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100 Years of The Waste Land

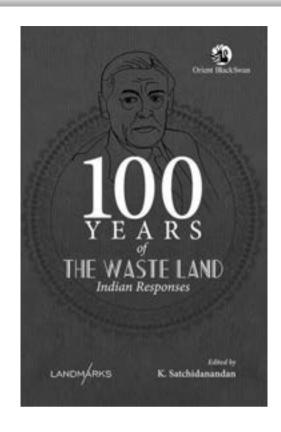
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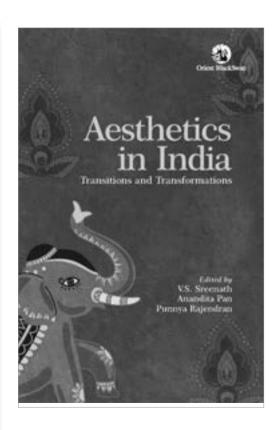
Edited by **K Satchidanandan**, President, Kerala Sahitya Akademi, and a renowned bilingual poet and critic

This volume commemorates 100 years of the publication of T. S. Eliot's epoch-making The Waste Land. It analyses the poem's myriad influences on Indian poetry, writers and academia. The collection features some of the foremost scholars of Indian modernisms and eminent Indian poets, and essays that demystify Eliot and his work for contemporary readers. The volume brings together both personal tributes and scholarly explorations of the poem.

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Transitions and Transformations

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During the classical period, aesthetics was an inward-facing field, not concerned with the socioeconomic reality of everyday life. However, art has always flourished across societies as a direct product of the very realities of caste, class, and gender that aesthetics long ignored. As a result, aesthetics as a keyword in the humanities stands at a crossroads today. Eschewing definitions, this volume attempts to explore what aesthetics can be, to deploy the dissipation of classical aesthetics into a reconstituted toolkit of critical terms—anger, shock, beauty, form, praxis, affect. The authors signal that aesthetics is to be treated less as a body of knowledge and more as an approach or a method that is both ahistorical and comparatist.

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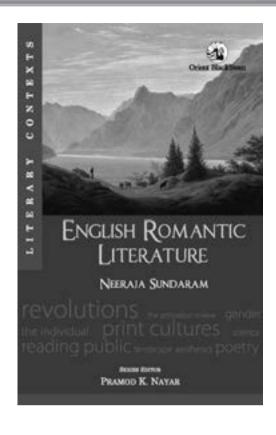
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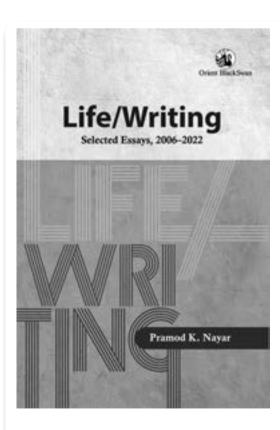
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This book analyses the key intellectual debates and sociopolitical and cultural events that shaped writings in the late-eighteenth and earlynineteenth centuries in England. It approaches 'Romantic Literature' as a literary-historical term and adds a broad range of texts to those traditionally studied - bio-notes, letters, pamphlets, advertisements in periodicals, political cartoons and satirical prints, to name a few - to allow a sense of this period to emerge. This book will serve as a useful aid while preparing a syllabus and lesson plan for teaching English Romantic literature.

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Pramod K. Nayar, Professor at the Department of English, University of Hyderabad

Life/Writing brings together essays that represent the author's contribution to the field of Life Writing/Studies over the last decade and a half. While reflecting the major themes and shifting trends in Life Writing/Studies, the essays deploy a variety of frames of analysis including theories of Life Writing and biography writing, studies of the testimonio genre, ideas of precarity and prevarious lives, and disability studies. The texts used for analysis range from Dalit autobiographies and 'autobiogenographies' to neurogothic life writing and graphic narratives. Extending and challenging the conceptual vocabulary, semantic scope and analytical boundaries of Life Writing/Studies, the volume is testimony to a sustained, deep and nuanced engagement with the field.

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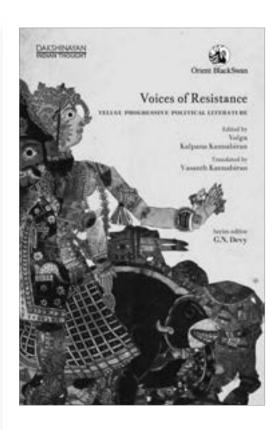
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Translated by **Vasanth Kannabiran**, a feminist novelist, poet and translator who taught English for close to three decades.

Series Editor: **G.N. Devy**, former Professor of English at the M.S. University of Baroda, founder of the Bhasha Research and Publication Centre (Baroda) and the Adivasi Academy (Tejgadh)

Voices of Resistance presents a selection of Telugu writings in English translation that explores articulations on humaneness, justice and social transformation from unlikely locations in time and genre. These poems, songs, stories, and extracts from novels and tracts—by 89 authors from the thirteenth century to the present—open a window into literary imaginations around questions that continue to preoccupy us today: egalitarianism, dignity, oppression, violence and resistance.

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Hyderabadi Women and Twentieth-Century Urdu Prose

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Bibi's Room studies the lives and work of three women writers from Hyderabad who wrote in Urdu: Zeenath Sajida, Najma Nikhat, and Jeelani Bano. It addresses the absence of scholarship on Hyderabadi women writers in three ways: representative translations: short. nuanced biographies; and

critical analyses of their oeuvres-all framed against twentieth-century Hyderabadi history, politics, culture, and society. The three writers showcased here offer rich portrayals of Hyderabadi urban culture as well as critiques of gender and patriarchy.

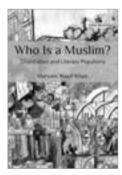
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historically been at the core of early modern and modern Western literatures. The question "Who is a Muslim?," was a constant concern within 18th century literary and scholarly orientalist texts. A multi-faceted project, this book provides a history of how a religio-national identity is constructed through literature, first in the colony, and subsequently in the postcolonial nation-state.

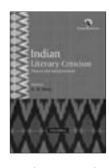
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together in one volume some of the most significant literary thinkers of the last two thousand years.

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Debating India's Religion of the Heart

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Bhakti means many things to many people. It is private and public, personal and political, silently contemplative and loudly musical. Often it speaks in the marginalized voices of women and the oppressed, yet it has also played a role in perpetuating injustice. Bhakti and Power provides

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Looking Back

The 1947 Partition of India, 70 Years On

Edited by Rakhshanda Jalil, a writer, critic, translator and literary historian; Tarun K. Saint, an independent scholar; and Debjani Sengupta, teacher at Indraprastha College for Women, Delhi University



On the 70th anniversary of India's Independence and Partition, this anthology of essays, memoirs, short fiction, poetry, graphic narrative, reportage and drama collects fresh reflections on the continuing impact of 1947, and its afterlife, in South Asia. It also features translations from Hindi, Punjabi, Urdu, Bangla-

across India, Bangladesh and Pakistan-of older, lesser-known works together with new writing that narrates unheard and forgotten stories. In times when India-Pakistan relations are fraught, when we remain as divided by religion as by how we imagine the nation, this is an effort to cast new light on our fractured and conjoined past and to help us reflect on it with humanity.

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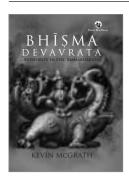
Bhīsma Devavrata

Authority in Epic Mahābhārata

Kevin McGrath, an Associate of the Department of South Asian Studies, and Poet in Residence at Lowell House, Harvard University

This is the book to read to unlock the key to the riddle of Bhishma and the subtlety of dharma in the Mahabharata. McGrath explains with great insight why this epic hero has held the greatest moral authority for two thousand years in the charter myth of India.

> Gurcharan Das, Author of The Difficulty of Being Good



Even today Mahābhārata's Bhīşma, the eldest of the Kuru clan, stands tall as the face of moral authority. The author studies in microscopic detail the authority of this pitāmaha, 'grand-father'/ patriarch, and explores why this is the case. Relying on close and

careful readings of the Bombay and Pune Critical editions of the grand epic, and drawing mainly on the text of the latter, this book describes the manner in which Bhīṣma negotiates the tortuous path of honourable and principled living. It describes how Bhīṣma's express decisions pave the way for the collapse of his clan and the partition of the kingdom, despite his consistent efforts to prevent it.

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I am the Widow

An Intellectual Biography of Behramji Malabari

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A critical analysis of the life and works of Behramji Merwanji Malabari (1853–1912)—Parsi social reformer, journalist, poet, proto ethnographeranthropologist, travel writer, and an important social catalyst who did much to shape the national reform discourse. An intellectual biography that

compares and analyses his diverse writings and concerns, *I am the Widow* reveals a society in transition in late nineteenth century, providing us with a vital understanding of this crucial, formative moment in Indian history. It also evaluates Malabari's lifelong commitment to working for the uplift of women, particularly widows, even as it explores the politics of representation that such a voicing entails.

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In the Hall of Mirrors

Reflections on Indian Democracy

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With a foreword by Shiv Visvanathan



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

Austin reminded us, importance is not important, truth is. They ring true.

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

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

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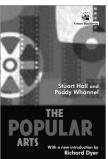
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Popular Arts, The

Stuart Hall (1932–2014), one of the most prominent and influential scholars and public intellectuals of his generation; and **Paddy Whannel** (1922–1980), a film scholar, educator at the British Film Institute, and Associate Professor of Film at Northwestern University

With an Introduction by Richard Dyer

When it first appeared in 1964, Stuart Hall and Paddy Whannel's *The Popular Arts* opened up an



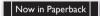
almost unprecedented field of analysis and inquiry into contemporary popular culture. In contrast to prevailing views of the time, Hall and Whannel recognized popular culture's social importance and considered it worthy of serious study.

This edition includes a new introduction by Richard Dyer, who situates *The Popular Arts* within the history of cultural studies and outlines its impact and enduring legacy.

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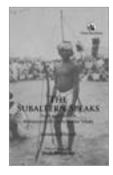
Subaltern Speaks, The



Truth and Ethics in Mahasweta Devi's Fiction on Tribals

Sanatan Bhowal, Associate Professor, Prasanna Deb Women's College, Jalpaiguri, West Bengal

With a Foreword by Shail Mayaram



A critique of Mahasweta Devi's major fictional writings on tribals, *The Subaltern Speaks* addresses some primary concerns of Subaltern Studies historians and explores the representation of tribals as 'subaltern'. Adivasis have only seemed to appear in recorded history when resisting the state, and

their 'consciousness' has been reduced to this identity along with their politics. Sanatan Bhowal draws upon leading thinkers like Badiou, Levinas, Foucault, Deleuze, Lacan and Zizek to address Gayatri Spivak's question: Can the subaltern speak? He re-reads Devi's ethical representation of adivasis, underlining the need to unthink conventional discourses before any genuine understanding of tribal consciousness can be arrived at.

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After Amnesia

Tradition and Change in Indian Literary Criticism

THIRD EDITION

Padmashree awardee G. N. Devy taught at the Maharaja Sayajirao University, Baroda, till 1996. He left the university to set up the Bhasha Research Centre in Baroda and the Adivasi Academy at Teigadh where he worked towards conserving and promoting the languages and culture of indigenous and nomadic communities. Devy is the chief editor of the Peoples' Linguistic Survey of India (PLSI) series, and is an Honorary Professor at Centre for Multi-disciplinary Development Research (CMDR), Dharwad, Karnataka.



After Amnesia is being re-issued to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of its winning the Sahitya Akademi award. It includes a new chapter in which the author discusses the effects of the momentous changes that took place since the book was first published in 1992, and their impact on the languages

and linguistic creativity in India. He also details the nature of the profound changes that natural memory is undergoing due to the information technology and points to its impact on the nature of literary imagination. This volume is an original analysis of literary criticism in India. It describes what is recognised by common agreement as a crisis in Indian criticism, and explains it in historical terms.

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Critical Essays on Rokeya Sakhawat

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This volume looks at the life and works of Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain (1880-1932), arguably Bengal's earliest and boldest feminist, revered as a crusader for the emancipation and advancement of women, in particular Bengali Muslim women. Through her spirited writings and activism, Rokeya challenged the two pillars of

patriarchy—hierarchical family structures and religious dogma. This collection of essays places Rokeya within the socio-cultural and historical context of her times to better appreciate her literary and social contributions, and also to understand why the extraordinary vision she had for an ideal, more gender-just society continues to be as radical, powerful and relevant today, almost a century after her death.

Contributors: Barnita Bagchi, Sarmistha Dutta Gupta, Md. Rezaul Haque, Md. Mahmudul Hasan, Fayeza Hasanat, Srimati Mukherjee, Mohammad A. Quayum, Bharati Ray, Mahua Sarkar

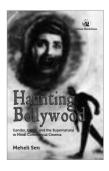
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Haunting Bollywood



Gender, Genre, and the Supernatural in Hindi Commercial Cinema

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Hindi commercial cinema has been invested in the supernatural since its earliest days. However, only a small segment of these films has been adequately explored in scholarly work. Haunting Bollywood addresses this gap. From Gothic ghost films of the 1950s to snake films of the 1970s and 1980s to today's

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Locating Indian Literature

Texts, Traditions, Translations

E. V. Ramakrishnan, Professor of Comparative Literature and Dean, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar



Locating Indian Literature attempts to explore the category of 'Indian literature' in relation to emerging discourses of marginality, region, resistance and the role of translation in the making and unmaking of literary traditions. Interrogating theoretical positions that present Indian

literature as an essentialist category, it emphasises the pluralistic and performative elements of Indian literatures.

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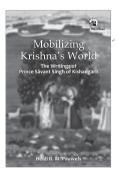
The Writings of Prince Sāvant Singh of Kishangarh

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Pauwels lucidly explains one of the most complex phases of Indian history. She makes the 18th century come alive as a time of shifting political and military alliances, an evolving Hindu ecumene and tremendous cultural inventiveness.

Kavita Singh,

Professor & Dean, School of Arts and Aesthetics, INU



Sāvant Singh (1694–1764), the Rajput prince of Kishangarh, is famous for commissioning beautiful works of miniature painting and composing Krishna bhakti poetry under the nom de plume Nagaridas. Behind the idyllic world of the poetry and paintings lies a tragic life story: while designated

the crown prince by his father, he never managed to ascend the throne, losing it to his younger brother.

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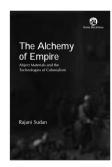
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Perso-Arabic Genealogies of the Hindi Masala Film

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In establishing popular Hindi cinema's aesthetic and thematic difference from mainstream Euro-American cinema, film scholars have largely focused on its Hindu Sanskritic sources and proposed a theory for interpreting and understanding Indian cinema drawn from Hindu

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Towards Social Change

Essays on Dalit Literature

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Dalits are increasingly entering the field of literature, and gaining recognition for their work. Their writings are aimed at social change, while their struggles imbue their work with intellectual clarity and self-confidence. Such literature must be judged as art not merely for art's sake

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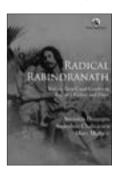
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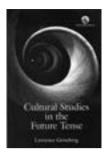
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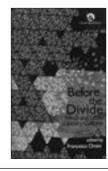
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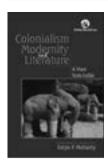
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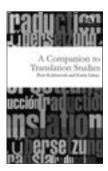
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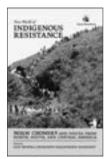
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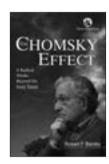
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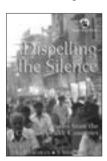
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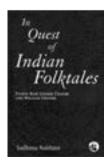
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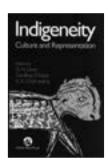
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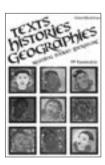
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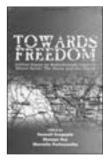
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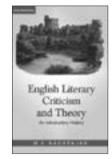
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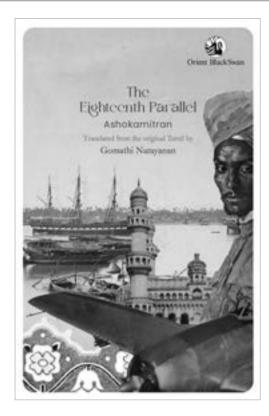


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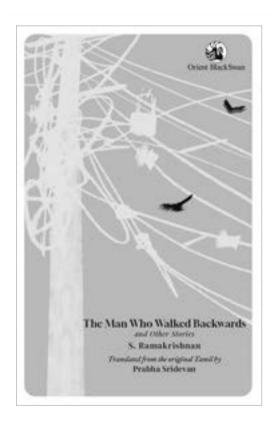
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Vinayak Nandshankar Mehta, author of Nandshankar Jeevan Chitra, and Ko Jagari, member of Indian Civil Service who was posted in Eastern United Provinces, writer of an important report on the peasant revolt of 1919-1920

Translated by Radhika Jayakar Herzberger, Indologist, educationist, writer, and former Director, Rishi Valley Education Centre, Chittoor District, Andhra Pradesh

Published in 1916, Nandshankar Jeevan Chitra, Vinayak Mehta's biography of his father Nandshankar Tuljashankar Mehta (1835-1905), Gujarat's first novelist and an eminent educationist and administrator, is the earliest modern fatherson biography in Gujarati.



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Translated by **Debashish Sen**, writer, translator, literary scholar specializing in nineteenthcentury English literature, with an interest in the psychoanalytic study of novels and fictional characters

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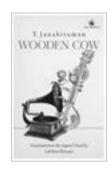
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Wooden Cow, a translation of T. Janakiraman's path-breaking novel Marappasu, is the comingof-age story of a young, beautiful, intelligent, fiercely independent, yet deeply emotional woman who does not believe in the institution of marriage, or in human bondage of any kind, and her unconventional and

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Primal Issue, A

Stories of Women



Jagadish Gupta, Bengali writer, pioneer of the modernist movement in the 1920s, published eight novels, eight short story collections, and some poetry

Translated by Subrata Basu, writer and translator, whose translations have been published by the Sahitya Akademi, National Book Trust and other publishers



A Primal Issue is the first collection of Jagadish Gupta's stories to appear in English. All the seven stories, with women as central protagonists, probe the deep undercurrents of life at individual, familial and social levels. Six of them focus unsparingly on the brutal realities of the daychild marriage, taboo on

widow remarriage, polygamy, society's constant violation of women's humanity—and yet remain affirmative in their final impact. The seventh story is a delightful take on a common enough male fantasy. Together, these stories, written between the 1920s and 1930s, voice a defiance of conservatism that still resonates with undiminished

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Akkineni Kutumbarao, reputed Telugu film director, producer, writer, whose work has won several awards, including the National Film Award for Best Feature Film for Bhadram Koduko (1992)

Translated by Vasanth Kannabiran, veteran civil and women's rights activist, educationist and writer, whose published works include Taken at the Flood: A Memoir of a Political Life (2020) and A Grief to Bury: Memories of Love, Work and Loss (2011)

With a foreword by Kalpana Kannabiran



An elegy to Kolleru, one of India's largest freshwater lakes located in Andhra Pradesh, Akkineni Kutumbarao's novel Kolleti ladalu vividly brings alive the villages and people whose lives are woven inseparably with the lake. This is the precarious life-world of a people in a constant

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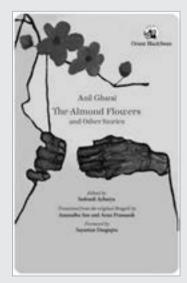
Almond Flowers and Other Stories, The

Edited by Indranil Acharya, Professor and Head of the Department of English, Vidyasagar University, West Bengal, author, editor and translator of several books and the Chief Editor of Janajati Darpan, an international multilingual series on indigenous studies

Translated by Anuradha Sen, translator and teacher who translates Dalit literature from Bangla to English; and Arun Pramanik, Assistant Professor of English at Gour Mahavidyalaya, affiliated to the University of Gour Banga, Malda, West Bengal

With a foreword by Sayantan Dasgupta

The Almond Flowers and Other Stories, a collection of thirteen short stories by Anil Gharai in translation, highlights the experiences of marginalisation and oppression of communities at the periphery of our society. Set in coastal Bengal, Odisha and the forest kingdom of southwest Bengal, Anil Gharai's fiction provides an authentic documentation of Dalit voices from the eastern part of the nation. Exploring themes of injustice, destitution, resilience, and the desire for love and for revenge, these stories centre on the lives of the most disempowered and vulnerable, and give a voice to a hitherto invisible section of society.



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Shanti Parav

Treatise on Peace

Des Raj Kali, acclaimed Punjabi Dalit writer, historian and columnist, whose primary areas of interest are the Ghadar movement, Dalit issues, Punjabi literature, myth and culture, editor of a literary quarterly called Lakeer

Translated by Neeti Singh, poet, accomplished translator, and Associate Professor of English, Maharaja Sayajirao University, Baroda

A post-Independence novel set in the heartland of Punjab, Shanti Parav invites a study of post-colonial socio-political dynamics in India from a Punjabi Dalit perspective. It locates the Dalit within the caste-religion-power nexus, and furnishes alternate narratives of the freedom struggle, terrorism, state violence, development, capitalism and democracy. Boldly experimental, the novel has a dual narrative which playfully challenges the reader to acquire new ways of reading and interpreting a text.

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Dalit Brahmin and Other Stories, The

Sharankumar Limbale, one of Maharashtra's foremost Dalit writer-activists, and the author of more than forty works, including several novels and short story collections on Dalit life

Priya Adarkar, a well-known writer, critic and translator

With an Introduction by Anand Teltumbde



In the mirror held up by Sharankumar Limbale, everything looks sharp, new and different. The anti-Dalit logic of reserved constituencies, the strange predicament of Dalit writing, the fallout of communal violence for those at the margins, the implications of festivals like Ganapati, the horrors of the institution of schooling. Family, childhood, friendships, love, sexuality—all take on dark new hues. Many of these twenty-eight stories are told in the first person and carry in their direct address and unadorned style the authority of testimony. Yet they are not merely experiences recounted, but carefully crafted cultural texts that are designed to map a hitherto largely unexplored human geography.

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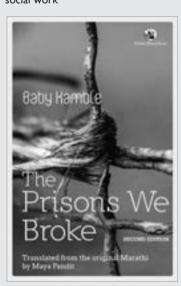
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Saniya, award-winning, leading contemporary Marathi writer, with a large body of womancentric writings, including the novels Sthalantar (1994), Awartan (1996) and Avakash (2001)

Translated by Keerti Ramachandra, accomplished editor and translator who has worked for various publishing houses including Katha, Penguin and Sahitya Akademi



A collection of five short stories and a novella by three-time Maharashtra State Award winner for literature, Of Closures and New Beginnings explores the struggles of the modern urban Indian woman to assert her individuality amidst societal pressures and expectations. The stories address her

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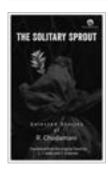


Selected Stories of R. Chudamani

R. Chudamani, prolific and important twentiethcentury Tamil writer, painter, who also wrote in English

Translated by C. T. Indra, retired professor and head, Department of English, University of Madras; and T. Sriraman, retired professor, Department of Literatures in English, School of Distance Education, The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad

A major twentieth-century writer, Raghavan Chudamani has often been identified as an early feminist among Tamil writers. She challenges the way society perceives human beings, conditioned and constituted as they are by family, community, education and religion. Her treatment of the experiences of the rites of passage, her insights



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Agnipariksha

An Ordeal Remembered

Hamid Kureshi (1927–2016), an eminent Gujarat High Court advocate and Gandhian, previously the chairman of the Sabarmati Ashram Preservation and Memorial Trust, Ahmedabad

Translated from the original Gujarati by **Rita Kothari**, Professor of English, Ashoka University, Sonepat, Haryana

With a Foreword by Narayan Desai



A memoir of trauma and hope set against the 1969 riots of Ahmedabad, Agnipariksha recounts the experiences of a Gujarati lawyer who lived in word and spirit a life of religious and cultural pluralism. This matter-of-fact, restrained yet poignant first-person account provides the landscape of a violence-

ridden city, as also a glimpse of the lives associated with the Gandhi Ashram. An assertion of kindness, friendship and dignity amidst danger, hatred and fear, this is a rare document of a period, a city and inter-faith relationships, made available in translation by Rita Kothari—a reputed cultural historian—to a wider readership for the first time.

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Mayilamma

The Life of a Tribal Eco-Warrior

Jothibai Pariyadath, the transcriber of *Mayilamma: Oru Jeevitham*, an acclaimed Malayalam poet, writer and translator

Translated from the original Malayalam by **Swarnalatha Rangarajan**, Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Madras, Chennai; and **Sreejith Varma**, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Christ Deemedto-be University, Bengaluru, Karnataka

With a Foreword by Scott Slovic



Mayilamma (1940–2007) was an illiterate adivasi woman whose iconic leadership of her community against the unrestrained extraction and pollution of water by Coca-Cola put the tiny village of Plachimada, Kerala, on the world map.

Mayilamma charts the rise of eco-activism in Kerala against the backdrop of

consumption, globalisation, widening socioeconomic inequalities and the rising ecological
burdens borne by the marginalised poor. This first
English translation brings an important Malayalam
text into the domain of global environmental
justice writing, and shows how—in a classic
David-and-Goliath struggle—this frail fifty-year old
widow became a symbol of the global resistance
against the soft-drink giant.

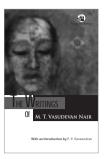
Selected Contents: Introduction; The Plachimada Story: A Time Line; Mayilamma: The Life of a Tribal Eco-warrior; A Dark Night's Poem; The Unblinking Eye of the Peacock Feather; Notes from Plachimada; An Interview with Jothibai Pariyadath; An Interview with Mayilamma's son, Thangavelu, and his wife, Mini; An Interview with Mariyappan; An Interview with Vilayodi Venugopal, Chairman of the Plachimada Anti-Coca-Cola Agitation Committee, in January 2016

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Writings of Now in Paperback M. T. Vasudevan Nair, The

Padmabhushan awardee M. T. Vasudevan Nair, a renowned storywriter and among Kerala's most popular script writers and directors of mainstream cinema

Translated from the original Malayalam by **V. Abdulla** (1921–2003), a seasoned and sensitive translator, who was awarded the Yatra Award (1995) and the Sevarathna Award (1996) for translation; and **Gita Krishnankutty**, translator of a number of Malayalam works into English, winner of both the Sahitya Akademi Award and the Crossword Award for translation



The Writings of M. T.

Vasudevan Nair brings
together three of renowned
Malayalam writer M. T.

Vasudevan Nair's works—
Mist and The Soul of Darkness
(translations of the
acclaimed novellas, Manhu
and Irutinde Atmavu), Kaalam
and Kuttiedathi and Other
Stories. Narrating the

experiences of waiting for a lost lover (Mist) and the pain of being treated abominably by one's family for being 'not normal' (The Soul of Darkness), these poignant stories speak of lost hopes. While Kaalam narrates the story of disillusionment of an ambitious adolescent in the context of the crumbling matrilineal tarawad system of the Nairs in Kerala, Kuttiedathi and Other Stories encompasses the middle class lives and sufferings of people in Northern Kerala. The volume also features an Introduction by eminent academic and scholar of Malayalam literature, P. P. Raveendran.

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Gandharvi

Life of a Musician

Bani Basu, Sahitya Akademi Award-winning preeminent author of Bengali fiction

Translated by **Jayita Sengupta**, Associate Professor of English at Sikkim University

The translator has done a commendable job in maintaining lucidity of style and the book is recommended to anyone interested in learning about the world of classical music.

—Somdatta Mandal in The Statesman



Gandharvi: Life of a Musician is the story of Apala, a gifted singer of Hindustani classical music, who was born into a middle-class family in Calcutta. To her family, her music meant little; her husband 'chose' her for her music but then ignored it. Her children grew up learning to be indifferent to their mother's

music. Shorn of freedom, love and, above all, music, Apala's life moved towards a tragic end. Apala's story is surrounded by the interlinked lives of other practitioners of music and classical art, intersecting with Apala's in ways that profoundly affected all of them. A thinly veiled depiction of the classical music scene of Calcutta in the 1960s, and written in a lilting prose that draws on the idioms of Hindustani classical music, it is a celebration of the indomitable spirit of music.

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To Surju, With Love

Jaiwanti Dimri, a bilingual writer, critic, translator and former professor of English at Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla

Translated by Jaiwanti Dimri



A translation of laiwanti Dimri's Hindi novella, Surju Ke Naam, by the author, this is the story of Sukurmani, a young tribal woman from Jharkhand who migrates to Bhutan with her four-year-old son, Surju, in search of livelihood, stability and peace. Set in the scenic hill town of Kanglung, much of

the story is told through a dialogue between Sukurmani and her Memsaab. We witness Sukurmani's many struggles as a single mother, an illiterate labourer and illegal migrant in an alien land. We also see her as a resilient woman living her own life with willful little Surju, who trails her like a shadow and shares all his mother's joys and sorrows. As the narrative unfolds, an unusual bond forms between these two different women. A poignant, thought-provoking story, simply told, it lingers even after the last word is read.

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Path and Many Shadows & Twelve Stories, A

Rajelakshmy, a Kerala Sahitya Akademi Awardwinning novelist, and short story writer and poet

Translated by R. K. Jayasree, former Associate Professor, Maharaja's College, Ernakulam, Kerala



This book is a collection of twelve short stories and a novel by Rajelakshmy, one of Kerala's prominent women writers of the 1960s. The novel narrates the story of a girl growing up in southern India, in a society that is deeply patriarchal, and how she blossoms as an individual.

We read about her choices and mistakes, her desires and failings, and the ultimate realisation that liberation lies in pursuing what one's heart desires, come what may. These timeless and relevant stories revolve around the themes of questioning faith, battling oppression, facing desire and choosing death.

[Rajelakshmy's] influence since [the 1960s] has only grown and she is now acknowledged as one of the pioneers of post-colonial modernism in prose in India.... The novel A Path and Many

Shadows, for which she won the Akademi award, is extraordinary....

—Nikhil Govind in Scroll

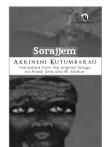
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Sorajjem

Akkineni Kutumbarao, a national awardwinning filmmaker, scriptwriter and director of Telugu films

Translated by Alladi Uma, Retired Professor, Department of English, University of Hyderabad; and M. Sridhar, Retired Professor, Department of English, University of Hyderabad



This book is a translation of a Telugu novel of the same name. It captures the life of a Dalit girl born on the night of India's Independence. As we see the growth of the title character Sorajjem, we also witness the brutal reality of her social background—the grinding poverty, hunger, disease and

death. This novel sketches the first sixteen years of India's freedom, its meaning for the Dalits of a village, and the way seeds of revolution are sown in Dalit lives.

[This book] has chronicled an amazing ethnography of the socio-politics of rural India. The English translation ... has kept close to the linguistic and cultural sensitivities of the original in Telugu, considerably enriching the novel's authenticity.

—Deccan Chronicle

This masterful translation captures the lived reality of inhumanity and alienation faced by the Dalits.

—The Hindu

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Tell the Tale, Urvashi

Dalip Kaur Tiwana, a Padma Shri awardee

Translated by Bhupinder Singh, former professor of sociology, Punjabi University, Patiala, who occasionally publishes poetry under his penname Sarvan Minhas



The long-awaited English translation of the popular Punjabi novel Katha Kaho Urvashi by Sahitya Akademi Award-winning novelist and distinguished academic Dalip Kaur Tiwana, Tell the Tale, Urvashi is the tragic intergenerational saga of a landed Sikh family in late 20th-century Punjab.

Exploring the dynamics of family life, human relationships, the evolving roles of women, and the social structures within which they are rooted against the backdrop of a wider cultural disorientation of our times, Urvashi addresses questions of identity and alienation, tradition and modernity, hauntingly capturing the search for the meaning of life, loss and death.

[This translation] is so fluid and smooth that it almost gives the impression of having been originally conceived and written in English A seasoned storyteller, with deft control, she has not only crafted a complex narrative out of personal tragedy, but also woven a fine tapestry of wideranging human emotions.

—The Tribune

Contents: Author's Acknowledgements; Translator's Note: Tell the Tale, Urvashi: Book I: The Tale of the Dark Path: Book 2: The Tale of Kalyug; Book 3: The Tale Untold; Book 4: The Tale of a Sigh; Book 5: A Tale of Time and Eternity; Book 6: And Thus the Tale Was Told

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Kaanduri and Other Stories

Dash Benhur, retired Reader in Political Science, and a well-known and prolific writer of short stories in Odia

Translated by Bikram Keshari Das, retired Professor of English, a lexicographer, volume editor of English textbooks, and an award-winning translator of Odia fiction



The tales in Kaanduri and Other Stories, selected from the writings of Dash Benhur reveal his wide range. Small surprises and poignant discoveries about relationships account for the appeal of these stories, occasionally marked by humour, which convey the

Sarasvatichandra (Parts I to IV)

Govardhanram Madhavram Tripathi (1855–1907) was born at Nadiad, Gujarat. He is also the author of Snehmudra (1889), The Classical Poets of Gujarat and Their Influence on Society and Morals (1894), and Lilavati livankala (1905)

Translated by **Tridip Suhrud**, who works at the Sabarmati Ashram Preservation and Memorial Trust, Ahmedabad, Gujarat

Part I: Buddhidhan's Administration

It was this novel that shaped [the] intellectual consciousness of Gujarat and laid the foundation of modern Gujarati literature....

-The Times of India

The book is a must read, considering its cultural influences and impact which shaped the modern Gujarati middle class, before the arrival of Mahatma Gandhi.

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A novel of epic proportions, written in four parts from 1887 to 1901, Sarasvatichandra is both an enactment and the embodiment of the life philosophy of one man, and his sole mission.



GCARDHANBAM MADHAFRAM TRIPATHE Translated from the original Gujoloti by Tridio Sehrud



Part I, Buddhidhan's Administration, narrates the story of one individual's extraordinary rise from poverty to power, to become the Karbhari of Suvarnapur. East India Company's growing presence in the Indian native states provides the setting for the rivalry between Buddhidhan and the ruling Karbhari, Shathrai, and the royal intrigue involving Bhupsinh, claimant to the throne of Suvarnapur. The parallel story threading through all four parts is of an unusual and abiding love between Sarasvatichandra and Kumud who, betrothed young, fall in love before marriage—through an exchange of letters, words and worlds.

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flavour of life among generally the middle and lower classes of Odisha.

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Konkaboti



The Extraordinary Journey of a Village Girl

Troilokyonath Mukhopadhyay

Translated by **Arnab Bhattacharya**, well-known author and translator



Konkaboti, written in Bengali, is Troilokyonath's first novel (1892). It begins with the childhood years of the eponymous heroine and Khetu, a boy from her village. In time, their mothers want them to marry, but Konkaboti's father plans her wedding with an aged zamindar. The prospect

appals her and she falls ill. Konka and Khetu then undergo amazing experiences leading to their 'death'. But matters are resolved through a twist in the tail of the narrative. The novel has satirical references to prevalent social practices such as sati. In an Afterword, the translator puts the novel in perspective.

Contents: Translator's Preface; A Biographical Note on the Author; A Note on the Translation; Glossary of Non-English Words/Phrases; Konkaboti; Book I: I. An Old Yarn 2. Kusumghati 3. Tonu Roy 4. Khetu 5. Nironjon 6. Farewell 7. Konkaboti 8. The Boy and the Girl 9. Meni 10. Bou-didi 11. A Matrimonial Proposal 12. Shnareshwor 13. Trouble Brewing 14. About Godadhor I5. Konkaboti's Ailment; Book II: I. The Boat 2. Underwater 3. The Royal Robe 4. The Milkwoman 5. The Burning Ghat 6. The Tiger 7. In the Forest 8. The In-laws 9. The Root 10. The Theft 11. The Ghost Company 12. Frog Sahib 13. Putrid Water 14. The Master Mosquito 15. Khorbur 16. The Ogre 17. The Wife of the Stars 18. The Formidable Sepoy 19. The Sati on the Pyre; Conclusion; Afterword from the Translator: About the Novel

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Vegetarians Only Stories of Telugu Muslims

Skybaaba, writer, poet, activist and freelance iournalist

Edited by A. Suneetha, Senior Fellow and Coordinator, Anveshi Research Centre for Women's Studies, Hyderabad; and Uma Maheswari Bhrugubanda, Assistant Professor, Department of Cultural Studies, EFL University, Hyderabad



A translation of twelve short stories titled Adhure: Muslim Kadhalu, Vegetarians Only introduces the reader to the life-world of Telugu Muslims, their dreams, sorrows and predicaments, presenting moving portraits of people battling indigence, prejudice and isolation with dignity and courage. Negotiations around

the burga and dowry are interwoven with communal sharing of marriage expenses and work. Unfulfilled love, the desperation and helplessness of penury are attenuated by promises of migration to the Gulf. These stories also evocatively foreground the friendships and camaraderie between rural and small-town Telugu Muslims and Dalits and invite us to share the emotional journeys that Skybaaba creates for each of his characters.

Selected contents: Author's Foreword: Of Mofussil Muslim Lives I. Jani Begum 2. Petition 3. Vegetarians Only 4. Romance 1424 Hijri 5. The Dying Flame 6. Homeland 7. The Benefactor 8. The Wedding Feast 9. Sheer Khorma 10. Life in Death 11. Nowhere to Turn 12. Urs

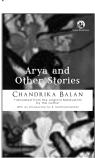
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Arya and Other Stories

Written and translated by Chandrika Balan, an award-winning writer of prose in Malayalam and English

Introduction by K. Satchidanandan, a major poet and critic, writing in Malayalam and English

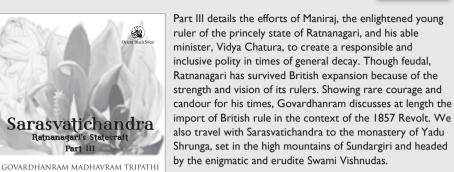


Arya and Other Stories is a collection of twelve selected stories translated into English. All of them have women as protagonists and reflect social reality. The inner strength—Shakthi—of the woman, problems of the career women, the harm done by visual media, feminine creativity, the

Part III: Ratnanagari's Statecraft

Translated from the original Gujarat

by Tridip Suhrud



Contents: Translator's Acknowledgements; Translator's Introduction; Preface I; Preface II; Elegy for a Sister 1. Sundargiri 2. Maniraj and Vidya Chatura's Family at Manoharpuri 3. News from Bombay: Dhurtalal's Machinations 4. News from Suvarnapur: The Karbhari's Guilty Son 5. In the Presence of Vishnudas 6. A Philosophy of the Manifest and the Unmanifest: Dream, Awakening, Dream 7. The Kings and Ministers of Ratnanagari 8. Maniraj

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Part IV, The Dreamland, brings to a culmination the philosophical and narrative concerns explored in Parts I, II and III. At the heart of it lies the question of dharma and duty in the realms of state, society, family and love, and widow remarriage—a concern central to the reforms of the late nineteenth century. It offers a utopia, both personal and societal, in the form of Kalyangram, where the ideal and desirable dominate over the real and the possible. Kumud and Sarasvatichandra, who were separated in Part I, meet at last on Sundargiri and travel together in a dream.

Sarasvatichandra reads as one of the great Indian novels of the 19th century in this translation and provides a world view of India with the same breadth and sweep as would find in a Charles Dickens or Thomas Hardy novel.

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complex feminine psyche, ecology are some of the prominent themes. The stories are filled with humour and are sharp critiques of the values and mores of our patriarchal society. This collection provides a deep insight into social situations and relationships in contemporary India—in this instance, Kerala.

Her fictional response to women issues is couched in satire and humour but that does not in any way take away from the sharpness of the response. The stories are valuable for their incisive insights into human behaviour, male and female alike; and it is to the writer's credit that many of them leave us smiling at the weakness rather than fuming at the lapses of mankind.

_Mini Chandran

Contents: Introduction; The Power of the Paradox: Chandrika Balan's Short Stories in the Context of Women's Writing in Kerala I. Arya 2. Bonsai 3. Devigramam 4. Peoples' Court 5. An Optical Illusion 6. Sponsors Please 7. The (Postmodern) Story of Jyoti Viswanath 8. The Relevance of Graham Greene in the Life of a Bride 9. The Fifth One 10. The Story of a Poem 11. A Companion for the Twilight Hour 12. Website

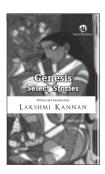
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Select Stories

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—Deccan Herald

descriptions, Lakshmi Kannan creates characters who are trying to negotiate the slippery slope of modern life while simultaneously following ageold social mores and religious rituals... critical of the secondary status accorded to women in Tamil society, Lakshmi Kannan also showcases its liberal outlook in certain instances. This balanced approach to her chosen field reveals Lakshmi Kannan's mastery over the fictional idiom.

—The Book Review

Contents: SHORT STORIES: I. Genesis
2. Islanders 3. The Coming of Devi 4. Phantoms
of Truth 5. Cryptic Chords 6. Urvashi 7. Parijata
8. An Evening With You 9. Rhythms 10. Kasturi,
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Requiem 13. A Key Issue; LONG STORIES:
14. India Gate 15. Sable Shadows

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Of Ghosts and Other Perils

Troilokyonath Mukhopadhyay (1847–1919), one of the foremost writers of fiction in nineteenth-century Bengal

Translated by **Arnab Bhattacharya**, translator and critic based in Kolkata



This collection of seven short stories originally written in Bengali by Troilokyanath Mukhopadhyay is a world where the laws of nature do not always operate. In 'Birbala', a young man appears to lose his identity in a dream but wins the hand of the girl he had had

a vision of. 'Lullu' is a ghost who steals a Muslim man's wife from Delhi and hides her in a chamber below a lake, but Amir, her husband, with the help of a weaver-singer, an astrologer, an exorcist, and sundry other ghosts rescues her by making Lullu become a slave to opium. 'Nayanchand's Business' is a tale of a bull under orders of his ex-owner about to wreak havoc in the palace of Yama as he makes the god of the netherworld and his assistant Chitragupta run in panic to escape being gored. Troilokyanath's fictional prose is also replete with social criticism sometimes tinged with satire though with a light touch. These tales of fantasy will enthral the young as well as the jaded old as the translation masterfully retains the flavour of the original.

Arnab Bhattacharya does a commendable job in translating the stories.

—The Book Review

This is one of the first books I have come across from the archive of Indian literature in translation that spells out so unambiguously the stance of the translator on the foreignisation-domestication debate in the Indian context... More importantly, it tries to actualise the theoretical position in practice. The translator deserves to be lauded for that.

-Indian Literature, May/June 2014

Contents: 1. Birbala 2. Lullu 3. Nayanchand's Business 4. The Pearl Necklace 5. Smile on Madan Ghosh's Face 6. A Story by Damarudhar 7. Another Story by Damarudhar

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Tales of Athiranippādam

S. K. Pottekkatt, one of the pre-eminent Malayalam writers of the twentieth century

Translated by **Sreedevi K. Nair**, Professor, Department of English, NSS College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram; and **Radhika P. Menon**, Associate Professor, Department of English, Fatima Mata National College, Kollam



Translated from the Malayalam *Oru Desathinte Katha*, *Tales of Athiranippādam* is the fictionalised autobiography of S. K. Pottekkatt. Sreedharan, the protagonist, offers us a glimpse of the author's personal reality enmeshed with the unsung saga of the little corner of

the earth, Athiranippādam, where he was raised. The narrative uses an interesting mix of street gossip, fairy tale and recorded history, and filters it through a perspective that is at once involved and detached. This volume was first published in 1971 in Malayalam, and won the Sahitya Akademi Award in 1973 and the Jnanpith Award in 1980.

Selected Contents: *Introduction; Translator's Note*; The Reservoir; Section I; Section II; Section IV

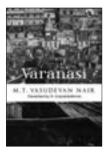
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Varanasi



M. T. Vasudevan Nair, best known among his generation of storytellers in Malayalam

Translated by **N. Gopalakrishnan**, a well-known writer and translator, and recipient of the Kendriya Sahitya Akademi Award in 2007



Varanasi, in his trademark austere writing style, is M. T. Vasudevan Nair's latest novel. Non-linear and set through the protagonist's reminiscences, the novel narrates the journey of an aged man, Sudhakaran, through the city of Varanasi, and simultaneously chronicles his life through his

thoughts. As a commentary on the human condition, the novel explores the idea of lust and desire pervading through mankind, finding its essence embodied in the culture of the historic city. Translated by Sahitya Akademi Award winner, N. Gopalakrishnan, this work masterfully retains the flavour of the original Malayalam.

Selected Contents: Translator's Introduction; *Varanasi* (Six parts)

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Bahadur Shah and the **Festival of Flower-sellers**

Mirza Farhatullah Beg, a renowned research scholar and distinguished writer and humorist

Translated by Mohammed Zakir, former Professor of Urdu, Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi



This book is an account of the phoolwalon ki sair, or the festival of flower-sellers, its history, how it began and its observance. It is an interesting and vivid account of this annual secular celebration that in fact is still observed in Delhi.

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Boatman of the Padma, The

Manik Bandyopadhyay (1908-1956), a Bengali novelist and considered one of the leading lights of modern Bengali fiction

Translated by Ratan K. Chattopadhyay, a graduate from the University of Calcutta and translator of Selections from Galpagucchha, an anthology of short stories by Tagore in three volumes



An English translation of Manik Bandopadhyay's popular novel Padma Nadir Majhi (1936), this is an immaculately painted document of the fishing community in a remote sleepy village of Bangladesh nurtured by the Padma, the lifeline of the country. It deals with the impact of the

fiercely beautiful Padma on the lives of the riparian people. The reality of communal life on the one hand and the desires and aspirations of individual life on the other—all in conformity with the pace of the river-are sketched beautifully in this sensitive translation.

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Magic Web and Other Stories, The

Ashapurna Debi on the Widow and Her World

Ashapurna Debi (1909-1995) was one of the most prolific creative writers in Indian literature, known for her incisive chronicles of the Bengali middle class. She was awarded the Padmashree in 1976 and the Bharatiya Inanpith in 1977

Translated by Jharna Sanyal, Professor of English, University of Calcutta



This is a collection of eighteen of Ashapurna Debi's short stories on the lives of widows. Through these stories, we are introduced to ritual-oriented drudges and gossipmongering women, and to unbecoming women who refuse to hear the voice of everyday morality and silence

the promptings of received values. One finds in the stories the rational, sensible, modern, urban gentleman all but merely the camouflaged victims of patriarchy.

Contents: Introduction 1. Addiction 2. Bibi Begum's Shiva Temple 3. Expiation 4. Insensible 5. Of Kith and Kin 6. One Death and Another 7. Playing with Fire 8. Prejudice 9. Raju's Mother 10. Reflection 11. The Chatterbox 12. The Deceiver 13. The Egotists 14. The Invitation 15. The Magic Web 16. The Runaway 17. Trangression 18. Water and Fire

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Not Without Reason and Other Stories

Rajee Seth, an acclaimed Hindi writer of fiction, poetry and criticism

Translated by Raji Narasimhan, a well-known translator



Rajee Seth's writings are critically lauded for being a qualitative bridge between the classicist and modernist style of writing in Hindi. A warm humanism marks this collection of nine stories by her, some of which are vibrantly feminist. In Raji Narasimhan's precise and vivid translations from their

Hindi originals, the stories truly come alive.

[Rajee Seth] usually picks up seemingly simple subjects and through them addresses larger social issues. She has done this once again in [this] ... collection.... It's the realistic touches that make these everyday stories a delight to read. Of course, the brilliant translation also helps.

—The Hindu

Contents: I. Meeting 2. My Option 3. Amma's Gold 4. Outsiders 5. Wait, Intezaar Hussain 6. Yatra 7. The Same Jungle Again 8. Not without Reason 9. Morass

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Survival and Other Stories

Bangla Dalit Fiction in Translation

Edited by Sankar Prasad Singha, Professor; and Indranil Acharya, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal



A mason's refusal to yield despite being tortured by 'upper-caste' people for claiming equality with them; a zamindar being forced to drag a plough for taunting another for his 'low' ancestry; a penniless family's fight for survival with a cobra coiled up in a hole full of grains. Evocative of the

indignities heaped on the Dalits, this book is a collection of eighteen such stories—a sensitive retelling that retains the rhythms and idioms of the original Bengali narratives.

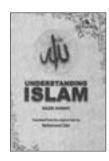
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Understanding Islam

Nazir Ahmad, leading Urdu writer, and a social and religious reformer

Translated by Mohammed Zakir, retired Professor of Urdu, Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi



This volume is a translation of litihad (Striving) written in Urdu by Nazir Ahmad. The original work grew out of a response to the question, 'Why am I a Muslim?' which had obsessed the author. Written in the form of a dialogue between a student and a teacher, this book is a valuable introduction and

guide to the essence of one of the world's major religions. Mohammed Zakir's translation retains the flavour of the original.

Contents: 1. Islamic Beliefs 2. Knowing God 3. Oneness of the Creator 4. Polytheism: Attributing Partners to God 5. Existence of God 6. Conveniences in Islam and Inconveniences in Other Religions 7. Oneness of God is the Essence of Religion 8. Sense of Good and Bad is Natural 9. Prophethood 10. Truthfulness of the Prophet of Islam 11. Miracles and Prophecies 12. The Real Aim of the Revelation of the Qur'an 13. An Advice to the Maulvis of Today 14. Asceticism 15. Other Religions and the Doctrines of Islam 16. Reforming the Conditions of Muslims 17. Religion and This World Are Not Inconsistent

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Nandanvan and Other Stories

Written and translated by **Lakshmi Kannan**, poet, novelist and short story writer

Lakshmi brings the sensibility of a poet to her stories.

—The Deccan Herald



The crafting of the stories as well as the turn of phrase that evokes the abstractions vividly in tangible forms is finely nuanced and delicately poised. This collection is valuable in that it brings to us contemporary bhasha literature translated into English, bridging seemingly

effortlessly, the gap between the cultures of the two languages.

—The Book Review

Powerful messages, descriptive and evocative prose, arresting dialogues and soliloquies, incredibly strong and never-say-die characters ... dot the Lakshmi landscape of the book. The writer has translated her stories into excellent English and has captured the idioms and finer nuances of the Tamil world with admirable precision.

—The Hindu

Nandanvan & Other Stories is a collection of 17 of Kannan's own stories originally written in Tamil. As vivid in imagination as they are realistic, the stories in this collection are reflections on gender, sexuality, filial piety, construction of identity, cultural institutions and the individual existing 'within' and 'outside'.

Contents: SHORT STORIES: 1. Nandanvan
2. Ejamaanar 3. Please, Dear God 4. Muniyakka
5. Nagapushpam 6. Zeroing In 7. Savvyasachi
Square 8. The Maze 9. Just Think About It
10. Simone de Beauvoir and the Manes
11. A Word with you, Father 12. A Guava with a
Red Heart 13. A Political Colour 14. Because
15. A Sky All Around 16. Maria; NOVELLA:
Another Hour, Another Hue

2011 978-81-2504-323-2 ₹835 280 pp Paperback

Old Playhouse and Other Poems, The

Kamala Das

With an Introduction by **V. C. Harris**, Professor of English, School of Letters, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam

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Silent Storm

Syed Saleem, a popular contemporary writer who has published short stories, poetry and novels in Telugu

Translated by **P Jayalakshmi**, former Associate Professor, Department of English, Nizam College, Osmania University, Hyderabad



Silent Storm interweaves the stories of Nagamani, an illiterate and poor woman and Kumar, a well placed white collar employee of a bank. Nagamani is ostracised by the community when it discovers that she is afflicted with HIV virus. By sheer grit and determination she successfully educates herself

through the efforts of Positive People's Care and soon she lends support to many others around her, especially those from high-risk groups such as sex workers. This book is a translation of the Telugu novel Kaalutunna Poolathota, which won the Sahitya Academy Award in 2010.

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Last Musha'irah of Delhi, The

Mirza Farhatullah Baig, distinguished humorist

Translated by **Akhtar Qamber**, Professor, Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, and Miranda House, Delhi



Drawing upon living memory, manuscripts and other documents, Mirza Farhatullah Baig Dehalvi wrote Delhi ki Akhri Shama, a fictional account of what purports to be the last great musha'irah held in Delhi under the patronage of Bahadur Shah 'Zafar', the last Mughal emperor. The present volume is the

first-ever English translation of Farhatullah Baig's classic, accompanied by a long introduction, textual and other annotations, and extensive glossary.

2010 978-81-2503-967-9 ₹1140 192 pp Paperback

Panchlight and Other Stories

Phanishwar Nath Renu, a stalwart in the *Nayi Kahani* (New Story) movement

Translated by **Rakhshanda Jalil**, Media and Cultural Coordinator, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi



The diversity of the stories in this collection is representative of the works of Renu (1921–77). One of the foremost writers in Hindi, Renu's world is rural Bihar. The characters in his stories are the landless and the marginalised. He writes in the context of a crumbling social order, the

universality of his work coming from his ability to look deep into the human heart.

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Untouchable Spring

G. Kalyana Rao, an important functionary of Virasam, Viplava Rachayitala Sangham (Revolutionary Writers' Movement) and a Dalit

Translated by **Alladi Uma** and **M. Sridhar**, both at the Department of English, University of Hyderabad



Untouchable Spring, a memory text, is a family/community saga, a novel and a historical document rolled into one. Using the oral story-telling tradition, Rao has brought to the fore not just the social and cultural life of generations of Dalits, but their art forms. Through the stories of successive

generations, we are taken on a journey to their heart—from those who were exploited to those who discover their humanity through defiance.

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Westward Traveller, The



Durgabati Ghose accompanied her husband on a trip to Europe in 1932 and wrote about her experience in *Paschimjatriki*

Translated by **Somdatta Mandal**, Professor and Chairperson, Department of English and other Modern European Languages, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

With a Foreword by Ashis Nandy

An interesting fact about this travelogue is that even within its set pattern, it offers nuggets of



history.... To translate this depiction of Europe in colonial times through the eyes of a modernizing Bengali woman has been a "labour of love" for translator Somdatta Mandal. Simple and lucid in style, the work ... is faithful to the intention of the narrative.

—Scholars without Borders

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First Promise, The e-book (Second Edition)

Ashapurna Debi, well-known author who wrote in Bengali

Translated by Indira Chowdhury, former Professor of English, Jadavpur University, Kolkata



Ashapurna tells the story of the struggles and efforts of women in nineteenthcentury colonial Bengal in a deceptively easy and conversational style. Indira Chowdhury's confident translation, with its conscious choice of Indian English equivalents over British and American colloquialisms, carries

across the language divide the flavour of Ashapurna's unique idiomatic style. This edition includes the translator's reflections on the process of translation itself.

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Nazir Ahmad in his Own Words and Mine

Mirza Farhatullah Beg, distinguished humorist

Translated by Mohammed Zakir, former Professor of Urdu, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi



Mirza Farhatullah Beg takes the reader through the bylanes of old Delhi from Churiwalan, through Hauz Kazi and Khari Baoli to Gali Batashan Wali to the home of his tutor-a doyen of Urdu prose and one of the pioneers of modern fiction in Urdu. In a narrative that is as funny as it is respectful,

there emerges an eloquent and evocative portrait that honestly captures the relationship between an erudite tutor and his loving and impudent pupil. Rich in historical detail, the work also records

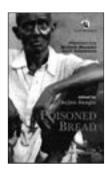
eyewitness anecdotal accounts of the Mutiny of 1857 and paints a vivid picture of a fading world.

2009 978-81-2503-777-4 ₹330 96 pp Paperback E-ISBN: 978-81-2505-921-9

Poisoned Bread

Translations from Modern Marathi Dalit Literature (New Edition)

Edited by Arjun Dangle, an important name in the politics and literature of Maharashtra



When published in 1992. Poisoned Bread was the first anthology of dalit literature. The writers—more than eighty of them—presented here in English translations, are nearly all of the most prominent figures in Marathi dalit literature, who have contributed to this unique literary phenomenon. This new edition includes an

essay by Gail Omvedt, a distinguished scholar activist working on new social movements.

2009 978-81-2503-754-5 ₹1230 392 pp Paperback

Scar, The



K. A. Gunasekaran, teacher, folk-artist, dramatist and researcher

Translated by V. Kadambari



The book exposes the pain of living as a parayar in a casteist setup, narrated by a very resilient boy who is determined not to be cowed down by the challenges in his path.... [I]t is most strikingly different because of the style of narration.... Another aspect of the book that makes it engaging is [the]

way the writer has built up selected events from his life that triggered his passage from joyous, confident youth into early adulthood and awareness.

— The Indian Express

2009 978-81-2503-705-7 ₹540 I20 pp Paperback E-ISBN: 978-81-2505-088-9

Umrao Jan Ada

(Revised Edition)

Mirza Mohammed Hadi Ruswa, renowned Urdu prose writer

Translated by Khushwant Singh, writer and editor of several journals and newspapers, and M. A. Husaini, one of the best Urdu prose writers

Umrao Jan Ada was first published in 1899. Based on the life of a courtesan of Lucknow-a woman



of great charm with a reputation as a very fine poet and singer—the novel recreates the gracious ambience of old Lucknow and takes the reader on a fascinating journey through the palaces of wealthy nawabs, the hideouts of vagabonds, to the luxurious abodes of the city's courtesans. It captures the

culture and decadence of a lifestyle that has now vanished for ever. This translation preserves the full flavour of the original narrative.

2009 978-81-250-3750-7 ₹495 188 pp Paperback

Samidha



Sadhana Amte, writer and activist

Translated by Shobha Pawar, lecturer, S. P. College, Pune



A fairy-tale romance and a blueprint for anyone who wants to venture into social service, this autobiography of Sadhanatai Amte—a woman who chose to marry a frenzied man and a dreamer, Baba Amte-is also a tale of her willing surrender in love without the slightest loss of her

identity. It is a document of the dreams they dreamt for humankind and their struggle to put life into them. These memoirs present the portrait of a woman beside a man; a perfect consort who has the ability to tame the living storm, Baba Amte.

2008 978-81-250-3404-9 ₹715 296 pp Paperback E-ISBN: 978-81-250-5953-0

Government Brahmana

Aravind Malagatti, well-known Kannada writer

Translated by Dharani Devi Malagatti, recipient of the Karnataka Sahitya Akademi award (2004)



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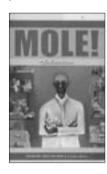
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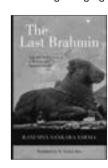
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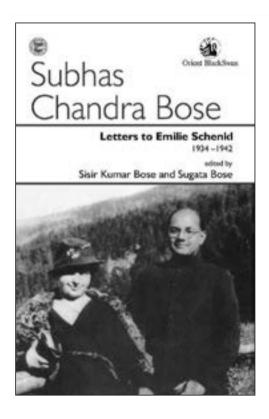
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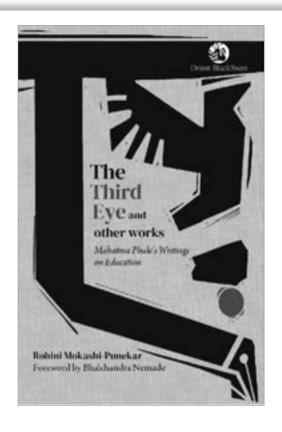
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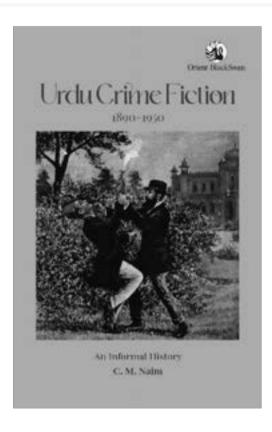
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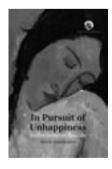
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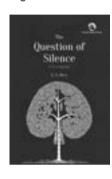
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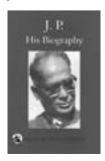
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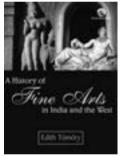
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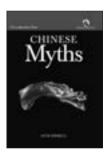
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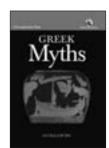
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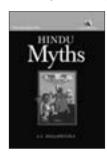
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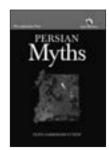
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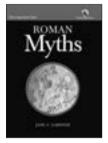
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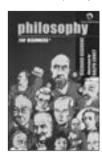
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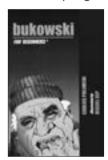


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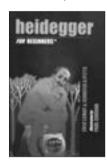
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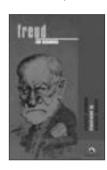


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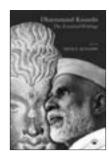
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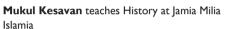


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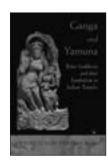
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