questions About Quebec/ Dubuc, Alain -- 50954  
Canada: Ronsdale Press, 2016; 252p

This book is a English translation of Alain Dubuc's best-seller, *Portrait de Famille*, questions our national identity if there is one, and how it may be more in flux than ever before. The Rest of Canada sees Quebec in several ways, while the Quebecois see themselves in still others, in a set of supposedly homemade myths. Dubuc asks and analyzes to what extent these myths are true, false or a mix of both. How does Quebec stack up culturally, economically and educationally? Often the answers come as a complete surprise and lead us in unexpected directions. Many of the hard facts and statistics gathered are eye-opening for us all. Certainly, *La Presse*'s editorial writer Alain Dubuc knows how to puncture a balloon with the best of them, a much-needed skill these days.

- 32 Keeping the Peace: Spatial Differences in Hindu-Muslim Violence in Gujarat in 2002/ Dhattiwala, Raheel -- New York: Cambridge University Press, 2019; xviii,193p 50955

This book investigates geographic variation in Hindu-Muslim violence in Gujarat in 2002, an event witnessed closely by the author. It compares peaceful and violent towns, villages, and neighbourhoods to study how political violence spreads. A combination of statistical and ethnographic methods unpack the mechanisms of crowd behaviour, intergroup relations, and political incentives. Macro-level risk factors that led to the violence are analysed to provide a close understanding of the behaviour of people who participated in the violence, were targeted by it and, often, compelled to carry on living alongside their

perpetrators. Findings systematically demonstrate the implicit political logic of the violence. Most of all, by moving up close to the people caught in the middle of violence; findings highlight the interplay between politics, the spatial environment, and the cognitive decision-making processes of individuals.

- 33 Knowing the Social World: Perspectives and Possibilities/ Jayaram N. 50956  
(ed.) -- New Delhi: Orient Black Swan, 2017; xvii, 434p.

This book of twenty essays, divided into four parts, explores a variety of methodological approaches. It focuses on both the 'canonical' tradition, which upholds the objective nature of reality and privileges positivistic knowledge, and the 'non-canonical' tradition, which believes in the constructed nature of social reality and is concerned with producing an interpretive understanding of it. The book discusses unconventional sources of social science research data, like photographs and autobiographies, and covers a range of topics: changing conditions of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes; changing agricultural practices; youth in organised crime and the underworld; violence against women; journalistic practices; and economic voting, among others. Drawing on case studies from all parts of India, as well as from Sri Lanka, Scotland and the Gulf, this comprehensive and interdisciplinary volume will be invaluable to any student and scholar of sociology, political science, history and social anthropology.

- 34 Meaningful Resistance: Market Reforms and the Roots of Social 50957  
Protest in Latin America/ Simmons, Erica S. -- Cambridge: Cambridge  
University Press, 2016; xv,226p

The book explores the origins and dynamics of resistance to markets through an examination of two social movements that emerged to voice and channel opposition to market reforms. Protests against water privatization in Cochabamba, Bolivia, and rising corn prices in Mexico City, Mexico, offer a lens to analyse the mechanisms by which perceived, market-driven threats to material livelihood can prompt resistance. By exploring connections among marketization, local practices, and political protest, the book shows how the material and the ideational are inextricably linked in resistance to subsistence threats. When people perceive that markets have put subsistence at risk, material and symbolic worlds are both at stake; citizens take to the streets not only to defend their pocketbooks but also their conceptions of community. The book advances contemporary scholarship by showing how attention to grievances in general, and subsistence

resources in particular, can add explanatory leverage to analyses of contentious politics.

- 35 Mood and Mobility: Navigating the Emotional Spaces of Digital Social Networks/ Coyne, Richard -- Massachusetts: The MIT Press, 2016; x, 378p 50958

The book argues that not only do we communicate, process information, and entertain ourselves through devices and social media; we also receive, modify, intensify, and transmit moods. Designers, practitioners, educators, researchers, and users should pay more attention to the moods created around our smartphones, tablets, and laptops. Drawing on research from a range of disciplines, including experimental psychology, phenomenology, cultural theory, and architecture, Coyne shows that users of social media are not simply passive receivers of moods; they are complicit in making moods. Devoting each chapter to a particular mood--from curiosity and pleasure to anxiety and melancholy--Coyne shows that devices and technologies do affect people's moods, although not always directly. He shows that mood effects are transitional; different moods suit different occasions and derive character from emotional shifts. Furthermore, moods are active; we enlist all the resources of human sociability to create moods. And finally, the discourse about mood is deeply reflexive; in a kind of meta-moodiness, we talk about our moods and have feelings about them. Mood, in Coyne's distinctive telling, provides a new way to look at the ever-changing world of ubiquitous digital technologies.

- 36 Narrow Fairways: Getting by & Falling Behind in the New India/ Inglis, Patrick -- New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2019; xv, 301p 50960

The book draws on ten years of ethnographic fieldwork at three private golf clubs in Bangalore, India's Silicon Valley, to explore the ties of dependence wealthy club members generate with the poor lower-caste golf caddies who carry their bags, and in a manner that reproduces their positions of privilege and authority. The caddies are not employees, and yet neither do they have complete control over their rates and schedules. Making \$3–5 for a five- or six-hour round, caddies deploy acts servility and deference to yield additional money for healthcare, children's school fees, and other household expenses. While a rare few caddies win sufficient support to put them and their families on a path of social mobility, most struggle to make ends meet, living in less-than-secure housing, going without food in some cases, and sending their children to low-quality schools that all but guarantee they will take up similar work as their fathers. The necessity but ultimate

limitation of such relationships between the rich and poor underscores the failure of India's development strategy, which favors private over public interests, and has yet to establish well-funded healthcare, education, and basic social services that would improve chances of social mobility and independence among the poor.

- 37 Pandora's Dilemma: Theories of Social Welfare for the Twenty-first Century/ Stoesz, David -- New York: Oxford University Press, 2018; xi, 220p 50961

This book discusses about the challenges facing social welfare in America? Theories of stakeholders, the policy process, electoral politics, the precariat, child welfare, online education, the devolution of the welfare state, and its sequel, the investment state, illuminate critical factors determining the future of social welfare as well as the professions. Beyond explaining social change, theories include applications for future research. After the turmoil of the 2016 election, Pandora's Dilemma is not only the first empirically-based theoretical explanation but also a long-overdue illustration of the value of theory in social welfare. This book is essential reading for social welfare scholars trying to make sense of Brexit and the Trump presidency.

- 38 Protecting the Innocence of Childhood: Safeguarding Children From Sexual Knowledge Overload/ Ezzo, Anne Marie & Gary -- United State of America: Growing Families International, 2018; 138p 50962

The book explains that embodiment Children only get one childhood and it is worth protecting! Yet, nothing can destroy a child's innocence faster and with more harm than the premature transfer of sexual knowledge. Once the innocence of childhood is lost, it cannot be regained—and that is the challenge of the age in which we now live. How can parents protect the sexual innocence of their children, yet prepare them with the necessary, age-appropriate knowledge that will keep them safe in a sexually-threatening world? There is a proven way, and it comes with a generation of success stories. In this series, parents will find a step-by-step blueprint that will help them educate their children with a type of "protective" knowledge that will neither overwhelm their senses nor rob them of the innocence that belongs to childhood. It is a method that allows children to gain the knowledge they need without being defiled along the way.

- 39 Psychological Anthropology for the 21st Century/ Eller, Jack David -- New York: Routledge, 2019; vi, 258p 50963

This book provides a comprehensive introduction to psychological anthropology, covering both the early history and contemporary state of the field. Eller discusses the major themes, theories, figures and publications, and provides a detailed survey of the essential and enduring relationship between anthropology and psychology. The volume charts the development, celebrates the accomplishments, critiques the inadequacies, and considers the future of a field that has made great contributions to the overall discipline of anthropology. The chapters feature rich ethnographic examples and boxes for more in-depth discussion as well as summaries and questions to support teaching and learning. This is essential reading for all students new to the study of psychological anthropology

- 40 Public Intellectuals in the Global Arena: Professors or Pundits?/ Desch, Michael C. (ed.) -- United State of America: University of Notre Dame Press, 2016; vii, 414p 50964

In *Public Intellectuals in the Global Arena*, Michael C. Desch has gathered a group of contributors to offer a timely and far-reaching reassessment of the role of public intellectuals in a variety of Western and non-Western settings. The contributors delineate the centrality of historical consciousness, philosophical self-understanding, and ethical imperatives for any intelligentsia who presume to speak the truth to power. The first section provides in-depth studies of the role of public intellectuals in a variety of countries or regions, including the United States, Latin America, China, and the Islamic world. The essays in the second section take up the question of why public intellectuals vary so widely across different disciplines. These chapters chronicle changes in the disciplines of philosophy and economics changes that "have combined to dethrone the former and elevate the latter as the preeminent homes of public intellectuals in the academy." Also included are chapters that consider the evolving roles of the natural scientist, the former diplomat, and the blogger as public intellectuals. The final section provides concluding perspectives about the duties of public intellectuals in the twenty-first century. "This is a first-rate contribution to the growing body of research on the phenomenon of public intellectuals. Does it clearly rank high in a cohort of edited volumes that include *Public Intellectuals: An Endangered Species?* and *The Public Intellectual and the Culture of Hope*. Beyond appealing to public intellectuals, these essays are a rich interdisciplinary mix that will be of interest to scholars across a wide variety of fields in the social sciences and humanities.

- 41 Superstition/ Vyse, Stuart : A Very Short Introduction -- United Kingdom: Oxford University Press, 2019; xxii 140p 50965

The book explores the history of our deepest superstitions, and the psychological reasons behind why they persist today. It reveals the surprising connections between current everyday superstitions and the ancient world and Provides an up-to-date assessment of the psychological foundations of superstitious belief. It also gives an overview of the fascinating array of contemporary superstitions throughout the world.

- 42 Teaching Critical Psychology: International Perspectives/ Newnes 50966  
Craig & Golding Laura (ed.) -- New York: Routledge, 2018; xv,282p

This book may be the 'definitive text' on methods and content in teaching psychology from an international and critical perspective. Chapters from internationally renowned contributors working clinically, educationally and in the community with a range of client groups, outline critical teaching by and for professionals and service recipients. This timely book offers a unique, research-based and philosophically coherent approach to teaching psychology including teaching methods, the lecture content of radical approaches to modern psychology and debates as to whether teaching aims to liberate or control. Themes include the nature of pedagogy, the importance of teaching and learning style, the relevance of context and content and the ways in which traditional teaching forms a part of the disciplinary rather than critical project. Teaching Critical Psychology offers guidance in teaching pupils, students, peers and those on academic programmes at under-graduate and post-graduate level.

- 43 Theatre of Nepal and the People Who Make It/ Davis, Carol C. -- United 50967  
Kingdom: Cambridge University Press, 2019; xiii, 159p

The book is the first comprehensive look at Nepali theatre for readers outside of Nepal. Charting Nepali theatre from ancient times to the present and from the metropolis of Kathmandu to far-flung regions, this book highlights the history of formal theatre and connects it to shifting political and social conditions in the country. Sourcing extensive fieldwork, it takes us backstage to meet individual theatre-makers and learn their unique attributes and stories. From these intimate glimpses and the intertwining of political history with theatrical expression, a portrait emerges that conveys the character of Nepalis who, in spite of adversities, continue to dramatize their hopes, fears, principles, and priorities through theatrical means.

- 44 Titans of the Forests: the Economic Evolution of the Human Species 50968  
and That of Our Cultures/ Short, Gregory V. -- Spain: Vernon Press,  
2015; vii,177p

The book takes a completely different approach, which could be referred to as the uncharted and neglected field of macroevolution. Uniquely captivating, controversial, and very readable, it is the author's contention that we as a species were continuously forced to change our way of obtaining nourishment, or rather our various economies, to adapt to the ever-changing world. And as a result of this economic adaptation, our species would then and only then begin to slowly change into the modern humans of today. For much too long, the world's scientific community has directed the discussion of our incredible evolution. As a matter of fact, our species' biological, physiological, psychological, and cultural evolution has been instigated, propelled, and shaped by our economic adaptation to a fluctuating environment. In a very real sense, the scientists are so far into the trees that they have actually ignored the forest. Consequently, we teach human evolution as a hodgepodge of different theories within the realm of microevolution, thus failing to understand or even to recognize the economic thread that binds them all together. By integrating the timeline of our prehistoric past with that of our earliest known economies (food gathering, scavenging, and nomadism), the author was able to synthesize a sequence of events that illustrates the economic basis of our remarkable ascension and the beginnings of our present-day institutions. He not only reveals the genesis behind the cultural forces that exist within every human society, but for the first time, he has created a systematic and holistic approach in explaining the "how" and the "why" we have economically, physiologically, and then culturally evolved. For unlike the rest of the animal kingdom, we have possessed the extraordinary ability to change our economy, which has made us an extremely adaptable species. -- Praise for "Titans of the Forests" "In a world of increasing academic and expert specialization, it is rare to find a text so grand in scope and holistic in perspective. In anthropological terms, Mr Short has produced what might be called a four-field approach to the history of the homo sapien species that combines cultural, biological, archaeological, and linguistic evidence. But, the product will not only appeal to anthropologists but also many types of social scientists as well as non-academics interested in human evolution. The argument extends beyond evolution as it grapples with age-old questions of social organization and cultural meaning captured best in the title of Paul Gauguin's painting: Where do we come from? What are we? Where are we going? Given the wide array of themes, research, and disciplines that have covered the human question, one would expect any attempt at synthesis to be scattered and disorganized. To the contrary, Mr Short's writing is clear, accessible, and engaging. I could imagine using it in an introduction to Anthropology class just as likely as in a community book club. What is unique about Mr Short's contribution is how he links our physical

evolution to economics. However, despite the book's economic base of analysis, it steers clear of repeating the mistakes of Marxist teleological assumptions about human development instead seeking to position our present social and economic organization in speculative and innovative theories of our past. Namely, Mr Short argues that the nomadic economies of pre-agricultural humans provide the basis of every institution found in contemporary societies

- 45 Unsettled Belonging: Educating Palestinian American Youth After 9/11/ El-Haj, Thea Renda Abu -- London: The University of Chicago Press, 2015; 250p 50969

The book tells the stories of young Palestinian Americans as they navigate and construct lives as American citizens. Following these youth throughout their school days, Thea Abu El-Haj examines citizenship as lived experience, dependent on various social, cultural, and political memberships. For them, she shows, life is characterized by a fundamental schism between their sense of transnational belonging and the exclusionary politics of routine American nationalism that ultimately cast them as impossible subjects. Abu El-Haj explores the school as the primary site where young people from immigrant communities encounter the central discourses about what it means to be American. She illustrates the complex ways social identities are bound up with questions of belonging and citizenship, and she details the processes through which immigrant youth are racialized via everyday nationalistic practices. Finally, she raises a series of crucial questions about how we educate for active citizenship in contemporary times, when more and more people's lives are shaped within transnational contexts. A compelling account of post-9/11 immigrant life, Unsettled Belonging is a steadfast look at the disjuncture of modern citizenship

- 46 War Over Words: Censorship in India, 1930-1960/ Sethi, Devika -- New Delhi: Cambridge University Press, 2019; xiii,289p 50971

This book recovers narrates and interrogates the history of censorship of publications in India over three crucial decades - encompassing the Gandhian anti-colonial movement, the Second World War, Partition, and the early years of Independent India. In doing so, it examines state policy and practice, and also its subversion, in a tumultuous period of transition from colonial to self-rule in India. Populated with an array of powerful and powerless individuals, the story of Indians grappling with free speech and (in) tolerance is a fascinating one, and deserves to be widely known. It will help readers make sense of global present-day debates over free speech and hate speech, illustrate historical trends

that change - and those that don't - and help them appreciate how the past inevitably informs the present.

- 47 We Are Data: Algorithms and the Making of Our Digital Selves/ John Cheney-Lippold -- New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2018; xiii,317p 50972

The book examines about data and Algorithm. Algorithms are everywhere, organizing the near limitless data that exists in our world. Derived from our every search, like, click, and purchase, algorithms determine the news we get, the ads we see, the information accessible to us, and even who our friends are. These complex configurations create and recreate us, using our data to assign and reassign our gender, race, sexuality, and citizenship status. They can recognize us as celebrities or mark us as terrorists. In this era of ubiquitous surveillance, we have no control over who we are algorithmic. Our identities are made useful not for us, but someone else. Through a series of entertaining and engaging examples, John Cheney-Lippold draws on the social constructions of identity to advance a new understanding of our algorithmic identities. We Are Data will educate and inspire readers who want to wrest back some freedom in our increasingly surveilled and algorithmically-constructed world.

- 48 दलित सशक्तिकरण: सामाजिक और आर्थिक दृष्टिकोण/ थोरात सुखदेव & सभरवाल साधना निधि (संपादक) -- नयी दिल्ली: सेज भाषा, 2019; xxiii,296 पृ. 50984

दलित सशक्तिकरण चार परस्पर संबंधित मुद्दों को संबोधित करती है। यह भारतीय समाज में बहिष्कृत और स्वदेशी समूहों के बहिष्करण संबंधी पृथक्करण की अवधारणा का निर्माण करती है। प्रस्तुत पुस्तक सामाजिक बहिष्करण की संकल्पना और अर्थ को सामान्य रूप में तथा जाति, अस्पृश्यता और नस्ल-आधारित बहिष्कार की अवधारणा और अर्थ को विशेष सन्दर्भ में विस्तारपूर्वक प्रस्तुत करती है। यह दलितों और आदिवासियों के वंचित समूहों की स्थिति के प्रस्तुतिकरण के साथ ही मानव विकास के उपार्जन के क्रम में अंतर-सामाजिक समूह की असमानताओं को भी निरूपित करती है। तत्पश्चात इस पुस्तक में संसाधनों, रोजगार, शिक्षा और सामाजिक आवश्यकताओं तक न्यून पहुंच के संदर्भ में इन वंचित समूहों की उच्च अभावग्रस्तता से संबंधित कारकों का विश्लेषण किया गया है। अंततः, यह पुस्तक आर्थिक, नागरिक और राजनीतिक

क्षेत्रों में भेदभाव की भूमिका पर समूह की इन असमानताओं की जड़ता पर प्रकाश डालती है।

- 49 नारी देह के विरुद्ध हिंसा/ चौधरी, नेहा -- नयी दिल्ली: सेज भाषा, 2020; xvii, 50959  
233 पृ.

नारी" ईश्वर की अत्यन्त सुन्दर कृति है परन्तु नारी का देह ही उसके प्रति हिंसा का प्रमुख कारण बन गई। पुरुष-प्रधान मानसिकता वाले समाज में नारी देह, यौन अधिकारों एवं चयन संबंधी विषयों पर आज भी खुल कर विमर्श करने से परहेज़ किया जाता है। दहेज, भ्रूण हत्या, ऑनर किलिंग, बलात्कार जैसे जघन्य अपराधों के प्रति मौन महिला सशक्तिकरण को निरंतर झुठला रहा है। वहीं डेट रेप, वैवाहिक बलात्कार, प्रजनन दबाव इत्यादि के प्रति महिलाओं की अनभिज्ञता अत्यंत चिंतनीय है। प्रस्तुत पुस्तक नारी देह के विरुद्ध हिंसा ऐसी ही कुछ ज्वलंत और उभरती हुई चुनौतियों को समाज के समक्ष प्रस्तुत करने का प्रयास है। यह पुस्तक महिलाओं के खिलाफ हिंसा के विभिन्न महत्वपूर्ण और समकालीन मुद्दों जैसे कि वेश्यावृत्ति, एसिड हमले, ईव टीज़िंग, सरोगेसी, प्रजनन स्वास्थ्य अधिकार इत्यादि पर केंद्रित है। प्रस्तुत पुस्तक महिलाओं के विरुद्ध हिंसा के विभिन्न दृष्टिकोणों का अध्ययन करती है जो आज की दुनिया में प्रासंगिक और विमर्श योग्य हैं।

- 50 विकास की चक्की में पिसते लोग: इक्कीसवीं सदी के भारत में जातीय, 50970  
जनजातीय और वर्गीय असमानता/ शाह, अल्पा -- नयी दिल्ली: ऑक्सफोर्ड  
यूनिवर्सिटी प्रेस, 2019; xi 336 पृ.

विकास की अवधारणा वृद्धि से अलग है जबकि आर्थिक वृद्धि को ही विकास के रूप में दर्शाया जा रहा है। अपने गहन शोध के जरिए यह पुस्तक भारतीय समाज में बढ़ती असमानताओं का आंकलन और विश्लेषण करती है। यह देश के अलग-अलग हिस्सों में जातियों, जनजातियों और वर्गीय असमानताओं पर किए गए अध्ययन को प्रस्तुत करती है। पुस्तक हमें बताती है कि 21वीं सदी में किस तरह से एक बड़ी आबादी का विकास सिमटता जा रहा है और असमानता की खाई बढ़ती जा रही है। एक तरफ संपदाओं से भरा देश है, दूसरी तरफ किसानों, मजदूरों और आदिवासियों की तकरीबन 80 करोड़ आबादी दो

डॉलर से भी कम आमदनी पर गुजारा कर रही है। पुस्तक इस सवाल का जवाब तलाशने की कोशिश करती है कि वे जो भारतीय अर्थतंत्र को मजबूत बना रहे हैं आखिर क्यों आर्थिक तौर पर कमजोर होते जा रहे हैं। साथ ही यह गरीबी और सामाजिक भेदभावों के अंतर्संबंधों पर भी चर्चा करती है। यह पुस्तक उस आर्थिक विकास पर सवाल खड़ा करती है जो बड़ी आबादी में बदहाल बना रहा है।

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