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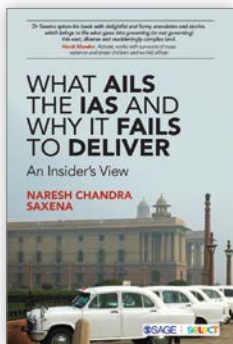
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**Naresh Chandra Saxena** *Former Secretary, Planning Commission, Govt of India*

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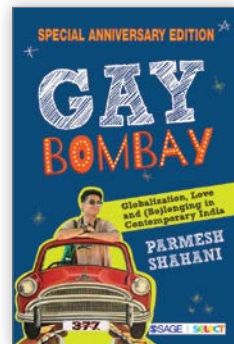
**Globalization, Love and (Be) longing in Contemporary India**

**Parmesh Shahani** *Vice President at Godrej Industries Ltd*

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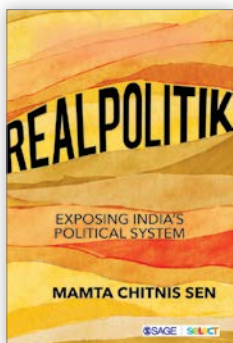
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**Mamta Chitnis Sen** *An artist and a writer*

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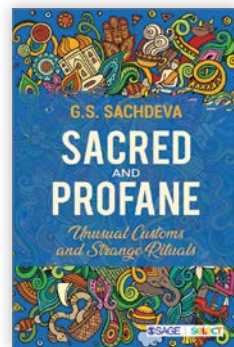
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**G S Sachdeva** *PhD Adjunct Professor at NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad*

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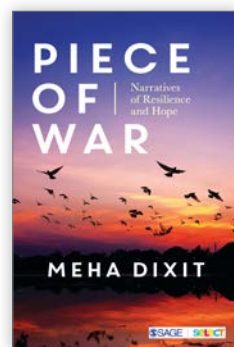
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**Meha Dixit** *Independent researcher is a PhD in International Politics from Jawaharlal Nehru University*

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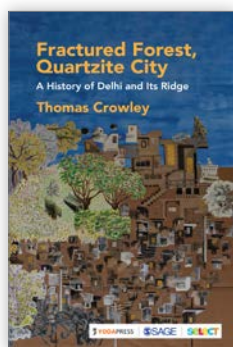
**A History of Delhi and its Ridge**

**Thomas Crowley**, *author and currently a researcher at Rutgers University, USA*

Placing Delhi's environment at the front and centre of its unique history, the book tells the tale of the Ridge, which resonates far beyond the boundaries of India's capital. The Ridge offers a crucial vantage point for viewing these historical and geographical interconnections.

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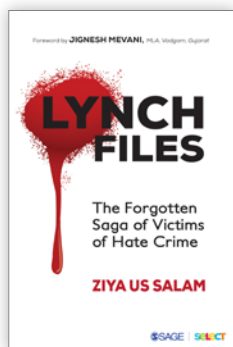
The Forgotten Saga of Victims of Hate Crime

**Ziya Us Salam** Associate Editor, Frontline

**Lynch Files** pieces together the tragic stories of the people at the receiving end of mob violence and looks inside the mind of the lynchers who flout laws with impunity. Further, the book discusses the Supreme Court judgement against lynching and tries to restore faith in the court's capacity to curb this violence.

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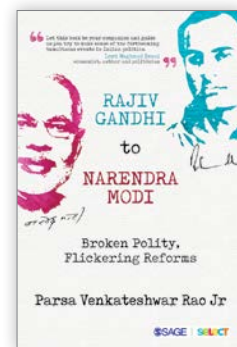
Broken Polity, Flickering Reforms

**Parsa Venkateshwar Rao Jr** Freelance Journalist and Political Editor, Parliamentarian

The book shows that the first draft of history is found in the words of politicians in parliament and in the government. It captures the immediacy of history-in-the-making, and the palest platitudes of politicians that acquire rare poignancy.

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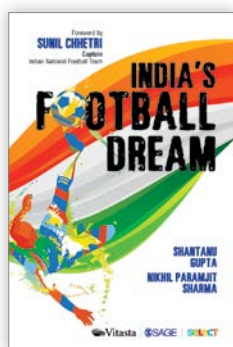
## INDIA'S FOOTBALL DREAM

**Shantanu Gupta** TEDx speaker, political analyst and author and **Nikhil Sharma** Founder-CEO, Zlait Sports Management Pvt Ltd

**India's Football Dream** is a modern day guidebook to Indian Football that extensively covers the journey Indian Football has made from inception till the biggest event till date. The book aims to take the readers on a fascinating journey of the sport of Football through a diverse India and how the sport captured attention of millions of Indians in various regions.

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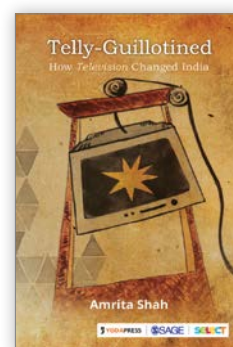
How Television Changed India

**Amrita Shah** Renowned journalist and writer, and the award-winning author, *Ahmedabad: A City in the World* (2015)

**Telly-Guillotined: How Television Changed India** tells the story of how technology was usurped, first by propagandists, then by the market. The book goes behind the scenes of the world's greatest media explosion. It charts the controversies that shaped a new cultural politics and the marketing techniques that encouraged a new politics of seduction.

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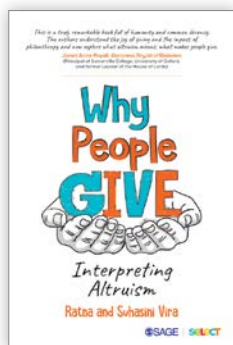
Interpreting Altruism

**Ratna Vira** Artist, Speaker and the Author of the bestselling novels *Daughter by Court Order* and *It's Not About You* and **Suhasini Vira** Student, Economics and Politics, Durham University

The book examines the act of giving from the primeval human instincts embedded in our genetic code, to exploring the psychology and economics of giving and altruism in India. It explores what and how far are we as a people willing to reach out to those whom we perceive as less fortunate than us.

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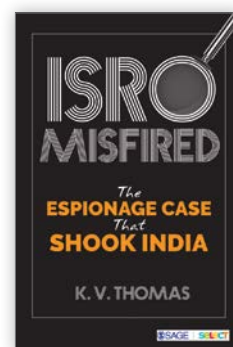
The Espionage Case That Shook India

**K V Thomas** ex-IB officer

An infamous espionage case took the country by storm in 1994 and destroyed the lives and careers of many people. It has finally been put to rest after 25 years. Ex-IB officer K V Thomas reveals the long saga of interrogations, investigations and legal battles. Full of original disclosures, the book exposes deep secrets and closed-door conversations of India's most sensational spy case.

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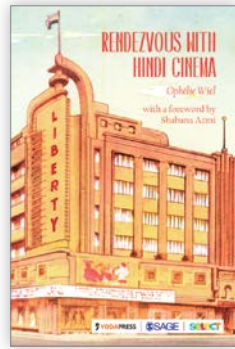


## RENDEZVOUS WITH HINDI CINEMA

**Ophélie Wiel** *Film Studies teacher at Université de la Sorbonne Nouvelle in Paris, France*

Renewed interest for the biggest film industry in the world doesn't mean its complexity is well understood. In this interview-based book, Hindi film technicians and artists from all horizons speak in detail about their work. They also give their input on Hindi cinema, proving enthusiastically that it is living fascinating times.

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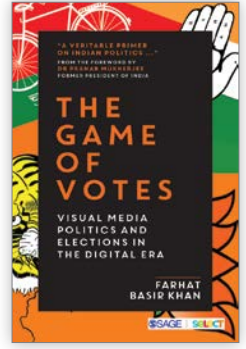
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**Visual Media Politics and Elections in the Digital Era**

**Farhat Basir Khan** *Professor, AJK Mass Communication and Research Centre, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi*

**The Game of Votes** showcases the full spectrum of the key actors and stars of the electoral arena, the rise and fall of political parties, the role of the digital and technology platforms, and the emergence of fake news impacting election outcome. The book is a veritable primer on Indian politics, as it runs through the entire history of Indian polity and provides insights into how political parties gradually shifted from campaigning to hiring top-notch advertising agencies.

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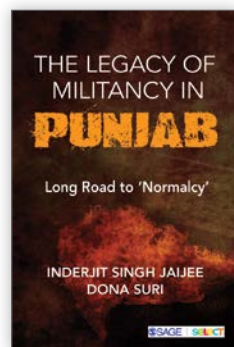
## THE LEGACY OF MILITANCY IN PUNJAB

**Long Road to 'Normalcy'**

**Inderjit Singh Jaijee** *Civil Rights Activist and* **Dona Suri** *Former Newspaper Editor*

This book recounts the no-holds-barred struggle to suppress militancy that morphed into an unrestricted abuse of power in Punjab. It details how militancy affected the credibility of the judiciary, why trials dragged on for 25 years, how militancy influenced the popular culture and how the youth are still responding to conditions in today's Punjab.

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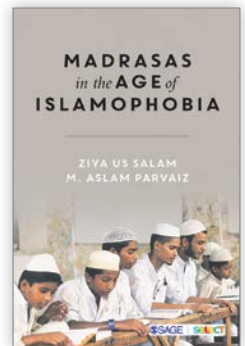
## MADRASAS IN THE AGE OF ISLAMOPHOBIA

**Ziya Us Salam** *Associate Editor, Frontline and* **Mohammad Aslam Parvaiz** *Vice chancellor, Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU), Hyderabad*

In the age of Islamophobia, Madrasas are at crossroads- infamously labelled as 'dens for terrorism' where the 'youth are misguided, motivated and recruited to resort to anti-Indian activities'. It is little known that in the golden past, Madrasas schooled reformers and personalities such as Rajendra Prasad, Motilal Nehru, Raja Rammohun Roy and many other noteworthy Islamic scholars.

Through bonafide stories of products of Madrasas, the authors narrate the decline of the madrasas from being centres of excellence to institutions of restricted learnings with dark clouds of stigma surrounding them. Short of resources, rejected by the well-heeled, and condemned by politicians, will they be able to turn the corner? The answer is blowing in the wind

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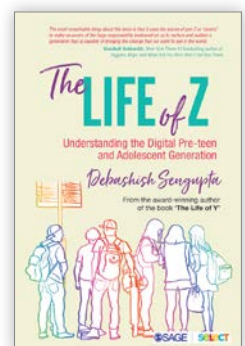
## THE LIFE OF Z

**Understanding the Digital Pre-teen and Adolescent Generation**

**Debashish Sengupta** *Professor, Royal University for Women, Bahrain and the author of the award-winning book The Life of Y: Engaging Millennials as Employees and Consumers*

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## KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS AND SCAMS

### India's Troublesome Legacy

**Ramesh Kumar** *Chief Nephrologist, Moolchand Hospital Delhi*

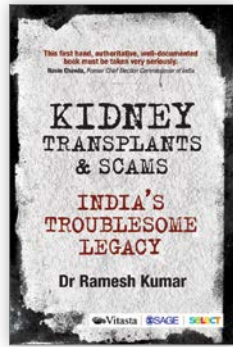
A live kidney weighing 150-200gms is the most sought-after organ worldwide, with people willing to buy from unrelated live donors for a few lakh rupees. There are almost 2000 kidney transplants happening in India yearly – less than half this number meet the country's legal requirements. Former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee and the Secretary General of Rajya Sabha, Sudarshan Agarwal are the two people who helped the enactment of an organ transplant law in India. India imports dialysis machines and its first made-in India machine has just gone on clinical trial though nephrological services began here some 50 years ago.

Harvesting of kidneys from unfortunate accident victims is the only solution to the shortage of kidneys for transplantation in India – with 150,000 accidents every year on the country's deadly roads. To make kidneys available readily and legally from accident victims and the brain dead, the law needs amendment and a National Organ Harvesting Programme (NOHP) is urgently needed.

In this book, Dr Ramesh Kumar reveals the stark reality of kidney scams in India and strongly advocates the need of a National Organ Harvesting Programme (NOHP).

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## THE MUSEUM OF BROKEN TEA CUPS

### Postcards from India's Margins

**Gunjan Veda**, *Senior Advisor, Global Collaborative Research*

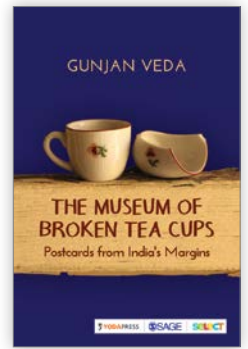
The performing arts in India have traditionally been the domain of Dalit communities. To this day, these men and women continue to nurture and foster their chosen art forms in the face of discrimination and prejudice. We consider ourselves to be connoisseurs of art and culture. Yet, we fail to recognize the very communities who have shaped this culture.

**The Museum of Broken Tea Cups**, using the symbology of the used, broken tea cup that upper caste households leave outside their doors for the use of Dalit workers, is an effort to recognize the immense cultural contribution made by Dalit communities through the stories of individual artists who languish in the forgotten gallis and mohallas of our villages and towns.

At the same time, the book seeks to celebrate the everyday heroes, who have, despite all odds, managed to change not just their own lives, but the lives of those around them. These are students and teachers, artists and activists, storytellers and devadasis, daughters and mothers, sons and brothers—seemingly ordinary people—whose faces get lost in everyday life, but whose stories have the potential to inspire admiration, action and change.

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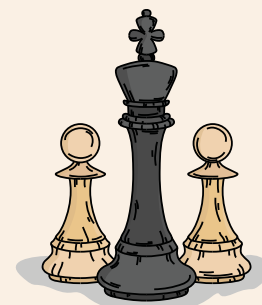
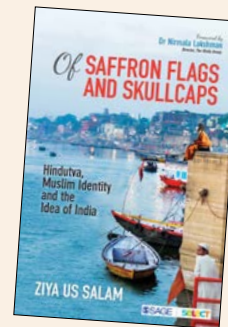
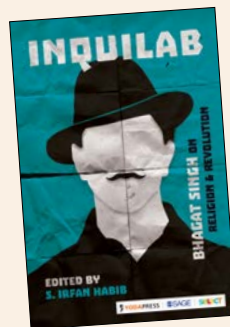


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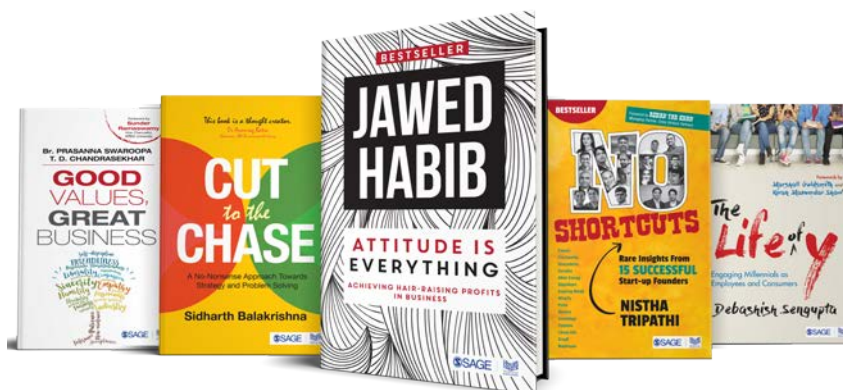


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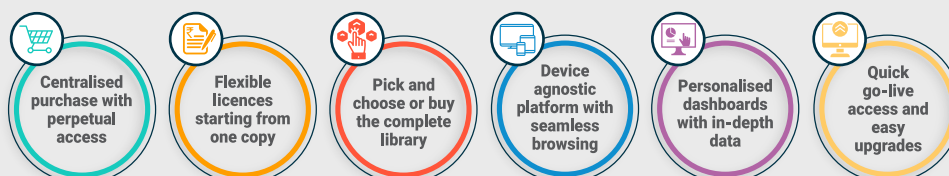


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