



contact with those experiencing mental health concerns. The specific needs for particular community groups, including children, young and older people, are identified. When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, the world was caught unprepared. We had faced several disruptions including pandemic but not at this level. It brought everything to a grinding halt as nationwide lockdowns were imposed to stop the spread of infection. Businesses struggled, and then rose to the occasion to manage their work by redefining their business structure, work culture and strategies. This book has a collection of articles that are not just opinions and projections about future but phenomenon-based articles explored through theoretical lens and are not just limited to business and economy but ecological changes as well. The authors who have shared their knowledge and research hail from Bangladesh, New Zealand, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, UK, USA and Vietnam beside India. The diverse background of authors that include University Vice Chancellors, Directors, Distinguished Professors, and Senior Executives from the industry brings their unique perspective and insights in the articles. The 27 articles in this book are divided in 5 sections namely Higher Education Rebuilding Itself, Surviving the Crisis, Evolving Business Models and Organizational Strategies, Way Forward for the Economy, Impact on the Ecosystem and Society. Each article demystifies the multidimensional impact that the pandemic has had on the professional and personal spheres of the human lives. We hope that it will serve as true companion of a researcher.

India, like most democratic developing nations, is prone to populist politics. In the search of votes, politicians look for popular solutions with mass appeal. Some popular solutions benefit the poor, some hurt the economy. Poor economics leads to falling numbers. Falling numbers get statistically captured as economic data. And, the impact of such economic data is immense. This data can lift or crash currency markets, stock markets, affect credit ratings, fuel inflation, affect new investments and even result in mass layoffs. However, there is always a story behind the data. These stories are guided mostly by executive decisions. Some decisions are far-reaching and beneficial to the masses, some cater to political vote banks, some are guided by increasing activism, some serve the need for social justice, some are aimed at environmental protection, while some are simply driven by the greed of power or wealth. This is the story of every regime. The book narrates this compelling data story in a layman's language. Even where data is wrong it leaves behind a tell-tale mark of anomalies, which trips the economy sooner than later. Fudged, incorrect or lazily collected data is worse than genuine but unimpressive data as you do not know what to correct. India Emerging thus captures this dialogue on the pros and cons of economic and political decisions that can be understood by the common voter who is neither an economist nor an academician. This publication covering latest technologies, issues and state of the art related to Electronic Resources Management will be of immense value to practicing librarians, students and teachers of library & information science, publishing industry, and IT professionals working in this area.

*The Crisis of Belonging*

*Insights from South India*

*Mrs Funnybones*

*50 Years of LIS Education in North East India*

*Proceedings of ICIIF 2018*

*Call Centers and the Global Division of Labor*

*The New Normal*

50 Years of LIS Education in North East India: Published on the Occasion of Concluding Session of the Golden Jubilee Celebration, DLISc., Gauhati University

How do you build a scientifically and technologically strong modern nation with limited means and resources? Indian scientists faced this challenge seven decades ago when the country became independent and confronted a world rapidly advancing in science and technology. In the years that followed, they battled poor funding and archaic regulations to build India's science infrastructure from scratch. This fascinating narrative captures the story of the struggles and triumphs of these leaders of science and the world-class institutions they founded. From the cosmic-ray experiments at the Kolar Gold Fields to ISRO's stunning space observatory built under severe constraints, from the construction of one of the world's largest radio telescopes in Ooty to the development of structural biology at IISc and, most recently, the significant contributions of the country's scientific institutions towards tackling a global pandemic - Space. Life. Matter. brings to readers the path-breaking advances made by India's scientists to original research and what they mean to the nation's progress. Deeply informed, enlightening and inspiring, this singular, comprehensive account of the pride of place that Indian science occupies in the world is essential reading for all.

How do policymakers, businesses and civil society in India approach the challenge of climate change? What do they believe global climate negotiations will achieve and how? And how are Indian political and policy debates internalizing climate change? Relatively little is known globally about internal climate debate in emerging industrializing countries, but what happens in rapidly growing economies like India's will increasingly shape global climate change outcomes. This Handbook brings together prominent voices from India, including policymakers, politicians, business leaders, civil society activists and academics, to build a composite picture of contemporary Indian climate politics and policy. One section lays out the range of positions and substantive issues that shape Indian views on global climate negotiations. Another delves into national politics around climate change. A third looks at how climate change is beginning to be internalized in sectoral policy discussions over energy, urbanization, water, and forests. The volume is introduced by an essay that lays out the critical issues shaping climate politics in India, and its implications for global politics. The papers show that, within India, climate change is approached primarily as a developmental challenge and is marked by efforts to explore how multiple objectives of development, equity and climate mitigation can simultaneously be met. In addition, Indian perspectives on climate negotiations are in a state of flux. Considerations of equity across countries and a focus on the primary responsibility for action of wealthy countries continue to be central, but there are growing voices of concern on the impacts of climate change on India. How domestic debates over climate governance are resolved in the coming years, and the evolution of India's global negotiation stance are likely to be important inputs toward creating shared understandings across countries in the years ahead, and identify ways forward. This volume on the Indian experience with climate change and development is a valuable contribution to both purposes.

This edited volume considers performance in its engagement with expanding Indian cities, with a particular focus on festivals and performances in Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala. The editors ask how performance practices are affected by urbanisation, the effects of such changes on their cultural economy, and the environmental impacts of performance itself. This project also considers how performance responds to its context, and the potential for performance to be critical of the city's development, and of its own compromises. Bringing together perspectives from the humanities, natural and social sciences, the book takes a multi-faceted analytical view of live performance, connecting contemporary with heritage forms, and human with more-than-human actors. The three sections, themed around heritage, everyday life, and future ecologies, will be of great interest to students and scholars in performance, heritage studies, ecology and art history.

Tough Choices & Hard Decisions

She's just like You and a lot like Me

Trail of the Tiger

Impact of Covid-19 On Indian Economy: A Multi-Dimensional Study

The Language Revolution That Made China Modern

Beyond Partition

Call centers have come, in the last three decades, to define the interaction between corporations, governments, and other institutions and their respective customers, citizens, and members. The offshoring and outsourcing of call center employment, part of the larger information technology and information-technology-enabled services sectors, continues to be a growing practice amongst governments and corporations in their attempts at controlling costs and providing new services. While incredible advances in technology have permitted the use of distant and "offshore" labor forces, the grander reshaping of an international political economy of communications has allowed for the acceleration of these processes. New and established labor unions have responded to these changes in the global regimes of work by seeking to organize call center workers. These efforts have been assisted by a range of forces, not least of which is the condition of work itself, but also attempts by global union federations to build a bridge between international unionism and local organizing campaigns in the Global South and Global North. Through an examination of trade union interventions in the call center industries located in Canada and India, this book contributes to research on post-industrial employment by using political economy as a juncture between development studies, the sociology of work, and labor studies. This book illustrates how intimate workers in different socio-cultural contexts negotiate the commercial uses of their sexuality, identity, affect, and bodies, thereby often defying inequality, impoverishment, and resource depletion in their regions. The studies shed light on the multi-faceted experiences of subjects involved in intimate economies, oscillating between personal empowerment and agency, as well as the required subjection to the demands of the current market regime, entailing participation in precarious employment, often involving bodily risk, economic exploitation and stigmatization. The contributions demonstrate the interrelatedness of market intimacy, family economies, and transnational care arrangements, and thereby challenge Western notions of the subject and the free market.

This edited volume explores transnational gestational surrogacy and how its practice is changing the traditional concept of parenthood across the globe. The phenomenon has given rise to a thriving international industry where money is being 'legally' exchanged for babies and 'reproductive labor' has taken on a lucrative commercial tone. This interdisciplinary collection of essays addresses significant issues in commercial gestational surrogacy as it plays out in a peculiar relation between the United States and India.

The proposed book is intended to provide a conceptual framework of 'Organisational Flexibility and Competitiveness' supported by research studies in various types of flexibilities exhibited by an organisation. The need for enterprise flexibility in an era of rapidly advancing technology, increasing competition, and globalization, is apparent. Flexibility can be thought of as an ability of the enterprise to quickly and efficiently respond to market changes and to bring new products and services quickly to the market place. Beyond this definition, a truly flexible enterprise should proactively change the market through its ability to create truly new and innovative products and services. The book applies the concept of flexibility to various functional areas: strategy and competitiveness, organization and HR management, information systems, finance and risk management, operations and supply chain management.

Water Policy Science and Politics

Performance at the Urban Periphery

Identity and Experience at the India-Bangladesh Border

Rebuilding India - The Next 25 Years

A Political Economy of Post-Industrial Employment and Union Organizing

A Study of Socio-Cultural, Religious, and Working Worlds

The Sikh Next Door

The effects of the partition of India in 1947 have been more far-reaching and complex than the existing partition narratives of violence and separation reveal. The immediacy of the movement of refugees between India and the newly-formed state of Pakistan overshadowed the actual effect of the drawing of the border between the two states. The book is an empirical study of border narratives across the India-Bangladesh border, specifically the West Bengal part of India's border with Bangladesh. It tries to move away from the perpetrator state-victim civilian framework usually used in the studies of marginal people, and looks at the kind of agencies that the border people avail themselves of. Instead of looking at the border as the periphery, the book looks at it as the line of convergence and negotiations—the centre of the people—who survive it every day. It shows that various social, political and economic identities converge at the borderland and is modified in unique ways by the spatial specificity of the border—thus, forming a 'border identity' and a 'border consciousness'. Common sense of the civilians and the state machinery (embodied in the border guards) collide, cooperate and effect each other at the borderlands to form this unique spatial consciousness. It is the everyday survival strategies of the border people which aptly reflects this consciousness rather than any universal border theory or state-centric discourses about the borders. A bottom-up approach is of utmost importance in order to understand how a spatially unique area binds diverse other identities into a larger spatial identity of a 'border people'. The book's relevance lies in its attempt to explore such everyday narratives across the Bengal border, while avoiding any major theorising project so as not to choke the potential of such experience-centred insights into the lives of a unique community of people. In that, it contributes towards a study of borders globally, providing potential approaches to understand border people worldwide. Based on detailed field research, this book brings a fresh approach to the study of this border. It will be of interest to researchers in the field of South Asian studies, citizenship, development, governance and border studies.

Over the last few decades, politics in India has moved steadily in a pro-business direction. This shift has important implications for both government and citizens. In Business and Politics in India, leading scholars of Indian politics have gathered to offer an analytical synthesis of this vast topic. Collectively, they cover the many strategies that businesses have used to exert their newfound power in recent times and organize the book around a few central concerns. They first analyze the nature of business power and how it shapes political change in India. Second, they look at the consequences of business' growing power on some important issue areas—labor, land, urban governance, and the media. Finally, they take account of regional variation and analyze state-business relations. This definitive account offers significant insights into how and why corporations have increased their power in contemporary Indian politics.

Since the first outbreak of the novel Corona Virus in Wuhan (China), many changes have taken place in the world, and India has no exception to it. Even today, we can find the impact of the virus all around us as many educational institutions are not yet completely open, online classes are preferred by universities and colleges, public buses are not preferred, even in our daily life, there are many changes as people still are wearing masks for going out. Talking about the macro-level Indian economy is not able to recover from the troublesome shock that the Covid-19 in terms of loss of human lives and loss of economic activity. There is hardly any sector that has not been adversely affected as domestic demand and exports sharply plummeted with some notable exceptions. While some of the effects of covid-19 were only short-term but there are many long-lasting impacts of it as the lockdown had much impacted the supply chain. All major affected sectors are education, travel and tourism, manufacturing, retail, export, import, reduction of capital formation, etc. if these aspects are not given deep thought, how the Indian economy can recover from the fast growth that it has left behind due to pandemic. The book tries to discuss all these aspects in a single cover.

Analyzing the relationship between medicine and the media from different perspectives, these new essays fill a gap in this emerging field, providing new information on approaches to health communication and important reevaluations of health literacy theories. The contributors discuss ideas and methodologies across a range of topics, including multifaceted health communication, media coverage of maternal health, the rhetoric of diagnosis in autoimmune illness, media representation of the sick in data-driven healthcare, and health news coverage in print media.

Innovations in Infrastructure

Unspoken Story

Transnational Commercial Surrogacy and the (Un)Making of Kin in India

Intimate Economies

Indian Migrants in Tokyo

Health and the Media

Film, Media and Representation in Postcolonial South Asia

**The Sikhs have been a people in transition. Unwanted displacements, willing movements and a changing world have led them through demographic, occupational and experiential shifts. While this has led to the evolution of new facets within the community, it has also evoked mixed responses from outside. As new generations of Sikhs engage with the world through sensibilities defined by their contemporary contexts, they find themselves constructed in images dissonant with their lived realities. The Sikh Next Door: An Identity in Transition traces these changes while also making an incisive analysis of old stereotypes—some heroic, some menacing and some farcical. It simultaneously brings into focus the real people behind these images, their varying social stances and their collective commitment to a common religious identity. The work attempts to reframe the Sikhs, bending a few existing narratives and offering an impetus for a more nuanced understanding of the community.**

**Tough Choices & Hard Decisions is a timely book written by an author with extraordinary experience in policymaking, who gives a clear direction for the future of the Indian economy as we move through the impact of COVID-19. Author-Prof. Rajendra, writes why COVID-19 is a once in a lifetime opportunity for governments, business organizations, and professionals to relook, reposition, and transform to the "new normal". Otherwise, they may not remain in business. For India, it is a golden opportunity to move to a Distributed Growth Model (The MAST Model). It further suggests that India needs to make some hard decisions to propel its economy towards exponential growth. Packed with original ideas, extensive research, and data, this book suggests path-breaking steps to revive the economy and sets a long-term vision for this nation. Written with authority and conviction, this book gives a clear direction and guidance to the government—on priorities, policies, and programs and on how to innovatively finance growth. It sets the vision for India's future, along with the granularity of the programs to achieve it. Tough Choices & Hard Decisions has the potential to change the lives of 135 crore Indians and transform India into a Middle-Income Country in the next five years, thereby taking it to the league of developed countries over the next 25 years.**

Many of you may think that it is all matter of past. It happened then but it would not happen now. Have you also heard that history repeats itself? Do you believe in it? Have you studied history honestly enough? Have you had honest guides as your teachers and professors who systematically demonstrated to you whether history repeats itself or not?

**Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray: A Journey**

**Muslim India Will be Like THIS**

**Globalization and Transnational Surrogacy in India**

**Modi's India**

**Our Time Has Come**

**How India is Making Its Place in the World**

**Sales Management**