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FICTION





THE PLAGUE UPON US

SHABIR AHMAD MIR

'In times like these, truth is perhaps the only justice we can have, the only vengeance we can wreak...'

Blood drips from the pellet-stricken eyes of young Kashmiri men as Oubaid watches insurgency and violence rip through the streets of his homeland. A voice in his head tells him he knows who brought this plague upon them. But acknowledging it would mean that he must relive the horrors inflicted on those he loves

As Oubaid reluctantly confronts his past, there emerge four echoes of a story, narrated by four childhood friends – a youth caught in conflict, the daughter of a social climber, the son of a moneyed landlord and a militant.

A taut, searing reflection of our times, The Plague upon Us announces the arrival of an arresting new voice in contemporary fiction.

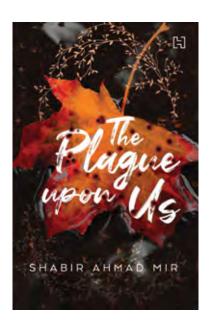
A heart-rending story of betrayal, and the loss of love and friendship in times of war... A superb debut

Mirza Waheed

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Shabir Ahmad Mir is a writer from Kashmir. This is his first novel.



THE MAN WHO LEARNT TO FLY BUT COULD NOT LAND

THACHOM POYIL RAJEEVAN / TRANSLATED BY P.J. MATHEW

Winner of the Kerala Sahitya Akademi Award in 2014

K.T.N. Kottoor was activist, lover, communist, friend, saint, sinner – but, above all, he was a writer...

Born into a family of rural wealth and near-feudal influence in a village nestled in British Malabar, Koyiloth Thazhe Narayanan Kottoor knows little of want. But, as a patriotic fervour grips the country in the last decades of the Raj, a veritable avalanche of new ideas and ideals shapes the young KTN. As he grows from a boy who takes to writing not only as art but also as a tool of social change, to an activist enamoured of varying philosophies and enmeshed in India's freedom struggle, he grapples with hardship, love, lust and a search for meaning in a reality that forever disappoints.

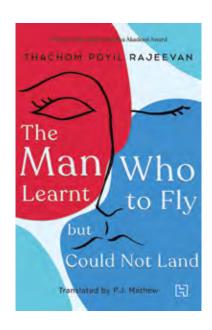
Here is a magical almost-biography of a fictional writer, one inhabited by goddesses and ghosts, a fortune-telling parrot, dead humans in the avatar of crows, and a blind woman who hears – and sees – better than anyone else.

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Thachom Poyil Rajeevan has published two poetry collections in English, and six poetry collections, two novels, a travelogue and an essay collection in Malavalam.

P.J. Mathew is a senior bilingual journalist with three decades of experience in Malayalam journalism in Kerala and two decades in English in New Delhi.



COLLECTED PLAYS, VOLUME 1 BLOOD AND LAUGHTER

PLAYS

MANJULA PADMANABHAN

Bringing together the dramatic works of Onassis Prize-winning playwright and author Manjula Padmanabhan

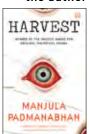
Blood and Laughter presents within its covers Manjula's full-length plays – including the three-times-cinematized Lights Out, the previously unpublished Mating Game Show and Artist's Model and the award-winning Harvest – all known for their masterful portrayal of the dilemmas of morality, relationships and the idea of justice. Horror, anticipation and chilling realism mark each of these works, drawing readers and audiences alike to the edge of their seats.

With new introductory notes that affirm the relevance of the themes of the plays, this collection showcases the playwright's mastery of her art and reconfirms her standing among the leading dramatists of our time.

Manjula Padmanabhan is a writer, artist and playwright. She is the author of several critically acclaimed books, including Kleptomania, The Island of Lost Girls and Hot Death, Cold Soup.

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COLLECTED PLAYS, VOLUME 2 LAUGHTER AND BLOOD

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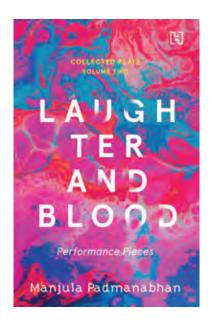
Bringing together the dramatic works of Onassis Prize-winning playwright and author Manjula Padmanabhan

Laughter and Blood presents within its covers Manjula's short performance pieces. From The Sextet and Ladies' Night to Hidden Fires and Blind Date, these wildly inventive, subversive and often chilling plays introduce readers to the intrigue of inverted power structures, tantalizingly suggestive interactions and powerful voices from the fringe.

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THESE, OUR BODIES, POSSESSED BY LIGHT

DHARINI BHASKAR

A remarkable debut about (un)sanctioned memory, uncommon love and the claims of familial history

Until now, Deeya has found an unquiet contentment in the memories of her affair with an older man and in a spare but tolerable marriage. But Neil comes into her life, offering a heady romance and a new identity. Will Deeya give their fledgling relationship a chance?

Perhaps the seeds of her answer have already been sown by her family – by her grandmother and mother, both of whom have been compelled to make complex negotiations with love.

As Deeya confronts their stories, she must decide: Will she upend her family's history and build a narrative of her own? Or is she destined to carry forward the concessions and mutinies of her ancestors?

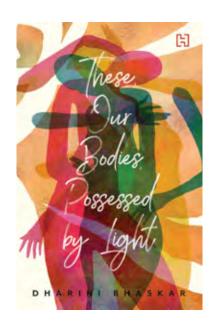
An unforgettable read, dotted with pensive moments and uncertainties

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MRS A'S INDIAN GENTLEMEN

DAWOOD ALI McCALLUM

A hilarious romp of a novel that depicts what happens when cultures collide – complete with dollops of sex, humour and a murder

In 1943, as war rages across Europe, Britain's Great Western Railway (GWR) Works' labour force is comprised of a few men too valuable, old or infirm for active service and thousands of recently recruited women. With critical skills in short supply, the British government looks to the empire to provide vital expertise in the run up to the D-Day invasion.

And that is how railway engineer Imtiaz 'Billy' Khan, logistics supremo Vincent Rosario and maths prodigy Akaash Ray find themselves in Swindon, lodging with Mrs A, hilariously navigating bland food, faulty toilet cisterns, secret assignments and a mutual distrust of each other.

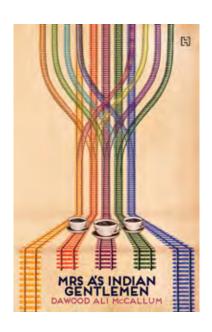
A remarkable novel with its subtle balancing of humour and gravitas

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SOMETIMES IVORY, SOMETIMES SAND

MAHEK JANGDA

'We stood up for ourselves, Laila, when no one would... That's a victory.'

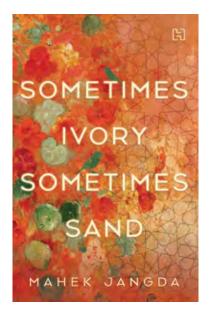
Laila Jagir, daughter of the powerful councilman of the district of Rahat, and Jasmine Mir, a lonely young girl left to fend for herself in an abusive family, live worlds apart. Yet, they are bound by the disadvantages they share. When a momentous bill proposing to allow women to hold elected office is brought forth, a campaign of a lifetime begins, as Laila and Jasmine scramble to join their efforts in changing history.

A powerful political coming-of-age story of two young women from a bold, new voice in contemporary fiction, *Sometimes Ivory, Sometimes Sand* interrogates what it means to be brave when one must sacrifice everything one holds dear for a greater good.

Mahek Jangda has been a dreamer from childhood. She has performed spoken word poetry at many prestigious venues and has also acted in various short films including the VHI Supersonic Women's safety video.

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AND OTHER SIMULATIONS OF YOUR FUTURE

LAVANYA LAKSHMINARAYAN

'We are a Meritocratic Technarchy. We are the future of the human race.'

The world's nations have collapsed, and a handful of city states form the remains of civilization. Erstwhile Bangalore is now rebranded, ruled by the insidious Bell Corporation.

Welcome to Apex City. Here, technology is the key to survival, productivity is power, and the self must be engineered for the only noble goal in life: success.

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Lavanya Lakshminarayan's searing debut sinks its teeth into this dystopian future, offering a glimpse into a world we may be dangerously close to inheriting.



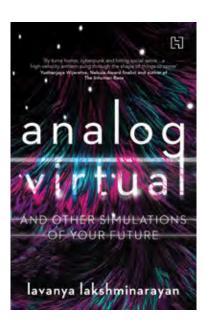
This is fiction playing for the highest stakes – and winning



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RAGHU SRINIVASAN

Year: 2019. The world appears to be falling apart.

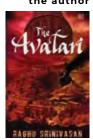
The whimsical President of the USA has imposed trade sanctions on China. Chinese citizens, reeling from a disastrous economic meltdown, have taken to the streets in revolt. The Communist Party initiates military action, drawing both Japan and the USA into a conflict that portends all-out nuclear war. Behind its aggression, however, is a singular circumstance: a vaccine based on ancient tribal knowledge that could tilt military balance in its favour.

The fate of the world now rests on the success of a quest undertaken by an eclectic team – a Japanese policewoman, an Indian ethnologist, a young Indian mountain guide, a devious Russian geologist – to unravel the only clue they have at hand, buried in a fable from a time when the magic of the shamans guided the rulers of Tibet.

Raghu Srinivasan is a serving officer in the Indian Army. His tenures have seen him patrol leech-infested tropical jungles, stare across the expanse of the African savannah and spot snow leopards in the Karakoram ranges. This is his second novel.

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EMPEROR HARSHA

ADITY KAY

Young Harsha wants only to be a scholar - but when the crown falls to him, will he rise to the occasion?

Harsha, the youngest prince of the northern kingdom of Sthaniswara, is immersed in his studies at Nalanda. As far as he is concerned, the future of the realm is secure in the hands of his beloved brother, the strait-laced crown prince Rajyavardhana.

But when their father dies under mysterious circumstances, the princes fear something sinister is afoot. As Rajya takes the throne, Harsha sets out to unravel the web of intrigue he suspects spans kingdoms.

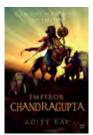
His mission is soon cut short, however, as war rocks the land, and treachery lays low his brother. Burdened with the crown, the scholar prince must now grapple with the task of battling enemies who follow no dharma and hunt down the more sinister foe pulling all the strings. And as a new force rises to the south, Harsha knows he will face his greatest challenge yet.

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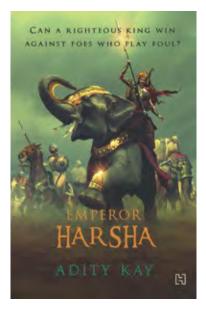
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Adity Kay has nurtured a secret love for history all through her years of working as an editor at a magazine, a human resources professional and a management consultant.

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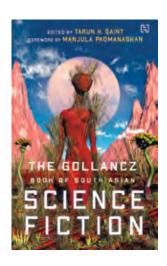


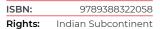




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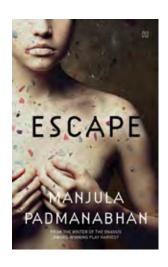


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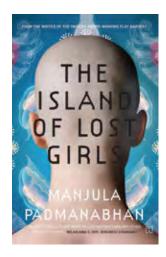


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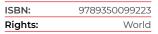


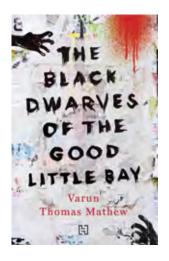
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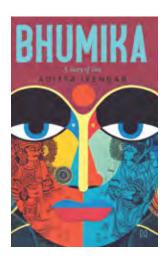






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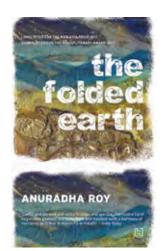


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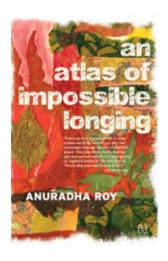
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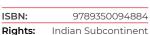


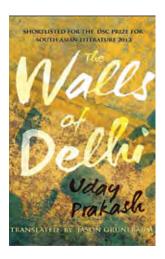
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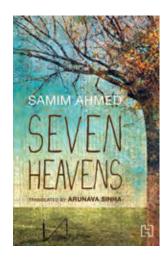




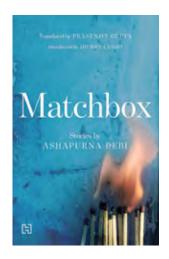


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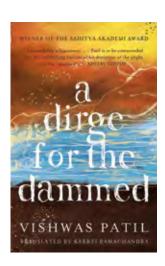


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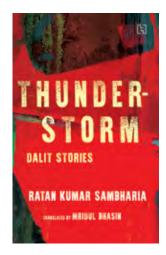


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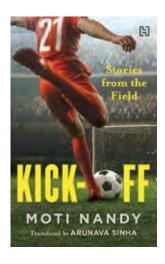
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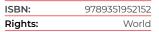


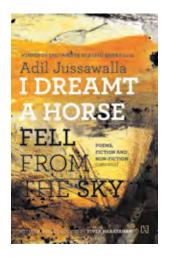
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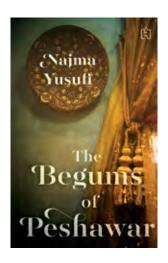




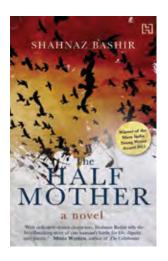


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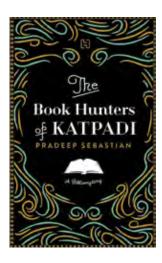
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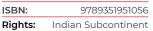
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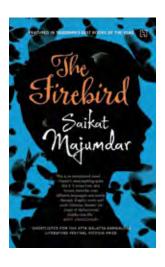


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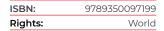


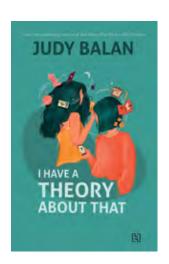
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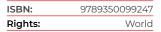


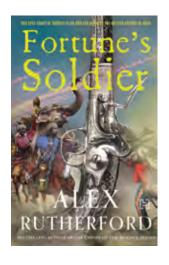
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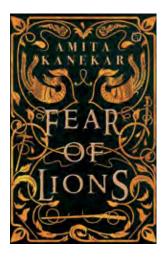
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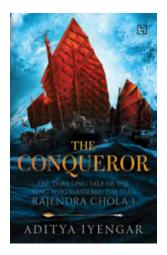




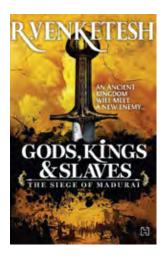
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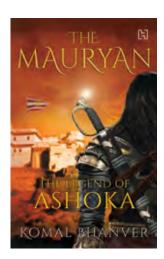
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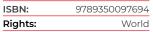


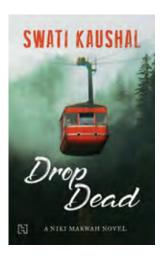
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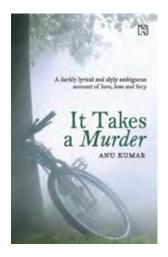
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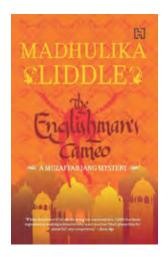




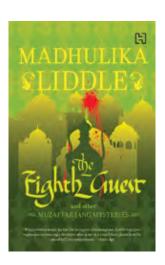
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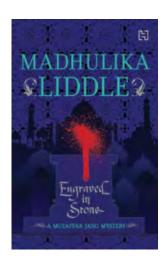
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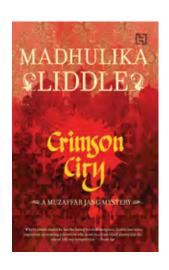
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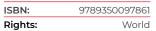


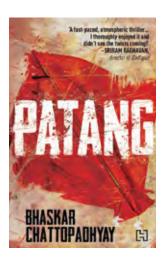
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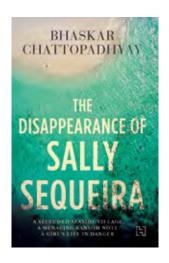




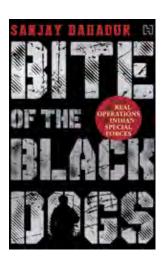
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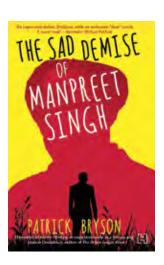
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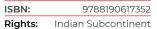


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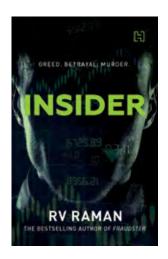




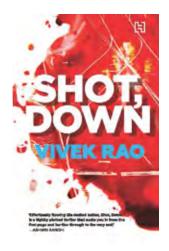


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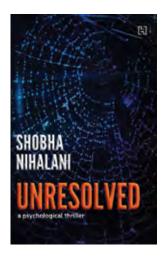
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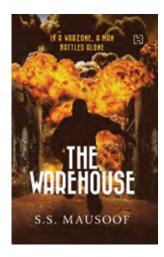
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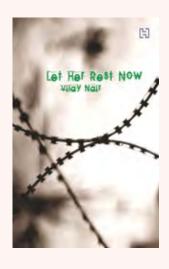
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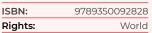


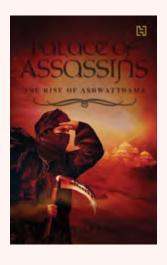
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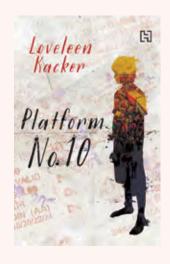
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MIND MASTER

WINNING LESSONS FROM A CHAMPION'S LIFE

VISWANATHAN ANAND

What role do tactics and strategy play in the preparation for achieving a goal?

What do you need to do to stay relevant in the face of rapidly changing realities?

Is unlearning really the only way to learn?

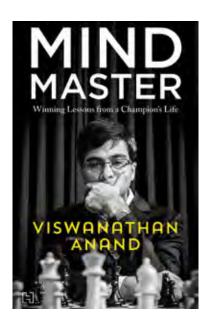
These are just some of the nuggets Viswanathan Anand, one of the most prominent names in chess today, touches upon with characteristic wit, easy wisdom and disarming candour in his book, *Mind Master*.

Vishy looks back on a lifetime of games played, opponents tackled and circumstances overcome, and draws from its depths significant tools that will help every reader navigate life's challenges. Here is a delightful and invaluable exploration into the self that will thrill, inspire and motivate.

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Over the three decades since he turned Grandmaster, Viswanathan Anand has won five World Championship titles among numerous other tournaments and has continued to push past barriers to remain among the world's top chess players. Anand is an astronomy buff, and an avid reader on maths, economics and current affairs.



SEX AND THE SUPREME COURT

HOW THE LAW IS UPHOLDING THE DIGNITY OF THE INDIAN CITIZEN

EDITED BY SAURABH KIRPAL

'The Constitution [of India] has within it the ability to produce social catharsis...' - JUSTICE D.Y. CHANDRACHUD

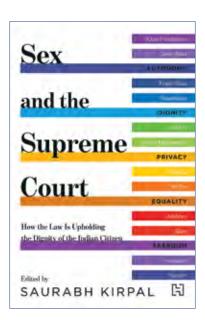
From empowering the transgender community and the prevention of sexual harassment at the workplace, to protecting the privacy and rights of women and minorities, such as the Sabarimala temple issue or Triple Talaq, the Supreme Court of India has set a course for progressive societal reforms.

This remarkable collection of writings by legal luminaries is the only book to offer clarity on and insight into these crucial rulings. Justices Madan Lokur, A.K. Sikri and B.D. Ahmed elucidate the laws that they have written, while Mukul Rohatgi, Madhavi Divan, Menaka Guruswamy, Arundhati Katju and Saurabh Kirpal offer a legal analysis on different judgements.

An unprecedented documentation of the rulings that have set a standard for the rights and liberties of sexual minorities and women in India, Sex and the Supreme Court is also an invaluable record for posterity – for it reveals the power of the country's courts to uphold the privacy, dignity and safety of its citizens.

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Saurabh Kirpal, a Supreme Court lawyer, was the counsel for various petitioners in the case that led to the reading down of Section 377.



TRADING POWER

THE INSIDE STORY OF HOW THE PEOPLE'S MANDATE WAS BETRAYED IN THE 2019 MAHARASHTRA ELECTION

PRIYAM GANDHI-MODY

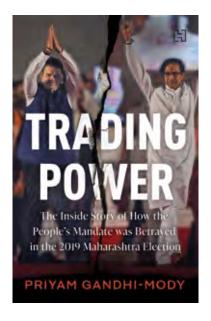
A blow-by-blow account of one of the most surprising elections in Indian history

In October 2019, the Assembly elections held in Maharashtra saw a decisive mandate in favour of the pre-poll Mahayuti alliance of the Bharatiya Janata Party and the Shiv Sena, against the Maha-agahdi alliance of the Nationalist Congress Party and the Indian National Congress. But what followed shook the very foundations of democracy in the state.

Recounting in dramatic detail the behind-thescenes negotiations and renegotiations in the highstakes battle for political control of India's financial capital, *Trading Power* throws into sharp focus the manipulations, manoeuvres and narrow motivations that rule politics in the country today, ultimately leading to a gross betrayal of the people's mandate. Priyam Gandhi-Mody is a strategist specializing in political advocacy and brand building. An advanced understanding of state affairs and a tenacious ability to build high-profile networks enable her to implement effective political communication strategies.

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NEGOTIATING THE NEW NORMAL

INDIA'S ECONOMIC CHOICES IN A POST-PANDEMIC WORLD

SAURAV JHA

'The West has won. The West has lost.'

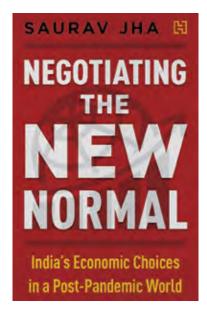
Over ten years have passed since the Global Financial Crisis of 2007–08, and the world is now firmly in uncharted waters, no longer guided by a Western liberal order predicated on the salience of free markets. Instead, the embrace of economic nationalism and protectionism, under the broader rubric of populism, is fast becoming the new stock ideology in the West.

In Negotiating the New Normal, Saurav Jha clinically examines why economic recovery remains elusive more than a decade after the crisis. His deeply researched and cogently argued account of the 'New Normal' – of a transactional, often predatory and ultimately deflationary geo-economic climate, where even central banks are fast running out of answers – is a work of extraordinary depth and ambition, providing a nuanced if sobering context and delineating what India must do to rise in this grave new world.

Saurav Jha is an author and commentator on geostrategic affairs. He has written for numerous publications, including Deccan Herald, Telegraph, World Politics Review, Diplomat, Le Monde Diplomatique and Nuclear Engineering International.

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INDIA REBORN

THE EPIC STORY OF A CIVILIZATION'S REBOUND AFTER THREE CENTURIES OF DECLINE

PRASENJIT K. BASU

A sweeping history of the dire economic consequences of colonial rule that continue to impact India's socioeconomic reality

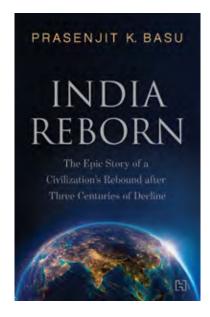
After gaining a hard-won independence, India did too little to change the imperial status quo as far as its economy was concerned. While key economic reforms came about very gradually, led by Lal Bahadur Shastri, Morarji Desai and P.V. Narasimha Rao, recent efforts to democratize the economy have yielded as much praise as criticism.

Highlighting that a Japan-style transformation has been slow in coming because the basics of a civilized existence are still denied to the majority of the country's citizens, this book asks a vital question: while the recent expansion of sanitation and financial inclusion may hold the promise of advancing that transformation, will a genuine reform of the labour market, so vital to ushering in inclusive prosperity, ever be achieved?

Prasenjit K. Basu is an economist by profession and a historian by passion. He has been chief economist (India and South-East Asia) at Credit Suisse First Boston and senior economist at Wharton Econometrics in Philadelphia, among other prestigious appointments. His book Asia Reborn won the Tata Literature Live! Best First Book award for non-fiction in 2018.

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THE CITY-MAKERS

HOW WOMEN ARE BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR URBAN INDIA

RENANA JHABVALA and BIJAL BRAHMBHATT

'We are from different settlements but we belong to one city.' – Rekha, Vikasini from Ahmedabad

Living on the margins of India's urban sprawls, the poor women of the nation's slums bear the manifold burdens of housework, childcare and earning a livelihood. The Mahila Housing SEWA Trust (MHT) was established in 1994 with the aim of mobilizing and empowering these urban poor women, and supporting their access to adequate housing. Twenty-five years on, the MHT has changed the lives of over 1.7 million individuals, reaching more than 3,30,000 households and skilling over 17,000 women.

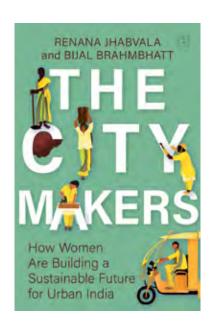
The City-Makers tells the story of this incredible journey – one of transformation that has the potential to one day change the cities in which we live. The accounts of the innumerable courageous women workers who have taken steps to bring about change at the personal and community levels speak of the struggles, the sense of solidarity and the triumph they experience as they build their homes with their own hands; bargain with government and private agencies for access to water, sanitation, affordable energy and land rights; and participate in city-level planning and decision-making processes.

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Renana Jhabvala has been active for over four decades in organizing women in the informal economy in India and South Asia into trade unions, cooperatives and financial institutions, and has advocated extensively on policy issues relating to poor women and the informal economy.

Bijal Brahmbhatt is director, Mahila Housing SEWA Trust (since 2009), overseeing MHT's operations across eight states and 36 cities in India.



SPACE. LIFE. MATTER.

THE COMING OF AGE OF INDIAN SCIENCE

HARI PULAKKAT

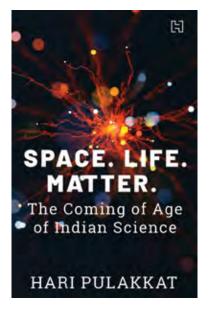
A fascinating narrative of the path-breaking contributions made by India's scientists

Phenomenal achievements in astronomy and chemistry, pioneering research enabled by India's space programme, its capacity for drug development and leather manufacturing – the story of the march of the country's science infrastructure and the people behind it is little known.

This inspiring and comprehensive account brings to readers Indian scientists' pioneering achievements and what they mean for the nation's progress – from the Kolar Gold Fields experiment with cosmic rays to ISRO's stunning space observatory built under severe constraints, from the construction of the world's largest telescope in Ooty to the significant contribution of the country's scientific institutions towards developing cutting-edge diagnostics solutions and treatments during a global pandemic.

Hari Pulakkat has been a journalist for 28 years, focusing mainly on science, technology and innovation. Between 2011 and 2019, he was a senior editor in the Economic Times. His work covered topics like science and the economy, science-based start-ups, life sciences and healthcare. Hari was won many awards for his work, among them the Indira Gandhi Award for Science Popularisation in 2020.

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THE SCIENCE OF SUCCESS

NAPOLEON HILL

'The ladder of success is never crowded at the top.' - Napoleon Hill

Napoleon Hill, the celebrated author of the bestselling classic *Think and Grow Rich*, is perhaps the most inspirational self-help writer of our time.

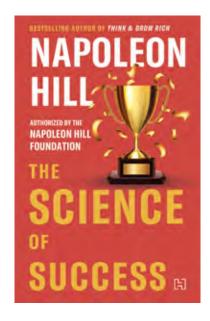
In this collection of his columns – as well as articles on him and his work by others – you will find a doorway to both Hill's many lessons and the man of success himself. This volume contains Hill's deep insights into:

- developing your personality,
- building your mental strength,
- demonstrating wisdom in showmanship,
- acquiring self-discipline,
- learning effective ways to unlock the hidden powers of the mind and more.

Napoleon Hill's notable works include Think and Grow Rich, which has sold millions of copies worldwide, Success through a Positive Mental Attitude and The Law of Success.

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THE CONCISE LAW OF SUCCESS

NAPOLEON HILL

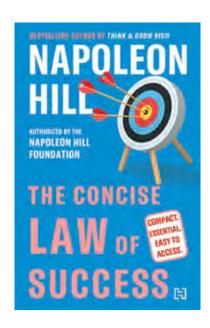
'Who said it could not be done?' - Napoleon Hill

First published over 90 years ago and read by millions since, *The Law of Success*, Napoleon Hill's groundbreaking study of personal achievement, offers a clear, practical path to power and success. In this abridged edition, over the course of 16 lucid lessons, you will discover:

- how to identify the weaknesses that block your success,
- how millionaires use the law of the Master Mind to achieve harmony of purpose and effort.
- how to stimulate your imagination and spark new ideas,
- how to analyse your habits and more.

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TIMELESS THOUGHTS FOR TODAY

NAPOLEON HILL

'Never mind what others didn't do. It's what you do that counts.' – Napoleon Hill

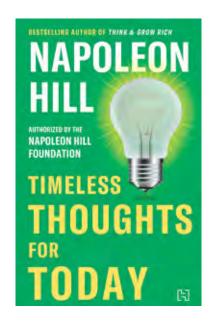
This book features sharp snippets of Hill's wisdom, along with practical advice on actions you can take for success. You don't have to read this from start to finish – simply choose any one of the ten topics it contains, ranging from achievement to faith, and dive in to get unparalleled insights into personal achievement and success.

- Achievement
- Adversity
- Cooperation
- Encouragement
- Faith
- Opportunity
- Service
- Success
- Wisdom
- Work

A timeless treatise of invaluable wisdom from one of the greatest and most influential thinkers of the modern era – republished in collaboration with the Napoleon Hill Foundation – this book is as relevant today as it was when Hill first penned them decades ago.

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PARVEEN BABI

A LIFE

KARISHMA UPADHYAY

A compelling narrative capturing the nuances of an extraordinary life – the highs and lows of finding fame, love and solace, and then, in the end, losing it all

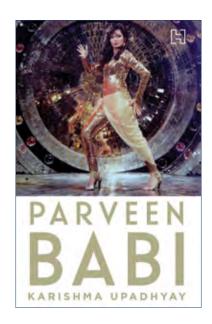
Sensuous, glamorous and bold, Parveen Babi set the Hindi cinema screen ablaze during the 1970s and '80s, breaking the 'pious, nice girl' mould of the film heroine and redefining it after her own style. On screen, she sizzled in unforgettable roles in blockbusters like *Deewaar, Shaan* and *Amar Akbar Anthony* – while, off-screen, her bohemian and unabashed lifestyle lit up gossip columns, and her appearance on the cover of *Time* magazine, a first for an Indian, created a nationwide stir. Yet, for all the sensational rumours and films her life inspired, Parveen has remained something of an enigma to generations of fans.

In Parveen Babi: A Life, Karishma Upadhyay explores with depth and sensitivity the myriad facets of the actress's life, and lays bare little-known details about Parveen's doomed romances, her obsession with the spiritual guide who advised her to quit films, the tumultuous years of battling mental illness and her tragic, untimely demise.

BIOGRAPHY

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A well-known film journalist, Karishma Upadhyay is considered to be a specialist on Bollywood. She has been the entertainment editor at Times Now, the celebrity editor at People magazine, and has contributed articles for a number of publications, including India Today, Times of India, Hindustan Times, Telegraph, The Hindu and Forbes magazine.



JUBILEE KUMAR

THE LIFE AND TIMES OF A SUPERSTAR

SEEMA SONIK ALIMCHAND

A riveting tale of struggle and stardom, fame and disillusionment, love, loss and heartbreak

Known to generations of cinema-lovers as the evergreen hero of blockbuster hits like *Dil Ek Mandir*, *Ayee Milan ki Bela*, *Arzoo* and *Sangam*, Rajendra Kumar Tuli was truly the 'Jubilee Star' of Hindi cinema in the 1960s.

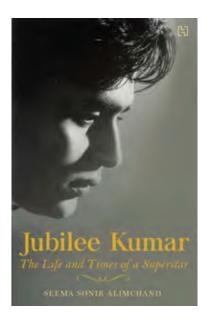
Jubilee Kumar is the so-far-untold story of the man behind the superstar – one who went from riches to rags early in life, but whose determination, prudence and humility saw him surmount countless hurdles and win the affection and admiration of colleagues and fans alike.

Touching candidly upon his life both on-screen and off it, this intimate account reveals Kumar as a hardheaded businessman, a generous and empathetic senior colleague, a gallant co-star to his female leads, a good-natured rival to peers and, above all, an upright and principled family man who rose above the many temptations of life in the Indian film industry.

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Seema Sonik Alimchand is the author, presenter and producer of the popular album 100 Years of Hindi Film Music. The author of The Warrior Within and Deedara aka Dara Singh, the biographies of superstars Rajinikanth and Dara Singh, she has also worked as a flight attendant, a voice and language trainer, a voice professional and a presenter, and copy writer for programmes on television, radio and other media.



GETTING THERE

MANJULA PADMANABHAN

A young woman's quest for love, truth and weight loss

Late 1970s, Bombay. Manjula is in her twenties, struggling to earn a living as an author-illustrator, when a deceptively routine visit to a diet clinic and an encounter with two tall Dutch men turn her life inside out. Without much ado, she speeds off on a Westward-bound spiritual quest, which involves cheating on her boyfriend, lying to everyone she loves and cutting off ties with her respectable bourgeois Indian upbringing.

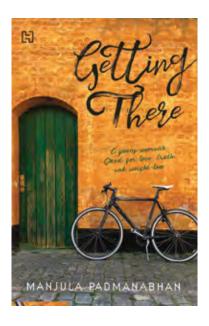
In this picaresque memoir, novelist, cartoonist and award-winning playwright Manjula Padmanabhan looks back on her youthful misadventures in Europe. By turns funny and fierce, *Getting There* will touch anyone who has ever wanted to strip off their own skin to waltz, however briefly, on the wild side.

If young men in India found their Catcher in the Rye in English, August, here it is for Indian women: honestly self-centred rather than politically correct, and much cleverer than Bridget Jones.

Anuradha Roy

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Manjula Padmanabhan is a writer, artist and playwright. She is the author of several critically acclaimed books, including Kleptomania, The Island of Lost Girls and Hot Death, Cold Soup.



BREATHING HERE IS INJURIOUS TO YOUR HEALTH

THE HUMAN COST OF AIR POLLUTION AND HOW YOU CAN BE THE CHANGE

JYOTI PANDE LAVAKARE

Every year millions of Indians see their life expectancy drastically cut short by the involuntary – yet essential – act of breathing

When Jyoti Lavakare's otherwise healthy mother is diagnosed with lung cancer in 2017, the connections with air pollution come up quickly for Jyoti, a seasoned clean air evangelist.

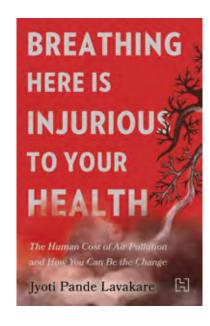
Back in 2013, she had chanced upon information that revealed a chilling truth: across north India, and particularly in the national capital, deadly PM 2.5 microparticles in the air had reached hazardous levels. New Delhi had effectively become a gas chamber yet no one seemed to care.

Breathing Here Is Injurious to Your Health follows Jyoti's remarkable story as a clean-air crusader and delivers a clear message: change begins with each individual and that it is imperative to hold governments accountable in the fight for better air.

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Jyoti Pande Lavakare is a financial journalist who has worked for both the national and international press. From 2013 she has been working in the area of air pollution, and she co-founded Care for Air in 2015.



THE SPIRITS TALK TO ME

TRUE ACCOUNTS OF PARANORMAL INVESTIGATIONS

SARBAJEET MOHANTY and NEIL D'SILVA

'It's something in your line of work,' he said hurriedly. 'It's something...otherworldly. Please do come. There is no time to lose.'

A doomed forest lures men to their death, invisible hands smash crockery in a time-worn house, machines turn malevolent in an old factory – these are just some of the experiences that Sarbajeet Mohanty, paranormal investigator and founder of the Parapsychology and Investigations Research Society, confronts daily on the job.

Tailing Sarbajeet and his team, these ten suspenseful tales give readers a rare peek into the investigative methods used to detect mysterious forces that exist in parallel realms. Narrated by veteran horror-writer Neil D'Silva in atmospheric prose, these chilling accounts are guaranteed to make you lose sleep.

Sarbajeet Mohanty is a leading figure in the world of paranormal investigations and demonology, and the founder of the Parapsychology and Investigations Research Society.

Neil D'Silva is a Mumbai-based author of Indian horror fiction. He has 10 books and three screen adaptation deals under his belt.

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BOLLYGEEK

THE CRAZY TRIVIA GUIDE TO BOLLYWOOD

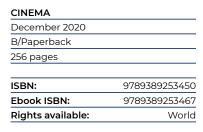
DIPTAKIRTI CHAUDHURI

Kuch filmy ho jaaye!

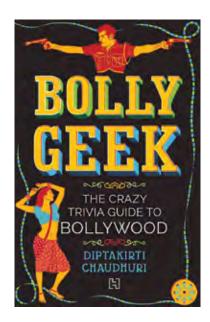
From exploring the many jobs that Big B has held, to the jails and jailors that terrorized prisoners (and the jailbreaks that terrorized them back), to the ten detectives who had crime on their minds, *BollyGeek* sees Diptakirti Chaudhuri reprise his role as the expert on all matters Bollywood!

By turns intriguing, shocking and always revealing, BollyGeek will have the most intrepid Bollywood fans scratching their head in wonder, cause the romantics to fall in love with the magic of the movies all over again, and lure in even the most stoically indifferent cinema-goer. Diptakirti Chaudhuri is a salesman by day and a writer by night. He lives in Bengaluru with his wife, son and daughter. They don't share his obsessive love for Hindi films. Yet.

Also by the author







SIT YOUR SELF DOWN

A NOVICE'S JOURNEY INTO THE HEART OF VIPASSANA

GAYATRI JAYARAMAN

When Gayatri embarks on a 10-day vipassana course in the Himalayas, she has no inkling of the ways in which it will transform her...

Sharing the rarefied air with nine other women initiates, she begins her journey inward, learning to focus on her breath and body, and spring-clean her mind. With good humour and an open mind, she seeks to simply observe her thoughts – but as days of absolute silence sink into introspection, what comes tumbling out catches her unawares.

She persists with this intense process and starts to sift through the clamour and goes through a cleanse that plumbs depths no juice diet has ever reached. Through serious self-exploration and with cheerful humility, Gayatri arrives at deep insights and invaluable lessons for any beginner looking to learn about vipassana and discover their inner self.

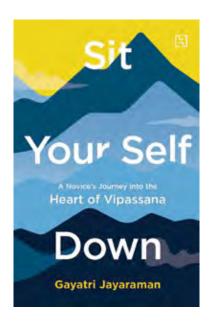
The most important thing in a journey is the first step. Read this deeply insightful book and begin your journey

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MIND, BODY & SPIRIT

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MIND YOUR MIND

THREE PRINCIPLES FOR HAPPY LIVING

VENUGOPAL ACHARYA

'Live beyond your mind, turn it into your lifelong friend – and embrace happiness like never before...'

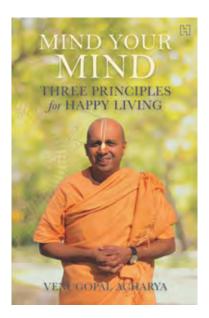
Is my mind my friend or my enemy? How do I rein in my wayward thoughts? Can I ever live in peace? These are some of the questions we are plagued by daily as we try to make sense of our lives and navigate daily challenges.

In Mind Your Mind, popular ISKCON monk and motivational speaker Venugopal Acharya reveals that the answer lies not in controlling the mind but in managing it. Drawing from his own spiritual journey, he outlines the three powerful yet simple principles that will help you on your path to transformation and peace: Awareness, Acceptance and Aspiration. Integrating these principles is the real secret to mind management, and a daily spiritual practice will help us see the harmony and beauty that arise as a result.

Venugopal Acharya is a full-time teacher, monk and counsellor at ISKCON. He is a seasoned speaker, and has travelled and addressed audiences in India, as well as the UK, Russia, Netherlands, UAE and Australia, sharing his thoughts on mental hygiene, spiritual discipline and finding deep emotional fulfilment.

MIND, BODY & SPIRIT

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CONQUEROR OF THE SELF

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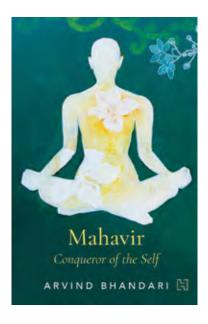
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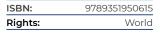
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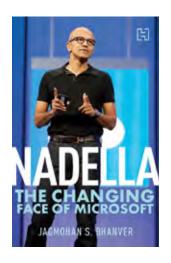


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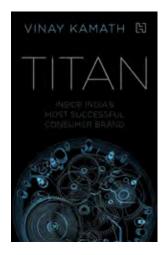




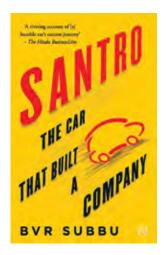




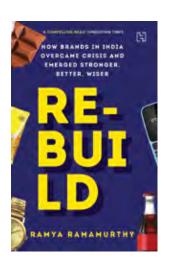
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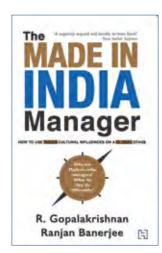
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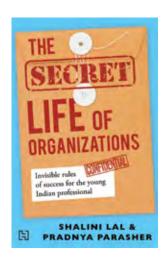
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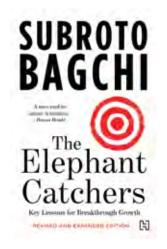


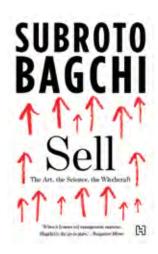
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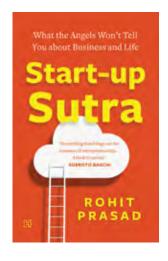




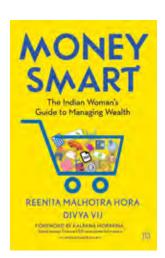


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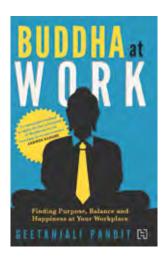
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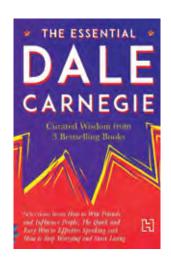


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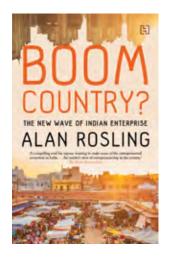


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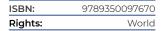


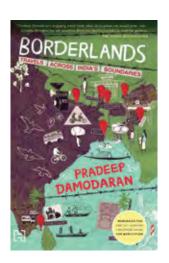
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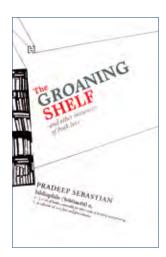
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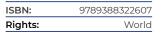


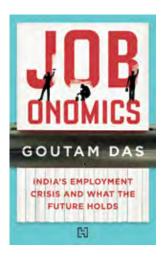
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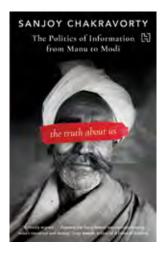
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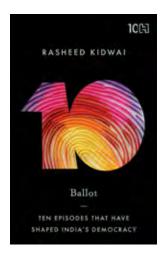


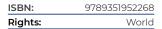


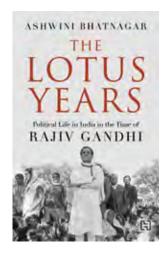
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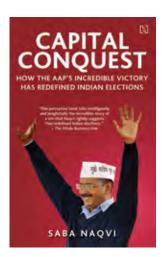
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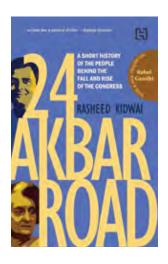


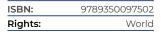
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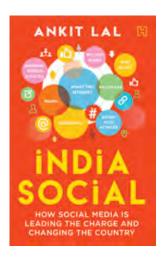
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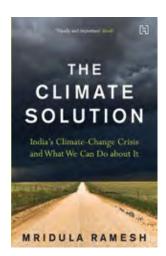




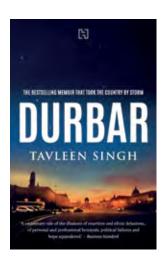
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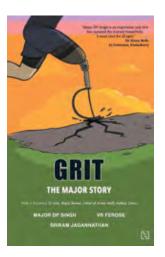
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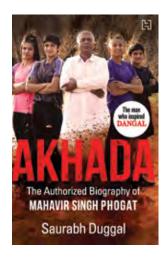
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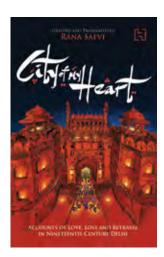




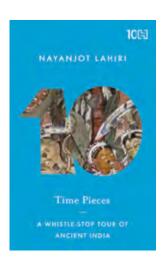
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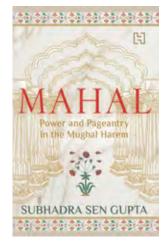
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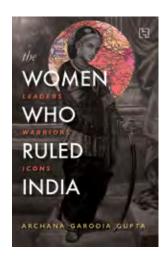
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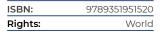


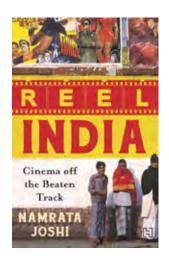
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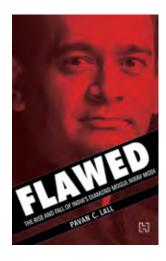
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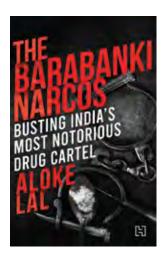




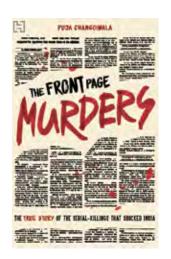
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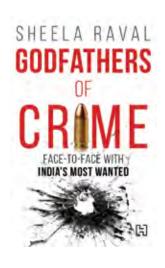
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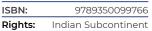


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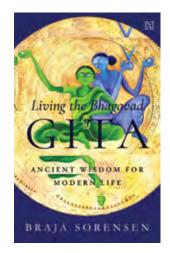
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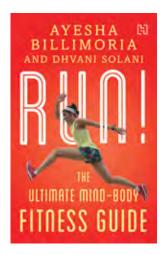




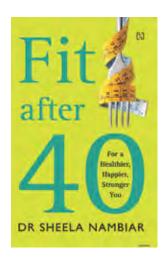
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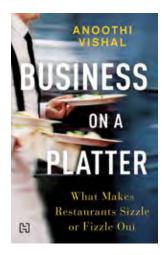
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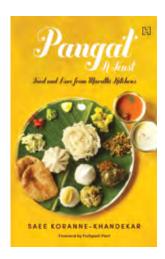


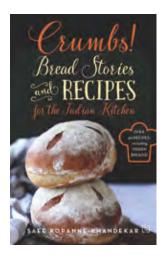
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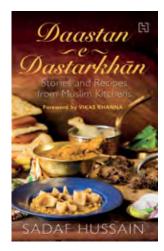


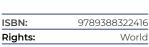


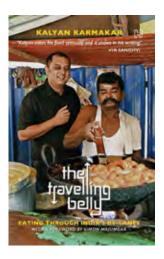
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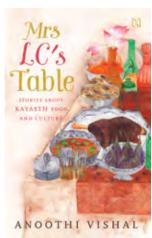
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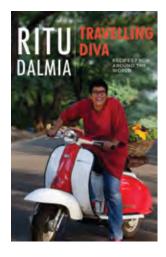




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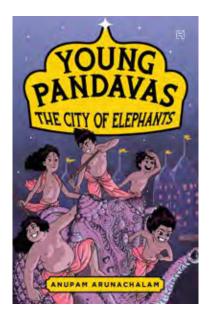
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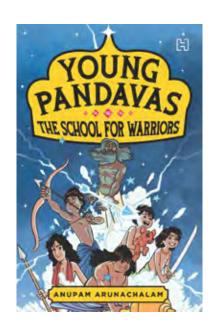
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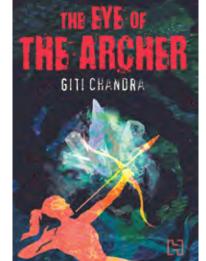
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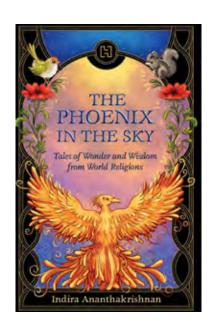
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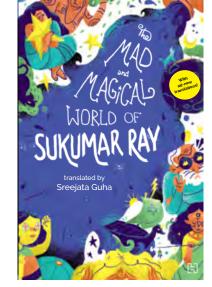
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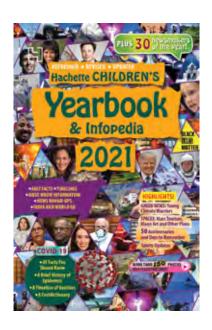
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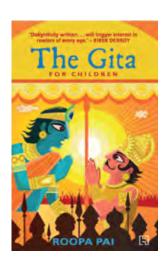
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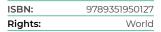
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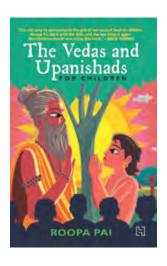
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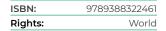


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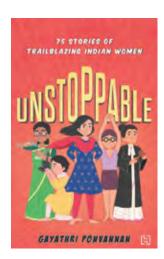
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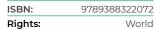
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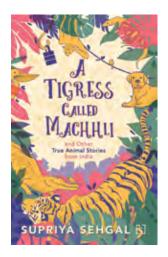
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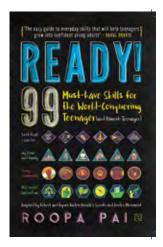




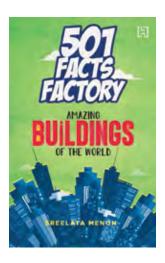
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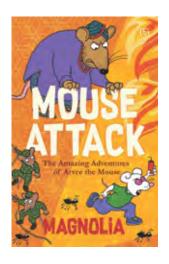
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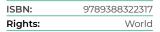


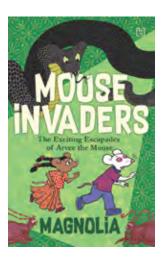
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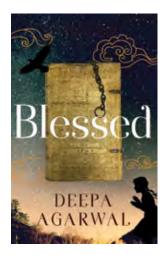
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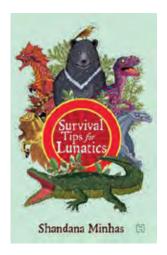




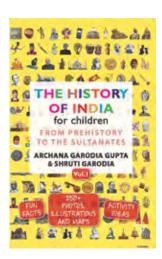
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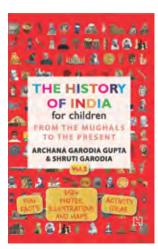
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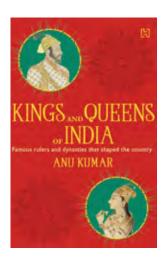
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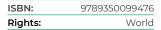


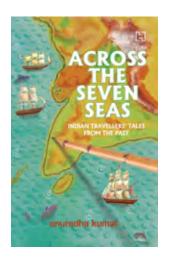
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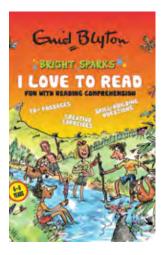
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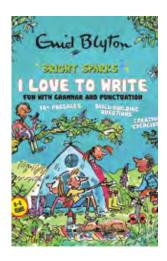




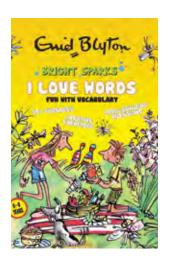
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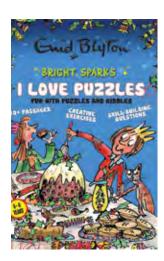
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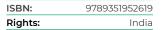


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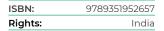


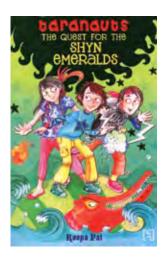
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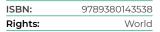


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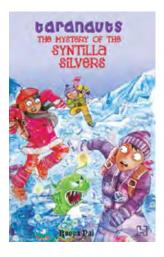
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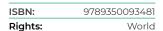


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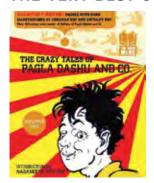


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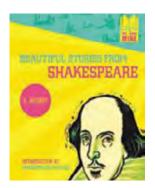
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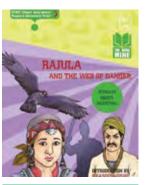
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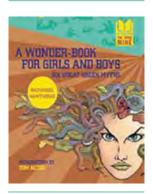
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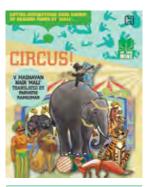
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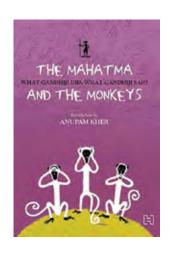
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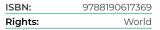


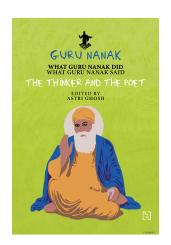
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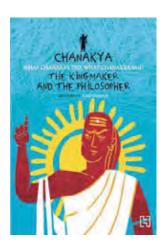
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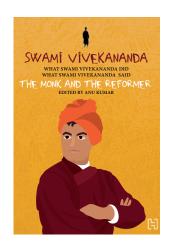




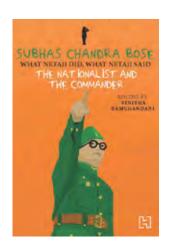
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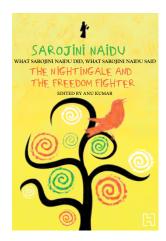
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