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***Perhaps the only novel to have
been reprinted nearly every year
for over a hundred years,
Indulekha (1889) is widely held***

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to be the first Malayalam novel. Often called an 'accidental' and 'flawed' work, at its core lies a love story. The setting of the novel is the Nair community of Kerala, which had for centuries practised polyandrous matriliney, a most unusual form of

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inheritance through the woman whom both property and authority flavoured. It gives us glimpses of prevalent social practices much debated amongst a people already under colonial pressure to change their ways of life. Written by a Nair, Indulekha

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is not a grandiose outpouring but the author's effort to achieve certain social goals: firstly, to create a novel much like those of the English authors he had read, and secondly, to illustrate Nair society at that time, both of which met with success. The

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novel influenced the deliberations of the Malabar Marriage Commission which it predated, and of which Chandumenon was a member. This novel will appeal to general readers interested in Indian writings in translation. Students of

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literature, history and culture, political and legal theory, and gender studies, will also find it useful.

Najeeb's dearest wish is to work in the Gulf and earn enough money to send back home. He achieves his dream only to be

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propelled by a series of incidents, grim and absurd, into a slave-like existence herding goats in the middle of the Saudi desert.

Memories of the lush, verdant landscape of his village and of his loving family haunt Najeeb whose only solace is the companionship

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of goats. In the end, the lonely young man contrives a hazardous scheme to escape his desert prison. Goat Days was published to acclaim in Malayalam and became a bestseller. One of the brilliant new talents of Malayalam literature, Benjamin's

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M.P. Paul

The Legends of Khasak

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Kamala Das

**Uprooted from a bustling
city, the thirteen-year-**

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old protagonist of The Small-town Sea is replanted in his father's home town where he struggles to cope with his new life. He reluctantly makes friends with Bilal,

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a boy who lives in the orphanage run by the local mosque. Together, they embark on clandestine adventures while his ailing father—a writer whose last wish is to die

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listening to the sea he has grown up by- rediscovers people from his childhood. But his father's death unsettles the boy's life again, and he finds himself grappling

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Manjaveyil Maranangal

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

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we can wreak.’ Blood drips from the pellet-stricken eyes of young Kashmiri men as Oubaid watches insurgency and violence rip through the streets of his homeland. A voice in his head tells him he

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**knows who brought this
plague upon them. But
acknowledging it would mean
that he must relive the horrors
that have been inflicted on
those he loves... Yet the voice
will not leave Oubaid alone,**

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**and as he reluctantly
confronts his past, there
emerge four echoes of a story,
narrated by four childhood
friends – a youth caught in
conflict, the daughter of a
social climber, the son of a**

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**moneyed landlord and a
militant. As their tales diverge
and coalesce, they unravel a
truth that is not always the
sum of its parts – one that
reveals the full tragedy of a
people buffeted by**

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

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**Winner of the Sahitya Akademi
Award 2010 A gripping story
of a lone Jewish woman
battling land sharks to keep
her community alive Rachel
lives alone by the sea. Her
children have long migrated to**

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**Israel as have her Bene Israel
Jew neighbours. Taking care
of the local synagogue and
preparing exquisite traditional
Jewish dishes sustains
Rachel's hope of seeing the
community come together**

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again at a future time. When developers make moves to acquire the synagogue and its surrounding land, Rachel's vehement opposition takes the synagogue committee and the town by surprise. Written with

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warmth and humour, Book of Rachel is a captivating tale of a woman's battle to live life on her own terms. Continuing the saga of the unique Bene Israel Jews in India, it adds to Esther David's reputation as a writer

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**of grace and power.
Every May something
extraordinary happens in the
new cemetery of the sleepy
little town – a laburnum tree,
with buttery yellow blossoms,
flowers over the spot where**

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Lentina is buried. A brave hunter, Imchanok, totters when the ghost of his prey haunts him, till he offers it is a tuft of his hair as a prayer for forgiveness. Pokenmong, the servant boy, by dint of his wit,

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sells an airfield to unsuspecting villagers. A letter found on a dead insurgent blurs the boundaries between him and an innocent villager, both struggling to make ends meet. A woman's

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**terrible secret comes full
circle, changing her
daughter's and
granddaughter's lives as well
as her own. An illiterate village
woman's simple question
rattles an army officer and**

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forces him to set her husband free. A young girl loses her lover in his fight for the motherland, leaving her a frightful legacy. And a caterpillar finds wings. From the mythical to the modern,

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Laburnum for My Head is a collection of short stories that embrace a gamut of emotions. Heart-rending, witty and riddled with irony, the stories depict a deep understanding of the human condition.

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Collector Bro: The quixotic
'thallals'*of a civil servant (*Thallal
- exaggerated bragging in colloquial
Malayalam)This is a true story. An
untold one that played out in the
district of Kozhikode when a young
IAS officer took charge as the

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District Collector in 2015. Over the next two years, he led the district and transformed the very concept of public administration with the use of social media, public consultation, usage of technology, volunteerism and public participation in

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governance. The two year tenure of 'Collector Bro' in Kozhikode transformed the landscape and narrative of district administration and communication with the citizens forever. Within a couple of months, 'Collector Kozhikode' Facebook

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page became a trendsetter in Kerala, and the most followed district administration page in India. It still is. With initiatives like Compassionate Kozhikode, Operation Sulaimani, Savari Giri Giri, Kozhipedia, Freedom Café, Yo

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Appooppa and Tere Mere Beach Mein, IAS officer Prasanth Nair, who was the District Collector of Kozhikode at that time, ushered in a new language of governance that endeavoured to bridge the gap between the district administration

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and citizens through the optimal employment of social media. The District Collector descended from the colonial ivory towers and mingled as one amongst the common man, totally dismantling the hierarchical stereotypes that the

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society was used to. This book traces the story of how exactly this happened and how and why the public responded so overwhelmingly to such an initiative. It also chronicles how these experiences transformed the

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young officer also - from a hesitant public speaker to a crowd-puller, from an introvert to a seemingly extrovert energetic leader. For the first time, the emotional roller-coaster of events that re-shaped the attitude and language of engagement

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by District administration is narrated with all the inside-stories. Straight from the horse's mouth. The author however takes pains not to take centre-stage in the book and manages that somewhat with wit and self-deprecating humour. This

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book has got nothing to do with government; but it is all about governance, life and compassion. At one level it is a collection of case-studies, the most readable and engrossing ones, narrated with fun and illustrations. At another level it

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is a chronicle of a personal journey of a compassionate administrator. This is not a typical arrogant bureaucratic 'I did this' book, but an 'I went through this' book. Not a high-horsed motivational 'you can do it' book, but a book that makes

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you think and prioritise what you want to do in life. As Dr. Shashi Tharoor says in the foreword, a must read for all civil servants, civil-service aspirants, students of public administration and all citizens who dream for a better tomorrow.

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In 2975, the orphan Yatima is grown from a randomly mutated digital mind seed in the conceptory of Konishi polis. Yatima explores the Coalition of Polises, the network of computers where most life in the solar system now resides, and joins

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a friend, Inoshiro, to borrow an abandoned robot body and meet a thriving community of “fleshers” in the enclave of Atlanta. Twenty-one years later, news arrives from a lunar observatory: gravitational waves from Lac G-1, a nearby pair

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of neutron stars, show that the Earth is about to be bathed in a gamma-ray flash created by the stars' collision — an event that was not expected to take place for seven million years. Yatima and Inoshiro return to Atlanta to try to warn the

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fleshers, but meet suspicion and disbelief. Some lives are saved, but the Earth is ravaged. In the aftermath of the disaster, the survivors resolve to discover the cause of the neutron stars' premature collision, and they launch

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a thousand polises into interstellar space in search of answers. This diaspora eventually reaches a planet subtly transformed to encode a message from an older group of travellers: a greater danger than Lac G-1 is imminent, and the only

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escape route leads beyond the visible universe.

Pandavapuram The paramours of Pandavapuram- they are the real nuisance/nightmare of all new brides who come there for their dream life. The Goddess who sits in the

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sanctum like a real brightening
Indian bride always safeguards the
innocent brides of
Pandavapuram Will she continue her
protection ? Mr. Sethu who is author
of several best sellers like
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Marupiravi, Aramathe Penkuty etc doubts, Are these brides longing for a right to have more than one husband? In this new era of life; Do all our brides want to imitate Draupadi who had a legal consent for polygamy? Can't they be satisfied

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with one husband?The curious readers can go through a real mysterious fiction and they will surely enjoy the book with a different feeling

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Naalukettu

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"Me Grandad 'ad an Elephant!"

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Naalukettu: The House Around the

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Courtyard is the story of a young boy, Appunni, set in a matrilineal Nair joint family (a taravad) in the author's native village, Kudallur. Fascinated with accounts of the prestigious Naalukettu taravad from which his mother was expelled, Appunni visits

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the house only to be despised and rejected by all. Appunni grows up to earn enough money and returns to buy his ancestral home, but his victory soon turns into ashes when his father's murderer turns out to be the same man who was the only

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sympathetic adult in Appunni's lonely teenage years.

Ginny Blackstone thought that the biggest adventure of her life was behind her. She spent last summer traveling around Europe, following the tasks her aunt Peg laid out in a

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series of letters before she died. When someone stole Ginny's backpack—and the last little blue envelope inside—she resigned herself to never knowing how it was supposed to end. Months later, a mysterious boy contacts Ginny from London, saying he's found her

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bag. Finally, Ginny can finish what she started. But instead of ending her journey, the last letter starts a new adventure—one filled with old friends, new loves, and once-in-a-lifetime experiences. Ginny finds she must hold on to her wits . . . and her heart.

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This time, there are no instructions.
The Quixotic Thallals* of a Civil
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An insightful, achingly
funny coming-of-age
story as well as a
brilliant dissection of
class, race, and gender
in a hothouse of

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adolescent angst and ambition. Lee Fiora is an intelligent, observant fourteen-year-old when her father drops her off in front of her dorm at the

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prestigious Ault School in Massachusetts. She leaves her animated, affectionate family in South Bend, Indiana, at least in part because of the boarding school's

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glossy brochure, in
which boys in sweaters
chat in front of old
brick buildings, girls
in kilts hold lacrosse
sticks on pristinely
mown athletic fields,

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and everyone sings hymns
in chapel. As Lee soon
learns, Ault is a
cloistered world of
jaded, attractive
teenagers who spend
summers on Nantucket and

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speak in their own
clever shorthand. Both
intimidated and
fascinated by her
classmates, Lee becomes
a shrewd observer
of—and, ultimately, a

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participant in—their rituals and mores. As a scholarship student, she constantly feels like an outsider and is both drawn to and repelled by other loners. By the

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time she's a senior, Lee has created a hard-won place for herself at Ault. But when her behavior takes a self-destructive and highly public turn, her

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carefully crafted
identity within the
community is shattered.
Ultimately, Lee's
experiences—complicated
relationships with
teachers; intense

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friendships with other girls; an all-consuming preoccupation with a classmate who is less than a boyfriend and more than a crush; conflicts with her

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parents, from whom Lee feels increasingly distant—coalesce into a singular portrait of the painful and thrilling adolescence universal to us all. BONUS: This

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sharp and economical
prose reminds us of Joan
Didion and Tobias Wolff.
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and potent wit, which
cuts unexpectedly—but
often—through the placid

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surface of her prose.
Her voice is strong and
clear, her moral compass
steady; I'd believe
anything she told
me."—Dave Eggers, author
of *A Heartbreaking Work*

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of Staggering Genius
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A restlessness born of
guilt and despair leads
Ravi to embark on a

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journey that ends in the remote village of Khasak in the picturesque Palghat countryside in Kerala. A land from the past, potent with dreams and legends, enfolds the

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traveller in a powerful
and unsettling embrace.
Ravi is bewitched and
entranced as everything
around him—the
villagers; their
children whom he teaches

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in a makeshift school;
the elders who see him
as a threat; the toddy-
tappers; the
shamans—takes on the
quality of myth. And
then reality, painful

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and threatening, begins to intrude on the sojourner's resting place and Ravi begins to understand that there is no escape from the relentless dictates of

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karma... Often poetic and dark, always complex and rich, The Legends of Khasak, O.V. Vijayan's much-acclaimed first novel, translated into English by the author,

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is an extraordinary
achievement

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Malabar

Washington, D.C., Metro Police Detective Sergeant Sam Holland needs a big win to salvage her career—and her confidence—after a disastrous investigation. The perfect opportunity arises when Senator John O ' Connor

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is found brutally murdered in his bed, and Sam is assigned to the case. Things get complicated when Sam has to team up with Nick Cappuano, O' Connor's friend and chief of staff...and the man Sam had a memorable one-night stand with years

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earlier. Their sexual chemistry still sizzles, and Sam has to fight to stay focused on the case. Sleeping with a material witness is another mistake she can ' t afford—especially when the bodies keep piling up.

The powerful memory of a former love

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rules Radhika's inner world as she builds a small-time practice in Law, and attempts normalcy in a marriage she neither wanted nor resisted. Raped at age ten, raped again as a young collegiate, she is abandoned twice: first by her father and later by Christy who

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loved her, but takes her through a wedding ceremony only to leave her later the same day. When Christy returns sixteen years later, shattered and unstable, the burnt and withered roots of love bloom again. Trauma, betrayal, and loneliness are the colours

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that paint this picture of physical and emotional violence that Radhika endures.

He Had Eventful Experiences In A Prison And An Asylum. He Travelled With Sufis And Sanyasis And Did Odd Jobs. At The End Of It, Basheer Has A

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Bagful Of Stories. Coming From The Man Who Alerted The Map Of Malayalam Fiction Five Decades Ago, This Volume Of Short Stories Is Bound To Be An Unforgettable Experience.

Indulekha

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Deep Focus

The Last Little Blue Envelope

Goat Days

And Slowly Forgetting That Tree

The only novel of one of Kerala's leading women writers, Lalithambika Antharjanam's Agnisakshi is a telling

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account of a woman's life glowing as though purified in the "fire of sacrifice". Set against the history of Kerala, and life, customs, habits, and culture of the Namboodiri community, along with the fervent cries of the Indian National Freedom struggle, the characters act out their

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unforgettable roles: Tethi, the dazzling but disappointed bride who renounces worldly life; Unni Namboodiri, whose adherence to the Vedic way of life destroys his personal happiness; and Thankam, Unni's Nair cousin and the mighty Aphan Namboodirias

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daughter, seeking her own liberation from the past. True to the lyrical and emotional tone of the original, Vasanthi Sankaranarayanan's translation offers a moving portrait of upper-class, upper-caste Kerala society just before and after Independence.

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Muhammad the Prophet

Book of Rachel

Three Stories of Muslim Life in South
India

Voices ; The Walls