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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 May, 2025 and are available for use in the National Social Science Documentation Centre of ICSSR. In the main text, entries are arranged by the title in alphabetical order, followed by bibliographical details and a summary of the document. For easy retrieval, the 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 Arrivals. Interested readers can consult the listed titles by visiting the library.

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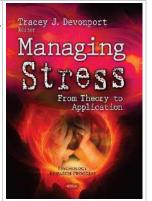
S. No.	Title and Other Details	Acc. No/Cover Pic.
1	The Handbook of Rationality/ Knauff, Markus; Spohn, Wolfgang - The MIT Press, London, 2021; xv, 862p.	54371
	Both analytic philosophy and cognitive psychology have made dramatic advances in understanding rationality, but there has been little interaction between the disciplines. This volume offers the first integrated overview of the state of the art in the psychology and philosophy of rationality. Written by leading experts from both disciplines, The Handbook of Rationality covers the main normative and descriptive theories of rationality—how people ought to think, how they actually think, and why we often deviate from what we can call rational. It also offers insights from other fields such as artificial intelligence, economics, the social sciences, and cognitive neuroscience. The Handbook proposes a novel classification system for researchers in human rationality, and it creates new connections between rationality research in philosophy, psychology, and other disciplines. Following the basic distinction between theoretical and practical rationality, the book first considers the theoretical side, including normative and descriptive theories of logical, probabilistic, causal, and defeasible reasoning. It then turns to the practical side, discussing topics such as decision making, bounded rationality, game theory, deontic and legal reasoning, and the relation between rationality and morality. Finally, it covers topics that arise in both theoretical and practical rationality, including visual and spatial thinking, scientific rationality, how children learn to reason rationally, and the connection between intelligence and rationality.	THE HANDBOOK OF RATIONALITY odited by Markus Khauff and Wolfgang Spoths
2	Handbook on Psychology of Motivation: New Research (Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions)/ Franco, Jason N (ed.); Svensgaard, Alexander E (ed.) - Nova Science Publishers, New York, 2012; 355p.	54372
	This book presents topical research in the study of the psychology of motivation. Topics discussed include motivation in the field of tourism; new perspectives in the psychology and economics of donating; commercial weight-loss programs and motivation; motivation for creativity in design and architecture; cognitive and motivational factors for reading; motivation to learn, self-regulation and academic achievement and the implicit theories of intelligence, effort beliefs, and achievement goals as antecedents of learning motivation and engagement.	Jason N. Franco Alexander E. Svensgaard ruber Handbook on Psychology of Motivation New Research
3	Identity and Digital Communication: Concepts, Theories, Practices/ Cover, Rob - Routledge, London, 2023; 192p.	54373
	This comprehensive text explores the relationship between identity, subjectivity and digital communication, providing a strong starting point for understanding how fast-changing communication technologies, platforms, applications and practices have an impact on how we perceive ourselves, others, relationships and bodies. Drawing on critical studies of identity, behaviour and representation, Identity and Digital Communication demonstrates how identity is shaped and understood in the context of significant and ongoing shifts in online communication. Chapters cover a range of topics including advances in social networking, the development of deepfake videos, intimacies of everyday communication, the emergence of cultures based on algorithms, the authenticities of TikTok, and online communication's setting as a site for hostility and hate speech. Throughout the text, author Rob Cover shows how the formation and curation of self-identity is increasingly performed and engaged with	Identity and Digital Communication Concepts, Theories, Practices

through digital cultural practices, affirming that these practices must be understood if we are to make sense of identity in the 2020s and beyond. Featuring critical accounts, everyday examples, and analysis of key platforms such as TikTok, this textbook is an essential primer for scholars and students in media studies, psychology, cultural studies, sociology, anthropology, computer science, as well as health practitioners, mental health advocates and community members. India's Foreign Policy/ Gupta, Arvind (ed.); Wadhawa, Anil (ed.) - Sage Publication, 4 54374 London, 2020; 440p. India's foreign policy is characterized by its strategic pragmatism, based on its historical principles of non-alignment, sovereignty, and peaceful coexistence. The policy has evolved over time to reflect changing global dynamics, with an emphasis Surviving in on maintaining national security, fostering economic growth, and asserting India's a Turbulent influence on the global stage. India seeks to balance relations with major powers like =World the United States, Russia, and China, while prioritizing its regional interests, especially in South Asia. Its foreign policy also emphasizes multilateralism, with India Edited by Arvind Gupta Anil Wadhwa being an active member of international organizations such as the United Nations, BRICS, and the G20. Additionally, India plays a significant role in global issues like climate change, development, and security, aiming for a more equitable global order. India's foreign policy has adapted to new challenges, including terrorism, regional instability, and competition in the Indo-Pacific region. Its "Neighbourhood First" policy aims to strengthen ties with neighbouring countries, while its "Act East" policy focuses on enhancing relations with Southeast Asia and East Asia. Ultimately, India's foreign policy seeks to ensure national security, economic prosperity, and a stable global environment. 5 India's Fragile Foreign Policy Towards Neighbouring Nations/ Bhattacharjee, Shibdas 54375 - Overseas Press (India), New Delhi, 2017; 774p. This Book is a new approach of perceiving India's foreign policy towards the India's Fragile Foreign neighbouring Nations where the criterion of judgment is India's strategic and Policy towards Neighbouring Nations diplomatic strengths as well as weaknesses. It traces the evolution, existing and emerging trends envisaged from the foreign policy doctrine of New Delhi initiated, propagated, practiced and nurtured so far since Independence in case of relationships Shibdus Bhattucharine with the neighbouring Nations and the output of the same considering India cutes larger national interests. The study unveils real state and actual strength of India sharing land border with China, Pakistan, Myanmar, Nepal, Bhutan and Bangladesh as well as India cutes maritime interests and relationships with the Island Nations like Sri Lanka and Maldives which bears great significance and larger implications in safeguarding India's international border, territorial integrity and maritime interests in different front and frontiers; North, Northeast, Northwest and the South-coastal regions as well as security of rest of the Nation. Here is a comprehensive discussion of the effectiveness of India's policy as a regional, sub-regional, bilateral and strategic Power in shielding country's minimum needs within the periphery and harnessing the larger across the sub-continent and beyond both as a military Power and a strategic game-player. The venture exposes the callous approach of India's foreign policy think-tank and the failure in articulating definite policy towards the neighbouring Nations even after so many decades since Independence and how these have impacted New Delhi's military and strategic interests in the region and beyond. The Book tries to focus in detail the importance of the SAARC Nations for India's security, strategic and diplomatic needs and ambitions. At a time when India's potential youth-brigade is redefining country's identity, this Book tries to draw the attention of New Delhi's policy-makers to make necessary course-correction and redefining India.

Managing Stress: From Theory to Application (Psychology Research Progress)/ Devonport, Tracey J (ed.) - Nova Science Publishers, New York, 2013; 322p.

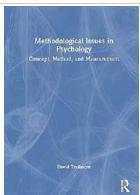
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It is commonly acknowledged that stress and coping has an impact upon the productivity, health and well-being of individuals. As such, many domains of psychology are seeking to better understand the stress and coping dynamic to inform the construction of interventions intended to facilitate coping. This book is designed to profile the use of theory in guiding the structure, content and assessment of coping interventions across a range of applied domains. The domains addressed within the text include sport psychology, clinical psychology, organisational psychology, developmental psychology, police psychology and health psychology. This book brings together related issues regarding the application of theory to practice into a single source.



Methodological Issues in Psychology: Concept, Method, and Measurement/ Trafimow, David - Routledge, New York, 2024; 230p. 54377

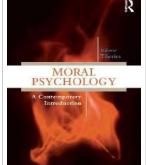
This book begins by equipping the readers with the underlying foundation pertaining to basic philosophical issues addressing theory verification or falsification, distinguishing different levels of theorizing, or hypothesizing, and the assumptions necessary to negotiate between these levels. It goes on to specifically focus on statistical and inferential hypotheses including chapters on how to dramatically improve statistical and inferential practices and how to address the replication crisis. Advances to be featured include the author's own inventions, the a priori procedure and gain-probability diagrams, and a chapter about mediation analyses, which explains why such analyses are much weaker than typically assumed. The book also provides an introductory chapter on classical measurement theory and expands to new concepts in subsequent chapters. The final measurement chapter addresses the ubiquitous problem of small effect sizes in psychology and provides recommendations that directly contradict typical thinking and teaching in psychology, but with the consequence that researchers can enjoy dramatically improved effect sizes. Methodological Issues in Psychology is an invaluable asset for students and researchers of psychology. It will also be of vital interest to social science researchers and students in areas such as management, marketing, sociology, and experimental philosophy.



8 Moral Psychology: A Contemporary Introduction/ Tiberius, Valerie - Routledge, New York, 2023; 256p.

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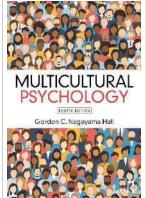
This is the first philosophy textbook in moral psychology, introducing students to a range of philosophical topics and debates such as: What is moral motivation? Do reasons for action always depend on desires? Is emotion or reason at the heart of moral judgment? Under what conditions are people morally responsible? Are there self-interested reasons for people to be moral? Moral Psychology: A Contemporary Introduction presents research by philosophers and psychologists on these topics, and addresses the overarching question of how empirical research is (or is not) relevant to philosophical inquiry.



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9 Multicultural Psychology/ Hall, Gordon C. Nagayama - Routledge, New York, 2023; 314p.

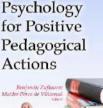
The new edition of this bestselling textbook helps students gain an understanding of how race, ethnicity, and culture shape their beliefs and behavior as well as those of people around them. It provides the perfect balance of careful presentation of psychological concepts and theories rendered discussion of their applications to POC.



Positive Psychology for Positive Pedagogical Actions (Psychology Research Progress)/ Zufiaurre, Benjamin (ed.); VIllarreal, Maider Perez de (ed.) - Nova Science Publishers, New York, 2016; 198p.

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Positive Psychology for Positive Pedagogical Actions is organized into three different sections, each containing an introduction and three chapters. This book provides desirable and attainable new ideas for improving education as positive interventions. The introduction of this book frames the authors' analysis using positive psychology tools to develop techniques promoting positive pedagogical actions. Each section of this book deals with different aspects in the realm of positive pedagogies, positive psychology and practical experiences. The three sections together frame an educational roadway to prepare a humankind social capital in which positive interactive experiences, both psychologically and pedagogically related, do match. Section one, Positive Pedagogies in Action, is organized into three parts that include Creating a Niche for Critical Pedagogical Praxis in which the theory of practice architectures supports the journey to positive realities when sharing educational purposes; Pedagogical Praxis and Storytelling: Promoting Educational Change through Participation, which gets to the notion of praxis and participatory action in education in which the bridges towards educational change are: dialogue, commitment, self and joint reflection, interaction; and Gender Consciousness: Personal Pedagogy and Political Activism, in which the idea of social change sets bounds to feminist pedagogies, and positive psychology strategies, emerging as appropriated tools connected with the feminisation of discourses and practices. Section two, Positive Psychology in Practice aims to offer a picture of how to draw positive strategies to guide teaching, while invigorating learning. It includes Affect, Emotion Regulation and Flow Experience in School and Leisure: Contributions for a Positive Education, which studies how to create the best conditions to facilitate optimal experiences at school life; Hope, Engagement and Achievement at School: How Enhancing Hope can Increase School Commitment and Success?, which supports Synders Hope Theory to quote the relationships between hope and engagement, effectiveness, perception of autonomy, school commitment, life satisfaction and well-being; and School as a Positive Organization: Teacher Training on Positive Pedagogies, which explains what a positive institution is and how to cultivate strengths to discover meaning and growth opportunities when sharing educational purposes. Section three, Practical Experiences to Frame our Positive Pedagogy Proposals, is sustained in positive psychology approaches to promote human development for individual, communities and societies to grow. Taking these into consideration, the combination of reflection, action and participation is the substance for the three practical experiences discussed in this section. These include Inclusive Education: A Frame for Positive Changes in South Africa, which is supported on Bronfenbrenner's (1987) ecological model of interrelations from the



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	macro to the micro system of educational organization; Teaching Sciences Positively, which is supported in positive psychology strategies to develop positive pedagogical practices in which infant & elementary students can live sciences in an active way, experiencing motivation and engagement towards scientific knowledge; and Involvement and Well-Being: A Micro School Experience, which compares involvement, emotional engagement, sharing and cooperating with one another for well-being in a school room with a teacher trained in positive psychology tools.	
11	Psychology of Persuasion: (Psychology of Emotions, Motivations and Actions)/Csapo, Janos (ed.); Magyar, Andor (ed.) - Nova Science Publishers, New York, 2029; 191p.	54381
	Persuasion is the activity of demonstrating and trying to modify the behaviour of at least one person through symbolic interaction. This book surveys models of persuasion dialog that are used in argumentation and artificial intelligence as tools for	Janos Csapo - Andor Magyar Situs
	identification, analysis and evaluation of arguments. It discusses the persuasive communication.	Psychology of Persuasion
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12	Psycho-cybernetics: Self-fulfillment/ Maltz, M.D Maxwell - Penguin Random House, New York, 2015; 258p.	54382
	Maxwell Maltz was an American cosmetic surgeon and author of Psycho-Cybernetics, which was a system of ideas that he claimed could improve one's self-image. In turn, the person would lead a more successful and fulfilling life. He wrote several books, among which Psycho-Cybernetics was a long-time bestseller - influencing many subsequent self-help teachers. His orientation towards a system of ideas that would provide self-help is considered the forerunner of the now popular self-help books. The word cybernetic comes from the Greek for 'steersman', and in the modern sense usually refers to systems of control and communication in machines and animals: how, for instance, a computer or a mouse organises itself to achieve a task. Maltz applied the science to man to form psycho-cybernetics. However, while inspired by the development of sophisticated machines, his book denounced the idea that man can be reduced to a machine. Psycho-cybernetics bridges the gap between our mechanistic models of the brain's functioning (cliches like 'Your brain is a wonderful computer'), and the knowledge of ourselves as being a lot more than machine. Maltz's genius was in saying that while we were 'machines', and while the dynamics of goal-setting and self-image might best be described in mechanistic terms, the fantastic variety of our desires and our ability to create new worlds were uniquely human. What could never be reduced to machine analogies were the fires of imagination, ambition and will. In this book "Psycho-Cybernetics and Self-Fulfillment", Dr. Maxwell Maltz teach about: Goals, Self-Image, Happiness, and more.	Psycho-Cybernetics Val dout the science of curt thoughts and how they can be measured bits Types Maxwell Maltz (Restaurable of the curt thoughts and how they can be described on the curt thoughts and how they can be measured bits Types Maxwell Maltz (Restaurable of the curt thoughts thoughts)
13	Requiem in Raga Janki: A Novel/ Gour, Neelum Saran - Penguin Random House India Pvt. Ltd, Haryana, 2018; 357p.	54383

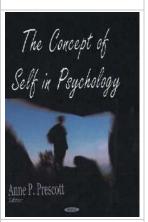
In the early years of the twentieth century, in what was then British India, culture thrived in the city of Allahabad. In this vibrant hub of musicians, poets, scholars and freedom fighters, Janki Bai Ilahabadi was a musical star, counting among her fans maharajas, poets, judges, nawabs, government officials and multitudes of ordinary people. Popularly known as Chhappan Chhuri, Janki Bai's career, originating in a nautch house and vexed by many trials and torments, soared to stellar heights lifting her from penury to palaces and even the Delhi Durbar of 1911. Based on the real-life story of Hindustani singer Janki Bai Ilahabadi (1880–1934), Requiem in Raga Janki is the beautifully rendered tale of one of India's unknown gems. Moving from Hindustani classical music's earliest times to the age of the gramophone, from Baiju's mysticism and Tansen's magic to Hassu Khan's stringent opposition to recordings, this is a novel that brings to life a tapestry of music lore through the eyes of a gifted performer.



Concept of Self in Psychology/ Prescott, Anne P - Nova Science Publishers, New York, 2006; 279p.

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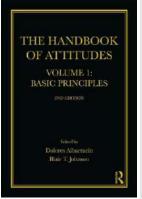
The issue of self-concept is central to the studies and practices of education and psychology. By understanding how the individual perceives him or herself, researchers can improve their understanding of the choices that individuals make in a wide variety of contexts. This book explores how self-concept is understood in a psychological context.



The Handbook of Attitudes: Volume1basic Principles/ Albarracin, Dolores (ed.); Johnson, Blair T (ed.) - Routledge, New York, 2019; 678p.

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Attitudes are evaluations of people, places, things, and ideas. They help us to navigate through a complex world. They provide guidance for decisions about which products to buy, how to travel to work, or where to go on vacation. They color our perceptions of others. Carefully crafted interventions can change attitudes and behavior. Yet, attitudes, beliefs, and behavior are often formed and changed in casual social exchanges. The mere perception that other people favor something, say, rich people, may be sufficient to make another person favor it. People's own actions also influence their attitudes, such that they adjust to be more supportive of the actions. People's belief systems even change to align with and support their preferences, which at its extreme is a form of denial for which people lack awareness. These two volumes provide authoritative, critical surveys of theory and research about attitudes, beliefs, persuasion, and behavior from key authors in these areas. The first volume covers theoretical notions about attitudes, the beliefs and behaviors to which they are linked, and the degree to which they are held outside of awareness. It also discusses motivational and cultural determinants of attitudes, influences of attitudes on behavior, and communication and persuasion. The second volume covers applications to measurement, behavior prediction, and interventions in the areas of cancer, HIV, substance use, diet, and exercise, as well as in politics, intergroup relations, aggression, migrations, advertising, accounting, education, and the environment.



The Handbook of Impression Formation: A Social Psychological Approach/ Balcetis, Emily (ed.); Moskowitz, Gordon B (ed.) - Routledge, New York, 2023; 538p.

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Presenting diverse perspectives from eminent scholars and contemporary researchers, The Handbook of Impression Formation contextualizes current and future areas of research in the social psychology of impression formation within a rich historic framework. Affirming that impression formation is at the core of human experience, chapters explore how and why people form snap judgments about others and when those impressions update. They examine the processes through which people infer the reasons for the events they encounter, allowing people to plan for appropriate behavioral responses to social contexts. The research reviewed is informed by the foundational theory of unconscious automatic processes involved in making judgements of other people, pioneered by Professor Jim Uleman who contributes a chapter that suggests important new directions, and concludes the volume by reflecting on the state of the field more broadly. The book explores how certain attributes stimulate categorization, examining current issues around implicit bias, stereotypes, and social media. Chapters cover a range of approaches, featuring personal narratives, presentation of new data and discoveries, comprehensive literature reviews, and contemplations on where the field must go and what questions require focus for progress to be made, calling for even the most advanced scholars to contribute more to the collective investigation of impression formation. This fascinating work provides a solid foundation from which all researchers can build a new and unique program of research, and arms the reader with the intellectual tools they need to chart new theoretical territory and discover aspects of the human experience we have yet to even wonder about. It is essential reading for students and academics in social psychology, and the social sciences more broadly.

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THE HANDBOOK
OF IMPRESSION
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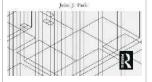
The Psychological Basis of Moral Judgments: Philosophical and Empirical Approaches to Moral Relativism/ Park, John - Routledge, New York, 2022; 370p.

This volume examines the psychological basis of moral judgments and considers how moral concepts are comparable to mental states by combining philosophical reasoning and empirical insights from the fields of moral psychology and cognitive science. Through analysis of empirical data on moral semantic intuitions, gathered via cross-cultural experimental research, Parks draws on a decade of empirical research to reveal that referents of individuals' moral judgements vary across time, contexts, and groups. On this basis, he proposes a novel pluralistic theory of moral concepts which combines cognitive structures and emotions and reflects a new form of moral relativism, where moral judgments cannot be universally true across time and location. This text will benefit researchers, academics, and educators with an interest in the philosophy of psychology, applied social psychology, and moral development more broadly. Those interested in cognitive psychology, ethics philosophy, and moral theory will also

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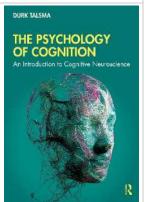
THE PSYCHOLOGICAL BASIS
OF MORAL JUDGMENTS
PHILOSOPHICAL AND EMPIRICAL APPROACHES TO
MORAL RELATIVISM



The Psychology of Cognition: An Introduction to Cognitive Neuroscience/ Talsma, Durk (ed.) - Routledge, New York, 2023; 836p.

benefit from the volume.

This comprehensive, cutting-edge textbook offers a layered approach to the study of cognitive neuroscience and psychology. It embraces exciting alternative and influential theoretical approaches such as embodied cognition and predictive coding, and explaining new topics such as motor cognition, cognitive control, consciousness, and social cognition. Durk Talsma offers foundational knowledge which he expands and enhances with coverage of complex topics, explaining their interrelatedness and presenting them together with classic experiments and approaches in a historic context. Providing broad coverage of world-class international research.



The Routledge International Handbook of Community Psychology: Facing Global 19 54389 Crises With Hope/ Kagan, Carolyn (ed.); Akhurst, Jacqueline (ed.) - Routledge, New York, 2022; 410p. This handbook offers a unique critical, and cross-disciplinary approach to the study of community psychology, showing how it can address the systemic challenges arising from multiple crises facing people across the world. Addressing some of the most pressing issues of our times, the text shows how community psychology can contribute to principled social change, giving voice, enabling civic participation, and supporting the realignment of social and economic power within planetary boundaries. Featuring a collaboration of contributions from world-leading academics, early career researchers and community leaders, each chapter gives theory and context with practical examples of working with those living in precarious situations, on matters that concern them most, and highlights positive ways to contribute to progressive change. The editors examine economic, ecological, demographic, gender, violence, energy, social and cultural, and political crises in relation to psychological theories, as well as public policy and lived experiences, presenting an approach situated at the intersection of public policy and lived experiences. Viewed through four different perspectives or lenses: a critical lens; a praxis lens; an ecological lens; and a reflective lens, this compendium of critical explorations into community psychology shows how it can contribute to a fairer, more just, resilient, and sustainable world. Also examining the lessons learnt from the COVID-19 pandemic about the pervading nature of social inequality, but also the potential of solidarity movements ranging from local to international levels, this is ideal reading for undergraduate and postgraduate students and scholars in community psychology and related areas, including social psychology, clinical psychology, and applied psychology. 20 The Routledge International Handbook of Discrimination, Prejudice 54390 Stereotyping/ Tileagă, Cristian (ed.); Augoustinos, Martha (ed.); Durrheim, Kevin (ed.) - Routledge, New York, 2022; 333p. This handbook explores prejudice, stereotyping and discrimination primarily as phenomena embedded in the social organization of societies and connected to structural factors and larger societal systems. It offers a unique critical, and crossdisciplinary approach to the study of contemporary manifestations of prejudice, stereotyping, and discrimination. New socio-psychological analyses of the most pressing social problems of our age bring into view future directions of research on prejudice, stereotyping and discrimination oriented to social change and collective action, and that engage with wider systems of norms, and discourse. The editors draw on social psychology, sociology, social policy, clinical psychology, cultural studies, dbook of Discrimination dice and Stereotyping and feminist, antiracist and decolonizing social science to show how social psychology can successfully rekindle its intellectual dialogue with kindred social science fields to create broader foundations for the exploration of the paradoxes lodged at the heart of the social expression of prejudice in liberal democracies, that devalue and exclude people. 21 The Routledge International Handbook of the Psychology of Morality/ Ellemers, 54391

Naomi (ed.); Pagliaro, Stefano (ed.); Nunspeet, Félice van (ed.) - Routledge, New

York, 2024; 330p.

This cutting-edge handbook examines moral psychology and behaviour, uncovering layers of human morality through a comprehensive overview of topics and approaches. Featuring an array of expert international contributors, the book addresses five key themes: moral reasoning, moral judgments, moral emotions, moral behavior, and moral self-views. Each section includes empirical chapters that address these themes at the intrapersonal, interpersonal, intragroup, or intergroup level. Each section starts with a reflective chapter from a leading scholar in this field of study who shares their personal vision on key issues and future developments. Drawing on emerging research and featuring real-world examples, the book offers a deeper understanding of Psychology of Morality the social psychological factors that shape our moral behavior and how this plays out in our daily lives. Themes, Issues and Debates in Psychology/ Gross, Richard - Routledge, London, 54392 2023; 354p. The text adopts a critical approach to 'mainstream Psychology', attempting to identify and challenge some of the underlying assumptions that are traditionally made about Themes, Issues and Debates in Psychology 'human nature' and how it can be investigated in ways based on the scientific study of the natural world. What makes Psychology unique is the view of Psychologists as part of their own subject-matter: trying to study other people cannot be done by copying the methods of the physicist or chemist. Psychology draws on and brings together a number of different theories and methodologies from a wide range of other disciplines, including philosophy, biology, anthropology and sociology. Themes, Issues and Debates in Psychology also includes chapters on Parapsychology, Positive Psychology and Religion and Spirituality, which are rarely found together in a single text. Not only are these not mainstream, but they highlight some of the themes, issues and debates discussed in earlier chapters. The topics in this fifth edition of this book are inflected by a new concern with decolonizing the curriculum, and discussions of cultural and gender-based issues are integrated into all aspects of the text to offer a new and critical perspective on issues such as political and scientific colonialism. Additionally, the text features 'Question Time' breaks that relate to methodological, theoretical and other issues; these are all aimed at helping the reader assimilate the material. Some of the issues raised could form the basis of seminar papers/discussions. Theories of Psychology: Fundamentals, Applications and Future Directions/ Higgins, 54393 Celia (ed.) - Nova Publication, New York, 2015; ix, 85p. This book provides fundamentals, applications and future directions of several Colia Higgins theories of psychology. The first chapter focuses the classification of narcissism and Theories of argues multiple parallels between narcissistic behaviors and documented responses to Psychology justice threat. Chapter two examines if individuals who report living on following a gluten-free diet adhere across a typical week, and the behaviors involved in adhering to this specific diet. The purpose of chapter three is to study the effectiveness of a best possible physical activity intervention on perceived psychological need satisfaction, well-being, and physical activity. The final chapter examines the nature of the portrayal of African-American women athletes in popular magazines to understand the gendered and cultural messages that are sent about their sport and PA participation. Theory of Mind: Development in Children, Brain Mechanisms and Social 54394

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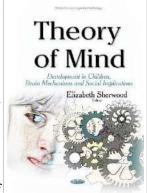
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Implications/ Sherwood, Elizabeth (ed.) - Nova Publication, New York, 2015; ix,

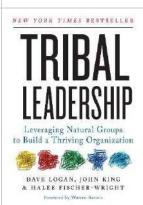
We live at the dawn of a revolution in human interrelatedness. Technological advancements in communication demand interrelatedness not only with family, friends and colleagues but also with Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn connections. Perhaps this demand has contributed to the resurgence of efforts toward unity across social divisions toward social justice. But even as forces for solidarity are at work in the world, forces against solidarity threaten our existence and some forces work both for and against solidarity. One such force is the very nature of our humanity and in particular the role of theory of mind (ToM) in our moral lives. Theory of mind is a term defining the ability of any animal to attribute mental states to itself and others, and to understand that conspecifics have beliefs, desires and intentions; and also that these may be different from one's own. It is developed at the cross-section of epistemology, cognitive science and psychology and is also closely connected to other constructs such as meta-cognition, self-awareness; reflection, empathy etc. This book discusses the development in children, brain mechanisms and social implications of the theory of mind.



Tribal Leadership: Leveraging Natural Groups to Build a Thriving Organization/Logan, Dave (ed.); King, John (ed.); Fischer-Wright, Halee (ed.) - Harper, New York, 2008; xiii, 303p.

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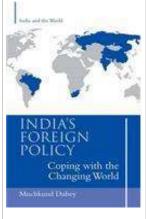
Tribal Leadership gives amazingly insightful perspective on how people interact and succeed. I learned about myself and learned lessons I will carry with me and reflect on for the rest of my life."—John W. Fanning, Founding Chairman and CEO napster Inc."An unusually nuanced view of high-performance cultures." —Inc.Within each corporation are anywhere from a few to hundreds of separate tribes. In Tribal Leadership, Dave Logan, John King, and Halee Fischer-Wright demonstrate how these tribes develop—and show you how to assess them and lead them to maximize productivity and growth. A business management book like no other, Tribal Leadership is an essential tool to help managers and business leaders take better control of their organizations by utilizing the unique characteristics of the tribes that exist within.



India's Foreign Policy: Coping With the Changing World/ Dubey, Muchkund - Orient Blackswan Private Limited, Hyderabad, 2013; xvii, 446p.

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India's foreign policy has come a long way since its independence, from the era of the Non-aligned Movement, shaped and espoused by Jawaharlal Nehru, to the recent phase of the challenges of globalization and the uncertainty created by the end of the Cold War and the decline of multilateralism and the nation state. India's Foreign Policy: Coping with the Changing World is a reflection on these transformations and includes prescriptions for strategies and policy measures. It deals with India's evolving relations with important world powers, like the United States, Russia and China. It proffers advice, distilled from experience, on dealing with neighbours, with the limelight on Bangladesh, one of the most important neighbours of India. The author, who played an important role in shaping and conducting India's policies in the global arena, does not hesitate to put forth views that are radically different from the prevailing ones. The book also discusses happenings that are likely to have a farreaching impact on India in the near future, including China's emergence as a global power and the Indo-US civilian nuclear deal. It also casts a glance on India's diaspora, spread out across the world, and the role it has come to play in influencing the country's development and foreign policy. As the first in the 'India and the World' series, the book gives the reader an expert account of the major developments in the world and of the many trajectories of India's foreign policy.



27	International Handbook on Informal Governance/ Christiansen, Thomas (ed.); Neuhold, Christine (ed.) - Edward Elgar, United Kingdom, 2012; xii, 574p.	54397
	Acknowledging that governance relies not only on formal rules and institutions but to a significant degree also on informal practices and arrangements, this unique Handbook examines and analyses a wide variety of theoretical, conceptual and normative perspectives on informal governance. The insights arising from this focus on informal governance are discussed from various disciplinary perspectives, within different policy domains, and in a number of regional and global contexts. This Handbook is an important contribution that will put informal governance firmly on the map of academic scholarship with its review of the range of the different uses and effects of informal arrangements across the globe. Bringing together multidisciplinary contributions on informal governance arrangements, this Handbook will appeal to postgraduate students in political science and scholars within the field of political science and global governance.	International Handbook on Informal Governance Edited by Thomas Christiansen and Christine Heuhold
28	Aspects of Land Policy in Assam: Continuity and Change/ Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2012; xii, 242p.	54398
	Aspects of Land Policy in Assam: Continuity and Change" explores the evolution of land policies in Assam, focusing on their historical development, colonial legacies, and contemporary reforms. It examines the dynamics of land ownership, land use, and tenure systems that have shaped the socio-economic and political fabric of the region. The book focuses on the history and development of land policies in the state of Assam, analyzing both the consistent elements (continuity) and the new or modified aspects (change).	Vinicated Resis Instancel Cases
29	Bharatiya Bhakti Andolon at Asomor Abadan: Contribution of Assam to the Bhakti Movement/ Baichaya, Dr. Ritamoni - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Assam, 2020; 28p.	54399
	Assam played a significant role in the Indian Bhakti Movement, particularly through the efforts of saint-scholar Srimanta Sankardeva (1449–1568). His teachings and leadership shaped the Neo-Vaishnavite movement in Assam, focusing on devotion to Lord Krishna and promoting a society based on equality and moral values.	
30	Choices: Inside the Making of Indian Foreign Policy/ Menon, Shivshankar - Penguin Books, USA, 2016; ix, 243p.	54400
	Shivshankar Menon gives an insider's account of the negotiations, discussions and assessments that went into the making of five pivotal choices in India's recent history. These include the decision not to use overt military force against Pakistan after 26/11, the civil nuclear deal with the United States; the border agreement with China; the response to the last months of Sri Lanka's brutal civil war and the thinking that underlay India's No First Use nuclear policy. Drawing on his long and distinguished career as a diplomat holding critical positions in India's external affairs ministry and in the prime minister's office, Menon considers each situation against the backdrop of India's evolving definition of her place in the changing global landscape. He brings out the history, politics and principles involved, while examining and dissecting the reasons for the outcome. Analytical, lucid and illuminating, Choices is an unmatched insight into the intellectual heft of foreign policy decision-making by one of India's	CHOICES Inside the Making of India's Foreign Policy SHIVSHANKAR MENON

	most formidable diplomatic practitioners who was actively engaged in these five defining moments.	
31	Development Through Culture: Concept, Dynamics and Road Ahead/ Gurumurthy, S - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2018; xv, 120p.	54401
	Culture is a collective word. It nurtures people, nurtures communities, empires, nations. It is an identity, not only in clothes, art forms but also in thought and behaviour and in the way we relate to the known and the unknown. It defines the Macro Person called the community and its relationship with the Micro Person called the individual. It brings unity and not uniformity, for culture celebrates variety. Lack of understanding of these strength leads to conflicts; clear understanding leads to meaningful, sustainable and harmonious development. Development takes place when culture, cultural forms are validated to meet the needs of the time. This book is a compilation of talks and papers presented by well known Economist S. Gurumurthy. The thought marks a paradigm shift in approach to culture and development.	
32	Diversified Unity: Focus North East India/ Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2020; x, 130p.	54402
	The book presents scholarly insights into the linguistic, ethnic, and religious mosaic of Northeast India, covering states like Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur, Tripura, and Mizoram. Through detailed research and cultural analysis, this volume showcases the region's traditional arts, architectural heritage, customs, and social practices. The book features vivid illustrations of cultural symbols, traditional motifs, and architectural landmarks that represent the distinctive character of each state. Perfect for academics, cultural enthusiasts, and readers interested in understanding the multifaceted identity of Northeast India.	DIVERSIFIED UNITY FOCUS NORTH East India
33	From a Fishing Hamlet to the Moon and Mars and Beyond/ Goswami, Prof. JN - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2020; 20p.	54403
	The speech of Prof. Jitendra Nath Goswami highlights the epic evolution of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) to a stage where its scientists, engineers, and technicians perform cutting-edge research, leading to advanced technologies and processes. Many of them have contributed immensely to the emergence of a world-class organization, now acknowledged for its exemplary work culture. The speaker, the Chief Scientist of Chandrayaan-1, from his vantage point, underlines how ISRO's men and women surmounted severe challenges and brought about tremendous innovations to develop spacecraft and launch vehicles that met mission objectives within tight budgets and deadlines—a "can-do" spirit that is a lesson to all Indians. His words, within a few pages, reveal a saga of knowledge and willpower, which ultimately impacts India—a country that needs space research and applications to emerge as a leader in the comity of developed nations.	
34	From Chanakya to Modi: Evolution of India's Foreign Policy/ Pande, Aparna - Harper, Haryana, 2020; xii, 224p.	54404

Foreign policy does not exist in a cultural vacuum. It is shaped by national experience and a country's view of itself. In the case of India, the foreign policy paradigm is as deeply informed by its civilizational heritage as it is by modern ideas about national interest. The two concepts that come and go most frequently in Indian engagement with the world -- from Chanakya in the third century BC to Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2020 -- are autonomy and independence in decision-making. There are also four trends that we can trace: messianic idealism, realism, isolationism and imperial influences -- ideas that have competed with and complemented each other at various points in time. As India pursues modernity and seeks to exercise influence in the contemporary world, an examination of the nation in the context of its history and tradition is crucial. Aparna Pande's From Chanakya to Modi explores the deeper civilizational roots of Indian foreign policy in a manner reminiscent of Walter Russel Mead's groundbreaking Special Providence (2001). It identifies the neural roots of India's engagement with the world outside. An essential addition to every thinking person's library. Full Spectrum: India's Wars, 1972-2020/ Subramaniam, Arjun - Harper, Haryana, 54405 2022; xiv, 471p. The armed forces have played a key role in protecting India's sovereignty and raising its stature as a stable democracy and responsible regional power. Though the nation's soldiers, sailors and airmen occupy a special place in people's hearts, standard narratives of contemporary Indian history rarely cover the military dimension. In his first book, India's Wars: A Military History, 1947-1971, Arjun Subramaniam attempted to set this right by taking readers on a journey until the liberation of Bangladesh in 1971. Full Spectrum: India's Wars, 1972-2020 takes the story forward. It is a sweeping account of war and conflict in contemporary India over the past five decades. Covering every major operation that the armed forces have participated in including the Kargil conflict of 1999, insurgencies in the north-east, terrorism and proxy wars in Jammu and Kashmir, separatist violence in Punjab, the IPKF intervention in Sri Lanka, and the continued stress along the LoC and LAC - it fuses the strategic, operational, tactical and human dimensions of war and conflict into a racy narrative that reflects their changing character in modern times. Glimpses of the Sattra Institution of Assam/ Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture 54406 - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2016; vi, 60p. Srimanta Sankardeva had envisioned a spiritually elevated, cultured, and organized society. The Sattra institution brought into being by his dedicated disciples have been a Shakti Kendra - vibrant centres of strength, succour and guidance to people for Sattra Institution of Ass generations. But there is a need to understand the present situation - its inherent An Overview strength and potential to provide solutions to the challenges facing our society today.

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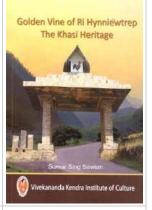
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Golden Vine of Ri-hynniewtrep: The Khasi Heritagez/ Sawian, Sumar Sing -

Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2020; 100p.

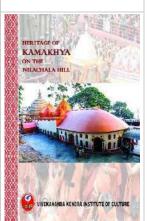
This is the story of the people of the land of the Hynfuewtrep who, by divine will, descended down the golden vine to Earth and made it their home. These are the Khasis of today's Meghalaya. The narrative begins, as it were, at the very beginning when Dorbar-Blei, the Divine Council heard the pleas of Mother Earth to send God's most beloved creations to her for them to live with other human communities. It then takes the reader through an account of the Khasi way of life with its religious and moral underpinnings, its traditions of crafts, architecture, music and dance, sports and political organization, to the Khasis of post-independent India.



Heritage of Kamakhya on the Nilachala Hills/ Nayak G. N (ed.); Bhuyan, Sujatha (ed.) - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2010; 240p.

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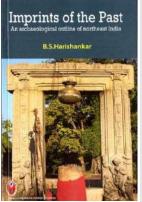
Represented as a svayambhu atop the Nilachala Hill in Guwahati, Assam, Kamakhya is one of the most important of the 51 Shakti Pithas. In the late 90s VKIS's research team asked itself a question What draws thousands of people to the Kamakhya throughout the years especially during the Ambuvachi Mela? Thus began the inquiry that went through various phases of research data collection on rituals observed at the Kamakhya documentation of the Ambuvachi and deodhani mela, interaction with people associated with the Kamakhya pandas and pilgrims tourists and traders as well as interaction with people of various communities from the hill and the plains. All this led to the present book, The Heritage of Kamakhya on the Nilachala Hill. The chapter relate its history both oral and recorded its rites and rituals fairs and festivals art and architecture inscriptions and sculpture all of which prove that while the tradition of worship to Her is itself not datable Kamakhya has been and continues to be a unigying symbol in the religio-cultural life of various communities and traditions including the Saiva the Vaisnav the Ganapaty. Moreover VKIC's study indicates an abiding relationship amongst dwellers of the forests hills villages and cities. This symbiotic relationship of the socio-cultural continuum indicates that in many respects mother Kamakhya is the Mother of us all.



Imprints of the Past: An Archaeological Outline of Northeast India/ Harishankar, B.S. - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2015; 289p.

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Imprints of the Past explores the archaeological wealth of northeast India from Quaternary Period. It brings to focus the beginnings of agriculture and domestication, trade and technology as well as Great Buddhist Monastic complexes of eastern India and their function in the cultural synthesis of Ganga-Brahmaputra Valley. The study comprehensively incorporates Maurya, Gupta and Post Gupta sites as well as rock cut cave temples, public architecture, water management, stone and bronze images, inscriptions, coins, paintings and manuscripts supplemented with considerable tables and maps. The cultural interaction with Nepal, Tibet, Myanmar, China and southeast Asia is interesting. On a wider canvas the book discusses approaches of colonial anthropology and agenda of their contemporary propagandists who attempt to culturally bifurcate northeast India as a separate geo-cultural entity. Extensive archaeological evidence contend that northeast India can no longer be perceived as an isolated zone detached from Greater India.



Incorporating the Indian Civilisation Narrative in the Strategic Domain/Gurumurthy, S - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2020; vi, 70p.

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S. Gurumurthy's Incorporating the Indian Civilisation Narrative in the Strategic Domain argues for integrating India's civilizational ethos into modern strategic thinking. He critiques Western frameworks dominating policy discourse and emphasizes indigenous cultural and philosophical traditions as vital to national resurgence. Published by Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, the book encourages strategic autonomy rooted in India's timeless values and civilizational identity. India vs Uk: The story of an unprecedented diplomatic win/ Akbaruddin, Syed -54411 HarperCollins India, Gurugram, 2021; xviii, 211p. From the revolt of 1857 and the freedom movement to duels on the cricket pitch, India The Story of an and the United Kingdom have been on opposing sides on numerous occasions. A less known instance when this dynamic played out was the 2017 election for a seat on the International Court of Justice. Unwilling at first, India was prompted to enter the ring in the wake of the Kulbhushan Jadhav case. The contest that followed proved to be a 'second war of Independence' in the words of then foreign minister Sushma Swaraj and a David-and-Goliath fight against the permanent members of the Security Council, who all put their might behind the UK. Syed Akbaruddin, India's Permanent Representative to the UN at the time, presents a behind-the-scenes account of India's coming-of-age in world affairs through the prism of this momentous election. Syed Akbaruddin India's China Challenge: A Journey Through China's Rise and What It Means for 54412 India/ Krishnan, Ananth - HarperCollins India, Noida, 2020; xvi, 417p. Ananth Krishnan first moved to China in the summer of 2008. In the years that followed, he had a ringside view of the country's remarkable transformation. He INDIA'S CHINA reported from Beijing for a decade, for the India Today and The Hindu. This gave him CHALLENGE a privileged opportunity that few Indians have had - to travel the length and breadth of the country, beyond the glitzy skyscrapers of Shanghai and the grand avenues of Beijing that greet most tourists, to the heart of China's rise. This book is Krishnan's attempt at unpacking India's China challenge, which is four-fold: the political challenge of dealing with a one-party state that is looking to increasingly shape global institutions; the military challenge of managing an unresolved border; the economic challenge of both learning from China's remarkable and unique growth story and building a closer relationship; and the conceptual challenge of changing how we think about and engage with our most important neighbour. India's China Challenge tells the story of a complex political relationship, and how China - and its leading opinionmakers - view India. It looks at the economic dimensions and cultural connect, and

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India's Unity in Literature and History: Concept and Practice/ Danino, Michel -

the country's future and its relations with India.

Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2018; 28p.

	In this concise yet insightful work, Michel Danino explores the deep-rooted idea of India's civilizational unity as reflected in its ancient literature, historical consciousness, and cultural continuity. Challenging colonial narratives of fragmentation, Danino highlights how texts like the *Mahabharata*, *Ramayana*, and regional traditions upheld a vision of India as a unified cultural and spiritual entity, long before political unification.	The Suph Vedarita Vachospas Rachin North Phaban Been led Memorial Lecture India's Unity In Literature and History: Concept and Practice Michel Donino Vivehonorida Mendra Institute of Culture (Phonosis Lautoman MC Ripol. Generation (More) during.
44	Kamrupia Dhulia: Their Lives and Legacy a Discussion Paper on Traditional Drummers of Kamrup District, Based on Field Surveys/ Das, P. K - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Assam, 2018; 20p.	54414
	Kamrupia Dhulia: Their Lives and Legacy" is a discussion paper that delves into the rich tradition of the Dhulia drummers from the Kamrup district in Assam, India. The Dhulia are traditional drummers integral to various ceremonies, festivals, and social events in Assam, especially in the Kamrup region. Their performances encompass drumming, singing, dancing, acrobatics, and satirical skits, reflecting the sociocultural fabric of Assamese society.	
45	Living in Harmony/ Swami, Mitrananda - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2015; 32p.	54415
	Living in Harmony is a philosophical work rooted in Vedantic teachings, aiming to inspire to achieve balance and harmony in life. Living in Harmony serves as a guide for achieving balance and unity in life through spiritual practices and ethical living.	
46	Making India Great: The Promise of a Reluctant Global Power/ Pande, Aparna - Harper Collins Publications India, Uttar Pradesh, 2020; xxviii, 208p.	54416
	India will be the world's most populous country by 2024 and its third largest economy by 2028. But the size of our population and a sense of historical greatness alone are insufficient to guarantee we will fulfil our ambition to become a global power. Our approach to realize this vision needs more than just planning for economic growth. It requires a shift in attitudes.In Making India Great, Aparna Pande examines the challenges we face in the areas of social, economic, military and foreign policy and strategy. She points to the dichotomy that lies at the heart of the nation: our belief in becoming a global power and the reluctance to implement policies and take actions that would help us achieve that goal. The New India holds all the promise of greatness many of its citizens dream of. Can it become a reality? The book delves into this question.	APARNA PANDE MAKING INDIA GREAT THE PROMISE OF A RELUCTANT GLOBAL POWER
47	Namghar: The Social Unifier/ Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2019; 77p.	54417

This book explores the Namghar—a traditional prayer and community hall in Naamghar Assam—as a powerful institution fostering social unity, moral values, and collective the social unifier identity. Rooted in the Bhakti movement of Srimanta Sankardeva, Namghars transcend caste and class barriers, serving as centers of spiritual, cultural, and social life. The study highlights their enduring role in promoting harmony and democratic participation in Assamese society. Nehru, Tibet and China/ Bhasin, Avtar Singh - Penguin Random House, Haryana, 54418 2021; xxvii, 403p. On 1 October 1949, the People's Republic of China came into being and changed forever the course of Asian history. Power moved from the hands of the nationalist Kuomintang government to the Communist Party of China headed by Mao Tse Tung. All of a sudden, it was not only an assertive China that India had to deal with but also an increasingly complex situation in Tibet which was reeling under pressure from China. Clearly, newly independent India, with Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru at its helm, was navigating very choppy waters. Its relations with China progressively deteriorated, eventually leading to the Indo-China war in 1962. Today, more than six decades after the war, we are still plagued by border disputes with China that seem to routinely grab the headlines. It leads one to question what exactly went on during those initial years of the emergence of a new China. New Perspectives From the Srimad Bhagavad Gita/ Mahadevan, B. - Vivekananda 54419 Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2016; 42p. New Perspectives on Srimad Bhagavad Gita brings to light aspects which will appeal to today's men and women who are seeking well rounded, meaningful and purposeful lives - lives, which have equipoise, grace and dignity, relish the fine sensibilities of being human, and which are at peace within and outside, Prof. B Mahadevan takes an New Perspectives from the Srimod Bhagavad Gita analytical look into an ancient yet perennially relevant text from the perspective of management and statecraft Within its compact dimension, the book identifies key aspects of leadership, philosophy and justification of war, identifies keys to decision making, dentifies how inclusive leadership is about balance - of strength and gentleness as well as of fearlessness and compassion Prof Mahadevan demonstrates how Lord Krishna peels away the layers of obfuscations which hinder correct perspectives of reality in times of stress and strain. The arguments affirm that in the large arena of human activities where conflicts and clash of interests are frequent and

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Outlook Towards Life: Oriental and Occidental/ Saikia, Nagen - Vivekananda Kendra

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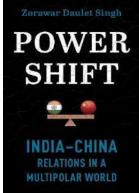
In this reflective essay, noted Assamese thinker Nagen Saikia contrasts Eastern and Western philosophical approaches to life and self-examination. He explores how Eastern traditions emphasize inner growth, spiritual discipline, and harmony, while Western thought often focuses on rational inquiry and external achievement. The work encourages a balanced worldview, drawing from both civilizational insights to address modern existential challenges.



Powershift: India—china Relations in a Multipolar World/ Singh, Zorawar Daulet - Macmillan, New Delhi, 2020; ix, 368p.

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As India and China stand at a crossroads, Powershift goes a long way to explain how we got here and where we might go' SHIVSHANKAR MENON, former National Security Advisor 'An insightful and timely re-examination of the increasingly volatile relationship between India and China' AMITAV GHOSH, author of the Ibis Trilogy 'Power shift should be on the shelves of every China-watcher in India and should be read carefully' VIKRAM SOOD, former Chief of R&AW Just like seven decades ago when the dramatic re-emergence of India and China from their traumatic encounter with colonialism followed by a war between them in 1962 transformed this region's geopolitical landscape, the equation of the two countries is once again poised to influence the future course of Asia. Wider interests demand that both countries craft a tenuous co-existence and stabilize a fragmenting world order. There are also circumstances that are bringing new frictions and differences to the fore as India and China pursue their regional interests and attempt to settle old scores. Although both leaderships have chosen to delicately manage this see-saw, recurring border crises have repeatedly questioned whether Delhi and Beijing can maintain such a balancing act for much longer. The emerging multipolar world has brought the relationship at a crossroads where today's choices will set in course events that will profoundly impact India's economy, security and the regional order. It is, therefore, critical that India's leaders get our China policy right. Power shift helps us make sense of a complex relationship and how India and China are learning to cope with each other's rise on the world stage. Whether it is intricacies of the border dispute and the complicated history of their Himalayan frontier, the flux in US-China relations, the geopolitics of Greater Eurasia and the Indo-Pacific, China's belt and road initiative and growing connectivity footprint in the region, BRICS and a changing world order, or the conundrum of formulating a far-sighted China policy, the book casts a wide net in unpacking India-China relations. Powershift provides much-needed context for Indians to start thinking more strategically and realistically about their largest neighbour.



Sister Nivedita: The Pathfinder/ Rajbongshi, Mukunda - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2017; 199p.

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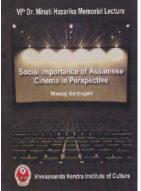
This book takes a fresh look into the enormous contribution made by sister for the Sister Nivedita uplift f the society though her enlightened spiritual attainment coupled with the The Pothfinder amalgamation of the core spiritual values of India the multidimensional personality dedicated her life to the cause. And women's education and empowerment among others. Small States and Security in Europe: Between National and International 54423 Policymaking/ Weiss, Tomáš (ed.); Edwards, Geoffrey (ed.) - Routledge, London, 2022; xix, 232p. This book studies how domestic contestation influences the security policy of small states within the European Union (EU) and North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). A multinational group of expert contributors consider how domestic contestation is translated into small states' foreign policies, how membership of international organisations alters attitudes to security policy in small states and how SMALL STATES AND SECURITY IN EUROPE patterns of small states' behaviour across domestic traditions, security cultures and BETWEEN NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL POLICYMAKING geographical location can be identified. Anchored in new institutionalism, the book explores the influence of international organisations on security policies and the tensions created by connecting four strands of literature, on Europeanisation, on the impact of and on institutions, on the way foreign and security policy is made, and the security/strategic culture of small states. Social and Cultural Continuum in India With Special Focus on the Northest/ Kumar, 54424 B.B - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2011; 64p. The paper explores India's diverse social and cultural fabric, focusing on the unique Social and Cultural Continuum dynamics of the north eastern region. It highlights the region's ethnic diversity, with Special Focus on the Northeast traditional practices, and integration into the broader Indian cultural continuum. Key themes include family structures, rituals, art, and festivals, alongside the influence of religion and historical migrations. It also examines modern challenges like preserving B. B. Kumai cultural heritage amid modernization and political influences. By addressing the interplay of tradition and change, the study underscores the region's critical role in shaping India's collective identity. Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture Social Importance of Assamese Cinema in Perspective/ Barpujari, Manoj -54425 Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Assam, 2019; 16p. This concise study by noted film critic Manoj Barpujari examines Assamese cinema VIth Dr. Minati Hazarika Memorial Lectur as a medium reflecting and shaping the region's social consciousness. Highlighting its role in portraying cultural identity, social issues, and collective aspirations, the work

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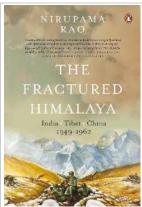
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discusses cinema's potential as a unifying and transformative force. Barpujari emphasizes how films contribute to societal dialogue and preserve Assam's linguistic

Special Relationships in World Politics: Inter-state Friendship and Diplomacy After 56 54426 the Second World War/ Haugevik, Kristin M - Routledge, London, 2018; ix, 211p. Claims of inter-state 'specialness' are commonplace in international politics. But how do some relationships between states come to be seen and categorized as 'special' in the first place? And what impact, if any, do recurring public representations of specialness have on states' political and diplomatic interaction? While much scholarly work exists on alleged instances of special relationships, and on inter-state cooperation SPECIAL RELATIONSHIPS IN WORLD POLITICS and alliances more generally, little systematic and theory informed research has been INTER-STATE FRIENDSHIP AND DIPLOMACY AFTER THE SECOND WORLD WAR conducted on how special relationships evolve and unfold in practice. This book offers Kristin Hungevi such a comprehensive study. Theorizing inter-state relations as ongoing social processes, it makes the case for approaching special relationships as constituted and upheld through linguistic representations and bilateral interaction practices. Haugevik explores this claim through an in-depth study of how the bilateral relationship most frequently referred to as 'special' – the US-British – has unfolded over the last seventy years. This analysis is complemented with a study of Britain's relationship with a more junior partner, Norway, during the same period. The book offers an original take on inter-state relations and diplomacy during the Cold War and after, and develops an analytical framework for understanding why some state relationships maintain their status as 'special', while others end up as 'benignly neglected' ones. 57 Tactical Constructivism, Method, and International Relations/ Steele, Brent J (ed.); 54427 Gould, Harry D (ed.); Kessler, Oliver (ed.) - Routledge, New York, 2021; 268p. This is a book on methods, how scholars embody them and how working within, from or against Constructivism has shaped that use and embodiment. A vibrant crosssection of contributors write of interdisciplinary encounters, first interactions with the 'discipline' of International Relations, discuss engagements in different techniques and tactics, and of pursuing different methods ranging from ethnographic to computer TACTICAL CONSTRUCTIVISM. METHOD, AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS simulations, from sociology to philosophy and history. Presenting a range of voices, many constructivist, some outside and even critical of Constructivism, the volume shows methods as useful tools for approaching research and political positions in International Relations, while also containing contingent, inexact, unexpected, and even surprising qualities for opening further research. It gives a rich account of how the discipline was transformed in the 1990s and early 2000s, and how this shaped careers, positions and interactions. 58 The Dimasa: Child of the Big River/ Sharma, PC - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of 54428 Culture, Assam, 2003; 93p. This ethnographic work delves into the life, culture, and heritage of the Dimasa community, one of the indigenous groups of Northeast India. Tracing their origins, traditions, language, and social structures, the book presents the Dimasas as "children of the big river" (referring to the Brahmaputra). It highlights their deep connection with nature, rich oral traditions, and contributions to the region's historical and cultural mosaic. 59 The Fractured Himalaya: India Tibet China 1949-62/ Rao, Nirupama - India Penguin, 54429 Haryana, 2022; 640p.

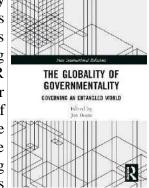
In the India-China relationship, the past shadows the present. It shapes current policy options and approaches, and strongly influences public debate in India to this day. While the period from 1949 to 1962 is crucial as Jawaharlal Nehru sought-unsuccessfully--to establish a workable relationship with the Chinese, the preindependence history of the British colonial government's relations with Tibet, the genesis of the McMahon Line, Communist China's military take-over and domination of Tibet, together with the unshakeable foundational belief amongst Indians that the Himalayas form the country's sacred boundary, combined to powerfully impact India's relations with China. Nirupama Menon Rao, a former Foreign Secretary of India, unknots this intensely complex saga. Her telling is based not only on a wide selection of published documents and archival material from India, China, Europe and America, but also on a deep personal knowledge of China where she has served as India's Ambassador. In addition, she brings a practitioner's keen eye to the labyrinth of negotiations and official interactions that took place between the two countries from 1949 to 1962. The Fractured Himalaya is a rigorous examination of the workings of diplomacy and both its human and policy quotient; it looks at inflection points when the trajectory of the relationship could have altered, but were missed. But, most unusually, it also tells the story of the personalities involved-Jawaharlal Nehru, Mao Zedong, Zhou Enlai and the 14th Dalai Lama-and their interactions as the tournament of those years unfolded and moved step by closer step to the conflict of 1962.



The Globality of Governmentality: Governing an Entangled World/ Busse, Jan (ed.) - Routledge, New York, 2023; 244p.

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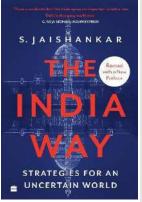
This book reinvigorates the govern mentality debate in International Relations (IR) by stressing the interconnectedness between governmentality and globality. It addresses a widening gap in the social sciences and humanities by reconciling Michel Foucault's concept of 'governmentality' with global politics. The volume assembles leading scholars who draw attention to the importance of approaching governmentality in IR from the perspective of globality and thereby highlights the need to consider governmentality and globality as fundamentally entangled. Accordingly, instead of any scaling-up of governmentality, the contributors argue that globality cannot be equated with the international level and should rather be considered as a genuine context of its own requiring distinct consideration. The book builds on the increasing importance and popularity of governmentality studies, not only by updating Foucault's concepts at a theoretical level, but also by introducing novel empirical problems and practices of global governmentality that have not hitherto been explored in IR.



The India Way: Strategies for an Uncertain World/ Jaishankar, S - HarperCollins, India, 2020; xiv, 226p.

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The decade from the 2008 global financial crisis to the 2020 coronavirus pandemic has seen a real transformation of the world order. The very nature of international relations and its rules are changing before our eyes. For India, this means optimal relationships with all the major powers to best advance its goals. It also requires a bolder and non-reciprocal approach to its neighbourhood. A global footprint is now in the making that leverages India's greater capability and relevance, as well as its unique diaspora. This era of global upheaval entails greater expectations from India, putting it on the path to becoming a leading power. In The India Way, S. Jaishankar, India's Minister of External Affairs, analyses these challenges and spells out possible policy responses. He places this thinking in the context of history and tradition, appropriate for a civilizational power that seeks to reclaim its place on the world stage.



The Main Ceremonies of the Khasi/ Marbaniang, Kwor Shon - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Assam, 2018; 50p.

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The book entitled The Main Ceremonies of the Khasi is a translated work by Bijoya The Main Ceremonie of the Khasi Sawain of three vernacular authors K.S. Marbaniang, Sitimon Sawain and Wallamphang Roy the book centered on the three important ceremonies of the Khasi community, their importance, and series of step and activities involved on it. The New Dimensions of India - Russia Relations/ Singh, Surendra - LAP Lambert 54433 Academic Publishing, Germany, 2013; 244p. The book deals with the evolution of relations between India and the Russian Federation during the first decade after the disintegration of the Soviet Union in the context of the changed global configuration of powers in the post-Cold War era as well as of the reduced stature of Russia, A View into the Third Millennium India-Russian Strategic Cooperation, Partnership. Phases and Future of India-Russia Defence, Economic Relations, Trade Relations, Nuclear, Marine Science and The New Dimensions of Technology Cooperation. Russia and South Asia, Indian Economic Interests in Central India - Russia Relations Asia in Post-Soviet Era. The book also focuses on the Central Asian region that has become the new meeting ground of common interests of both India and Russia. A Tentative Assessment Russia's Foreign Policy in the Post-Cold War Period Putin, LAMBERT Plutocracy and Foreign Policy Russian Foreign Policy A Wind of Change is Blowing: A Report on Russia Today Economic Transformation in Putin's Russia. Book is useful to researchers, Academicians, Graduates, Post Graduates and Research Scholars of International Relations, have been designed to make learning much aware about the International relations and global problems of foreign relations. The Rhetoric of Inquiry in International Relations: A Hermeneutic Investigation Into 54434 the Forms of Argumentation in International Relations Meta-theory./ Michel, Torsten - Routledge, New York, 2023; 196p. This book argues that our current lack of recognising and understanding the different forms meta-theorising takes, hampers the ways in which fruitful engagement between meta-theories can be conducted. It proposes a radical break with the ways in which meta-theorising in International Relations (IR) has so far been understood, and instead THE RHETORIC OF INQUIRY suggests a dyadic approach: a rhetoric of inquiry that investigates the diverging forms IN INTERNATIONAL of argumentation currently present in IR meta-theorising and a conversational ethic RELATIONS ENEUTIC INVESTIGATION INTO THE FORM ARGUMENTATION IN IR META-THEORY that can help steer meta-theoretical engagements across existing divides in more productive ways. The central questions are where meta-theorising should go from here in order to contribute to the analysis of an ever more complex world? Can we develop ways that allow the practice of meta-theorising to channel and consolidate the multiplicity of its debates and contentions to strengthen our understanding of world politics, and if so, how? It will be of general interest in all theory and methodology courses offered at undergraduate and postgraduate levels as well as to academics working in the area of metatheory, international political thought, normative theory as well as IR theory in its various manifestations.

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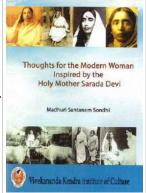
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	Srimanta Sankardeva had envisioned a spiritually elevated, cultured, and organized society. The Sattra institution brought into being byhis dedicated disciples have been a Shakti Kendra - vibrant centres of strength, succour and guidance to people for generations. But there is a need to understand the present situation - its inherent strength and potential to provide solutions to the challenges facing our society today.	Sattra Institution of Assam An Overview
66	The Teachings of Elders: Ka Jingsneng Tymmen Parts- I/ Berry, Radhon Singh - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2016; ix, 106p.	54436
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68	Theravada Buddhist Monasteries of Arunachal Pradesha Study of Art and Visual Culture/ Nageswara, C.V - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati, 2020; viii, 179p.	54438
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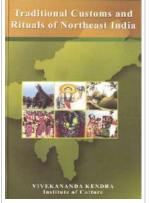
The booklet, 'Thoughts for the Modern Woman Inspired by the Holy Mother Sarada Devi' is the outcome of a talk delivered by Smt Madhuri Santanam Sondhi at Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, (VKIC), Guwahati in 2006. It brings into focus issues that trouble us today, challenges that the Holy Mother too faced and overcame with élan. In so doing, the author questions notions of 'modernity' and presents the Holy Mother as an embodiment of modern values not 'in the details of her dress and conduct, but in the essentials of the thought and freedom which lay behind her choices in behaviour.



Traditional Customs and Rituals of North-east India/ Sharma, P C (ed.) - Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture, Guwahati , 2002; xxxiii, 222p.

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This is the second and last volume of the book titled "Traditional Customs and Rituals of Northeast India" which has been compiled out of the papers presented in the series of seminars organized on the same theme by Vivekananda Kendra Institute of Culture (VKIC), Guwahati. The seminars covered a period from 1993 to 1998 and they were organized state-wise by invoicing scholars from the states of Tripura, Nagaland, Mizoram, as also a second seminar on Arunachal Pradesh. As stated in the preface to Volume I, the papers included in this volume also were sent to the respective presenters for reviewing them in the light of the discussions held during the course of the seminar; and some of them have complied with our request. However, all the papers have been thoroughly proof-read by us with minimal edition which was found indispensable to keep parity with the very objective of the seminar. In any case, the views of the writers have not been touched as far as possible. The writers have prepared the papers on the basis of their firsthand knowledge on the respective topics and it is supposed that their write-up are based on their wide study and research. As such, the facts expressed by them are exclusively their own and this institute is not competent to comment on their relevance or authenticity. This volumes contains all total five chapters and each chapter contains papers from one seminar, including the keynotes address. As the seminars were organized on particular dates, and in addition to the technical sessions, include inaugural and valedictory functions, a chapter-wise note is given below primarily to acknowledge the selfless co-operation of the distinguished guest.



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