Madurai Call Girls Contact Number

Girl ChildAPH Publishing

Globally, women are facing social, economic, and cultural barriers impeding their autonomy and agency. Accelerated women empowerment programs often fail to attain their targets as envisaged by the policymakers due to a variety of reasons, with the most prominent being the deep-rooted cultural norms ingrained within society. In the era of globalization, empowerment of women demands new approaches and strategies that encourage the mainstreaming of gender equality as a societal norm. The Handbook of Research on New Dimensions of Gender Mainstreaming and Women Empowerment is a critical scholarly publication that examines global gender issues and new strategies for the promotion of women empowerment and gender mainstreaming in various spheres of women's lives, including education and ICT, economic participation, health and sexuality, mental health, aging, law and judiciary, leadership, and decision making. It provides a comprehensive coverage of all major gender issues with novel ideas on gender mainstreaming being contributed by men and women authors from multidisciplinary backgrounds. Gender perspective and intersectional approach in the discourses make this handbook a unique contribution to the scholarship of social sciences and humanities. The book provides new theoretical inputs and practical directions to academicians, sociologists, social workers, psychologists, managers, lawyers, policy makers, and government officials in their efforts at gender mainstreaming. With a wide range of conceptual richness, this handbook is an excellent reference guide to students and researchers in programs pertaining to gender/women's studies, cultural studies, economics, sociology, social work, medicine, law, and management.

For More Than Four Decades After Gaining Independence, India, With Its Massive Size And Population, Staggering Poverty And Slow Rate Of Growth, Was Associated With The Plodding, Somnolent Elephant, Comfortably Resting On Its Achievements Of Centuries Gone By. Then In The Early 1990S The Elephant Seemed To Wake Up From Its Slumber And Slowly Begin To Change Until Today, In The First Decade Of The Twenty-First Century, Some Have Begun To See It Morphing Into A Tiger. As India Turns Sixty, Shashi Tharoor, Novelist And Essayist, Reminds Us Of The Paradox That Is India, The Elephant That Is Becoming A Tiger: With The Highest Number Of Billionaires In Asia, It Still Has The Largest Number Of People Living Amid Poverty And Neglect, And More Children Who Have Not Seen The Inside Of A Schoolroom Than Any Other Country. So What Does The Twenty-First Century Hold For India? Will It Bring The Strength Of The Tiger And The Size Of An Elephant To Bear Upon The World? Or Will It Remain An Elephant At Heart? In More Than Sixty Essays Organized Thematically Into Six Parts, Shashi Tharoor Analyses The Forces That Have Made Twenty-First Century India And Could Yet Unmake It. He Discusses The Country S Transformation In His Characteristic Lucid Prose, Writing With Passion And Engagement On A Broad Range Of Subjects, From The Very Notion Of Indianness In A Pluralist Society To The Evolution Of The Once Sleeping Giant Into A World Leader In The Realms Of Science And Technology; From The Men And Women Who Make Up His India Gandhi And Nehru And The Less Obvious Ramanujan And Krishna Menon To An Eclectic Array Of Indian Experiences And Realities, Virtual And Spiritual, Political And Filmi. The Book Is Leavened With Whimsical And Witty Pieces On Cricket, Bollywood And The National Penchant For Holidays, And Topped Off With An A To Z Glossary On Indianness, Written With Tongue Firmly In Cheek. Diverting And Instructive As Ever, Artfully Combining Hard Facts And Statistics With Personal Opinions And Observations, Tharoor Offers A Fresh, Insightful Look At This Timeless And Fast-Changing Society, Emphasizing That India Must Rise Above The Past If It Is To Conquer The Future.

Pratiyogita Darpan

Political Transition and Development Imperatives in India

The Elephant, the Tiger, and the Cell Phone

Reflections on India, the Emerging 21st-century Power

Police Investigation - Powers, Tactics and Techniques

Gender and Neoliberalism

Issues for 1919-47 include Who's who in India; 1948, Who's who in India and Pakistan.

"Four boys break into a bank in the middle of the night with twelve hostages. They call the police first, and inform the press next. An encounter specialist, four bank robbers, twelve hostages and a frenzy crowd hold the nation for one day as the brilliant heist plan spirals into a media circus for the whole nation to watch. It ' s more than just a bank robbery! Set in a quiet city in South India, this story can happen to you... "

Today history of human race is at cross roads. We know for certain that our planet is 300crores of years old. Compared to this age of planet our religious philosophies are of very recent origin. All religions have been established with noble intentions for creating an environment where man can live as a member of a stable society. Depending on the environment religious philosophies varied in essence and content.The first to arrive at the scene was our Vedas followed by Zoroastrianism. Both are the creations of Aryans. These were followed by the three sky god religions namely Judaism, Christianity and Islam. All these religions were created for the living conditions in the desert. Least common denominator of all the above religions is the concept of an all embracing God.As the science progressed, conflict between religion and science became a fact of life. Space in the human mind got converted into two parts, one occupied by religion and other by science. There was a small area in between which was occupied by the philosophers trying to interconnect between these two parts. Finally humanity arrived in two lay religions namely communism and capitalism The capitalism stresses on the creation of wealth. Through a strange twist of history the humanity is in the midst of globalization and creation of wealth today. This in turn is creating large scale disparities in the income pattern in all societies. Philosophers have dried out of ideas and humanity has come to the end of the road. Where are we heading for? No one appears to be sure.Are we coming to the end of the history of human race? Three possibilities are forthcoming. A nuclear war in the Middle East can play havoc. Humanity is now riding on a ship floating on a sea of paper currencies printed all over the world and we are not sure where the ship is going to sink. Environmental pollution is causing growing concern about global warming. Situation is alarming. It is time for the world leaders to think aloud and take concrete steps to prevent a disastrous calamity engulfing the human race.

A Conducted Tour of India

The Times of India Directory and Year Book Including Who's who

Study of Peninsular India

Winds of Time

Caste as Lived Experience

Selections from Regional Press

The world is fast speeding toward its total annihilation. Peace has disappeared from the face of this planet earth. It seems all the forces of evil have climbed up out of the hades to destroy this world completely. Love, kindness, charity, honesty, integrity are no more seen among masses. Nobody cares for anybody. They are out to kill others. They are all experts at doing evil, as the 5th century BC prophet Micah has observed. One can not confide inner secrets to one's life partner. Very horrible hard times have fallen on humanity. Terror is fast spreadind world wide. Millions have already perished in world wars. An other world war looms large on all humanity. The lead figure, Walker Good man, goes researching the mysteries of this universe, starting with Socrates . He comes to the conclusion that historical God-man Jesus Christ is coming again to lift his saints to his heavenly Kingdom. All others will perish in the everlasting hell fire and burning brimstone.

Study conducted at Dharmapuri and Theni districts of Tamil Nadu, India.

The World Sustainable Development Outlook series has been developed to provide an overview of sustainable development, to discuss why it is important and to provoke forward thinking on the development of a more coherent approach to solving global problems related to sustainability through science and technology. In doing so, a holistic approach is used to critically examine the interrelationship between the natural, governmental, economic and social dimensions of our world and how science and technology can contribute to solutions. This is a truly global source book, which is reflected in the varied national and cultural origins of the contributors, as well as the topics and case studies covered. Each year a different theme will be covered. The theme of World Sustainable Development Outlook 2007 is the different dimensions of knowledge and technology management in the new era of information revolution and how they relate to sustainable development. Rapid innovation in information and communication technologies (ICTs) is clearly reshaping the world we live in. Countries are increasingly judged by whether they are information-rich or information-poor. It is estimated that 30–40% of the world's economic growth and 40–50% of all new jobs will be IT-driven. Education and knowledge are the chief currencies of the modern age, and can also be a strategic resource and a lifeline for sustainable development. Yet, in Africa, millions of people have never made a telephone call. The technological gulf between developed and developing countries (DCs) is likely to widen further with the rapid expansion of the internet and the speedy transition to digitalisation in the West. The impacts on DCs may include an increase in the so-called brain drain and growing dependence on foreign aid of a different kind – knowledge aid. There are fears that knowledge imperialism is already with us. What is clear is that most of the technological innovations in ICTs are Western-designed and fail to address the needs of the most disadvantaged. The interest of industrialised countries in the use of ICTs in DCs has largely been more concerned with the profitability of their own business enterprises than with any broader goals concerning the development of the host countries. DCs face the challenge of either becoming an integral part of the knowledge-based global economy or the very real danger of finding themselves on the wrong side of the digital divide. Successful management in the new millennium requires developing new methods and approaches to meet the challenges and opportunities of this information revolution while at the same time fostering sustainable development. Adopting a holistic approach, this book aims to critically examine the interrelationship between these different issues in order to reach solutions and a consensus for a better future, taking into account a variety of international, institutional and intellectual perspectives. It uses case and country studies in technological innovation and experience so that lessons in effective management of ICTs can be learned from successful initiatives, ideas and innovations.

Economics of Child-labour and Fertility

Women's Rights and Bioethics

Indian Essentials

Secret Wars

Madras District Gazetteers: Anantapur

Routledge Handbook of Gender in South Asia

Providing a comprehensive overview of the study of gender in South Asia, this Handbook covers the central contributions that have defined this area and captures innovative and emerging paradigms that are shaping the future of the field. It offers a wide range of disciplinary and interdisciplinary perspectives spanning both the humanities and social sciences, focussing on India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. The Handbook brings together key experts in the field of South Asia and gender, women and sexuality. Chapters are organised thematically in five major sections: Historical formations of gender and the significance of colonialism and nationalism Law, Citizenship and the Nation Representations of Culture, Place, Identity Labour and the Economy Inequality, Activism and the State This timely survey is essential reading for scholars who research and teach on South Asia as well as for scholars in related interdisciplinary fields that focus on women and gender from comparative and transnational perspectives.

Anchoring himself firmly on the ever-contested space of Indian Law and Legal Processes, and drawing substantive support from his rich and varied experience as a Law Enforcement Officer in the Police Department of Tamil Nadu, India, the author, V. Sithannan in presenting this scholarly work, has sought to fulfill the legitimate requirements of Police Officers, Advocates, Judicial Officers, Social Activists, NGOs, Gender Activists and the general public. The Author's utopian ideal that no innocent person should be punished and no offender should go unpunished is the dominant message of the book. For this purpose, the Author has given a balanced treatment of the whole problem of crime and its investigation. The book contains 27 Chapters and 4 Annexures. For example, the 1st Chapter deals with the origin, growth and development of Military and Police and the succeeding chapters elaborate the structure, powers and the duties of police, the conduct of investigation, the first information report, the jurisdictional limitations of police, dying declaration, inquest, search and seizure, examination of witnesses, arrest, interrogation, confession, bail, remand and custody, test identification parade, tender of pardon to approver, letter rogatory, extradition, burden of proof and presumptions, Police diaries, final report, further investigation and maintenance of Police records. The comparative chart given to aid the Police Officers to conclude whether death is suicidal or homicidal or accidental in all forms of death that are encountered by the Police while conducting investigation will be of immense use with scientific accuracy. Another Chart provided indicating the procedural steps starting from the collection of evidence through the final analysis of the whole crime and its commission would surely empower the investigating officers with fool-proof methods of investigation. A most praise-worthy feature of the book is its detailed discussion on the immature juveniles, who are in conflict with law and the crimes against children and women. The annexure to the book is of immense use as a ready- reckoner, especially annexure I and II by which a Police Officer may easily find whether a particular offence in any of the most frequently used special enactment is cognizable, bailable etc. The Author has fulfilled the needs of the investigating Officers in the epilogue by providing 47 points which may go against the prosecution, and therefore, has given 48 tips for the successful prosecution of a criminal case by a Police Officer. Again, in the spirit of an academic researcher, the Author has given a catalogue of 724 Checklists in all the Chapters so that the readers would find the book highly informative to have a statutorily authorised answer to any doubt in a given situation in any of the investigative procedures. The citation of 785 landmark judgements of various High Courts and the Supreme Court for the period 1965-2008 in the appropriate chapters is another outstanding feature of the book, making it vade mecum for Police Officers, Advocates, Officers of Law and Courts and also for NGOs, Social Activists and Persons of Public Interest.

This volume explores the transition from colonial to constitutional rule in India, and the various configurations of power and legitimacies that emerged from it. It focuses on the developmental structures and paradigms that provided the circumstances for this transition, and the establishment of the post-colonial state. Different articles interrogate the idea of liberal constitutionalism, the spaces it provides for rights and claims, the assumptions it makes about citizenship and its attendant duties, and the assumptions it further makes about what it can, or has to, become in the particular situation of India. The book locates these questions in the reconfiguration of society, power, and the economy since the shift in the identity of the state after Independence, and deals with issues of constitution-making in a historical and political setting and its outcomes, especially the centrality of law and legalisms, in shaping civil society. With a companion volume on the transition to a constitutional form of governance and the consequent moulding of the citizens, this book emphasises continuity and change in the context of the movement from the colonial to the constitutional order. It will be of interest to those in politics, history, South Asian studies, policy studies, and sociology.

Finding Meaning in a Fractured World

Present Realities & Future Prospects

Call It Grace

Fertility Transition in South India

Who Breaks a Butterfly upon a Wheel?

Pratiyogita Darpan (monthly magazine) is India's largest read General Knowledge and Current Affairs Magazine. Pratiyogita Darpan (English monthly magazine) is known for quality content on General Knowledge and Current Affairs. Topics ranging from national and international news/ issues, personality development, interviews of examination toppers, articles/ write-up on topics like career, economy, history, public administration, geography, polity, social, environment, scientific, legal etc, solved papers of various examinations, Essay and debate contest, Quiz and knowledge testing features are covered every month in this magazine.

Study conducted in Tamil Nadu, India based on the data of the three census reports of 1961, 1971, and 1981.

With special reference to India.

Is History of Human Race Coming to an End?

Child Care Organisations in the State of Tamil Nadu and the Union Territory of Pondicherry

Tancet MCA

The Divinity that Shapes our Life

Girl Child

Statistics (Theory & Practice)

Advances in the biomedical sciences have raised pertinent, and often paradoxical, questions concerning the relationship between women's health and their rights. This book, based on the Round Table on Bioethics and Women held at UNESCO during the Fourth Session of the International Bioethics Committee (IBC), presents the experience of field workers and actors in areas as diverse as health, legal affairs, governance, education and psychology. It takes into account both the various stages of the biological life span and the insertion of women in a particular socio-economic and cultural context. Although the book does not claim to be exhaustive, it shows to what extent the specificity of issues related to women in relation to bioethical issues has sometimes been underestimated. Based on numerous socio-cultural experiences throughout the world, it also provides a useful general view for readers who wish to pursue research or studies in this field. [UNESCO website]

Papers presented at a conference held June 1978 at Harvard University, sponsored by the Center for the Study of World Religions.

About the book: The book 'MY SEARCH FOR A LOVE IN INDIA' is an autobiography of Mr.U.Annadurai.His life history from the years 1981-1983, when he was studying his M.Sc Mathematics at, Madurai Kamaraj University, Tamilnadu, is written by him in this book. He says about his life when he did his M.PHIL Maths and M.PHIL Futures studies in M.K.Universiry.He says about his experiences in his employments with the Life Insurance Corporation of India. He says about his career as a temporary lecturer in Mathematics in 11 Colleges, GRI, and as an Assistant professor in Mathematics under Tamilnadu government collegiate education service. He gives his friendship with some girls but none of them married him. He is the author of the book 'HUMAN LOVE AND RELATIONSHIP''.He is the author of'ON THE WAY IN MY LIFE' a short.

World Sustainable Development Outlook 2007

If It's Monday It Must Be Madurai

The Valayar of South India: Sex and divorce

Prabuddha Bharata

Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development in the 21st Century

Handbook of Research on New Dimensions of Gender Mainstreaming and Women Empowerment

Caste, as it is experienced in everyday life, is the pièce de résistance of this book. Thirty-two voices narrate how from childhood to adulthood, caste intruded upon their lives—food, clothes, games, gait, love, marriage and every aspect of one ' s existence including death. Like the editor Perumal Murugan says, caste is like god, it is omnipresent. The contributors write about the myriad ways in which they have experienced caste. It may be in the form of forgoing certain kinds of food, or eating food at secluded corners of a household, or drinking tea out of a crushed plastic cup, or drinking black coffee in a coconut shell or water poured from above into a cupped hand. Such experiences may also take the form of forbidden streets, friends disapproved of and love denied. And when one leaves behind the fear of caste while living one ' s life, there is still death to deal with.

Celebrating 60 years of the Indian Republic, we bring you Indian Essentials, a light-hearted, tongue-in-cheek ode to India. In this quirky collection, twenty writers and social commentators ponder the mysteries of the Indian psyche and try to make sense of one trait, phenomenon or cultural value that is quintessentially Indian. From the indian male s penchant for public urination to the Indian female s obsession with gold, from the jhatkas of Bollywood to the melas of Allahabad, from our embarrassingly frank matrimonials to how seriously we take our copulation problems, nothing is spared scrutiny. And because we Indians like a little something extra over and above what we are promised, we are giving away a complimentary copy of Extra! a little book that tackles all those peculiar Indian qualities that we didn t want to leave out of the Indian Essentials. Dip into this collection and join us to find out what it means to be Made in India.

Secret Wars is the first book to systematically analyze the ways powerful states covertly participate in foreign wars, showing a recurring pattern of such behavior stretching from World War I to U.S.-occupied Iraq. Investigating what governments keep secret during wars and why, Austin Carson argues that leaders maintain the secrecy of state involvement as a response to the persistent concern of limiting war. Keeping interventions " backstage " helps control escalation dynamics, insulating leaders from domestic pressures while communicating their interest in keeping a war contained. Carson shows that covert interventions can help control escalation, but they are almost always detected by other major powers. However, the shared value of limiting war can lead adversaries to keep secret the interventions they detect, as when American leaders concealed clashes with Soviet pilots during the Korean War. Escalation concerns can also cause leaders to ignore covert interventions that have become an open secret. From Nazi Germany ' s role in the Spanish Civil War to American covert operations during the Vietnam War, Carson presents new insights about some of the most influential conflicts of the twentieth century. Parting the curtain on the secret side of modern war, Secret Wars provides important lessons about how rival state powers collude and compete, and the ways in which they avoid outright military confrontations.

Epiphany on the Path of Karma

Or Awakened India

My Search For a Love In India

Legal and Policy Initiatives in India

The Divine Consort

Gender, Violence and Governmentality

This book describes the changing landscape of women ' s politics for equality and liberation during the rise of neoliberalism in India. Between 1991 and 2006, the doctrine of liberalization guided Indian politics and economic policy. These neoliberal measures vastly reduced poverty alleviation schemes, price supports for poor farmers, and opened India ' s economy to the unpredictability of global financial fluctuations. During this same period, the All India Democratic Women ' s Association, which directly opposed the ascendance of neoliberal economics and policies, as well as the simultaneous rise of violent casteism and anti-Muslim communalism, grew from roughly three million members to over ten million. Beginning in the late 1980s, AIDWA turned its attention to women ' s lives in rural India. Using a method that began with activist research, the organization developed a sectoral analysis of groups of women who were hardest hit in the new neoliberal order, including Muslim women, and Dalit (oppressed caste) women. AIDWA developed what leaders called inter-sectoral organizing, that centered the demands of the most vulnerable women into the heart of its campaigns and its ideology for social change. Through long-term ethnographic research, predominantly in the northern state of Haryana and the southern state of Tamil Nadu, this book shows how a socialist women ' s organization built its oppositional strength by organizing the women most marginalized by neoliberal policies and economics.

This book critically examines gender-based violence in India and interrogates the legal and policy discourse surrounding it. It discusses various forms of violence faced by women such as sex selective abortion, trafficking, rape, domestic violence, as well as the violence faced by female sex workers and transgenders in India. It draws on in-depth interviews and case studies to highlight the socio-economic conditions of the survivors who find themselves forced to contend with legal and policy framework that is inadequate to deal with these issues. The author analyses the major laws against violence and the policies introduced to ameliorate the condition of survivors in order to understand the potential and challenges of these initiatives from a postmodern and feminist perspective. The book also addresses the survivors ' realisation of agency and resistance which is seen to be expressed both sporadically and on day-to-day basis. An important and timely contribution, this book will be indispensable to students and researchers of gender and sexuality, feminism, minority studies, sociology and social policy, politics, law, human rights and South Asian studies. It will also be of interest to policymakers, government agencies, think tanks and NGOs working in the area.

In The Divinity that Shapes our Life: Epiphany on the Path of Karma C.B.K. Menon shares the story of his childhood poverty in South India in the 1940s and 50s, and his gradual emergence out of it, with dramatic academic success, a remarkable journey across Europe as a national student leader, and finally settling in Canada. With humour and poetic flair he skillfully conveys the stories and events of his life in India and Canada - from heart-rending to hilarious - all done in a compelling manner that takes the reader on a delightful journey through time and place. A rationalist at heart, he relates dispassionately experiences that border on the paranormal, including a roguish ghost, the mystery of a haunting, and uncanny predictions that materialized. And also, in spite of the struggle of being raised between two households separated by alcoholism and infidelity, he progressively becomes aware of the reality of providence guiding his life through unexpected success. And just when it seems he ' s finally on a pinnacle, a shocking experience brings him to a powerful epiphany that alters forever his understanding of karma, and takes him beyond binary notions of happiness and unhappiness. In an engaging and sparkling style, Menon tracks the thread of spirituality running through the tapestry of his life, culminating in a profound awareness of the seminal role played by the inner divinity in each individual ' s life.

The All India Democratic Women ' s Association and Globalization Politics

Madras District Gazetteers

R ā dh ā and the Goddesses of India

Sati, Dowry Death, and Female Infanticide in Modern India

Fort Saint George Gazette

Covert Conflict in International Politics

What is it like to travel with others for adventure, lust and god? This delightful travelogue, in which Srinath Perur embarks upon ten conducted tours, is full of rich experiences: hanging on to a camel in the Thar Desert, joining thousands on a pilgrimage in Maharashtra, crossing living root bridges near Cherrapunji, rediscovering music while on the trail of Kabir, and a lot more. As much about people as it is about places, the book is also a reflection of the nature of popular travel today, which is marked by the packaging of experiences, the economies and compulsive picture-taking. How this influences tourists comes across vividly: in their creation of a mini India on a bus as they race through treasured sights in Europe; in their perfunctory devotion as they hop from temple to temple in Tamil Nadu; and in their 'enjoying' with sex workers far away from home. Ironic, and often comic, If It's Monday It Must Be Madurai is an idiosyncratic portrait of India and her people.

The Indian village of Deorala in Rajasthan, the northwestern Indian state that borders Pakistan, is neither remote nor feudal in the strictest sense. A tarmac road links the population of 10,000 to neighboring villages and towns, there is running water and electricity, and the villagers have had television for more than twenty years. On September 4, 1987, Deorala found itself in the center of a furor that awoke age-old conflicts in Indian society. Before a crowd of several thousand people, mostly men, a young woman dressed in her bridal fi her husband's funeral pyre. The apparent revival of an ancient tradition opened old wounds in Indian society and focused world attention on the status and treatment of women in modern India. The ancient practice of sati -- the self-immolation of a woman on her husband's funeral pyre -- was outlawed by the British administration in India in 1829, and sati was widely believed to have died out. The fate of 18-year-old Roop Kanwar changed that perception. Mala Sen explores the reality of life and death for women in modern India in a stu illuminating and terrifying. The book is part journey through the India that the author knows and loves, and part exploration of the enigma that India still remains in the minds of many. Starting with Kanwar, Sen enters the worlds of three women: a goddess, a burned bride, and a woman accused of killing her daughter, and shows how, in this society in which ancient and modern apparently co-exist comfortably, there is increasingly cause for real alarm. She creates an image of a state in which political turmoil is constantly at the surface, a women is constantly being redefined.

This book faciliates easy understanding of the matter without any tediousness in grasping the theories and illustrations.This book is completed in respect of the syllabus for B.Com and B.A.(Eco) degrees (Semester and Non-Semester) of Madurai Kamaraj University.Every effort has been made to give illustrations for lucidit. Every chapter explains the principles through appropiate illustrations.At the end of each chapter selected exercises from different university papers have been included alongwith answers.This book covers theortical, of statistics as far as possible in a clear and exhaustive manner. This book contains 553 solved illustrations, 442 Objective Type Questions, 264 theortical questions and 1,000 practical problems with appropiate answers.

Death by Fire

Social Work Today

Seminar

Black Coffee in a Coconut Shell

Frontline

This book documents the various phases of fertility transition in India. It argues that this transition is best understood as the cumulative effect of behavioural changes - such as delay in marriage and use of contraceptives - which over time has altered social perceptions on fertility. The authors argue that going beyond the formal tools of demography and adopting a qualitative approach would help in understanding the social mechanisms that sustain the diffusion of new family norms. A strength of the book is its development of an original geographical information system based on the census data from the micro-level. This system maps variations across regions within South India and within each state. Christophe Z Guilmoto is Senior Fellow at the French Research Institute for Development (IRD), Paris. S Irudaya Rajan is Associate Professor, Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.

"Theology is a place and a story. Theology is the place and story you think of when you ask yourself about the meaning of your life, of the world, and the possibility of God." So begins Serene Jones's epic work of raw truth, fierce love, and spiritual teaching as muscular as the fractured soul of this century demands. From her abiding Oklahoma roots to her historic leadership of a legendary New York seminary, her story illuminates the deep fault lines of this age--and points beyond them. With a voice that is at once frank and poetic, humble and prophetic, intimate and practical, Jones makes complex teachings around hatred, forgiveness, mercy, justice, death, sin, and grace understandable and immediately applicable for modern people. Excavating the wisdom of great theological voices--Soren Kierkegaard, Reinhold Niebuhr, John Calvin, James Baldwin, James Cone, Luce Irigaray, Saint Teresa of Avila--she brings them to life with an intimacy and vividness that illumines our lives and our culture now. At the same time, and with great beauty, Call It Grace reveals Serene Jones as a towering voice of a new, and urgently necessary, public theology for this century.