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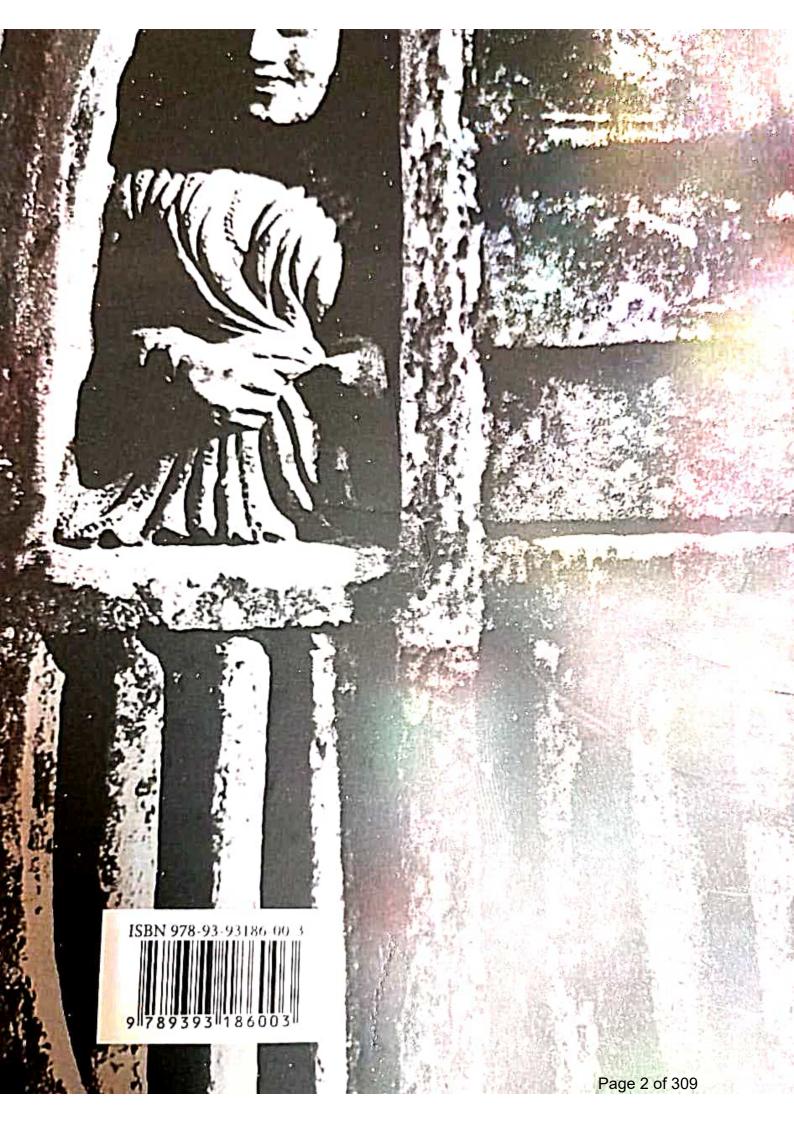
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সকালে চা খবরের কাগজের সঙ্গে আর একটা বিষয় মানুষ জীবনে জুড়ে গিয়েছে সবার অলক্ষ্যে, তা হল চুটকি। খবরের মতো সারাদিন ধরে সেগুলি ঘূরতে থাকে নানা অ্যাপে, মুখে মুখে। আর মোবাইলের মজুতঘর ভরে ওঠে হাসির ইমোটিকন-এ। হিসেব নিলে দেখা যাবে, এই চুটকিগুলির অধিকাংশই মহিলাদের সম্পর্কে লিঙ্গবৈষম্যমূলক রসিকতা। স্টিরিওটাইপ মহিলাদের নিয়ে রসিকতা, স্টিরিওটাইপ ভাঙলে রসিকতা—অর্থাৎ, যে কোনওভাবেই পিতৃতন্ত্রের ইয়ার্কির লক্ষ্য মহিলারা। আরও আশ্চর্য, এই রসিকতাগুলি কেবল পুরুষরাই নয়, যাদের লক্ষ্য করে বানানো

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### VOICE OF THE 'MARGINALISED' AGAINST CASTE DISCRIMINATION- A STIGMA IN INDIAN VALUE SYSTEM

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Values and moral outlook are integral parts of a community. It is desirable that every member of the community abides by these values and moral outlook. The values and outlook are also to distinguish one community from the other. In our Indian context, caste identity dominates, and the other identities such as religion, language, class and territory play their own crucial role. The values and the moral outlook of any caste is determined by dominant groups and sections. The beneficiaries are normally those who determine these values and moral outlook. In a patriarchal society, men are the real beneficiaries and women are the victims. Similarly in a caste society, the upper and Dominant castes are the beneficiaries and Dalits the victims. The victims have the tendency to break the norms and values and moral outlook. In the Indian caste context, Dalits are the real critics of the caste system and have developed and practiced their own

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In The Preface to The Lyrical Ballads published in 1798 William Wordsworth had explained the reason behind his writing the poems of The Lyrical Ballads: "The principal object, then, proposed in these Poems was to choose incidents and situations from common life, and to relate or describe throughout, as far as possible in a selection of language really used by men, and, at the same time, to throw over them a certain colouring of imagination, whereby ordinary things should be presented to the mind in an unusual aspect; and further, to make these incidents and situations interesting by tracing in them truly though not ostentatiously, the primary laws of our nature: chiefly, as far as regards the manner in which we associate ideas in a state of excitement. Humble and rustic life was generally chosen, because in that condition, the essential passions of the heart find a better soul in which they can attain their maturity, are less under restraint, and speak a plainer and more emphatic language because in that condition of life our elementary

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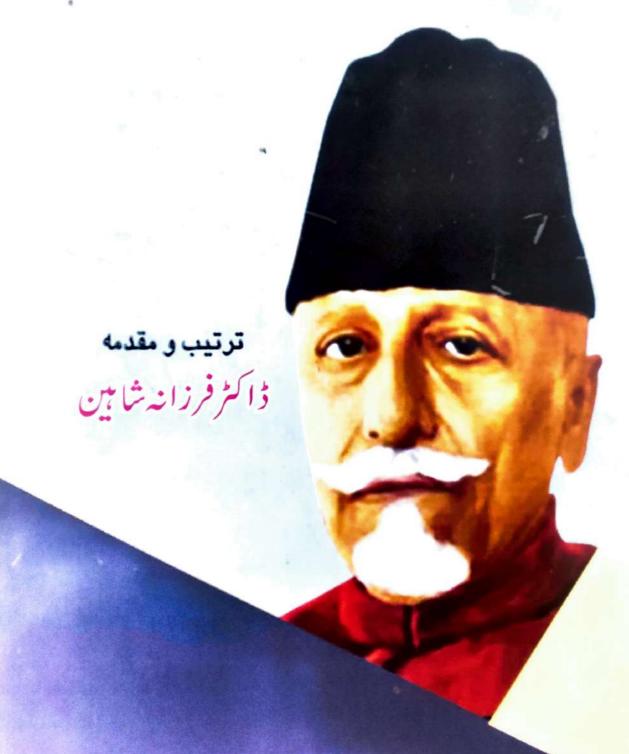
# AŚOKA'S *DHAMMA* AS CODES OF ETHICS: AN OBJECTIVE TO PEACE AND HARMONY

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The Mauryan king Aśoka (C.272-232 BCE) is perceived as a unique ruler among the greatest rulers of our history. The turning point in Aśoka's way of life, career and politics was the Kalinga campaign (C.261 BCE) which was successful and victorious, but it led to him into the sincere remorse and change of heart as its cruel consequences. turned completely towards *ahimsā*(non-violence) and adopted Buddhism. It is a very well-known fact that Aśoka attributes his own interest in dhamma to repentance for the violence and cruelty of the Kalinga war. He propagated his ideas of dhamma through his large number of edicts which were written in Prākṛt and also in Greek-Aramaic languages from the north-western frontier region throughout his whole kingdom. He revealed himself as a moral philosopher and found a substitute for conquests by arms in conquest by dhamma, by righteousness and morality. H.C. Roychowdhury mentioned that "the era of military conquest or digvijaya was over, the era of spiritual conquest or dharmavijaya was about to begin".1

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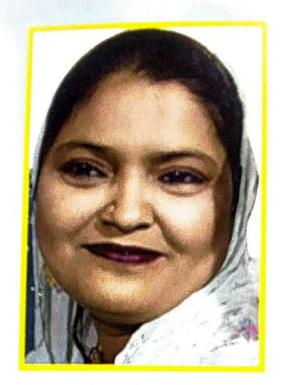
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# MUNDANE NATURE OF AMŖTATVA Dr. Indrani Mukherjee

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The etymological meaning of the term amṛtatva is 'na mṛtatva' i.e. non-mortal. Sometimes it would be seen that the word 'death' has been taken in a metaphorical sense. When we have heard that someone is died, we show a kind of honour to that very person. In this context the meaning of the term 'death' is taken as physical decay. When someone perceives death, he feels that this material world is going much far away, he is not associated with this world. Through these signs soul can realize his own nature that he is not inseparably connected with this world. This sort of realization is made possible in the light of 'death'. This is one aspect of death. But another meaning of 'death' is found when we utter such sentence like 'coward dies many times before their death' or 'do not dies in suffering'. It carries a different sense of death having no physical decay. In this sentence, a question naturally comes in our mind that whose death we are talking about? That means there is another aspect in an individual which do not have any relation to his physical devastation. This things hint the

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### সংক্ষিপ্তসার:

আম্বেদকরের দর্শনের তাৎপর্য বোঝার জন্য, হিন্দুধর্ম সম্পর্কে আম্বেদকরের দৃষ্টিভঙ্গির দিকে বিশেষ নজর দেওয়া প্রয়োজন। আম্বেদকর বুঝতে পেরেছিলেন যে অম্পৃশ্যতার মূলে রয়েছে হিন্দুধর্ম। তাঁর মতে, হিন্দুধর্ম সর্বদাই মানুষকে এক শ্রেণীর বা অন্য শ্রেণীর অন্তর্ভুক্ত বলে বিচার করেছে। শুধু মানুষ হিসেবে মানুষকে মর্যাদা দেওয়ার কোনো চেষ্টা আমরা কখনো দেখিনি। আম্বেদকরের মতে, একটি ধর্ম শুধুমাত্র একজন ব্যক্তিকে পূর্ণ মর্যাদা দিতে পারে যদি তার মধ্যে সমবেদনা, স্বাধীনতা এবং সমতার তিনটি ধারণা থাকে। কিন্তু দুর্ভাগ্যবশত আমরা হিন্দু ধর্মে এর কোনোটিই পাই না। এক শ্রেণীর অম্পৃশ্যতার মত অভিশাপ বয়ে বেড়াতে বাধ্য করা হচ্ছে। তাই বর্তমান প্রবন্ধে আমি দেখানোর চেষ্টা করব কেন আম্বেদকর মনে করেন বৌদ্ধ ধর্মই দলিত সম্প্রদায়ের এই অভিশাপ থেকে মুক্তির একমাত্র উপায়।

'Unfortunetly, I was born a hindu. It was beyond my power to prevent that, but I solemnly assure you that I will not die a hindu'. মহারাষ্ট্রের নাসিকে একটি সম্মেলনে নিজের সম্বন্ধে বলতে গিয়ে আম্বেদকর এই উক্তিটি করেন। আম্বেদকরের মত চিন্তাবিদের I Keer, Dhananjay, Dr. Ambedkar: Life and Mission, p. 138

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# GENDER DISCRIMINATION IN EDUCATION: WITH REFERENCE TO SWAMI VIVEKANANDA:

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Philosophy nowadays introduces new areas which discuss many social issues from ethical perspective. Gender discrimination is one of such issues which can be discussed from different aspects. In this article I like to discuss gender discrimination in the field of education in our country. Although one may wonder, is there any necessity of such discussion? Or is this relevant in our present society as we all know the advantageous position of women in society and they are no more lag behind men/ boys in most of the fields.

The problem of discrimination is deep-rooted in the society which cannot be conceived by the overall progress of our society. In this context, I dare to take the reference of Swami Vivekananda who realized the problem of discrimination and perceived the necessity of equality between men and women of our country. A western admirer once described Swami Vivekananda as being 'young in years but eternal in wisdom'. Swamiji's relevance depends not on the nature of the problems we face but on the spirit

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#### TOLERANCE: THE GANDHIAN PERSPECTIVE

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Abstract: Tolerance seems to be one of the most pertinent and necessary virtues in today's world, fragmented and torn by the scourges of violence, fundamentalism and global inequalities. Tolerance can be instrumental to establish human dignity by preserving human diversity. India has evolved the distinctive culture of tolerance for ages. In this context, this paper attempts to analyse the Gandhian paradigm of tolerance, associated with his political career, both in South Africa and India. Gandhiji's perspective manifests the virtue of tolerance as a positive political action, beyond being a sublime philosophical ideal. The Gandhian model of tolerance becomes universally relevant at this juncture, when the pressures of social change throughout the world are resulting in a sense of loss and insecurity.

Ideally, the concept of tolerance can be the most pertinent pillar to withstand the onslaughts of the turbulent lifestyle of the modern world, characterised by complexities and contradictions. Inspite of large scale modernization programmes throughout the world, issues like global

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ধর্ম এমন একটি বিষয় যা নিয়ে এই মানবসভ্যতা বিগত তিন হাজার বছরে বারবার উদ্বেলিত হয়েছে। এই সভ্যতার প্রায় প্রতিটি ইটে ধর্মের হানাহানির রক্ত লেগে আছে। তবে মোটের উপর যতটুকু প্রতিভাত হয়েছে এই সমস্যা থেকে মুক্তির পথ হল ধর্মনিরপেক্ষতা। 'ধর্মনিরপেক্ষতা'র ধারণাটি সংগঠিত বিশ্বাস অনুযায়ী পশ্চিমী, ইউরোপের পরিবর্তনের ইতিহাস এবং উদারবাদের উত্থানের সাথে সাথে সংগঠিত হয়। সরাসরি ধর্মনিরপেক্ষতার উৎস খুঁজতে গেলে রেনেসাঁ উত্তর ইউরোপের পথে পাড়ি দিতে হয়। যেখানে দেখা যায় চার্চ ও রাজনের মধ্যে ক্ষমতার দ্বন্দ্বে ধর্মের বৃহত্তর ভূমিকা। এই সময় ইউরোপে ধর্মসংস্কার আন্দোলনের মাধ্যমে রাষ্ট্রকর্মে ধর্মের পরিধি সীমিত করে দেওয়া হয়। পরবর্তী ক্ষেত্রে ধর্মকে কেন্দ্র করে ইউরোপে ত্রিশ বর্ষব্যাপী যুদ্ধের সূত্রপাত হয়। এই যুদ্ধের সমাপ্তিতে সাক্ষরিত হয় ওয়েস্টফেলিয়া চুক্তি(১৬৪৮)। এই চুক্তির মাধ্যমে ইউরোপে আধুনিক রাষ্ট্রব্যবস্থার সূত্রপাত হয় যেখানে ধর্মনিরপেক্ষতাও গুরুত্বপূর্ণ জায়গা করে নেয়। কারণ নেতৃত্বগণ উপলব্ধি করেন রাষ্ট্রসমূহের মধ্যে দ্বন্দ্বের অন্যতম কারণ ধর্ম এবং তার প্রাধিকার বোধ। অষ্টাদশ শতকে এসে জন লক নিশ্চিত করে দেন রাষ্ট্রকে ধর্ম সম্পর্কে সতর্ক থাকতে হবে কারণ রাষ্ট্রের অস্থিতির পিছনে দায়ী ধর্ম।

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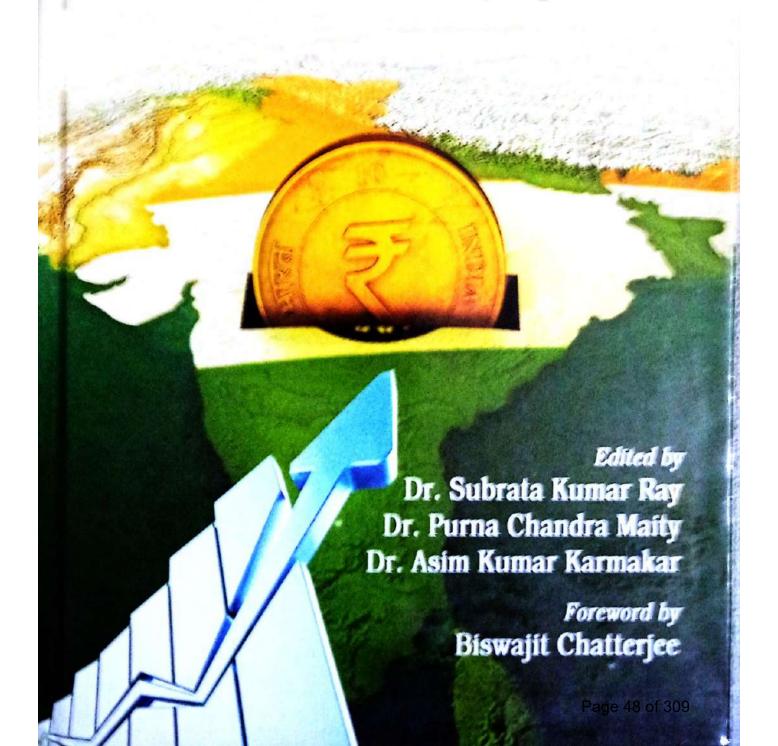
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India is known for its great cultural heritage, highly enriched values and ethics. And it is this cultural value which distinguished India and the Indians from the rest of the world. Almost every aspect of our life is guided by these moral values and which are honesty, kindness, humility, generosity, transparency, truth, patience, satisfaction, selfesteem which direct our social behaviour such as obeying, giving respect, tolerance, modesty, harmony, cooperation, brotherhood, patriotism, mutual respect and respect for all religious groups and sects. But in the modern era with the wake of modernization, urbanization and industrialization, the moral values are somewhere losing their significance. The youth of the nation seem to pay no respect to the age-old moral values and culture. They have engrossed themselves completely into the western values and customs. They lack any kind of sentiment towards their own culture. Their westernized mind-sets and fascination towards the foreign values have primarily led to the degradation of Indian values in recent times.

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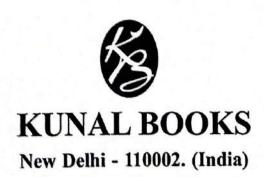
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COVID-19 pandemic has created havoc throughout the world. The economic shock of the pandemic has affected India even more severely as the economy was already going slow since the pre-COVID -19 period. The lockdown consequent upon the pandemic hit the informal workers including the agricultural labourers, migrant workers most. The paper has discussed the effect of COVID-19 on agricultural activities in the country putting emphasis on the supply chains of agriculture. It also attempts to discuss the effect of COVID-19 on farmers' income in terms of cost of cultivation. The study observed that the cost of cultivation in West Bengal has increased by 21.05 – 41.46 percent against the previous year due to input price rise during the pandemic situation. The cost of cultivation has gone up at every stage of production for all crops. The study also noticed that the output prices of all have increased with declining output price, the Indian farmers have incurred loss during the ongoing pandemic situation.

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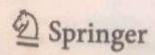
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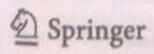
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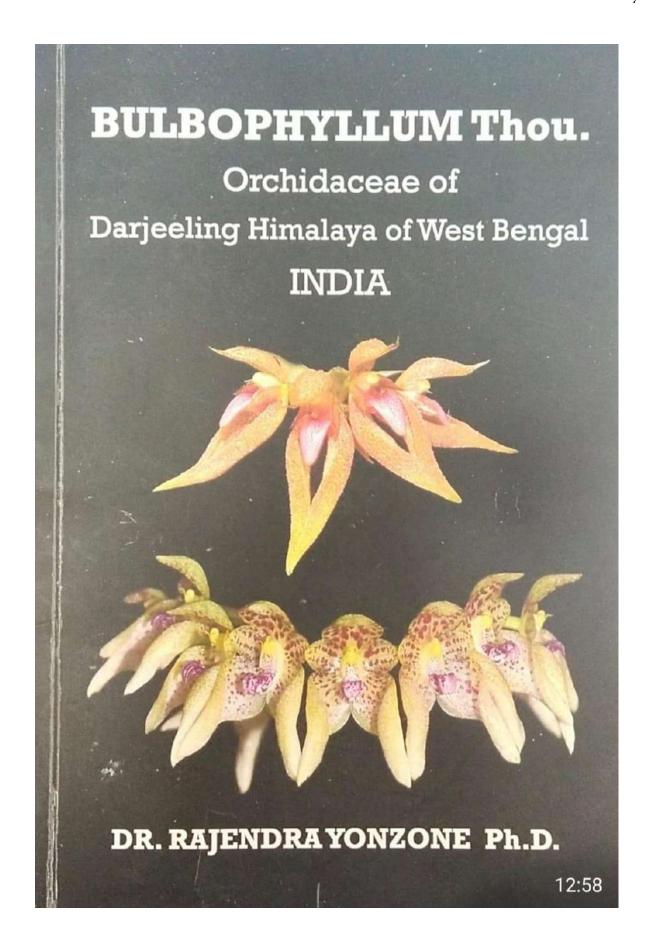
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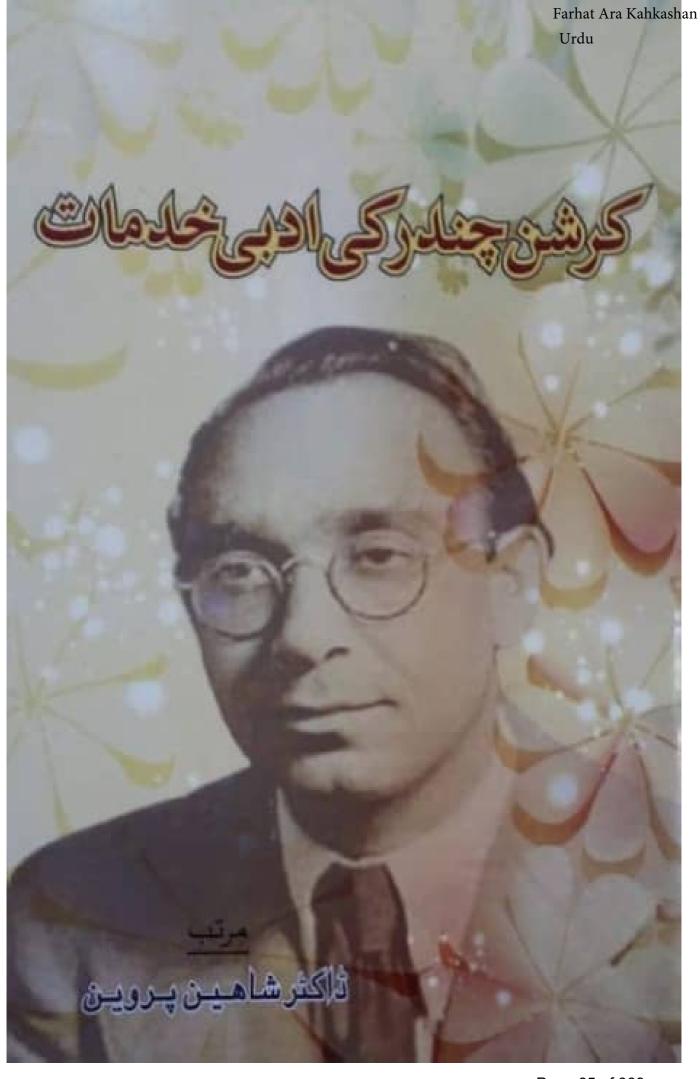
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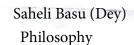


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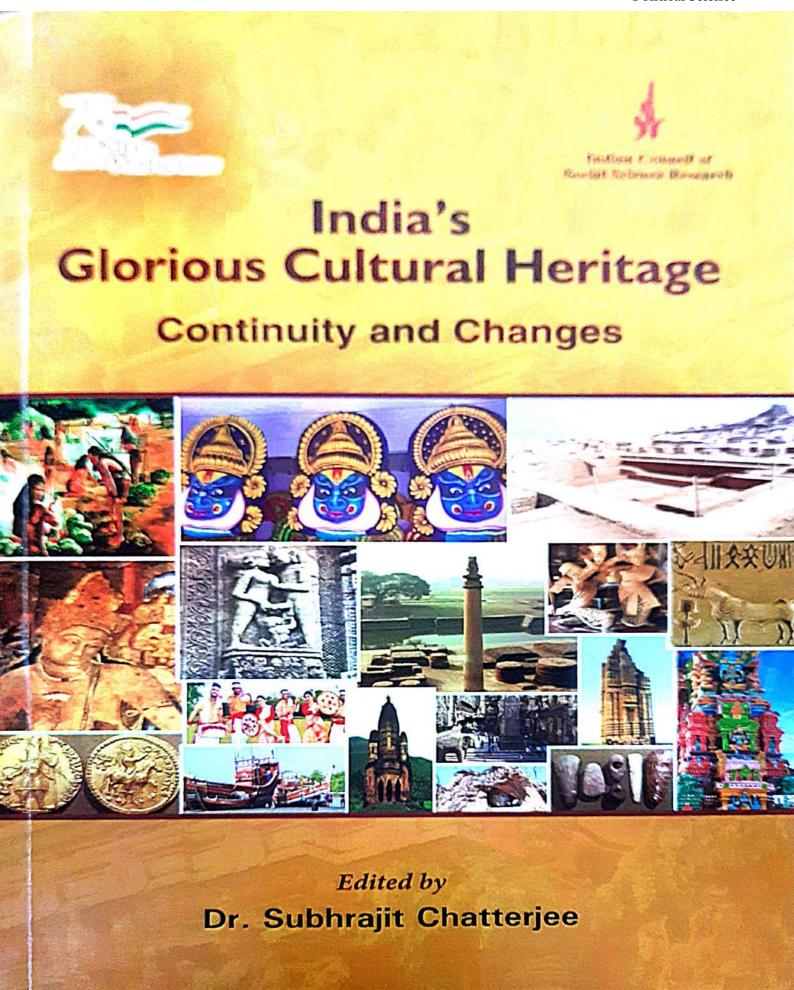
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#### Introduction

Technology becomes an integral part of our life. Since its initiation, it has been changing the way people live their lives. Earlier, people used technology only to communicate, but nowadays, technology has extended its impact in our daily life. It acts as an indispensable tool in the teaching and learning process. With the emergence of technology, the traditional mode of learning has changed. Now there is a strive for new and innovative methods. Technology helps to reduce the gap between learner and teachers. It has made learning more interactive and collaborative. In the Indian context, where access to quality education remains a challenge, technology has played a pivotal role in bridging the gaps and enabling a paradigm shift in the educational landscape.

#### Role of Teachers

The 21st century has brought about many changes, including how we learn. The concept – that teacher is the only source of knowledge, he/she knows everything— is irrelevant now. Students are no longer passive receptacles of knowledge. With the help of technology, they







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# Composite Culture: A pillar of Nationhood in India

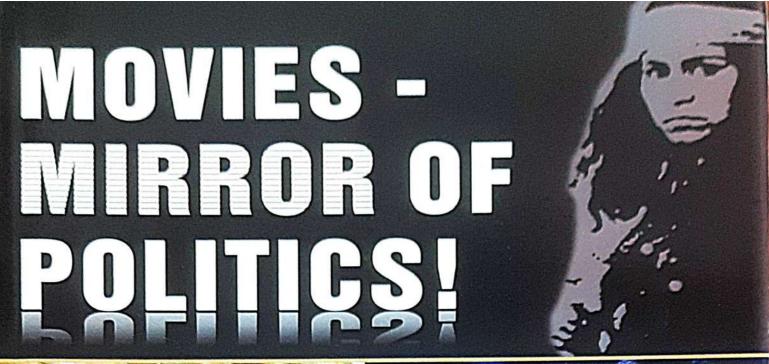
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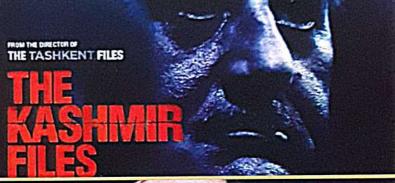
In the post-globalization period, pressures of social change and complexities have brought about a sense of loss and insecurity throughout the world. The concept of human diversity as a principle is now in the face of a severe challenge due to the homegenising tendency of globalisation in general and a slow but steady formation of an exclusivist cultural identity based on dominant religious lines, in particular. In this context, this paper shall try to analyze the relevance of the legendary heritage of Composite Culture in India, that has remained resilient for ages.

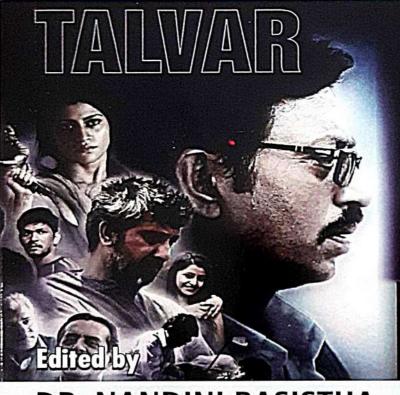
In general, culture refers to a shared system of meaning in terms of which people understand themselves and the world, thereby organising their individual and collective lives. It is through culture that we give expression to our humanity and gain authentic freedom of spirit, so necessary for all other freedoms. Culture includes views about the nature of self, its relations to others, the meaning and significance of human activities, moral values etc. A society's culture is embodied in its beliefs, practices, rituals, literature, body language and ways of organizing different areas of life. Guilford defines culture as the interactive aggregate of common characteristics that influence a human group's response to its environment. A similar definition given by Kluckholm says, culture consists of a patterned way of thinking, feeling, reacting, acquired and transmitted mainly by symbols. Culture, thus can be understood as the collective programming of the mind which distinguishes the members of one human group from another. In a way, culture, provides a framework in terms of which human beings navigate their way through life.

As a result of globalization, technological changes, migration and displacement, most societies have become multicultural today, consisting of people belonging to distinctive cultures, holding different

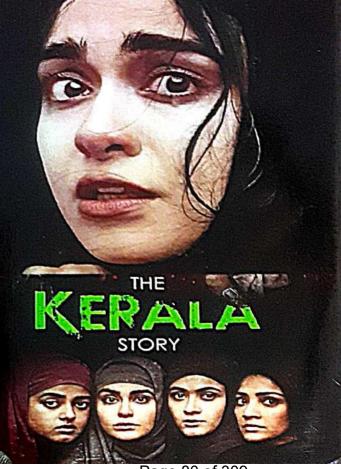








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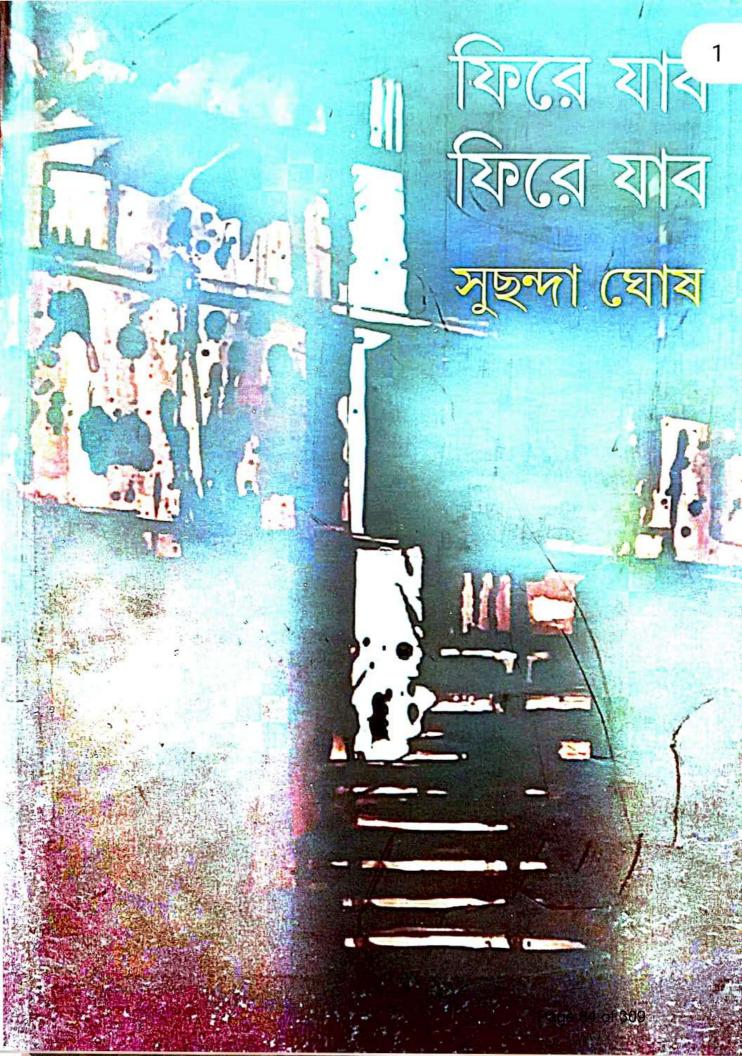


# BOLLYWOOD: THE NEW FACE OF INDIAN DIPLOMACY IN THE ERA OF GLOBALISATION

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lobalisation, so far has been an all-encompassing phenomenon, having its sweeping effect on every aspect of our present lives. Such unprecedented expansion of Globalisation surely requires an ideological explanation of new sensibilities and culture of living within a globalized universe. Globalisation can be conveniently seen as an umbrella term, involving knowledge based economics and technological changes as two of its key parts. The realm of popular culture does not remain outside the purview of globalization and this study falls under the genre of culture studieswhich is still in a nascent stage in India. At least two aspects of globalization and their implications for popular culture concern us,i.e. – how global distances can be overcome by technologies and images can be relayed instantly, making us feel living in a borderless world and how a single form of economic system-the free market or global capitalism pervades most of the world now.

Since the reconfiguration of the Third world as a geo-political entity in the new world system, India as an archetype of non-Western state has renegotiated herself in this new system. India's socio-economic and political areas also underwent massive transformation ever since India experienced the high tide of globalization since the 1990s. The



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#### 1 Introduction

In the era of globalization, export performance is considered to be one of the important factors in determining the long-run growth and sustainable development of an economy. Export growth helps to utilize the unemployed resources, increase the productivity, expand the market size, and helps to reap the benefits of scale economies. Gradually, the focus of international economics is shifted from country or industry to firm. Micro econometric analysis emphasizes on the study of firms' behavior in international market. Melitz (2003) provides a theoretical backdrop of international activities of heterogeneous firms. Two streams of literature evolve to understand the impact of firm-level heterogeneity on their trade behavior. Linkage between productivity and international activity of a firm is the main hypothesis of the first type of literature, whereas second type of literature discusses about the importance of sunk cost in determining the variation of firm-level export performances.

Productivity and efficiency are two indigenous characteristics of a firm that is important in determining the competitiveness of the firm in national and international market. There are two alternate hypotheses. The first hypothesis is based on self-selection theory of a behavioral firm and the second hypothesis is based on the "learning-by-exporting" theory. The first hypothesis states that a more productive and efficient firm chooses to enter the export markets. Exports involve various costs like transportation costs, cost of gathering information about foreign markets,

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# A green approach for synthesis of benzimidazole derivatives: synthesis and characterization of 2-(3-methoxy-4-hydroxyphenyl)-1-(p-tolyl)-benzoimidazole

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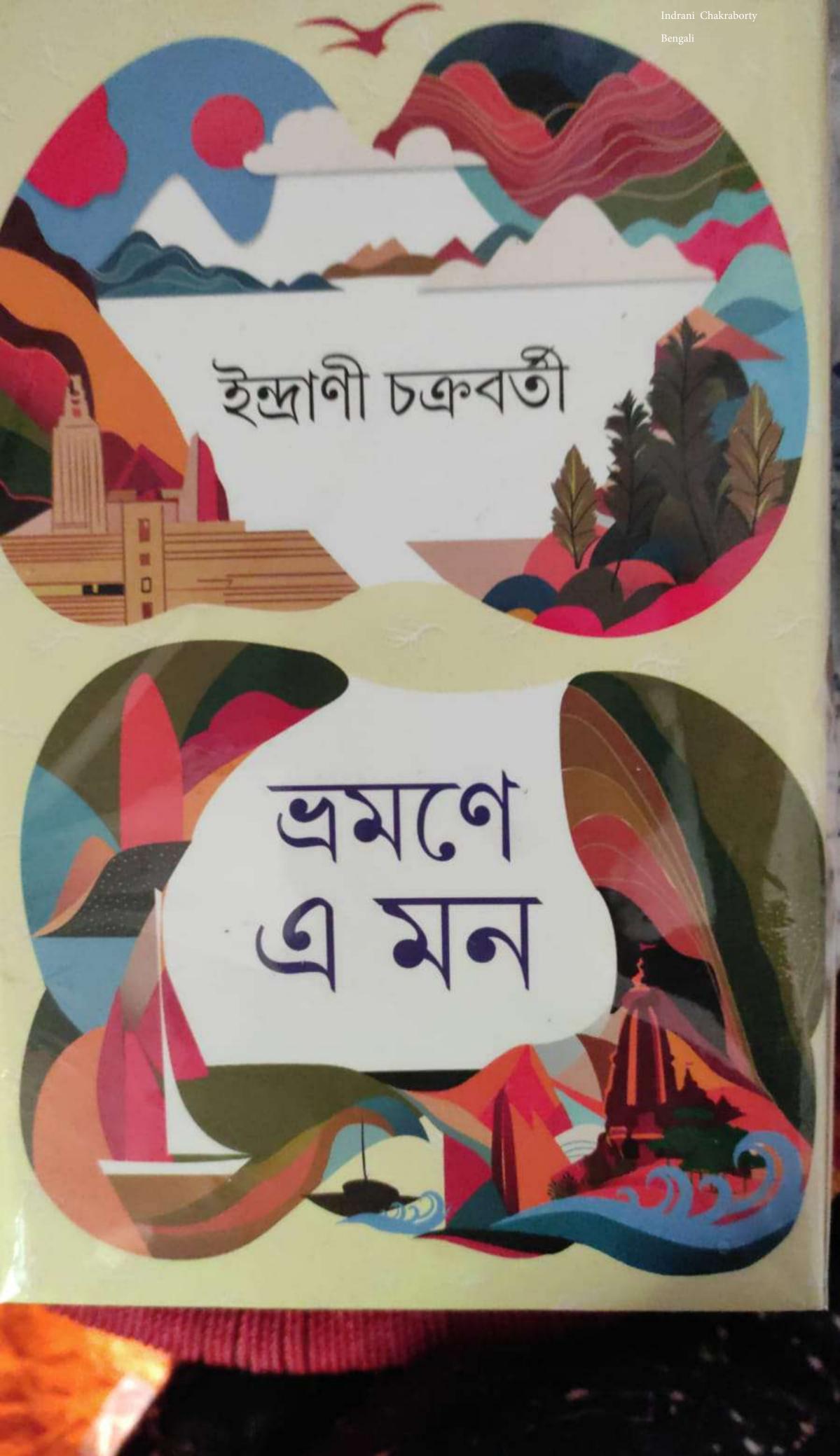
Synthesis of various heterocycles has been a research objective for over a century, and a variety of well-established methods are available in the literature. Development of new approaches for their syntheses, employing efficient and economical routes, is currently a popular research area. Substituted heterocycles are structural components of a vast number of biologically active natural and non-natural compounds. Benzoimidazole derevatives are of particular interest as they possess a wide range of pharmacological activities and biological activities such as anticancer, anxiolytic, anti inflammatory and antimicrobial activities. Furthermore, benzimidazoles have attracted much attention for their wide applications as enzyme inhibitors, dyes, polymers, chemosensors and fluorescence probes.

Figure 1: Examples of drug molecules containing benzimidazole structural motif

Here in, we wish to describe a green procedure to access benzimidazole ring system under metal free neutral conditions (Scheme 1)<sup>4.5</sup>. The synthetic approach involves (i) coupling of a primary amine 2 with 1-fluoro-2-nitrobenzene 1, by nucleophilic aromatic substitution, (ii) reduction of the coupled nitroarene 3 by sodium dithionite and (iii) cyclisation of the corresponding diamine 4 using an aldehyde 5.

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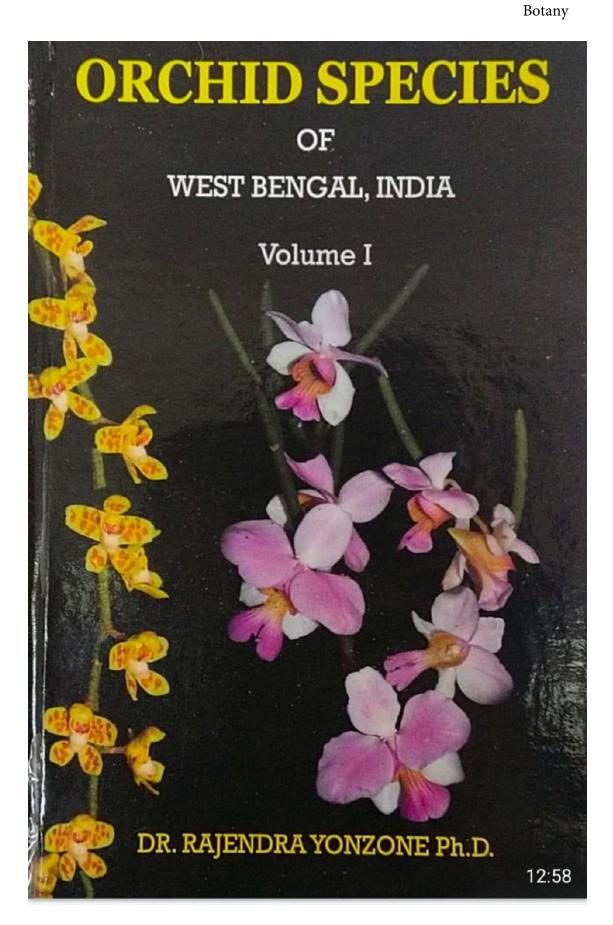
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# Resisting Invisibility: A Study of Kumud Pawade's Antahsphot

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Dalit women have been subjected to decades of silence and invisibility. Throughout history Dalit women have struggled against oppression that have stereotyped their identities, scrutinized their character and ultimately labelled their bodies inferior. They have suffered from both gender and caste based violence. Systemic and unrelenting oppression of Dalit women is seldom highlighted in mainstream dicourses. In this paper I intend to study an autobiography written by a Dalit woman, Kumud Pawade. Her autobiography, Antalisphot narrates the relentless discrimination faced by Dalit women. Her narrative reveals the intersection of patriarchies, gender ideologies and caste and demonstrates how the Dalit woman is seen as a site where these multiple structures perform their domination. This paper intend to explore how this autobiography is a testimony of a Dalit woman's will power to fight all odds in order to gain education and liberation.

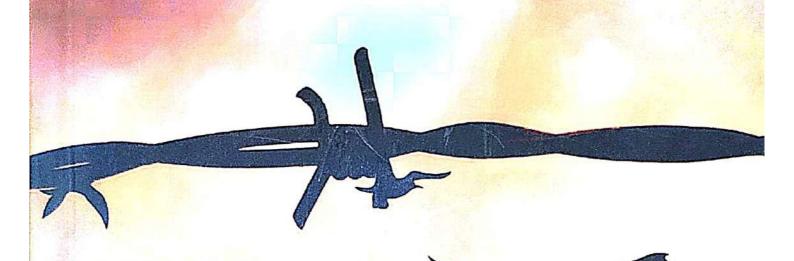
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# Broken Selves: Re-visiting Documentaries on Partition

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Partition remains a traumatic event within South Asian popular imagination, reinforced by family and personal memories of violence, exile, movement and resettlement. The refugee, uprooted from their homeland, is muted by official history. Their agonizing narratives did not belong to the Independence of the nation. The devastating memories of the event were incompatible with the newly formed nation-state celebrations. This paper attempts to explore a few documentaries based on Partition memories. These documentaries capture the testimonies of Partition victims and problematize the concept of home and identity. This paper argues that the oral narratives of these documentaries disrupt the homogenizing effects of dominant national historiography. The analytical approach of this paper stems from the social studies of Urvashi Butalia and Ranabir Sammadar.

Partition is an apocalyptic event which rendered a complete loss of fixity and irrevocably fractured both individual and collective identity. The historical discourses focus on the grand narrative of freedom and independence from British colonialism and mark the beginning of a sovereign nation, while the underlying narrative of trauma and oppression is seldom talked about. The national narratives failed to explore issues of territoriality, identity and citizenship and the psychological legacy Partition. This cataclysmic event created new nation-states of India and a spatially fragmented East and West Pakistan. The arbitrary division was accompanied by an aggressive, communal nationalism, and forced migrations. In her seminal work *The Other Side of Silence: Voices from the Partition of India*, Urvashi Butalia points out a serious gap in the historiography of Partition and emphasizes the importance of oral histories:

The oral narrative offers a different way of looking at history, a different perspective. For, because such narratives often flow into each other in terms of temporal time, they blur the somewhat rigid timeframes within which history situates itself. Because people locate their memories by different

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Tortured Bodies: A Study of Gender Based Domestic Violence in Shashi Deshpande's The Dark Holds No Terrors and Meena Kandasamy's When I Hit You

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## Abstract

Feminist critiques of the institution of family have unfolded disturbing aspects of vulnerability and violence that seem part of everyday lives of women across time and space. The most painful devaluation of women is the physical and psychological violence the stalks them from cradle to grave. Within the context of violence against women, I have chosen to focus on domestic violence because it is the most ubiquitous form of abuse for women, yet the most covert. Day in and day out, it negates for women the basic human right to life, liberty and security of person. In India, wife battering is a common phenomenon. It cuts across religion, community and rural-urban divide. The abused women are often projected as mentally ill or morally depraved. There is also a tendency to exonerate male offenders. The silent acceptance of violence by women undermines attempts to empower women and continue to be a barrier to the achievement of demographic and socioeconomic development goals. This paper attempts to explore Shashi Deshpande's novel, The Dark Holds No Terror and Meena Kandasamy's novel, When I Hit You or A Portrait of the Writer as a Young Wife. In these novels the narrator gives painful details of the violence women faced in the hands of their husbands. The texts graphically narrate the physical and mental tortures inflicted on women. The women in these novels are also victims of marital rape. It is ironic that the women in these narratives are educated yet they are victims of domestic abuse. These painful personal accounts of trauma problematize the position of women in Indian society. The accounts reflects the oppressive structures in society that makes women vulnerable to gender-based familial violence. Both texts unravel that violence against women has always been a tool for exercising domination and appropriating control in different spheres of life. In domestic sphere too, violence becomes means for domination and

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## Covid-19 Scourge: Re-reading Albert Camus' The Plague

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In a world threatened by anthropocene climate change it will be arduous task for humanity to return to a stable healthy life. Avarice, desir for limitless growth and high consumption lifestyles have destroyed habitats of wild species and led to the outbreak of zoonotic disease. Historically, human existence have been threatened with infective diseases like Black Death, the Plague, the Spanish flu, Ebola, cholent epidemics, and so on. In the ancient world diseases were interpreted a divine retributions. With the advent of science, the medical world are made society cognizant of the presence of invisible germs. Creating writers like Boccacio, Defoe and Camus, explore the human dimensity of contagious diseases and underline the enormity of suffering and death Albert Camus' The Plague published in 1947 is set in the Algerian Inc.

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## Gender, Performativity, and Agency in Manju Kapur's A Married Woman and Abha Daweswar's Babyji

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### Abstract

This paper aims to explore the categories of sexuality and gender through an analysis of Manju Kapur's A Married Woman and Abha Daweswar's Babyji against the background of Butler's concept of performativity. In patriarchal families women are expected to play the role of chaste daughters, dutiful wives and sacrificial mothers. Their lives are circumscribed by the pressures of domesticity. They are typically excluded from the political and intellectual life. Manju Kapur's novel destabilizes the sex/gender relations and elucidates the rigidity of society which denies women selfhood. The central character, Astha is an educated woman who is completely oppressed by her traditional patriarchal family. She is exhausted with the monotonous domestic chores. Astha's acquaintance with Pippelika Trivedi a radical woman and a widow of the political activist Aijas Khan changes her life. She develops a strong emotional bond with Pippelika that eventually leads to a physical intimacy. Astha subverts the normative heterosexual roles imposed on her by society and embraces a gender-fluid identity. Abha Dawesar's Babyji is a bold exploration of modern lesbian desire and sexual agency. It is a coming of-age story of the protagonist, Anamika, who realises her sexual awakening through her relationship with three women. The novel also looks at the intersections of caste, class, and same-sex desire. Both novels explore the tension between desire and socially sanctioned femininity and deconstruct the binaries created by the phallocentric discourse.

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## Exclusion and Resistance: A Study of Migration and Identity

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In The Location of Culture, Homi Bhabha contends that identity, is always subject to and constructed through a negotiation of difference in what he calls liminal spaces, or the spaces in-between, so that only a semblance of verisimilitude can be achieved at any point in time. According to Bhabha, a"third space"(14) emerges when two cultures encounter and translate each other, setting in motion the process of transformation in the subject, a kind of consciousness which is an interface between the cultures. Also known as hybridity, this interface allows us to view culture not as a transparent and static category but rather a dynamic and open-ended package that is always evolving and subject to change. At the core of Bhabha's argument is the fact that identity is a product of enunciation, that it is formed contingently and indeterminately at the border line between cultures. The analytical approach of this paper stems from the anthropological studies of Geertz.

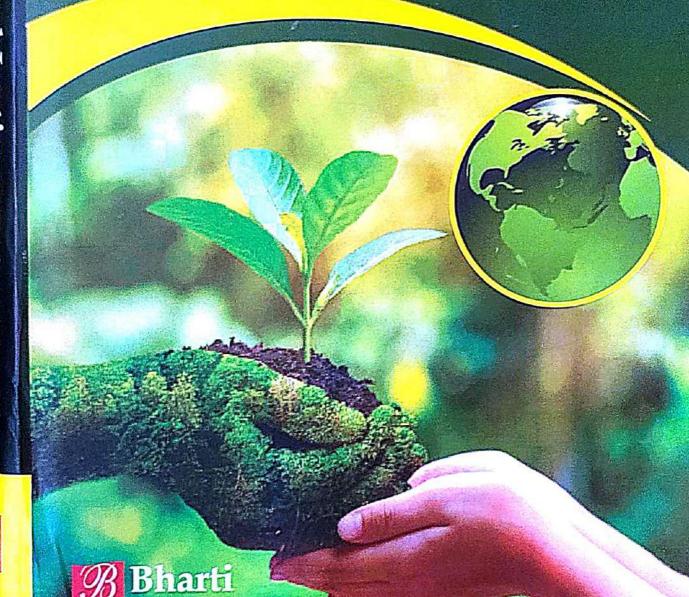
For Bhabha, as well as theorists who draw upon his work to read literary texts, the concept of hybridity is important because it challenges the notion of an essentialized or sovereign subject and, therefore, the foundational categories upon which various discourses of, racism and ethno-nationalism are founded. To the, symbolic anthropologists like Geertz, what counts is not so much culture as 'system', but culture as 'context', where all acts and events are potentially meaningful but also always inherently ambiguous. To Geertz, culture is not a cause to which happenings or actions may be

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## Disquieting Predicament: A Study of Climate Change

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Climate change is a systemic crisis that will gradually transform the geopolitical landscape. Climate hazards would adversely affect the world's fastest growing populations and economies and geopolitical rivalries, will be profound. Climate change will accelerate the loss of biodiversity leading to more extinctions of plants and animals that can no longer survive in their traditional habitats and risking ecosystems that global populations rely on for food and medicine. Climate change could result in new forms of dependencies, domination and militarised 'climate security' which could affect billions of people. Contemporary literary imagination primarily explores existential crisis of bourgeois modernity. The crisis of climate change which threatens both nature and human, has hardly been addressed in these fictional texts. In this article I intend to explore how Amitav Ghosh's non fictional text, The Great Derangement: Climate Change and the Unthinkable addresses the intersection of climate crisis with science, pedagogy, sociology, philosophy, history, politics, and economics. Both texts examine the limitations of human thoughts in the context of environmental catastrophe.

Amitav Ghosh is a highly acclaimed Indian writer in English, whose literary fiction is deeply grounded in historical and geographical research. Born in Kolkata, Ghosh grew up in India, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka. He is the author of more than a dozen books, including the award-winning novels The Circle of Reason, The Calcutta Chromosome, The Hungry Tide, Sea of

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## Ecofeminism: Sharing Experience Around the Globe

-Simanti Bandyopadhyay\*

[Ecofeminism is a term that links feminism with ecology. Its advocates believe that there is a critical connection between the domination of nature and the exploitation of women. The philosophy of ecofeminism emphasizes that both nature and women are treated in an oppressive manner by patriarchal society. Since women have been "naturalised" and nature has been "feminised", it is difficult to know where the oppression of one ends and the other begins. All ecofeminists therefore agree that women's and nature's liberation are a joint project. There can be no liberation for women and no solution to the ecological aims within a society whose fundamental model of relationships continues to be one of domination. So the demands of women's movement and those of ecological movement must be united. This paper has discussed the works of various ecofeminist thinkers attempting to link feminist and environmental ideas. Moreover, evidences from different parts of the world have been presented about a land of the world have been presented showing how nature's liberation from exploitation can successfully be done by women.]

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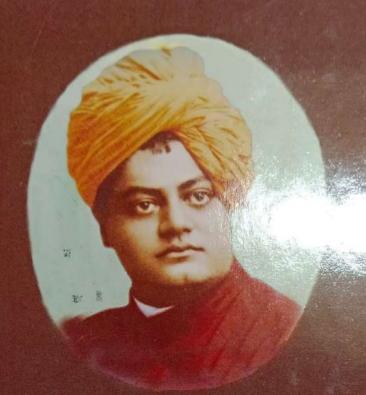
## Post-Behaviouralism: An Overview

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Post-behaviouralism, also known as neo-behaviouralism, was a reaction against the dominance of behaviouralist methods in the study of politics. David Easton, a key figure in post-behaviouralist thinking, was also one of the leading advocates of the original "behavioral revolution." The major aspects of post-behavioural challenge to behaviouralism included, first, the latter's bias towards observable and measurable phenomena, implying too much emphasis on easily studied trivial issues at the expense of more important topics; second, despite the alleged value-neutrality of behaviouralist research it was biased towards the status quo and social preservation rather than social change; third, academic research could not be value-neutral and hence, values should not be neglected; and finally, research should be more relevant to society and intellectuals should have a positive role to play in society.

Post-behaviouralism as a new trend in Political Science research is to be situated in its proper historical context. The efforts to understand an ever-changing phenomenal world is accomplished by analytic tools provided by empirical theory. The broad theoretical orientations not only guide the researcher but also seek to bring order, economy and stability to the understanding of the issue under consideration. The purpose is "to obtain greater theoretical self-awareness and tighter logical coherence" (Easton

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এখানে বিবেকানন্দের ভাবনাও তাঁর কণ্ঠে ধ্বনিত হয়েছে—'জগতের সমুদ্র ধনরাশির চেয়ে মানুষ বেশি মূল্যবান।'° এই ভাবনার সূচনা শুক্ল যজুর্বেদে ঋষির কণ্ঠে—

## 'দৃতে দৃহং মা মিত্ৰস্য মা চক্ষুষা সৰ্বাণি ভূতানি সমীক্ষন্তাম্। মিত্ৰস্যাহং চক্ষুষা সৰ্বাণি ভূতানি সমীক্ষে। মিত্ৰস্য চক্ষুষা সমীথীমহে।'<sup>8</sup>

—হে পরমেশ্বর আমাকে দৃঢ় কর, যেন সকল প্রাণী আমাকে মিত্রের দৃষ্টিতে দর্শন করে, আমিও যেন সকল প্রাণীকে মিত্রের দৃষ্টিতে দর্শন করি, আমরা যেন পরস্পরকে মিত্রভাবে দর্শন করি।

এখানে আত্মদর্শনের পাশাপাশি সকল প্রাণীর মধ্যে সমদৃষ্টি লাভ হলো অন্যতম উদ্দেশ্য। সুপ্রাচীনকালে বুদ্ধের মধ্যেও দেখা গেছে—মানুষের মুক্তির জন্য তিনি সর্বজীবে মৈত্রীর কথা বলেছিলেন। বুদ্ধের এই মুক্তি কর্মত্যাগে নয়, সাধুকর্মের মধ্যে আত্মত্যাগে ও আত্মশক্তির বিকাশে। বিবেকানন্দের মতে—'বৌদ্ধর্মই পৃথিবীতে প্রথম…মানুষে–মানুষে বিভেদ–সৃষ্টিকারী আভিজাত্য–প্রথাকে ভাঙিয়া দেয়।' বুদ্ধি বংশ ও জাতিগত বিশেষ সুবিধার বিরোধী ছিলেন, যার প্রতিফলন দেখা যায় বিবেকানন্দের মধ্যে। রবীন্দ্রনাথের মতে, বৌদ্ধর্ম ভারতে বৈদিক ও হিন্দুর্গের Page 147 of 309

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Impact of Pandemic and Lockdown on Indian Corporate Sector – A Study on Atmanirbhar Bharat Project

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#### Abstract

Covid-19 pandemic situation and subsequent lockdown in India put a tremendous impact on Indian economy as well as on Indian corporate sectors. Most of the industrial sectors like automobile, tourism, e-commerce, food and restaurant, real-estate facing huge problems due to several lockdowns in the country. Due to covid problems near about twelve crores people lost their jobs. Most of the Indian Corporate Sectors have been postponed their expansion programme as well as fund raising programme for a period of six to twelve months. Indian businesses are facing a big challenge under this covid scenario. Now in this situation government announced 'Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan' to protect MSMEs and other industrial units with the overall package of twenty lakh crores. Now this paper highlighted several issues and aspects of Indian corporate sectors post covid scenario and focused on the challenges behind implementation of the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan' to protect MSME's in India.

Keywords- Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME), GDP, Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (SME).

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**Caste System: A Malediction to Democracy** 

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# INTRODUCTION

Caste system is a bane to democracy. While India has adopted the democratic principles of equality, freedom, and justice and emphasizes on equal opportunities for all categories irrespective of their social status, caste is the longest surviving social institution in India which is based on a system of graded inequality where the status and position of a person is determined by the caste into which he is born. The system is hierarchical in order with one standing above the other. It is an ascending scale of hatred and descending scale of contempt. Therefore it is a malediction to democracy. There is a close relationship between caste and politics in India. How the political parties are formed along caste lines and how they appeal to caste-based sentiments of people to strengthen their vote banks is mainly highlighted in the paper. Democracy is based on principles of equality. It cannot be just confined to electoral exercise and a mere Political alliance of communities to capture political power cannot be the only objective of a democratic exercise. Caste system obstructs democracy in India.

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#### Abstract:

Despite being one of the largest democracies in the world, the Indian government fails to hold the support and faith of people, the outcome of which is the Maoist insurgency. In fact it is the single biggest internal security challenge the country has ever faced. The paper outlines the trajectory of Maoist insurgency in different states right from the time of its inception. It also throws light on the various counter insurgency measures and development schemes adopted by the government to smash the movement. Today the movement no longer possesses the same amount of strength it used to in the 1970s and 80s.

India is one of the fastest growing democracies in the world and it is due to widespread popular support it is possible to maintain democratic modes of governance. But sometimes the legal system fails to hold the support and faith of people and the popular government becomes a puppet in the hands of the bourgeoisie. The Naxalite movement is an outcome of the dissatisfaction of marginalized section of society on government. It is one of the biggest threats to India's internal security. The term Naxalism is derived from the name of a village in West Bengal 'Naxalbari'. Initially originated as a rebellion against local landlords for bashing a peasant over a land dispute, it gave birth to what would be called the Naxalite movement led by Charu Majumdar and his close associates, Kanu Sanyal and Jagan Santhal

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# Covid 19 and Its Impact on Gender Issues

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#### Abstract

Across the globe, women are more likely to be employed in the informal sector and hold less secure jobs. The pandemic is deepening pre-existing inequalities and women are more vulnerable to COVID-19 related socio-economic effects because of existing gender inequalities. COVID-19 measures and the subsequent lockdown associated with it diminishes their access to paid work, women face an increase in their unpaid labour. One of the consequences of COVID-19 has been an increment in the non-remunerated care work for women and girls within their homes. As they are more engaged in unpaid care work, their vulnerability towards sexual violence increases. Restricted movement and close contact with the abusive partners for long period of time exacerbate intimate partner violence. Simultaneously limited access to healthcare centres and social services leads to sharp rise in maternal and neonatal mortality. Today, there is more acceptance than ever before that women bring different experiences as they take a central role in the fight against the COVID-19 crisis, as health care frontline workers, caregivers, innovators, community organisers given their exemplary and leadership role in combating the pandemic. The crisis has highlighted both the centrality of their contributions and the disproportionate burdens that women and girls carry.

Keywords: Gender Inequalities, Violence, Frontline Workers, Care Work, Unpaid Labour, Mortality.

The impacts of crises are never gender-neutral, and COVID-19 is no exception. The violence against women tends to increase in any emergency, including epidemics. Mental Stress, increased economic instability, financial insecurity and limited access to health and social services can exacerbate the risk of women suffering violence. In case of COVID-19, isolation, restricted movement and home quarantine measures to prevent the spread of the virus have adversely affected

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# Insurgency in North-East: A Massive Threat to India's Internal Security

Joyeeta Das\*

North-East India has witnessed the worst form of violence than any other part of the country. The growth of several insurgent groups has created uncertainty, instability and terror in the region resulting in heavy loss of life. And these further contributed to large scale migration and displacements. Frequent ethnic clashes in the region is due to various issues like regional and racial discrimination, discrimination in the availability of resources and opportunity of development, which leads to unstable development and regional imbalance. Thus, protest rallies, demonstrations, public curfews under the instigation and assistance of insurgents were a regular affair.

The states of Northeast India which have continuously challenged India's internal security are—the contiguous seven Sister States (Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, and Tripura).

Since the region is highly diverse and strategically sensitive, the reasons for the ethnic conflicts and insurgencies are different in different states. While some seek secession from the Indian Union, others seek separate states and yet others greater autonomy within the existing state. The Nagas under the leadership of Z.A. Phizo had challenged their integration into the Indian Union even before India became independent in 1947. Naga insurgency started way back in the early 1950s and in no time it had spread to other areas of the region. The number of such insurgent groups has already reached three-digit figures. In Manipur alone, more than twenty-five groups are operating. New groups are growing every single day in Assam. Thousands have

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A comprehensive review on bryophyte as biomonitor and bioindicator

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#### Abstract

Bryophytes in comparison to vascular plant, simple in construction, lack of a well-developed vascular system, they generally absorb both nutrients and pollutants directly from the atmosphere. Bryophytes are the most simple and cheapest indicator for monitoring pollutants in the atmosphere. Among the different groups in bryophytes, epiphytic mosses are used as indicator species more frequently. Toxicosensitive species show inhibition in growth upon exposure to pollutants whereas toxicotolerant species are resistant, some of them are even act as hyperaccumulator. Most popular use of bryophytes as biomonitors are in detecting heavy metals, radionuclides and toxic organic compounds. Method of biomonitoring include either in situ survey or transplantation through moss bag or bryo-meter.

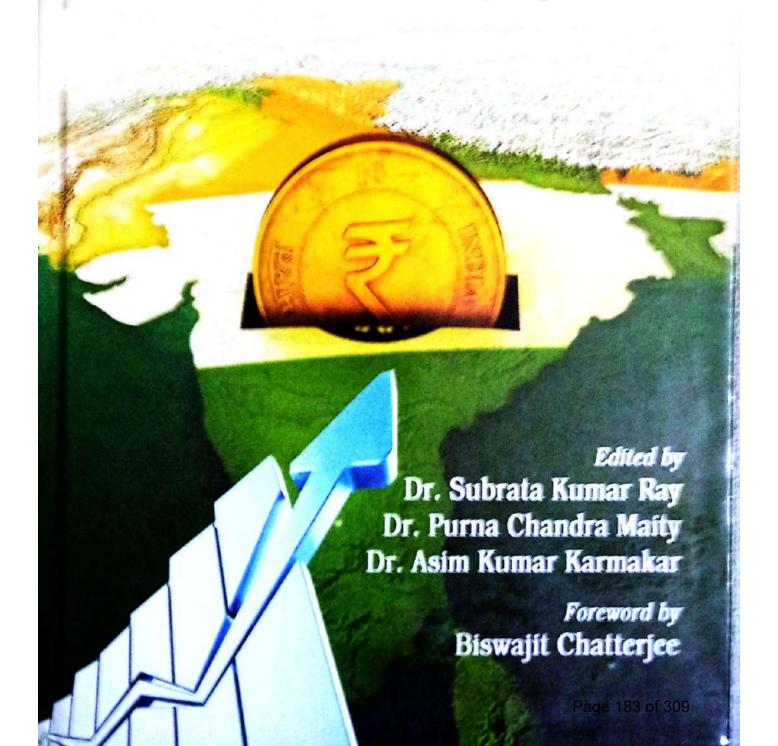
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### Introduction

Bryophytes are green, photosynthetic, non-vascular land plants and are simple both morphologically and anatomically. The plant body is represented by the gametophytic generation as because it is conspicuous, independent and with greater life span (Zechmeister, 2003a). The germination of spore in bryophyte as well as its growth is very sensitive to all kinds of natural and human influences. Therefore, in many cases the resistance of the protonema against

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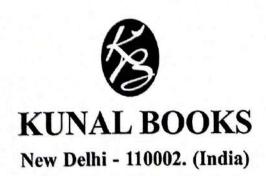
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### Impact of COVID -19 on Indian Agriculture with Special Reference to Farmers' Income

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### ABSTRACT

COVID-19 pandemic has created havoc throughout the world. The economic shock of the pandemic has affected India even more severely as the economy was already going slow since the pre-COVID -19 period. The lockdown consequent upon the pandemic hit the informal workers including the agricultural labourers, migrant workers most. The paper has discussed the effect of COVID-19 on agricultural activities in the country putting emphasis on the supply chains of agriculture. It also attempts to discuss the effect of COVID-19 on farmers' income in terms of cost of cultivation. The study observed that the cost of cultivation in West Bengal has increased by 21.05 – 41.46 percent against the previous year due to input price rise during the pandemic situation. The cost of cultivation has gone up at every stage of production for all crops. The study also noticed that the output prices of all have increased with declining output price, the Indian farmers have incurred loss during the ongoing pandemic situation.

Keywords: Agricultural Labour, COVID-19, Farmers' Income, Supply Chain, Migrant Worker

### Introduction

The ongoing health crisis due to COVID-19 has affected human lives and living throughout the world. The pandemic has stopped the normal economic activities globally. It has also affected the economic growth of different

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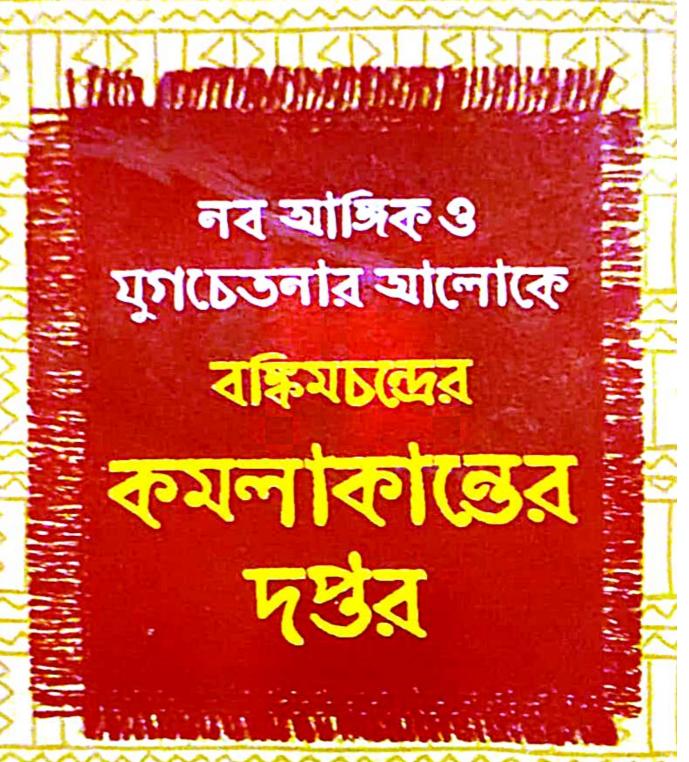
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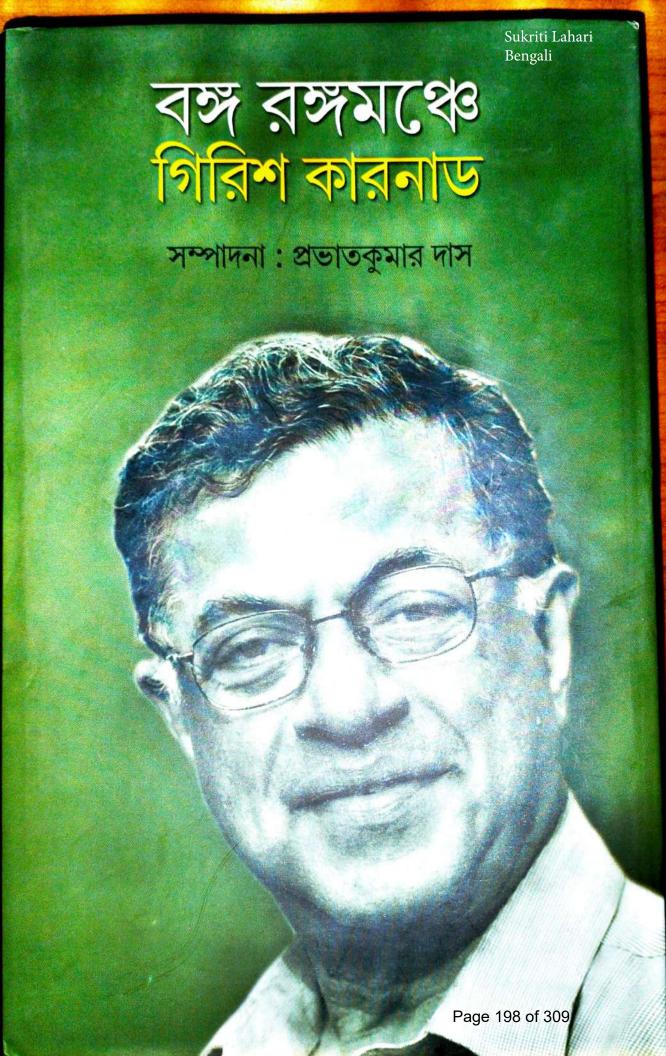
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এই কারণেই বাংলা ছোটোগল্লের জন্মসূত্র পুঁজতে বিমুগ্শর্মার পদত্ম পর্যন্ত মেতে হয়। আবার সঞ্জীবচন্দ্রের 'মধুমতি'-র কথা মনে রেখেও স্বীকার করতেই হয় প্রথম সার্থক বাংলা ছোটোগল্ল রবীন্দ্রনাথের 'দেনাপাওনা'। রবীন্দ্রনাথের ঘাটের কথা, রাজপথের কথা বা ভিখারিনী আগে রচিত হলেও।

কিন্তু ছোটোগল্পের বীজ যে-যুগের হাওয়ায় ডেসে বেড়াচ্ছিল, সে-মুগেরবীন্দ্রপ্রতিভার আধারে তার সার্থকতম প্রকাশ ঘটলেও এবং যুগটিকে রবীদ্রযুগ হিসেবে চিহ্নিত করলেও সেই যুগের আরও কয়েকজন লেখক অবশা-সারবীয় বাংলা ছোটোগল্পের সলতে-পাকানো পর্যায়ের গুরুত্বপূর্ণ কারিগর হিসেবে। এ প্রবদ্ধে তারাই আলোচা।

এই আলোচনায় বোঝা যাবে রবীন্দ্রপ্রতিভাব আলোকের পাশে তেমন উচ্জ্বল হয়ে না উঠলেও, আপন আপন প্রতিভার দর্পণে তাঁরা কীভাবে ধরতে পেরেছিলেন ছোটোগল্লের বৈশিষ্ট্য, কীভাবে প্রতিফলিত হয়েছিল ব্যক্তিস্বাতশ্রোর বোধ, ভালোবাসার নতুন সংজ্ঞা।

রবীপ্রযুগের অন্তর্ভুক্ত তিনজন ছোটোগল্লকারকে রবীক্রপূর্ববর্তীর মর্যাদা দেওয়া উচিত। এঁরা হলেন— স্বর্ণকুমারী দেবী, নগেন্দ্রনাথ ওপ্ত ও ত্রৈলোকানাথ মুখোপাধাায়। স্বর্ণকুমারী দেবী (১৮৫৫-১৯৩২) রবীন্দ্রনাথের আগেই ছোটোগল্ল রচনা করেন। উনবিশে শতান্দীর শেষ দিকের পত্রিকায় 'গল্ল', 'ফুদ্রগল্ল', 'ফুদ্রকথা'— এইসব অভিধায় বিভিন্ন গল্ল প্রকাশিত হচ্ছিল। স্বর্ণকুমারী দেবী তার গল্ল সংকলনের নাম দিয়েছিলেন "নবকাহিনী বা ছোট ছোট গল্ল"; অর্থাৎ ছোটোগল্ল সম্পর্কিত একটি ধারণা বাঙালি সাহিত্যিক ও পাঠকসমাজে ক্রমশ স্পন্ত হয়ে উঠেছিল। "নব কাহিনী বা ছোট ছোট গল্প" প্রকাশিত হয় ১৮৯২-এর ১৭ আগস্ট। "গল্লম্বল্ল" নামে আরেকটি সংকলন



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গিরিশ কারনাড রচিত *ব্রোকেন ইমেজেস*-এর মঞ্জুলার সঙ্গে আমার এমনই এক রসায়নের কথা এই লেখার প্রতিপাদ্য। ২০০৪ সাল তিনি লিখলেন *ওদাকুলু বিম্ব*—যার ইংরেজি অনুবাদ A heap of broken images. লিখলেন কন্নড় ভাষায় এক বিশেষ অভিনেত্রীর জন্য। শুধু **লিখলেন না** পরিচালনাও করলেন—আর এই পরিচালনার সত্রে তিনি প্রায় ত্রিশ বছর পর ফিরে এলেন পরিচালনার ক্ষেত্রে। বেঙ্গালুরুর 'রঙ্গে শঙ্করা' মঞ্চে অভিনয় হলো। সময়টা ২০০৫। যিনি অভিনয় করলেন তিনি অরুশ্বতী নাগ—একবিস্ময় অভিনেত্রী! একই সঙ্গে কন্ধড়, ইংরেজি, মারাঠি, হিন্দি... কত ভাষায় যে অভিনয় করার ক্ষমতা রাখেন! তাঁরই জন্য লেখা হয়েছিল একটি চরিত্রের একটি অঙ্কের এই মনোলগ। জনপ্রিয়তা তুঙ্গ ছুঁয়েছিল। তাই একে একে বিভিন্ন ভাষায় অনুদিত হলো এ নাটক। ইংরেজি—The Broken Images আলেক পদমসীর পরিচালনায় অভিনয় করলেন শাবানা আজমী। এ নাটক বিভিন্ন সময়ে বিভিন্ন ভাষায় অভিনীত হয়েছে। কখনও কন্ধড়ে (ওদাকুলু বিশ্ব), কখনও (বিখ্রে বিশ্ব), কখনও ইংরেজিতে (ব্রোকেন ইমেজেস) বা অমৃত অন্য অন্য ভাষায়। বাংলায় এতোদিনে এ প্রয়োজনার ক্র প্রযোজনার খবর আমরা পাইনি। বাংলায় এ নাটকের প্রথম অভিনয় হলো 'কলকাতা বছস্তব'্যুর প্রমান বহুস্বর'-এর প্রযোজনা। সময় ২০১৮-র মে মাসে পদাতিক স্টুডিয়ো থিয়েটারে। এক উষ্ণ অন্তর্ক্ত প্রতিক্রান্তর্কার উষ্ণ অন্তরঙ্গ পরিবেশে। নির্দেশনা দিলেন তুলিকা দাস। নির্দ্তেশ্রের মার্ফং যোগাযোগ করেছিলে যোগাযোগ করেছিলেন নাট্যকারের সঙ্গে। অত্যন্ত খুশি হয়েছিলেন তিনি। ক্লিন্টিট



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নামে নিহিত। এক, বিক্রমপুর বছাযোগিনী গ্রামে অতীশ দীপদ্ধরের ভিটা বলে পরিচিত যে ভগ্নস্থূপটি, তা থাকবে কাহিনির কেন্দ্রবিন্দুতে। অতীশকে কেন নান্তিক পণ্ডিত বলা হচ্ছে, এই প্রশ্ন পাঠকের মনে জেগেও রইল।

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নন, তিনি অতীশ নামে এক ব্যক্তি, যিনি গভীর অম্বেষায়
নিজেকে খুঁজতে খুঁজতে হয়ে ওঠেন দীপন্ধর; নামকরণে
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পৃথিবী এবং 'আম্বাদীপ' হয়ে ওঠার কাহিনিই যে এই
উপন্যানের উপজীব্য, নামকরণে তারও ইঙ্গিত।



উপন্যাসের আলোচনায় প্রবেশের আগে আরও দু'একটা কথা সেরে রাখি। উপন্যাসের বিষয় নির্বাচন অবশ্যই বাধ্য করে লেখকের দিকে উৎসুক দৃষ্টি ফেরাতে। লেখক সন্মাত্রানল। গেরুয়া পরিহিত মানুষটির পরিচয় প্রসঙ্গে গ্রন্থ শেষে যা যা বলা হয়েছে তার মধ্যে দৃটি বিষয় ধুবজরুরি; এক 'জীবন নিয়ে নানা পর্যায়ে নিরন্তর পরীক্ষা করে চলেছেন সন্মাত্রানল। ঘর নয়, পথই তার বন্ধু। অনিকেত ভ্রাম্যমাণ জীবন'।

দুই, "বর্তমান উপন্যাস 'নান্তিক পণ্ডিতের ভিটা' তাঁর সুদীর্ঘ এক দশকব্যাপী চর্চা, চিন্তন ও গবেষণার ফসল।"

বোঝা গেল জীবন নিয়ে নানা পরীক্ষায় অভ্যস্ত সন্মাত্রানন্দ (অবশ্যই তাঁর সংসার নাম নয়) বুব স্বাভাবিকভাবেই আগ্রহী হয়েছেন অতীশের জীবন বিষয়ে যিনি দীর্ঘ পথ পাড়ি দিয়েছিলেন জীবন নিয়ে পরীক্ষা চালাবার জনা।

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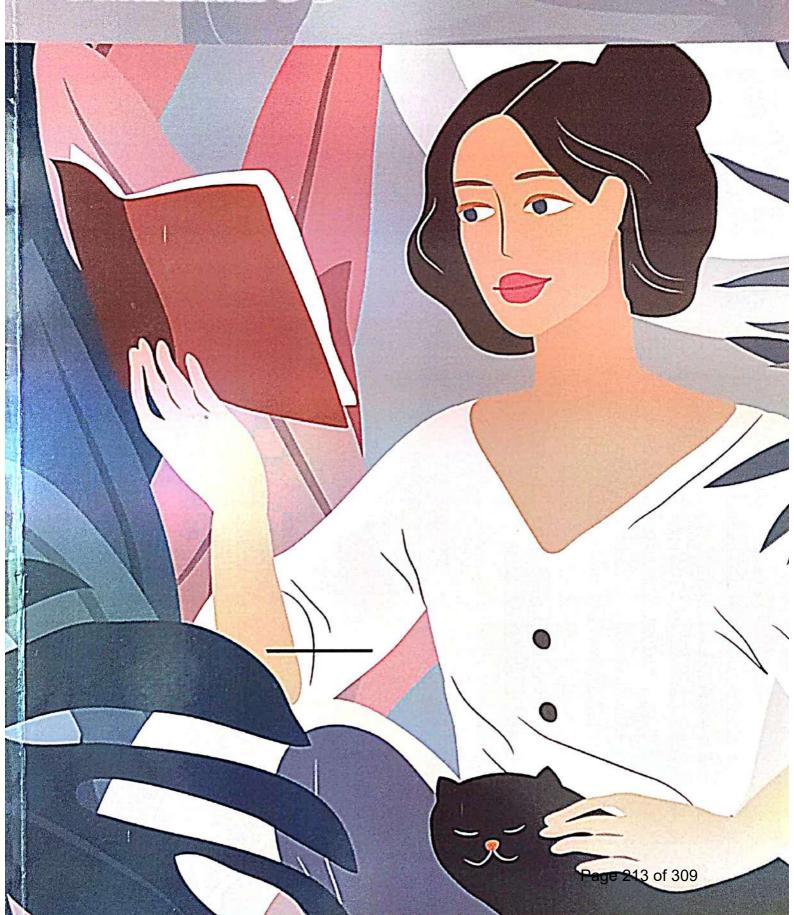
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Introduction: Dalit women are placed at the very bottom of India's caste, class and gender hierarchies. They are subjected to multiple forms of discrimination - as Dalits, as poor, and as women. The regressive practices of the caste system declares Dalit women to be intrinsically impure and 'untouchable', which sanctions social exclusion and exploitation. The vast majority of Dalit women are deprived of basic Human Rights. They are subjugated by patriarchal structures, both in the general community and within their own family. Gender based violence, such as sexual assault, rape, and naked parading, serve as a social mechanism to consolidate Dalit women's subordinate position. They are dehumanized by the dominant castes and constantly exposed to stigma and defilement. Violent abuses against Dalit women are mostly committed with impunity. In many cases, the judiciary fails to enforce the laws that protect Dalit women from discrimination. In her seminal work, Writing Caste/Writing Gender: Reading Dalit Women's Testimonios, Sharmila Rege writes that Dalit literature is simultaneously a literature of "anguish, waiting and sorrow" and "a historical necessity in promoting human freedom" (Rege 12). They are, as Rege opines, "one of the most direct and accessible ways in which the silence and the misrepresentation of dalits have been countered" (Rege 13).

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#### ASEAN's Myanmar Dilemma: Constructive Engagement and Beyond

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Whether South East Asia would be regarded as a consequential player in the 'emerging global order' would be subject to the kind of image the region portrays in front of the international community. Such portrayal would essentially be a combined outcome of its will to be regarded as a significant player of international politics and the policies it adopts vis-à-vis regional and international issues, reflective of the forum's overall stance. A region which desires to wield substantive clout in international politics is bound by the compulsion of the same to portray a fitting image. Not only is the region in question bound to exercise reasonable economic and political heft, it also becomes mandatory for it to show sensitivity towards values of democratic governance. It is here that a discussion on the Association of South East Asian Nations' Myanmar policy gains relevance. The rationale behind choosing to treat ASEAN's policy vis-à-vis Myanmar as the referral point can be attributed to the fact that Myanmar has presented itself as one of the most contentious issues in front of the regional body since 1990s. Military rule since 1962, abominable governance records, utter disregard for democratic institutions and processes, exhibition of highhandedness by the authorities while responding towards popular movements seeking democratization, mounting international pressure of economic sanctions attempting to bring about regime change in an incremental manner, an enviable bounty of natural resources and its resultant geopolitical significance juxtaposed against ASEAN's sanctimonious policy of nonintervention, compulsion of the region's strategic interests collectively impart a multifaceted character to any discussion on ASEAN's policy towards Myanmar. The whole issue has gained further traction because of the developments which have occurred in Myanmar's national politics during the last decade. Such is the magnitude of those events that we might as well be witnessing a watershed in not only Myanmar's democratization process but also in ASEAN's policies towards her. The paper argues that ASEAN's Myanmar policies since 1988 have revolved around the factor of reciprocity. While ASEAN's policies were an outcome of placing the region's economic and security interests above the kind of regime that was governing ideals of respect towards democracy and good governance, Myanmar in exchange was buying political legitimacy for her ruling elite. The paper sets to enquire and analyze whether ASEAN's present policy against Myanmar is a continuation of the same trend. The paper is

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# Enhancement mechanism in the phenomena of surface enhanced raman scattering (SERS) adsorbed on metal nanoparticles

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#### Abstract

When light is scattered from the molecule most of the photons are scattered elastically. In elastic scattering, the energy of the incident photons have the same energy of the scattered photons. A small fraction of light (approximately 1 in 10<sup>7</sup> photons) is scattered other than the frequencies of the incident photons. The process of inelastic scattering is known as the Raman Effect and it is responsible for the change in vibrational, rotational or electronic energy of a molecule [1]. A discovery of huge enhancement of Raman bands by Fleischmann and coworkers [2] in 1974 unexpectedly from pyridine molecules on rough silver electrode made a great attention in the field of Raman spectroscopy. In early 1976, R. V. Duyne and D. Jeanmaire and in 1977, M. G. Albrecht and J. A. Creighton reported similar observation. The low sensitivity problem in Raman Spectroscopy has been solved by this discovery of the enhancement of Raman signals. SERS spectroscopy has now helps to understand the surface chemistry at the nano scale [3]. More than 2 decades after the first observation of enhanced Raman spectra of pyridine molecule, yet the exact mechanism of SERS is still under controversy. It is generally accepted that two enhancement mechanisms are responsible for the enhancement of the Raman bands- (a) a long-range electromagnetic (EM) effect and the other (b) a short-range chemical (CHEM) effect.

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### The Sāṃmanasya-Hymns of the Atharvaveda – An overview in Perspective of Humanity and Humanism in Vedic Education

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#### Abstract:

'Humanity' and 'Humanism' are two important concepts in respect of the wellbeing of the entire human race. The word 'humanism', in general, means a rationalistic outlook or system of thought attaching prime importance to human rather than divine or supernatural matters. Again the word 'Humanity' denotes the noble qualities that can differentiate a human being from an animal. These two ideas are, however, inter-related and supplementary to each other Education, as Swami Vivekananda defines, is actually nothing but the manifestation of the perfection already in man. Thus education is essentially related to the concept of humanism and moreover, the aim of true education is to enrich one's life with the ideal of humanity. In ancient India, education-system primarily revolved round Vedic studies. Vedic literature, the earliest literary document of mankind is often said to be the source of all 'dharma'. The concept of 'dharma', in our tradition, is not at all synonymous to religion. It, however, embraces the ideas like duty, ethics, morality and human values. Hence the essence of humanity is deep-rooted in the religious poetry of the Vedas. Moreover, the Vedas, though designated as religious poetry, however, are often found to advocate humanism. Hence not only the ideal of humanity, but also the essence of humanism is deep-rooted in the Vedas.

In the Atharvaveda, there is a particular class of hymns categorized as the Sammanasyahymns. Here we come across the essence of humanism mingled with the ideals of humanity, since they promote the ideals of universal brotherhood, fraternity, unanimity, peace, harmony and concord as well as stand against disagreement and bloodshed. The present paper deals with the message and teachings of these Sammanasya-hymns and aims to highlight their importance in the perspective of humanity and humanism in Vedic

Key-words: Atharvaveda, Education, Humanism, Humanity, Sämmanasya-hymns, Vedic literature

#### Introduction:

'Humanity' and 'Humanism' are two important concepts in respect of the wellbeing of the entire human race. The word 'humanism', in its technical sense, has a long history. However, in general, it means a rationalistic outlook or system of thought attaching prime importance to human rather than divine or supernatural matters. Again the meaning of the word 'Humanity' includes the noble qualities that can differentiate a human being from an



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Vedic literature, as we all know, comprises four Vedas, i. e. the Rgveda, the Sămaveda, the Yajurveda and the Atharvaveda with their respective Samhităs, Brāhmaṇas, Āraṇyakas and Upaniṣads. Amongst them the fourth Veda, the Atharvavedasaṃhita represents a unique tradition of Vedic culture. This Veda is a 'strange collection of heterogeneous material', since it covers variety of themes like mystic magical spells, the highest philosophical speculations, the marvelous specimens of poetic masterpieces and also some noble ideals as well. Thus it played a pivotal role in the life of the Vedic man. This Veda is, in fact, much more attached to the earthly yearnings of regular human life and therefore, is often found to advocate humanism from different perspectives.

There is a particular class of hymns categorized as the Sāmmanasya-hymns in the Atharvaveda. The word sāmmanasya is derived from sam-manas, which means having one mind. The hymns under this category are said to be used in the rite for harmony ('sāmmanasyakarmani viniyogah'). Here we come across the essence of humanism mingled with humanity, since they promote the ideals of universal brotherhood, fraternity, unanimity, peace, harmony and concord as well as stand against disagreement and bloodshed. The present paper deals with the message and teachings of these Sāmmanasya-hymns and aims to highlight their importance in the perspective of humanism and humanity in Vedic education.

#### The Sammanasya-hymns of the AV - An Overview:

Let us mention here a few such Sāṇmanasya-hymns seeking harmony in the family as well as in community. All of them are attributed to seer Atharva. Most of them are dedicated to the deity Sāṇmanasya, i. e. concord in mind personified. Some of them are again dedicated to some other deities like Sarasvatī, Brahmaṇaspati etc. The first and the most famous hymn consisting of seven stanzas to mention in this regard is the 30<sup>th</sup> hymn



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of the 3<sup>rd</sup> kanda of the Atharvaveda. Here the seer prays for concord and unanimity among the members of a family. The prayer continues thus: "May the mother and the son, the brother and the sister, the husband and the wife be sweet in speech, be one-minded, one-intentioned and unanimous. May the share of their food and drinking be common" and so on.

The sixth kanda of the AV contains a number of hymns seeking harmony and concord. Most of them are, interestingly, prayers of kings for attaining harmony among his people. Thus in a hymn, consisting of three stanzas, the seer tries to promote agreement or unanimity in an assembly. The seer prays: "Agree and be united. Let your minds be all of one accord. The rede is common, common the assembly, common the law, so be their thoughts united. One and the same be your resolve, be all your hearts in harmony. One and the same be all your minds that all may happily consent." Thus the hymn earnestly encourages the equal right of all human beings. And this is the essence of humanism. At the same time, the message of this hymn elevates us to a heavenly ideal of humanity. In this connection, it may be noted that the farewell stanza of this hymn is identical with the last stanza of the famous Samjiñāna-hymn of the RV.

In the hymn AV 6/73, consisting of three stanzas, the deities like Varuna, Soma, Agni, Brhaspati etc. are invoked to bring about concord among people<sup>5</sup>. The next hymn (AV 6/74) is actually a charm propounded by a king to secure unanimity and fidelity of his people. This hymn is addressed to different deities like Brahmanaspati etc. mentioned in its three stanzas. However, this hymn is also endowed with the message of harmony and concord. Thus the seer prays for the unanimity of the subject of the king: "Close gathered be your bodies, be your minds and vows in union. Let there be union of your minds, let there be union of your hearts. All that troubled in your lot, with this (charm) mend and harmonize. So free from jealousy, Lord of Three Titles, cause thou these people here to be one-minded."

The hymn 6/94, attributed to the seer Atharvangirah and addressed to the deity Sarasvatī, is also similar in theme. With its three stanzas, it is also a charm to reconcile the discontented people of a king. The seer prays here to bind the mind of the discontented people of a king in union and their hopes and plans in harmony.

In this connection, we may also mention another couple of hymns of the sixth kanda (6.42-43) of the AV. Both of them are attributed to seer Bhrgvangirah. The former hymn is actually a charm to remove anger of a man towards a woman as well as that of a woman towards a man. With a marvelous simile the seer prays: "As the string from the bow, I do relax fury from thy heart. Becoming like-minded ("sammanasau"), we (two) may hold together like friends". Almost similarly the latter is a charm to assuage wrath in general. Interestingly, in this hymn (AV 6.43) the darbha-grass is mentioned as fury-removing



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and fury-appeaser. Though used as magic spells, these two hymns, each containing three stanzas, however, speak against uncontrolled speech of anger. These two hymns, generally, are not designated as the so-called Sammanasya-hymns. But their message of unanimity and harmony almost echo the Sammanasya-hymns.

Now let us move to the next kanda. The hymn 7-52, containing only two stanzas, is a prominent prayer for peace and concord. Here the deities addressed are Sammanasya and the Asvins. Here the Asvins have been invoked to harmonize man with his own ones as well as with the strangers and to bind all in sympathy and love! The prayer continues thus "May all agree in mind and purpose and may one not fight against the heavenly spirit" Earnest prayer for samjinana, i. e. unanimity is the remarkable feature of this particular hymn."

#### Conclusion:

These Sămmanasya-hymns of the AV remind us the final hymn of the RV, the Saminanahymn. In fact, some of the stanzas" of the Sămmanasya-hymns actually resemble the
Saminana-hymn. In the farewell stanza of the Saminana-hymn, the seer Samvanana prays
for a delightful union ('susaha'): 'yatha' vah susahāsati'. This is actually the message of
the Sămmanasya-hymns too. In this connection, we may also mention that the Atharvaveda
which is also commonly known as the Bhaisajyaveda, contains numerous hymns dealing
with healthcare. However, the concept of health as reflected here includes both physical
and mental wellbeing. And unanimity, peace, harmony and concord are the chief pillars of
mental health. Hence in every aspect of human-life and on every platform of human-accusty,
the seers of the Atharvaveda earnestly seek this mental proximity, unanimity, harmony and
concord to make man's life full of bliss. And only this very ideal can bring individual
wellbeing as well as universal wellbeing. Thus from the above deliberation, we may now
conclude that the Sāmmanasya-hymns of the Atharvaveda appear to be the embodiment of
the ideals of humanity and humanism as well.

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- 2 vide Griffith 1916 p viii
- 3 "sahidayani sammanasyamavidvesam kinomi vah" AV 3.30 Lab
- 4 AV 6 64
- \* Cha yatu varunali somo agrurbihaspatirvasubhircha yatu | asya stiyamupasamyata sarva ugrasya cettuh sammanasah sajatah | \* AV 6/73 1
- 6 sam vo manamsi sam vrata samakütirnamamasi | ami ve vivrata siban tan vah sam namayamasi | AV 6/94/1
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- 5 samphänam nah svelshih samphänamaranebhih samphänamassina vus amihäsmäsu tu vaeshatam (AV 7.52.1.



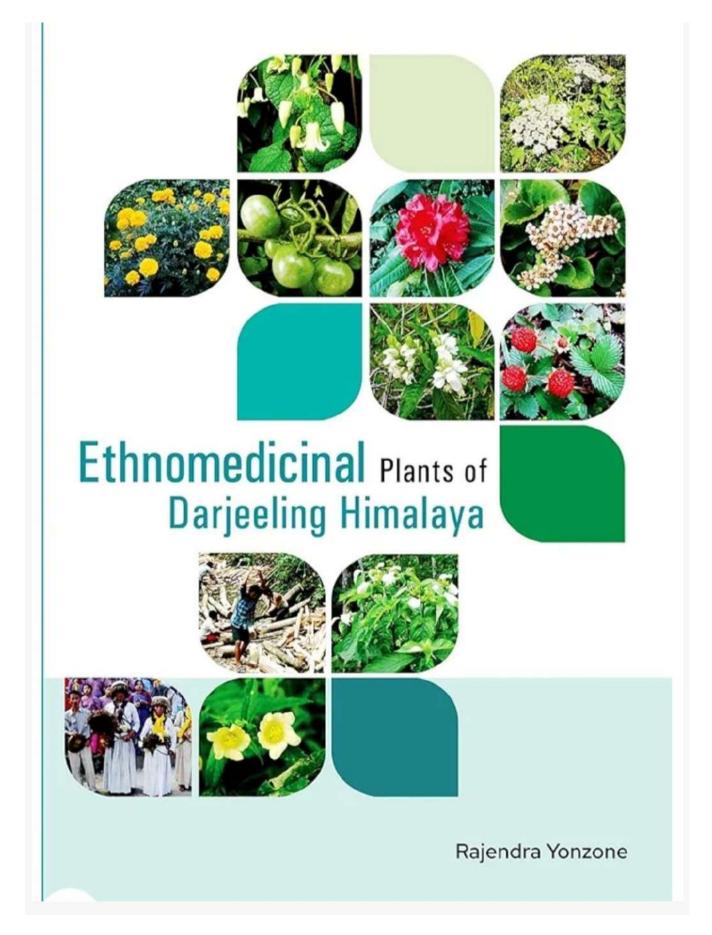
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#### ABSTRACT

Influenza pandemic outbreaks are inevitable and unpredictable, creating an entirely unique disease environment for the general population. Hence, the pandemics are often marked with uncertainty, confusion and a sense of urgency, (WHO, 2020). A Pandemic is also followed by events like home isolation, lockdown in cities, shutting down of transports, schools, offices and other public facilities, with multiple heath related instructions to be followed strictly. Families are forced to stay home with constant fear of contamination and worry. This constant fear, coupled with above mentioned factors exert negative effects on the mental health of not only the adults but also the children of the society. Though, as reported by University college London, children are 56% less likely to get infected by covid-19, (Hindustan Times 2020), but this pandemic can have the most dire effect on children's psyche. Presence of multiple psychological stressors is making the children vulnerable to various psychological problems.

The following chapter attempts to shed light on the variety of psychological issues in children which can be aggravated by the ongoing covid-19 pandemic and can pose a short term or long term threat to their overall well being.

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"The world is ill-prepared to respond to a severe influenza pandemic or to any similarly global, sustained and threatening public-health emergency."

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Abstract: Being a woman myself I always felt fascinated towards the study of women's history. Pains and sufferings, they endured throughout human civilization no doubt captured my attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation but at the same time I had a strong feeling that attention like all others of my generation like all others of my

During the last decades of 19<sup>th</sup> century and the early decades of the 20<sup>th</sup> century girls were given in marriage at an incredibly early age. Co-operation of husband was needed to do anything outside the prescribed social norms. So, whenever we come across educated/enterprising women of that period, contributions of their life partners in most cases

should be taken into consideration.

Sayyid Mumtaz Ali (1860 – 1935) was chiefly known for his pioneering role in Urdu journalism for women. He founded the weekly newspaper *Tahzib-un-Niswan* in Lahore in 1898 in partnership with his second wife Muhammadi Begum. It was the first Urdu periodical for women to enjoy a long and influential life, surviving into the 1950s. Mumtaz Ali emphasized that Muhammadi Begam was the editor, he was only the financial manager. She exercised full editorial control over the choice of articles and subjects covered. By emphasizing that woman was in charge, he hoped to encourage other women to contribute, and it worked.

Mumtaz Ali's argument in favor of women's rights go beyond the equality of souls and encompasses greater egalitarianism in gender relations as well. While admitting that men have greater physical strength than women, he states that this does not give man right to rule over women. Men and women are of the same species; any differentiation between the intellectual capacities of the two genders is only a social construct. He argued for a broad, humanistic education for women not a narrow household centered one. He not only wrote about women's rights but also practiced it in his own conjugal life. Not only Mumtaz Ali himself but his family in successive periods showed this trend of progressive attitude.

While going through the writings and actions of Mumtaz Ali one may assume that he was a western educated man of late 19<sup>th</sup> century but truly his education began at an Arabic Maktab in Deoband. He had an Islamic curriculum to follow in his education, which proves that to be aware of women's rights and to practice it in real life one does not necessarily need western ideas always.

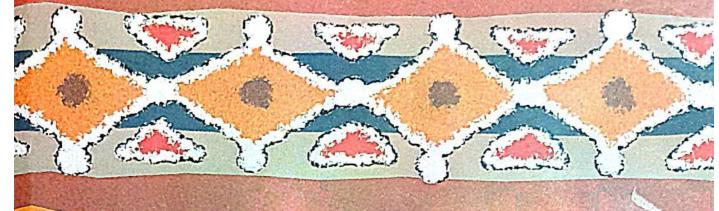
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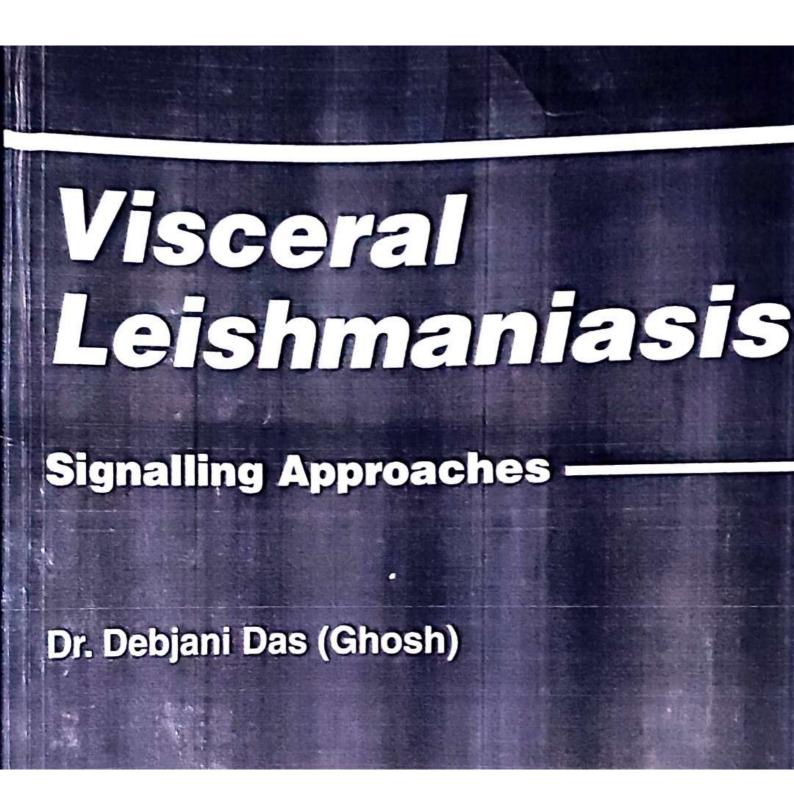
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জাতিভেদ, বর্ণভেদ, বংশ কৌলিন্য, শিক্ষিত-অশিক্ষিত, নারী-পুরুষ, ভাষা ও সংস্কৃতিগত বেচিত্রময়তার এক মিলনগাথা হল বাঙালি সংস্কৃতি। সাংস্কৃতিক স্রোতধারার বিভিন্ন দিক দিয়ে আলোচনা করতে গিয়ে বেরিয়ে আসে সামাজিক সমন্বয়তার নানা দিক। বাঙালির সংস্কৃতিকে মূলত নগর সংস্কৃতি, লোক সংস্কৃতি ও আদিম সংস্কৃতি—এই তিন শ্রেণিতে বিন্যস্ত করা চলে।<sup>১</sup> বাঙালির লোকসংস্কৃতির জগৎ বিচিত্র ও ব্যাপক। লোক-বিশ্বাস, লোক-সংস্কার আর লোকাচার, লোকসংস্কৃতির একটি বিশেষ গুরুত্বপূর্ণ ধারা হিসাবে ধীরে ধীরে প্রকাশ পেয়েছে। লোক্ধর্ম বাংলার সমন্বয়রাদী সমাজ গঠনের ক্ষেত্রে বিশেষ ভূমিকা নিয়ে থাকে। প্রাতিষ্ঠানিক ধর্মের বিরোধিতা করে অস্টাদশ শতকের শেষের দিকে বাংলায় আত্মপ্রকাশ করে এক সমন্বয়বাদী লোকায়ত ধর্ম, যাকে ইংরেজিতে বলে 'মইনর রিলিজিয়ান সেক্টস্'। অক্ষয় কুমার দত্ত এগুলিকে বলেছেন 'উপাসক সম্প্রদায়'। আবার সুধীর চক্রবর্তী মহাশয় এগুলির নাম দিয়েছেন 'গৌণধর্ম'। শ্রীমতী সোমা শেঠ লোকধর্মের সংজ্ঞা নির্দেশ করতে গিয়ে বলেছেন. "জ্ঞানলাভের পর থেকেই বিশেষ মানব গোষ্ঠীভুক্ত শিশু সেই গোষ্ঠী জীবনে যে সব ধর্মীয় রীতিনীতি, আচার-আচরণ ও সংস্কার প্রভৃতির মধ্যে বর্ধিত হয় এবং প্রতিনিয়ত তার চেতনা সেই বিশেষ ধর্মীয় বাতাবরণে গড়ে উঠতে থাকে, পরিণামে সেই ধর্মই লোকধর্ম হয়ে ওঠে"। প্রখ্যাত লোকধর্ম গবেষক সুধীর চক্রবর্তীর মতে, "লোকধর্ম অভিজাত ধর্মের পাশাপাশি গড়ে ওঠে। এর প্রাণবীজ থাকে লৌকিক জীবনে ও লোকায়ত যাপনে। আমাদের দেশে বেদব্রাহ্মণ্য ও শাস্ত্র অনুশাসিত যে অভিজাত ধর্ম তার সমান্তরালে কিম্বা প্রতিবাদে নানা যুগেই নানা লৌকিক ধর্ম গড়ে উঠেছে"। মূলত প্রচলিত ও প্রতিষ্ঠিত ধর্মগুলির বাইরে গিয়ে এবং উদার মানবতাকে সঙ্গী করে যে জীবনদর্শন—তাই ধারণ করে লৌকিক ধর্মগুলি।

এইসব লৌকিক ধর্মগুলির একটি প্রধান বৈশিষ্ট্য হল হিন্দু ও ইসলাম ধর্মের সমন্বয়, বাংলার প্রত্যন্ত গ্রামে গ্রামে আর গানে গানে গাথা সেই লোকায়ত যাপনের আখ্যান সমন্বয়ের বার্তাবাহক হিসাবে আমাদের সামনে প্রকাশ পায়। যার প্রমাণ লোকায়ত ধর্মগুলির নামগুলি থেকেই পাওয়া যায়। যেমন—কর্তাভজা, সাহেবধনী, ন্যাড়া, বাউল, খুসি বিশ্বাসী, দরবেশ, সাঁই, সহজিয়া, রাধাশ্যামী ইত্যাদি। লোকধর্মগুলির ইতিহাস পর্যালোচনা করলে দেখা যায়, বাংলায় গড়ে ওঠা লোকধর্ম সম্প্রদায়গুলির অধিকাংশেরই প্রবর্তক একজন মুসলমান। কিন্তু



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# Visceral Leishmaniasis

Despite all efforts on chemotherapy till date, visceral Leishmaniasis caused by Leishmania donovani still remains fatal and widespread. As an intra-macrophage pathogen, the parasite is most successful in exploiting the host cell metabolism, targeting the host protein into phagolysosomal compartment and modulating its phagosome. Even today, because of the complexity of the disease antileishmanial therapy is an incomprehensible subject. The ground reality is that very few agents have adequately been assessed in clinical trials and the most effective agents have the most potential toxic effects and are difficult to administer. As an alternative approach, people are now trying to exploit several surface receptors of host cells, e.g., macrophages for activation purposes to fight against this deadly pathogen, L.donovani. We therefore, thought that attempt could be made to control leishmanial infection either by modulating the surface receptor of macrophage or by identifying the signalling molecules generated say, kinases during early phases of L.donovani-macrophage i.e., ligand-receptor interaction. Identification of these types of molecules would help one to design suitable inhibitors for blocking the infections.

Although interaction of L. donovani with macrophages is known to be a ligand-receptor interaction, various aspects of macrophage surface receptor biology including:

i) modulation of receptors and its effect on the interaction process and ii) receptor signalling involving cell-cell interaction at the surface remain totally untouched. Work in this area will help us to understand the mechanism of controlling the infections and of intracellular survival of this pathogen.



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## Exploring the structure of Xe isotopes in $A \sim 130\mbox{ region:}$ Single particle and collective excitations

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**Abstract.** High and medium spin structures of  $^{130,131}$ Xe have been studied using  $\alpha$ -induced fusion-evaporation reaction and the Indian National Gamma Array (INGA) coupled with a digital data acquisition system. Various new band structures and near yrast levels of  $^{131}$ Xe have been established. The multipolarities of the observed transitions have been assigned on the basis of the DCO ratios and the polarization asymmetry measurements. Band structures based on 1-quasi-particle (qp), 3-qp configurations have been observed. A new Magnetic Rotational (MR) band based on 5-qp configuration has also been established in  $^{131}$ Xe. The MR band has been interpreted in terms of shears mechanism with principal axis cranking (SPAC) calculations. Shell Model calculations are carried out to describe the non yrast states of  $^{131}$ Xe above the  $^{11/2}$  isomer. New excited states have also been identified in  $^{130}$ Xe, produced in the same reaction.

#### 1 Introduction

The transitional nuclei in the A  $\sim$  130 region are of current interest to explore the variety of nuclear structures arising from interplay between the single particle and the collective degrees of freedom. The shape driving nature of the  $h_{11/2}$  orbital, available for both protons and neutrons, and the corresponding particle-hole interactions drag the nucleus towards various exotic shapes and structures. The role of the unique parity  $h_{11/2}$  orbital is thus important in inducing deformation to the system and having deformed band structures based on both one quasi-particle (qp) and multi qp configurations.

 $^{131}$ Xe(Z = 54, N = 77) is one of the suitable candidate to study various band structures and interesting features of the nuclear shape in A  $\sim$  130. Only one qp ( $\nu h_{11/2}$ ) band structure in  $^{131}$ Xe is known [1] [2], whereas, high spin band structures in  $^{125}$ Xe [3] and triaxial bands in  $^{129}$ Xe [4] have been reported. Availability of high-j  $h_{11/2}$  orbital for both proton particles and neutron holes makes  $^{131}$ Xe also a suitable candidate to exhibit Magnetic Rotation (MR) at high spin. Such MR band is reported in  $^{123}$ Xe [5] and described using the tilted axis configuration with  $\pi h_{11/2} \otimes \nu h_{11/2}$ . As one approaches the N = 82 shell closure the MR band becomes favourable for its proximity to spherical shape. The lower spin states of  $^{131}$ Xe are generated from single par-

ticle excitations of four proton particles and five neutron holes (with respect to  $^{132}{\rm Sn}$ ) in various available orbitals. The understanding of the configurations of these states helps us to explain the underlying nucleon-nucleon interactions. Thus  $^{131}{\rm Xe}$  can be an interesting nuclei to study the various mechanisms of generation of angular momentum in a single nuclei. Population of  $^{131}{\rm Xe}$  is difficult due to lack of stable target-projectile combinations. Previous spectroscopic studies on this nuclei were carried out from decay spectroscopy [6, 7], Coulomb excitations [8],  $(\alpha\,,3\mathrm{n})$  [1] and  $(\alpha\,,\mathrm{n})$  [9] measurements. But these studies are limited by the detection system used. A recent study on  $^{131}{\rm Xe}$  [2] reports only the extension of the yrast band to higher spin. But no detail information about the other high spin structures is available prior to the present study.

Xenon isotopic chain is also known for its shape change from  $\gamma$ -soft rotor to spherical one. The possible phase transition for the even-A Xe isotopes can be described using E(5) symmetry, where the nucleus undergoes from spherical vibrator to  $\gamma$ -soft rotor. Clark *et al.* [10] has predicted that the E(5) symmetry can be investigated in <sup>128</sup>Xe. The spectroscopic study on <sup>128</sup>Xe [11] has indicated that <sup>130</sup>Xe can possibly be a better candidate to look for such E(5) symmetry breaking. The structure of <sup>130</sup>Xe was studied using Coulomb excitation in inverse kinematics [11] and (n,n') reaction [12], which concluded that this nucleus may not be the candidate for E(5) symmetry.

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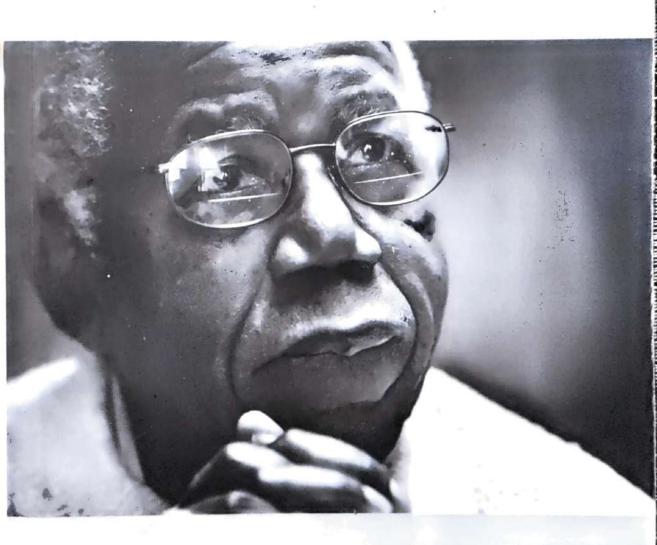
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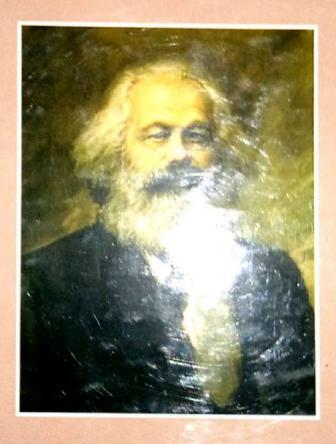
#### Introduction

Post colonialism is generally taken to be a term associated with repression, subjugation, silencing, othering, reaction and revolt. But in this work I intend to argue that colonisation is not just a repressive term, nor colonial relationship a process of subjugation and reaction alone but a relation that involves interdependence and exchange of cultural and political ideologies between the colonizer and the colonized. It is a relationship that also requires a certain degree of willingness or consent on the part of the colonized to allow the overtaking of a dominant culture. There is strangely enough an element of glorification of the colonizer by the colonized. There is a reciprocity of desire between the two countries. The desire of the colonizer for the colonized is understandable because the colonized is generally a nation rich in natural resources. But there is a queer desire of the colonizer for the colonized that amounts to a gaze for the 'Imperial Other' which is the source of nurturance. The intention of the work thus is to light upon a new angle of postcolonial relationship where the colonizing nation becomes a 'Mother Nation' or 'Father Nation' and the colonized inspite of being rich in resources looks upon it for nurturance. In such circumstances there grows a dependence between the two nations. Even in the postcolonial era this dependence exists through a process of cultural exchange that results in the emergence of a hybrid state.

This leads to the idea of adaptation. The colonising power gradually infiltrates into the colony through such machineries as the church, the school, family and later through political institutions. It engages the colonized to adapt and appropriate these foreign tools like colonial education, religion, governmental control and effect a total changeover of the traditional indigenous system. In the field of politics specially for the unreachable tribal areas in the colonisers like England used the tribal chiefs to act as 'puppet thiefs' on their behalf. England for instance, ruled the tribal nations through

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## Karl Marx and the Theory of Surplus Value

## Simanti Bandyopadhyay

The everlasting contribution of Karl Marx to the theory of economics is that he drew attention to the problem of reproduction of the entire social capital. In the history of economics, two significant attempts have been made at an exact exposition of this problem: one by Quesnay—the father of physiocrats—at the beginning and at its final stage by Karl Marx. The bourgeois economists in the interim had never been able to formulate this problem precisely as they were not aware of this problem.

The literal meaning of the word reproduction is repetition or the renewal of the process of production. However reproduction is something more than mere repetition in so far it presupposes certain standard of labour productivity.

In a primitive communist agrarian community, reproduction is determined by the community of all workers and their democratic organs. The decision to re-engage in labour, the arrangement of reproduction and the determination of its volume are all results of a planned co-operation in which everybody within the community

In a slave society reproduction is enforced by personal relations of domination. In every society known to history, other than a capitalist one, reproduction recurs in a regular sequence as far as its preconditions, the existing means of production and labour power make it possible.

The capitalist methods, however, present a different picture. Reproduction here depends on purely social considerations. Only those goods are produced which can be expected to sell with certainty at a customary profit. Therefore, profit is the decisive factor which determines not only production but also reproduction.

## The Capitalist Mode of Production

The capitalist reproduction comprises not only production but also circulation or exchange comprises not only production but also circulation or exchange. It is organized primarily by innumerable हाओड़ा-संस्कृत-साहित्य-समाजेन आयोजिते संस्कृत-सम्मेलने प्रदत्तानां प्रबन्धानां कतिपय-

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#### Introduction

The Rgveda, the oldest literary monument is divided into ten mandalas. Amongst them the mandals ranging from II to VII are commonly designated as 'Ārṣamaṇḍalas' or 'Family Books', since each of them is ascribed by tradition to one particular seer or one particular family of seers. Thus, mandala IV, consisting of fifty eight hymns, is traditionally attributed to seer Vāmadeva and his family. Each of the Family Books has its own characteristics and peculiarities which clearly distinguish one from the other. Like the other Family Books manḍala IV also is endowed with its own charm and is chracterised by its peculiarities. This paper presents a modest deliberation on the main theme of the concluding hymn of the Vāmadeva-maṇḍala (IV.58) and attempts also to reveal the philosophical spirit and mysticism involved therein.

## Conception of the Terms deva and devatã

The hymns of the Rgveda are all praises and prayers addressed to various gods, who, according to the Western scholars are mostly personifications of different powers of nature

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## WOMEN & HEALTH- PRE AND POST COLONIAL INDIA: IMPACT OF CHILD MARRIAGE AND SECLUSION

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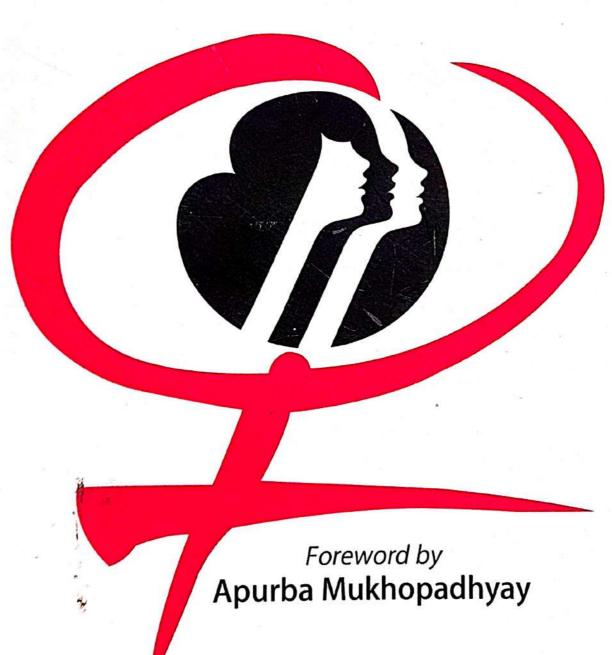
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Women's health is inextricably linked to their social status. In many parts of the world, particularly in South Asia, discrimination against women starts before birth and continues until death. In most regions of South Asia, women are denied the rights and privileges afforded to their male counter parts both within and beyond the domestic sphere. Throughout their lives women endure discrimination based on gender which includes basic necessities of life like food, clothing and education. Further; South Asian women suffer greatly from a lack of access to health care-particularly in rural areas. Women often face traditional taboos, based on cultural practice and religious belief against consulting doctors. This is one of the main reasons behind the high rate of morbidity and mortality of women in South Asia. In India the most common diseases for women are diarrheal diseases, respiratory infections and prenatal conditions (complications or diseases that occur at or after twenty eight weeks of gestation or within the first seven days after birth). [1]

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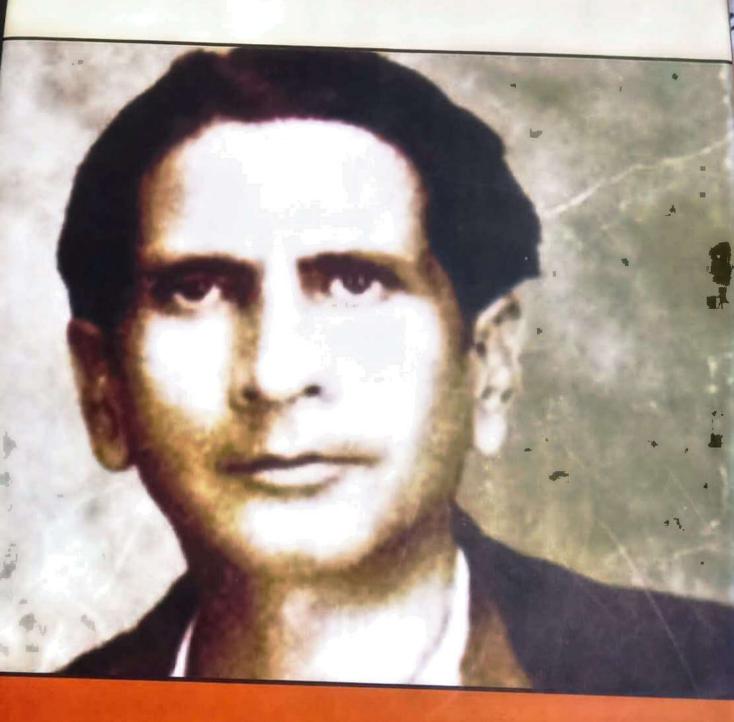
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সামাজিক ক্ষেত্রে নারীদের অধিকার প্রতিষ্ঠার লড়াই সুপ্রাচীন কাল থেকে চলে আসছে। ্রতা সৃষ্টির আদি পর্ব থেকেই সমাজ পরিচালনার ক্ষেত্রে পুরুষের একক প্রাধান্য বজায় থেকেছে, শুশাপাশি নারী থেকে গেছে পুরুষের সহযোগী হিসাবে। সৃষ্টির প্রথম পর্যায় থেকে পুরুষের এই ৰ্কৃত্ব কি প্ৰকৃতির বিধান ? নাকি সমাজ নির্মিত তথাকথিত ভ্রান্তি ? প্রাচীন হিন্দু শাস্ত্রে এ বিষয়ে কি নাখা দেওয়া আছে সে সম্পর্কে আলোকপাত করতে গিয়ে প্রথমেই হোঁচট খেতে হয়। কারণ গ্রীনতম ভারতীয় বা হিন্দু সাহিত্য হল বেদ। যার রচনাকার হিসাবে বলা হয়, বেদ অপৌরুষেয় 🝕 ব্রন্মার মুখ নিঃসৃত বাণী। তাহলেই কি প্রাচীনতম ভারতীয় সাহিত্যের সৃষ্টি নারীদের দ্বারাই 🕫 ও ঋষিদের কাছে ধ্যানের মাধ্যমে প্রতিবাদ হয়েছিল। এই কারণে বেদ অপৌরুষেয় নামেও প্রিচিত।' এই ব্যাখ্যাকে মান্যতা দিলে এটা পরিষ্কার হয় 'মনুষ্য সৃষ্ট' মানেই পুরুষ সৃষ্ট। অর্থাৎ ন্ট্রীদের এখানে মানুষ বলেই গণ্য করা হয়নি। ভারতবর্ষের ইতিহাসে নারীত্ব শব্দটিকে সতীত্ব ও ৰ্ণব্ৰিতের সাথে এমনভাবে মিশিয়ে দেওয়া হয়েছে যে, নারীত্বের পৃথক কোনো অস্তিত্বই বিলুপ্তির প্রাত্যাগ, তিতিক্ষা, সন্তান-পালন, স্বামী সেবা ইত্যাদি শব্দগুলি নারী সমাজকে এমনভাবে <sup>গিল</sup> ফেলেছে সেখান থেকে বের হওয়া বেশ কঠিন। পিতৃতান্ত্রিক সমাজে তাই নারী কেবল পুরুরে সম্পত্তি, ভোগের বস্তু আর দাসী হয়েই থেকে গেছে। তবে প্রথম থেকেই কিন্তু এই <sup>গ্র্যনিত অব্যবস্থার বিপরীত নারীদের অধিকার রক্ষার লড়াই চলে আসছে, যা 'নারীবাদী আন্দোলন'</sup> <sup>নামে</sup> পরিচিত।

সমাজ সভ্যতার একেবারে নিচের সারিতে অবস্থান করতে করতে সমানাধিকারের দিকে নারীর <sup>রি দীর্ম</sup> যাত্রা সূপ্রাচীন কালে শুরু হয়েছিল তা এক বিরাট ইতিহাস। যতদূর জানা যায় ইউরোপীয় <sup>সমাজতম্ব্র</sup>বাদে বিশ্বাসী দার্শনিক চার্লস ফুরিয়ের ১৮৩৭ সালে প্রথম 'নারীবাদ' শব্দটি ব্যবহার <sup>দিরেন</sup>। পাশ্চাত্য নারীবাদী ঐতিহাসিকদের মতে, যে সমস্ত আন্দোলন নারীর অধিকার অর্জনের <sup>শক্ষো</sup> কাজ করছে, তাদের সবকটিকেই নারীবাদী হিসাবে গণ্য করা উচিত। তারা নিজেদের শারীবাদী না বললেও কিছু এসে যায় না এতে। অস্ট্রাদশ শতাব্দীর শেষ থেকে উনবিংশ শতাব্দীর

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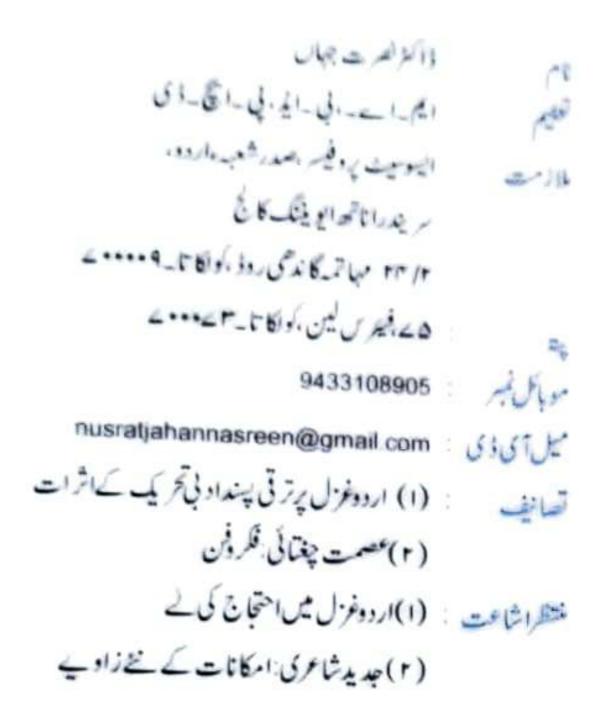
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#### A Study upon lifestyle of an individual in the light of GST

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#### Abstract

GST is an indirect tax reform which is formulated to stop the tax obstruction between States and thus create a single market. GST is a single tax on the supply of goods and services, right from manufacturer to the consumer. Credit of input taxes paid at each stage will be available in the subsequent stage of value addition which means GST is essentially a tax only on value addition at each stage. Due to the effect of GST, the lifestyles of an individual get affected. Some food item becomes the gainer and some are looser in this transformation. From the smallest entity of the economic food chain to multi – billion conglomerates, no one will stay untouched by the GST. In our study, we have segregated the household goods in five heads i.e. common consumer goods, beauty and personal care, home appliances, services and cars. Thus division has been done on the basis of priority of every individual. Here in our discussion we have shown that before GST system the tax is being levied on each stage of transferring the goods whereas in GST system the tax is being charged at the time of selling of goods to the consumer. So the overall system of GST is getting simple and as a result consumer will get more benefits in the bill of purchasing of households goods.

**Keywords:** GST, One Nation One Market One Tax, Lifestyle, Input Tax Credit, SGST, CGST, IGST, Rates of GST, Household Goods.

#### Introduction

It is a fee charged by a government on income, product or activity. It is a mechanism through which governments finance their expenditure by imposing charges on citizens and corporate entities. The main reason for levying of taxes is to raise revenue to fund governing and/or to alter the prices to affect demand. One of the most important uses of taxes is to finance public goods and services. Since public goods and services do not allow a non-payer to be

excluded, or allow exclusion by a consumer, there cannot be a market in the good or service, and so they need to be provided by the government or a quasi-government agency, which tend to finance themselves largely through taxes. Now if tax is levied directly on personal or corporate income, then it is called a direct tax. If tax is levied on the price of a good or service, then it is called an indirect tax.

#### The various tax laws are levied and collected as follows:

Tax	Taxable Event	Levied by	Collected by
Central Excise Duty	Manufacture of Goods in India (excluding goods manufactured in SEZ in India)	CG	CG
Service Tax	Provision of Service in Taxable Territory	CG	CG
Sales Tax/ VAT	Sale of goods within the State	SG	SG
Customs Duty	Import into India from a place outside India or Export from India to a place outside India	CG	CG
Central Sales Tax (CST)	Sale of goods Inter-State (i.e. from one State to another State)	CG	SG
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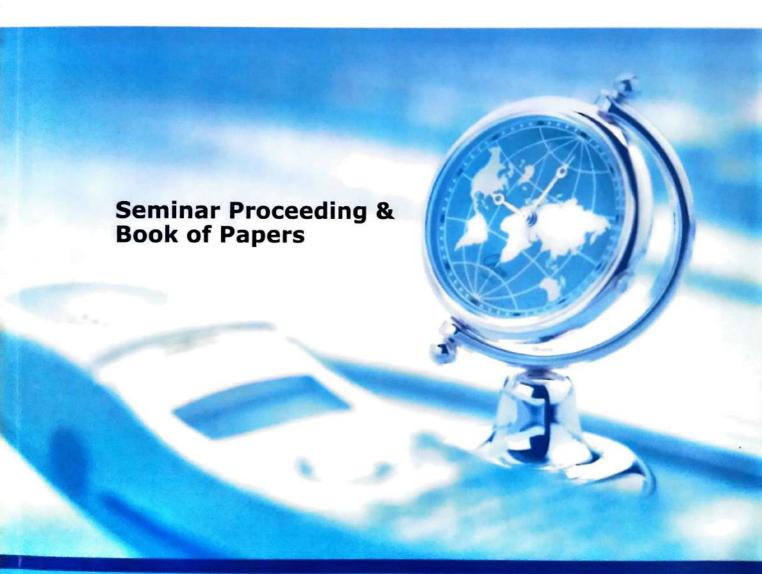
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Green Marketing: A Key Approach towards the World of Sustainability

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#### Abstract

In the recent times, uphill struggle and the constant urge to achieve sustainable development can be highly observed among the marketers and the consumers as a whole. The sustainable-oriented strategies and concerns can provide a way to revitalize the tormented environment whose resources are being continuously depleted due to the unlimited human demands. Green marketing is one such approach which aims to achieve sustainable development through the use of ecofriendly products without compromising the ability of the future generations to meet their own needs. It can be seen that the customers of today's generation are on the lookout for eco-friendly and high quality products for which they are even ready to pay more. Though the concept of green marketing is highly appreciated, the marketers need to adopt the strategies keeping in mind the various pros and cons of it. In this paper we are trying to focus on the mind-set of the consumers and the various approaches that are being adopted by the marketers for a greener world.

Keywords: Eco- Friendly Products, Green Marketing, Sustainable Development

#### Introduction

Over the years our environment has been tormented to a large extent owing to the scientific and technological innovations. The limitless and infinite human wants have led to the exhaustion of the natural resources of our mother earth. The dire consequences have compelled the people of the earth to change their perspectives for a better and sustainable life.

Nowadays, lots of studies have proved that the concerns of the people are growing regarding the usage of eco-friendly products. The changing behaviors of the customers have given the opportunity to the producers and the marketers to enter into the world of green marketing by adopting safe and environment friendly techniques of producing the products. The companies have started imbibing the spirit of green energy discarding every production procedures that hamper the beauty of nature.

According to the American Marketing Association, green marketing is the marketing of products which are assumed to be environmentally safe. Green marketing is a concept in which the production, packaging, advertising and marketing procedures are adopted in such an approach where the environment is not damaged.

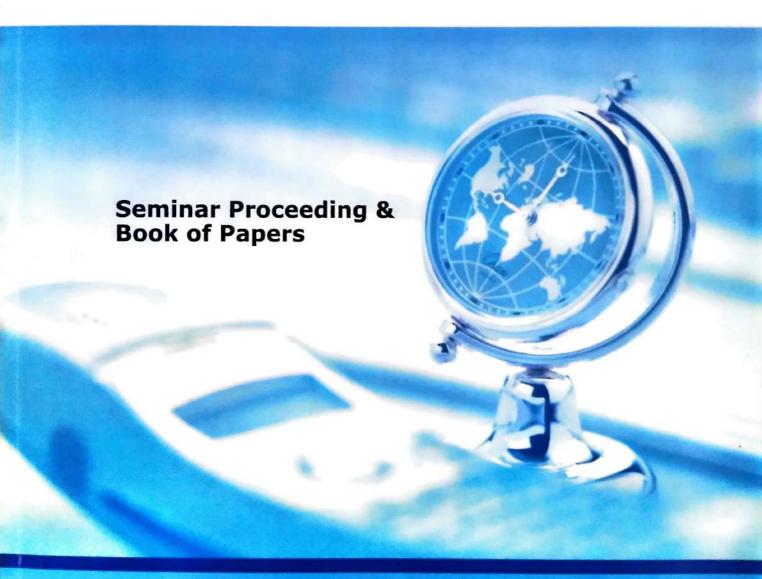
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- Protection of the environment
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Demonetization: An Enemy for Real Estate

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> On 8th November, 2016 the present government has taken an initiative to remove the black money, fake currency circulation and terror financing movement from the Indian Economy by withdrawing currency notes having denominations of Rs. 500 and Rs. 1000. It is considered to be one of the most debatable issues of the Indian Economy in recent times. Due to this demonetization policy Indian Economy got hurt with RBI itself as growth forecast for the fiscal has come down from 7.6% to 7.1%. It is to be believed that for this slow growth; few sectors got affected on which real estate sector is the huge one. Some people have welcomed this move and expressed their concern for real estate market.

> The Indian Real Estate sector is one of the most challenging sectors when it comes to sale and overall growth. So, in this paper an attempt has been made to understand the impact of demonetization on sales and growth of this most watched and sensitive sector of the Indian Economy i.e. real estate. Moreover, we have also tried to show the long-term effect of 'Notebandi' policy on this

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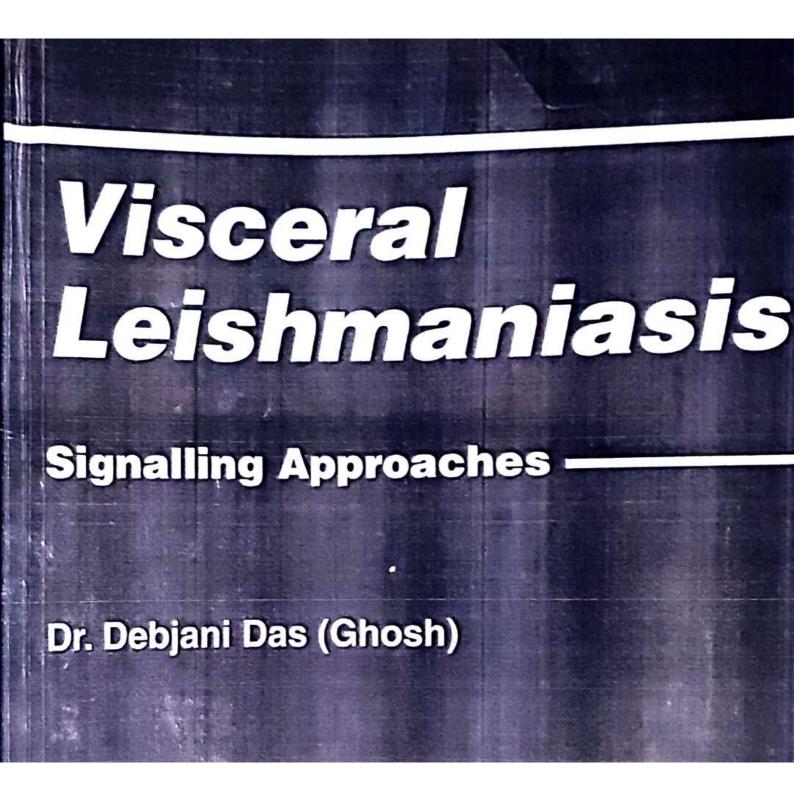
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#### Introduction

Real Estate sector can be described in business terms as buying and selling of Properties (Residential and Commercial) consists of Land and Buildings and other resources attached to it. This sector went through various ups and downs from Post-Independence era to Post - Recession era (The 2000s), but still be the second largest employment generator and leading GDP contributor in the Economy.

Government of India announced demonetization of the high value currencies of 500 and 1000 with an objective to remove the black money and to curb the corruption, counterfeit currency as well as terror funding. This decision is claimed to be most important step towards removal of black money from Indian economy whose benefits expected to be enjoyed in the long run. However, the impact of this sudden move is causing major cash crunch in the economy affecting daily transactions of the common man and businesses. According to the views of various analysts, experts and scholars the impact of demonetization estimated 0.5% - 3% on the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the country in the current financial year 2016-17.

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#### Abstract

Leishmania donovani infects and enters macrophages by receptor-mediated endocytosis. Incorporation of exogenously added [\$^{32}P\$] orthophosphate into murine peritoneal macrophage during attachment with L. donovani promastigotes induced phosphorylation of certain proteins. Addition of Phorbol 12 myristate 13 acetate (PMA) activator of PKC, induced the phosphorylations. Staurosporine, an inhibitor of PKC blocked phosphorylations of these proteins. However, infection of macrophages with L. donovani, significantly attenuated phosphorylations of these proteins. Phosphorylations of these proteins were absent during attachment with other intra-macrophage pathogen, E. coli or Shigella flexneri indicating that L. donovani specific signals were induced in phosphorylation. These suggest that induced PKC-mediated phosphorylations signals were L. donovani attachment specific and signal differ significantly with intracellular replication of the parasites.

Keywords: Leishmania donovani, Macrophage, Attachment, PKC, Phosphorylation

#### Introduction

Leishmania donovani parasite binding to macrophage and its interaction with these cells efficiently occurs with parasite binding on the surface of the host cell to mannosylfucosyl receptors and CR1 and CR3 integrin receptors.1-3 Following binding of ligands, integrin and other receptors on the host cell surface have been demonstrated to generate Tyrosine threonine and phosphorylation signals necessary for the uptake of various particles.46 Bacterial entry in many cells were shown to occur through tyrosine specific phosphorylation signals,7-11 however, establishment of PKC-specific phosphorylation in bacterial strains as well as during leishmanial entry has not been demonstrated. Although, reports of PKC-specific phosphorylation in phagocytosis by macrophages12 and Fc

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#### Visceral Leishmaniasis

Despite all efforts on chemotherapy till date, visceral Leishmaniasis caused by Leishmania donovani still remains fatal and widespread. As an intra-macrophage pathogen, the parasite is most successful in exploiting the host cell metabolism, targeting the host protein into phagolysosomal compartment and modulating its phagosome. Even today, because of the complexity of the disease antileishmanial therapy is an incomprehensible subject. The ground reality is that very few agents have adequately been assessed in clinical trials and the most effective agents have the most potential toxic effects and are difficult to administer. As an alternative approach, people are now trying to exploit several surface receptors of host cells, e.g., macrophages for activation purposes to fight against this deadly pathogen, L.donovani. We therefore, thought that attempt could be made to control leishmanial infection either by modulating the surface receptor of macrophage or by identifying the signalling molecules generated say, kinases during early phases of Ldonovani-macrophage i.e., ligand-receptor Interaction. Identification of these types of molecules would help one to design suitable inhibitors for blocking the infections.

Although interaction of L. donovani with macrophages is known to be a ligand-receptor interaction, various aspects of macrophage surface receptor biology including:

i] modulation of receptors and its effect on the interaction process and ii] receptor signalling involving cell-cell interaction at the surface remain totally untouched. Work in this area will help us to understand the mechanism of controlling the infections and of intracellular survival of this



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