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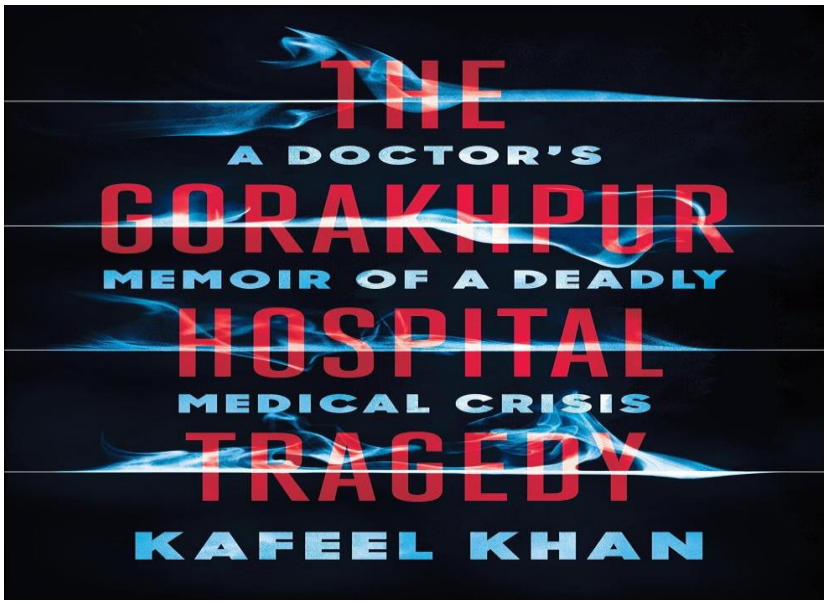
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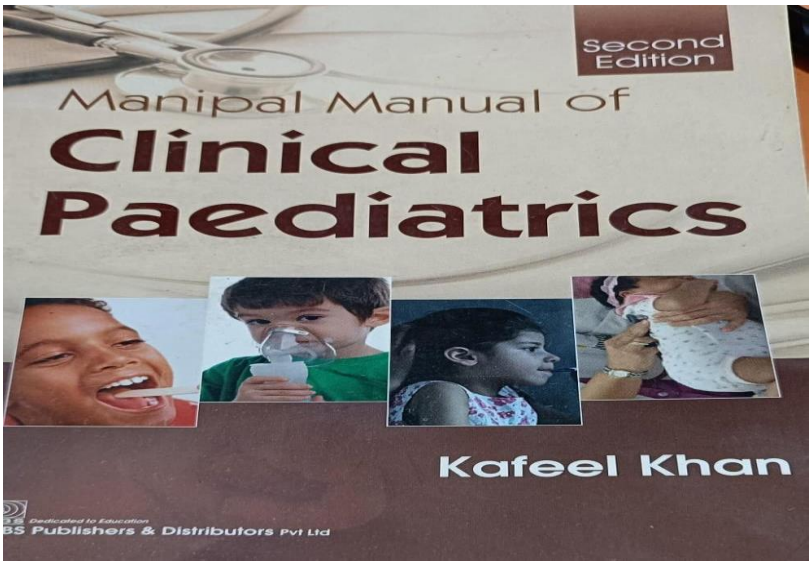
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The Gorakhpur hospital tragedy: a Doctor's memoir of a deadly medical crisis

Author: Kafeel Khan
Publisher: Delhi: Pan, 2021
Description: 300p.
Accession no. Gr25758

A HARROWING MEDICAL CRISIS. A DOCTOR IN THE EYE OF THE STORM. HIS ACCOUNT OF WHAT REALLY HAPPENED. On the evening of 10 August 2017, liquid oxygen ran out at the state-run Baba Raghav Das Medical College's Nehru Hospital in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh.



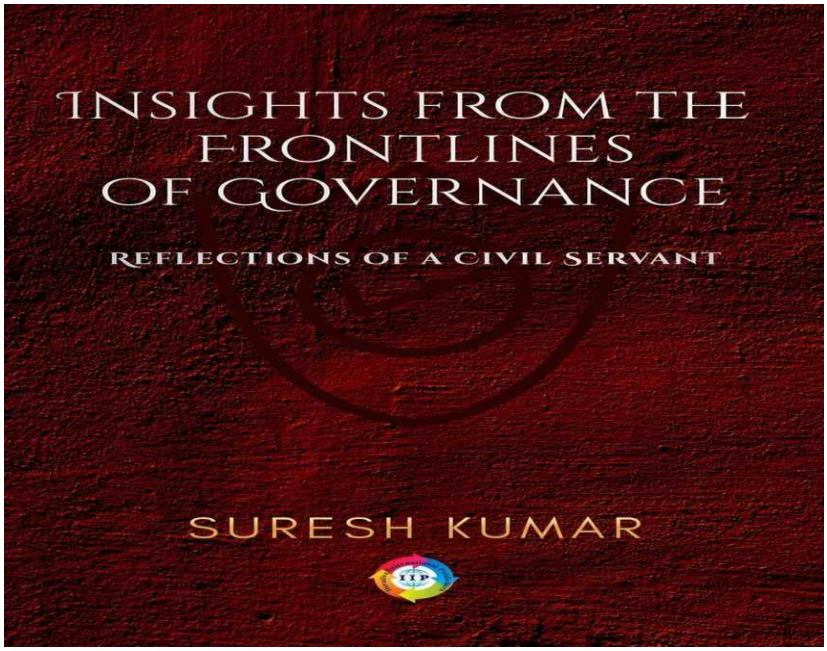
Manipal manual of clinical paediatrics

Author:	**Kafeel Khan**
Publisher:	**New Delhi: CBS, 2026**
Description:	**4088p.**
Accession no.	**Gr25761**

Voluntarism and universal elementary education in Bihar: a study in the light of NEP 2020Bhartiya railway ka navinikaran

Author:	**Shravan Kumar Sinha**
Publisher:	**Delhi: Victorious, 2023**
Description:	**139p.**
Accession no.	**Gr25759**

The present book covers the role of voluntary organizations and participatory government agencies in achieving the goal of universal elementary education in India from 1990s to recent years. In this age of commercialization of education and growing role of private players, the role of voluntarism cannot be ruled out for inclusion of the excluded sections of our society.



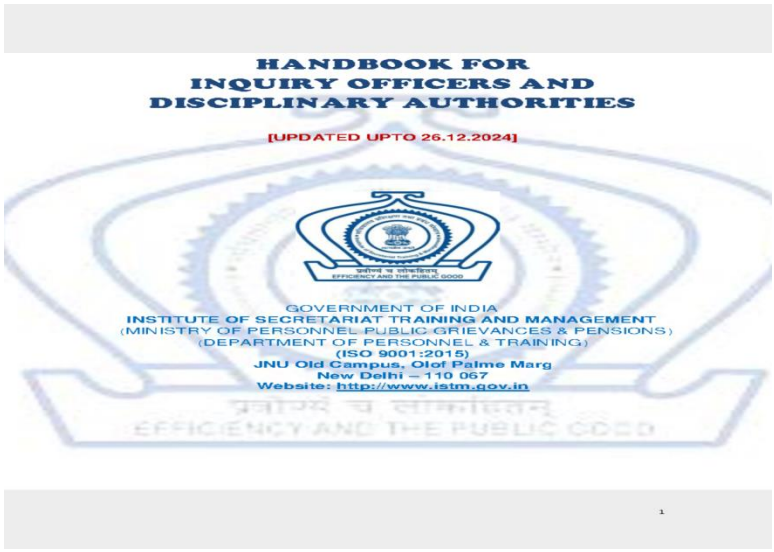
Insights from the frontlines of governance: reflections of a civil servant

Author: Suresh Kumar
Publisher: Karnataka: Selfypage, 2026
Description: 614p.
Accession no. Gr25760

Insights from the Frontlines of Governance: Reflections of a Civil Servant is a comprehensive and thought-provoking exploration of governance, public policy, and institutional leadership, authored by Suresh Kumar, IAS (Retd.), whose distinguished career in public administration spans more than three decades. Drawing upon extensive experience in governance and policymaking, the book bridges the gap between public policy theory and its practical implementation.

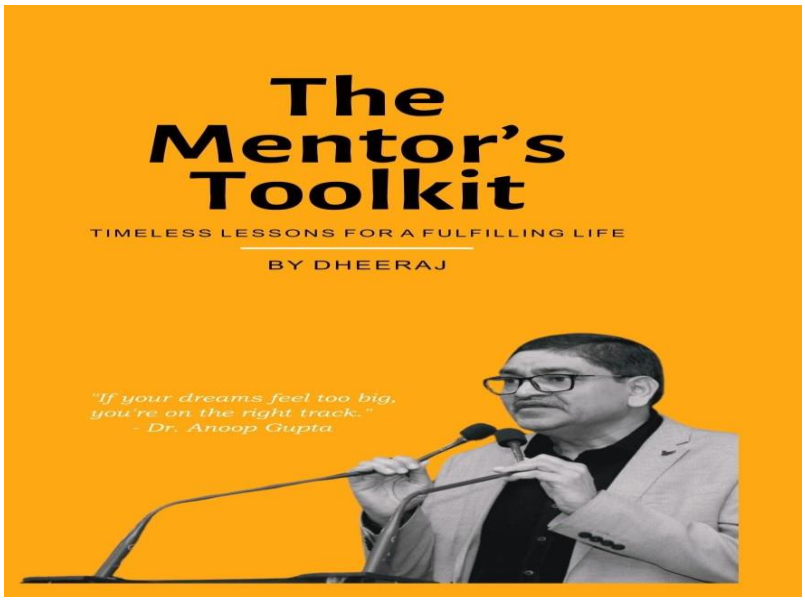
Learning and development: compendium of paper presentation at L&D Elysium 2021

Author:	**Shamira Soren Malekar & Roma Mitra Debnath**
Publisher:	**FEIL & IIPA, 2022**
Description:	**216p.**
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Handbook for Inquiry Officers and disciplinary Authorities: updated upto 26.12.2024

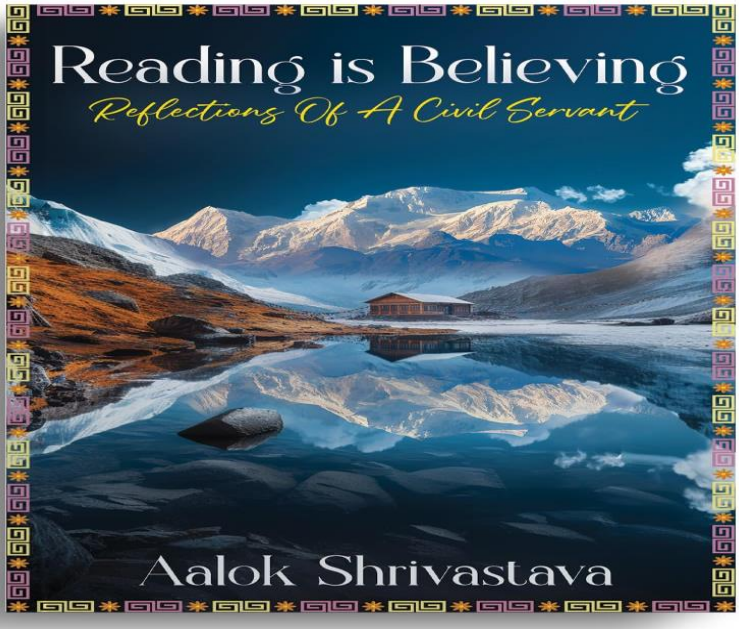
Author:	**Institute of Secretariat Training & Management**
Publisher:	**New Delhi: ISTM, 2024**
Description:	**239p.**
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The Mentor's toolkit: timeless lessons for a fulfilling life

Author:	**Dheeraj**
Publisher:	**Mathura: The author, 2025**
Description:	**143p.**
Accession no.	**Gr25766**

The Mentor's Toolkit is a heartfelt tribute to the wisdom and life lessons of Dr. Anoop Gupta, an inspiring mentor, teacher, and guide. Through personal stories and powerful insights, this book captures his timeless teachings on love, resilience, purpose, and growth. More than a book, it's a companion for anyone seeking clarity, courage, and connection. Whether you're a student or a seeker, these pages offer practical reflections to help you live with intention—and carry forward a mentor's legacy of wisdom and compassion.

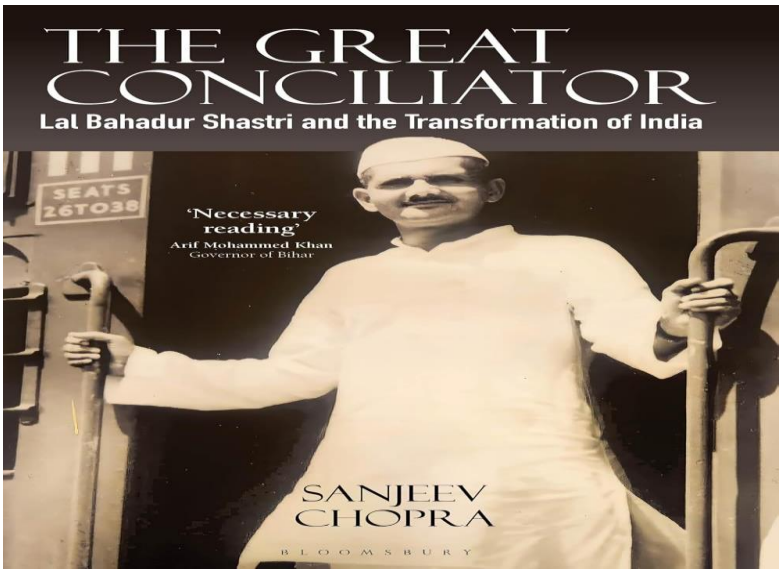


Reading is believing: Aalok Shrivastava

Author:	**Aalok Shrivastava**
Publisher:	**New Delhi: BlueRose One, 2026**
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Reading is Believing
Reflections Of A Civil Servant

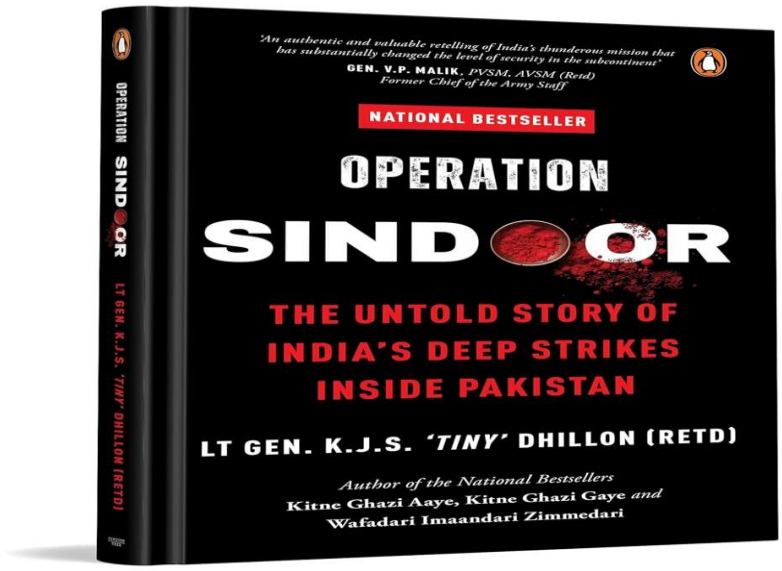
This anthology of mostly published articles abounds in experiences and events.



The great conciliator: Lal Bahadur Shastri and the transformation of India

Author:	**Sanjeev Chopra**
Publisher:	**New Delhi: Bloomsbury, 2025**
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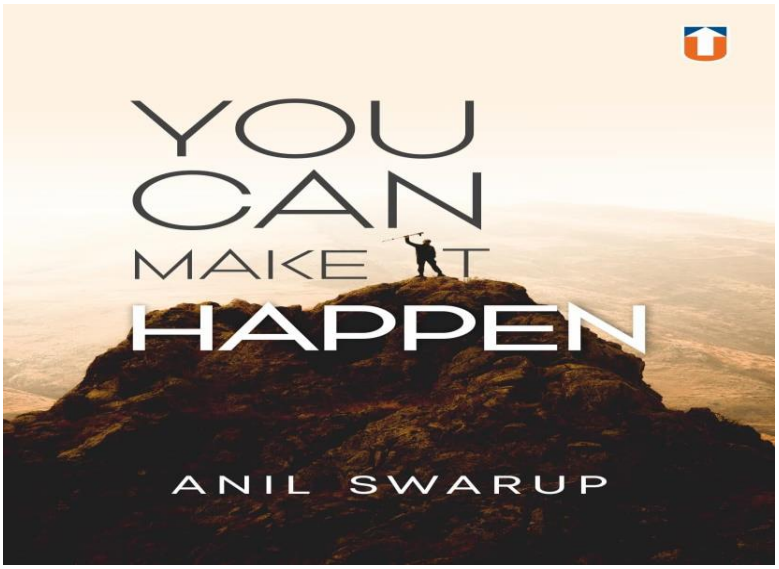
Lal Bahadur Shastri, a man of slight stature, took a largerthanlife stand as India's prime minister. A man of few words, his correspondence was to the point, his speeches succinct. His silence, which some understood as willingness to acquiesce, was both a strength and a weakness. But in fact, during his short term of just about eighteen months, he established institutions that brought India on the path of self-sufficiency and helped defend against external aggression.



Operation Sindoor: the untold story of India's deep strikes inside Pakistan

Author:	**Kanwal Jeet Singh Dhillon**
Publisher:	**Gurugram: Penguin, 2025**
Description:	**213p.**
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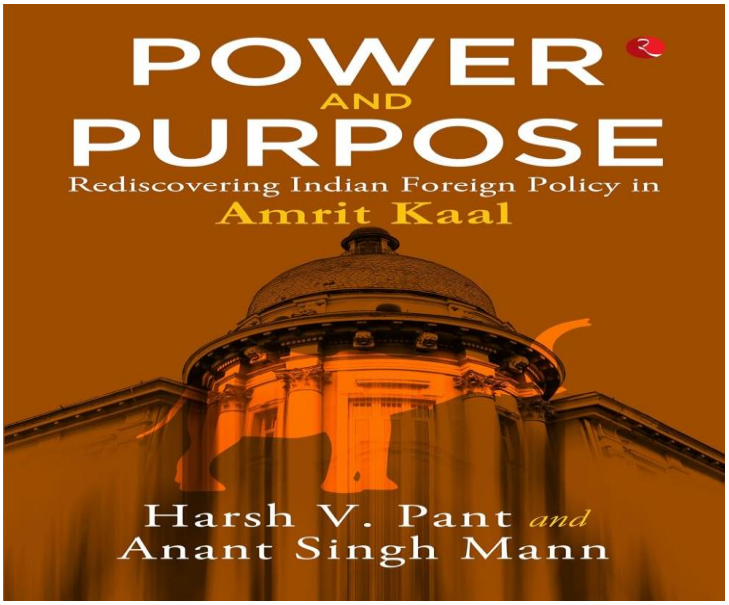
On 22 April 2025, the Baisaran Valley in Pahalgam, south Kashmir, witnessed a horrifying attack when heavily armed terrorists from the Resistance Front, a proxy of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), fully sponsored by the Pakistan Army and Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI), shattered its serenity with gunfire, killing twenty-six innocent individuals and injuring several others. Offering hitherto unrevealed information, Lt Gen. 'Tiny' Dhillon (Retd) opens a window to Operation SINDOOR, a testament to the strength of the Indian military and the unity of India when confronted with an adverse situation. With visuals from the destroyed target areas, this book is a powerful reminder of the impact of terrorism and the enduring hope for peace and justice.



You can make it happen

Author:	**Anil Swarup**
Publisher:	**New Delhi: Unique, 2025**
Description:	**255p.**
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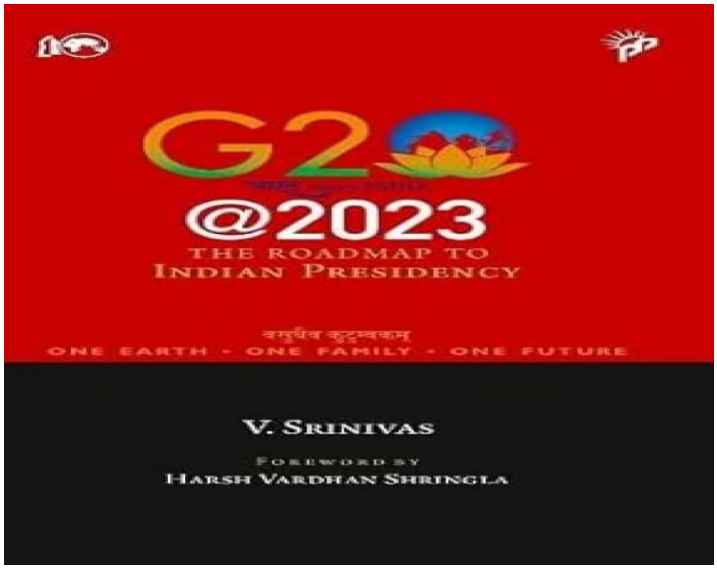
You Can Make It Happen is a practical guide to the challenges of turning ideas into action. Based on personal experience, it explains why progress is often difficult due to political, social, administrative, financial, technological, judicial, and environmental factors. It emphasizes the need to understand these external realities—especially political and social acceptability—when pursuing change in public or private settings. The book highlights the importance of marketing, technological feasibility, finance, and human resource management in making ideas work. While external conditions may be fixed, individuals can still influence outcomes by developing emotional resilience, clear thinking, and a proactive approach.



Power and purpose: rediscovering Indian foreign policy in Amrit Kaal

Author:	**Harsh V. Pant & Anant Singh Mann**
Publisher:	**New Delhi: Rupa, 2025**
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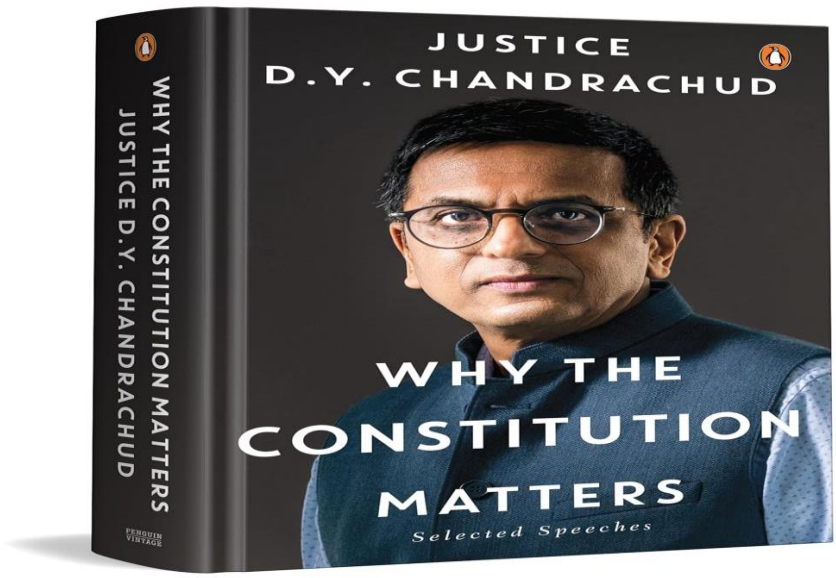
Taking the readers on an insightful journey through 75 pivotal moments that have shaped India's foreign policy since 1947, Power and Purpose: Rediscovering Indian Foreign Policy in Amrit Kaal serves not only as a valuable resource for academic research but also as an accessible guide for the general public. It offers objective and succinct analyses of key events in India's foreign policy landscape.



G20 @ 2023: the roadmap to Indian Presidenct

Author:	**V. Srinivas**
Publisher:	**New Delhi: Pentagon Press, 2023**
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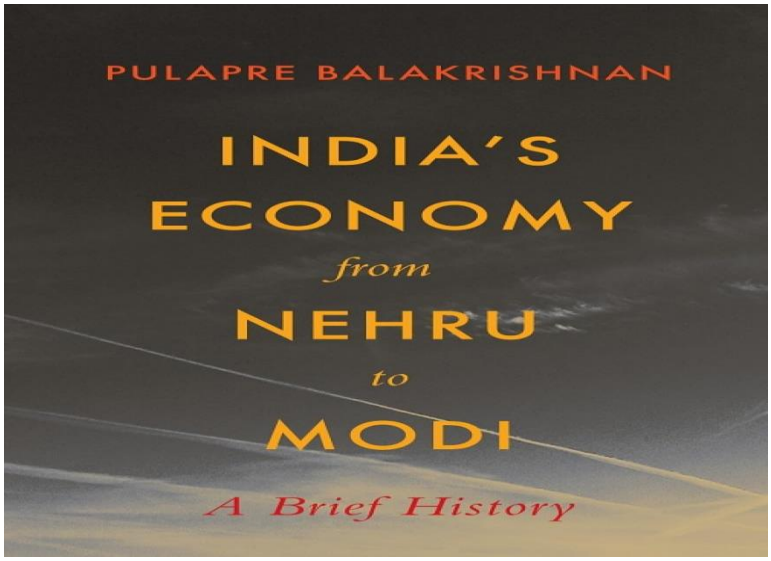
G20@2023 – The Roadmap to Indian Presidency, traces the rise of the G20, in battling financial crisis— the Global Financial Crisis of 2008-09, the Eurozone Crisis of 2010, and the COVID-19 pandemic of 2019 and in formulating an agenda for strong, sustainable and balanced growth. V.Srinivas documents the complex functioning of the G20 and its collaboration with important multilateral institutions- International Monetary Fund, World Bank, World Trade Organization, World Health Organization, Financial Stability Board, OECD, UNFCC and non-governmental/ civil society Engagement Groups.



Why the Constitution matters: selected speeches

Author:	**D.Y. ChandrachudAnil Swarup**
Publisher:	**Gurugram: Penguin, 2025**
Description:	**570p.**
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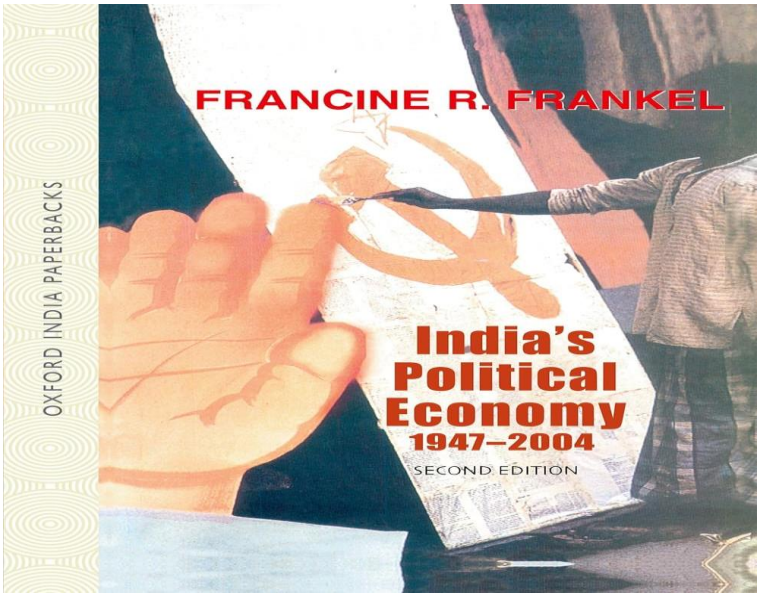
In Why the Constitution Matters Justice D.Y. Chandrachud delves into the profound significance of the Constitution in shaping the nation's identity and governance. This insightful book offers readers a nuanced understanding of the Constitution's role in protecting fundamental rights, ensuring justice and maintaining the rule of law. The author brings to the forefront his experience of nearly twenty-five years as a judge, making complex constitutional principles accessible to both legal professionals and common citizens. Through engaging narratives and real-life examples, he illustrates how the Constitution impacts everyday life and why it remains a cornerstone of democracy.



India's economy from Nehru to Modi: a brief history

Author: Pulapre Balakrishnan
Publisher: Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2022
Description: 260p.
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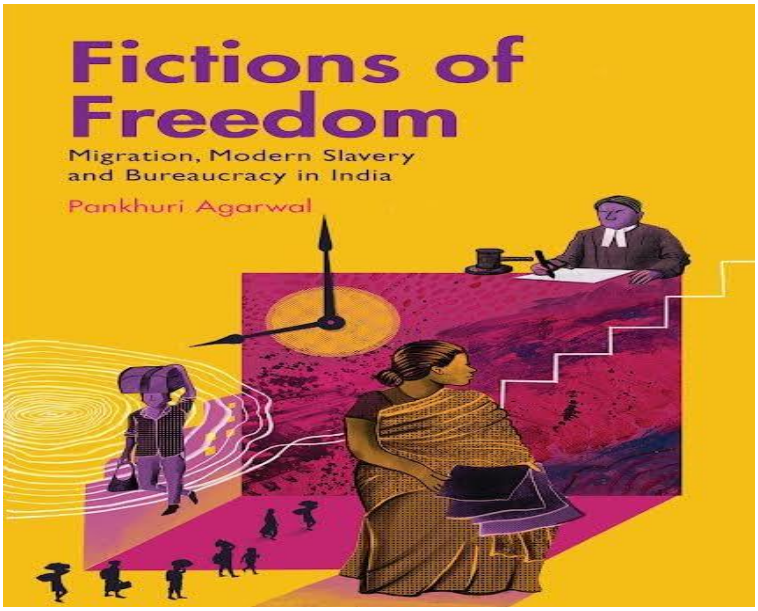
How has India's economy fared over the first seventy-years of the country's independence? More specifically, how has India's economic journey impacted the life of the Indian citizen? Have the various economic measures and reforms since 1947 improved or worsened matters for the people? These are the core issues addressed within this concise and accessible book. Given India's large population, there has always been great interest internationally in the steps taken to shape the country's economy and its consequent advance. The country, says Pulapre Balakrishnan, has undoubtedly progressed. It is now self-sufficient in food, industrially capable, and globally recognised for its software services.



India's political economy 1947 – 2004

Author:	**Francine R. Frankel**
Publisher:	**New Delhi: OUP, 2006**
Description:	**819p.**
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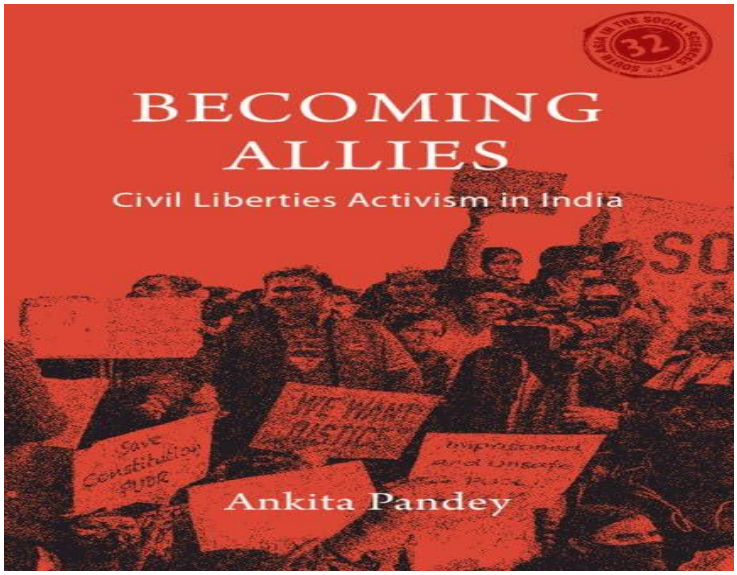
This book is the most comprehensive analysis of Indian political economy since independence. The second edition analyses the decades in Indian politics following the Emergency (1975-77) and discusses among other things, caste conflicts, religious mobilization, and the impact of economic reforms initiated in the 1990s.



Fictions of freedom: migration, modern slavery and bureaucracy in India

Author: Pankhuri Agarwal
Publisher: New York: Cambridge Univ. Press, 2026
Description: 198p.
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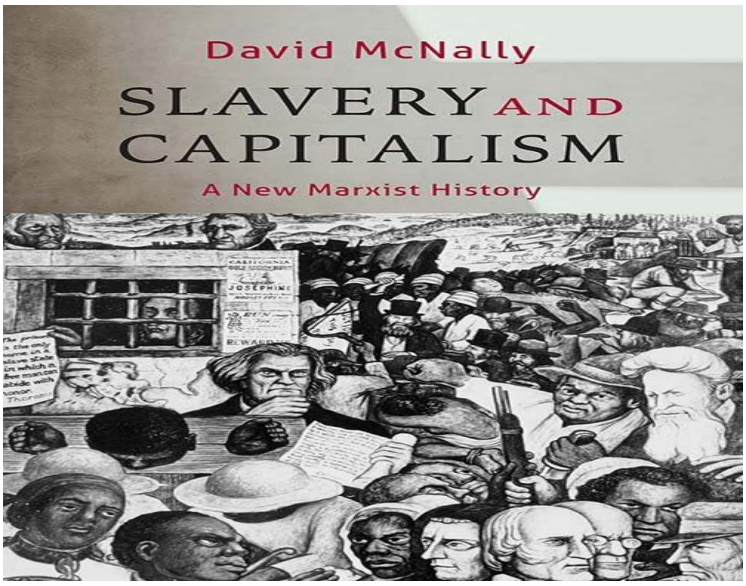
Fictions of Freedom emerge from the fact of anti-trafficking interventions having led to newer forms of oppressions and entanglements of bureaucracy. Situating the lives of sex workers and daily-wage earning laborers through a multi-sited ethnography in India, this book opens up an examination of the rescue industry, modern slavery, and how they lived reality of the workers is crowded with sociopolitical unfairness, individual and state-sponsored violence, informal debt, gender and caste-based hierarchies, and limited livelihood options. It aims to offer a critical lens into the practices, modalities, and contestations through which freedom is lived and asserted in a postcolonial nation. This title is also available as open access on Cambridge Core.



Becoming allies: civil liberties activism in India

Author:	**Ankita Pandet**
Publisher:	**New York: Cambridge Univ. Press, 2026**
Description:	**205p.**
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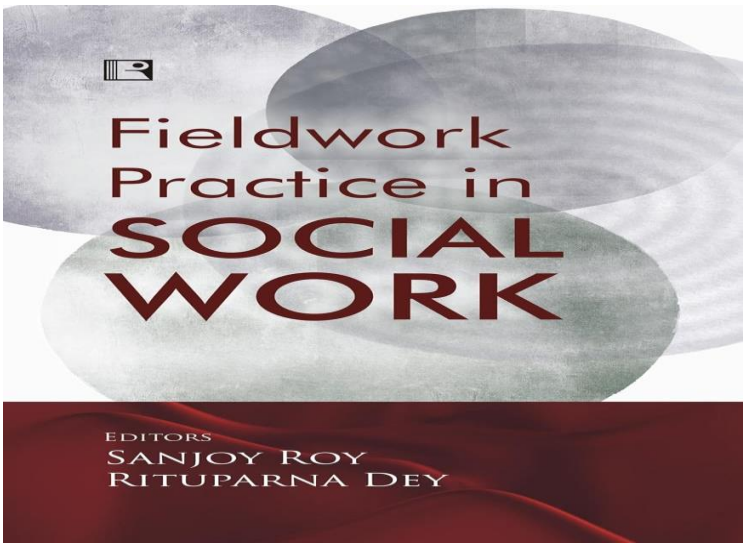
Becoming Allies explores a vital but often overlooked dimension of social movements: the role of those who support a cause without being directly affected by its injustices. While most scholarship centres the conflict between social movements and the State, this book shifts the focus to allies-individuals who stand in solidarity and amplify marginalised demands. Drawing on interviews conducted with civil liberties activists and on documents from their private records, this book traces the evolving politics of allyship in India. Anchored in the histories of groups like the People's Union for Civil Liberties and the People's Union for Democratic Rights that rose in the context of the Naxalite Movement and the Emergency, the book sheds light on the ethics, dilemmas, and strategies of standing alongside others in struggle.



Slavery and capitalism: a new Marxist history

Author:	**David Mc Nally**
Publisher:	**Ranikhet: Permanent Black, 2025**
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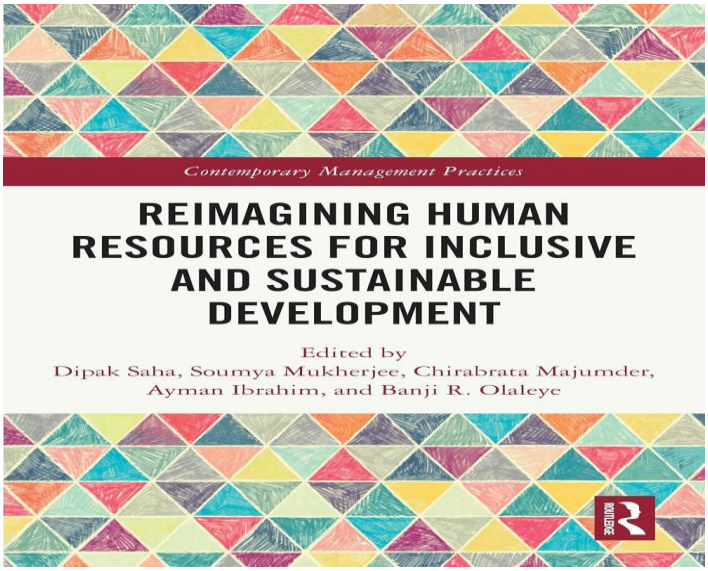
Karl Marx's writings on enslavement and labour have fallen out of favour among historians, but David McNally injects new life into them. Slavery and Capitalism gives the first systematic Marxist account of the capitalist character of Atlantic slavery – using colonial travel literature, planter records and diaries, and slave narratives – to support the provocative claim for enslaved labour in the plantation system as capitalist commodity production. Weaving together history, political economy, and radical abolitionism, McNally demonstrates that plantation slaves formed a modern working class.



Fieldwork practice in social work

Author: Sanjoy Roy & Rituparna Dey
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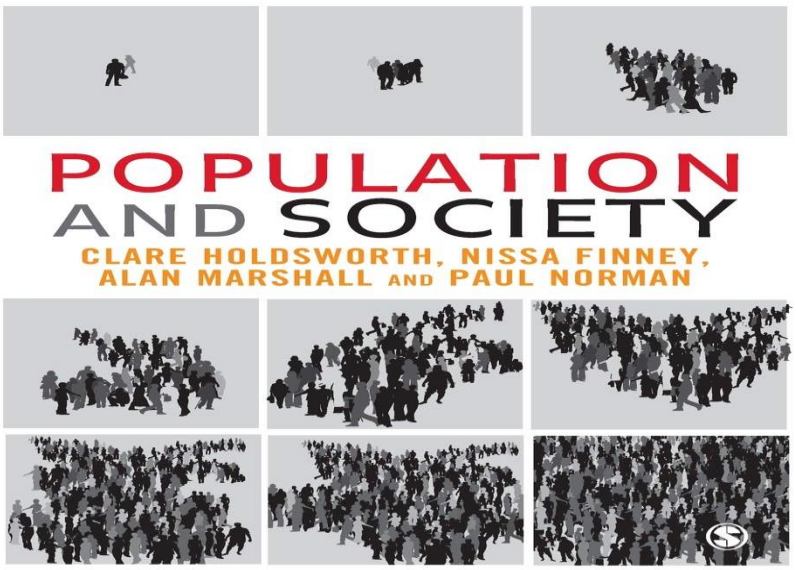
Walking Together: A Fieldwork Journey of Understanding and Responding to Youth Substance Abuse in a Tribal Community Abu Sufian and Paramita Roy 2 Engaging With Disability, Community Development, and Grassroots Interventions in Urban India Aditya Giri Deka, Ayush Kumar Sharma, and Pallabi Basu 3 Awareness Programme on Life Skill Education: A Way of Cultivating Seeds of Success in Rural Youth Anirban Pati 4 Healing Beyond Medicine: A Social Work Trainee's Journey at Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute and Research Centre Ayush Kumar Sharma 5 Field Learnings: A Participatory Engagement in Rural Birbhum Chandan Goswami and Adrita Sen Choudhury 6 From Intervention to Understanding.



Reimagining human resources for inclusive and sustainable developmentFieldwork practice in social work

Author:	**Dipak Saha**
Publisher:	**New York: Routledge, 2026**
Description:	**287p.**
Accession no.	**89520**

The book explores critical issues such as workforce engagement, mental health, entrepreneurial barriers, climate change, healthcare transformation, event management, and the digital economy. It examines the impact of leadership and rewards on performance, as well as the role of English proficiency in multicultural workplaces, showcasing how human-centric and sustainable practices are transforming traditional organizational models. The book underscores the importance of aligning human resource strategies with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Triple Bottom Line (TBL) principles, and Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) frameworks.

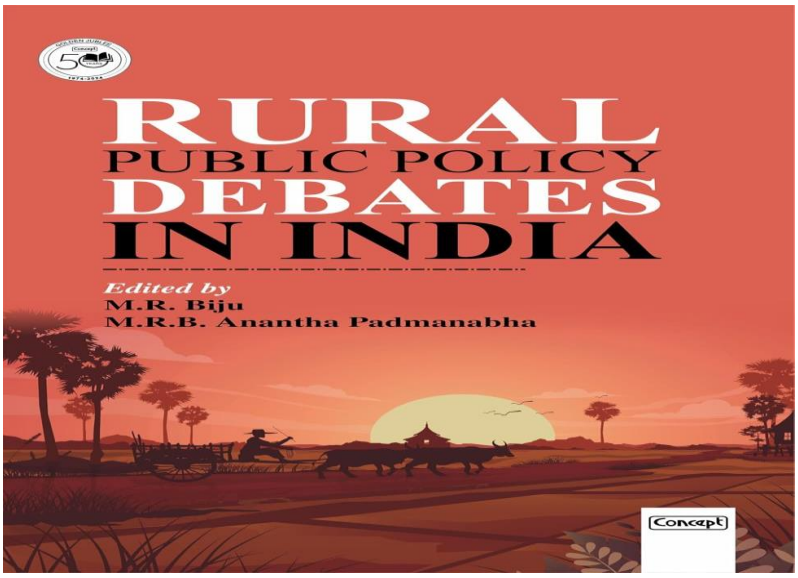


Population and society

Author: Clare Holdsworth
Publisher: Gurugra: Sage, 2026
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Population and Society is an undergraduate introduction to population that explains the latest trends in population studies. The text provides a detailed and completely accessible overview that:

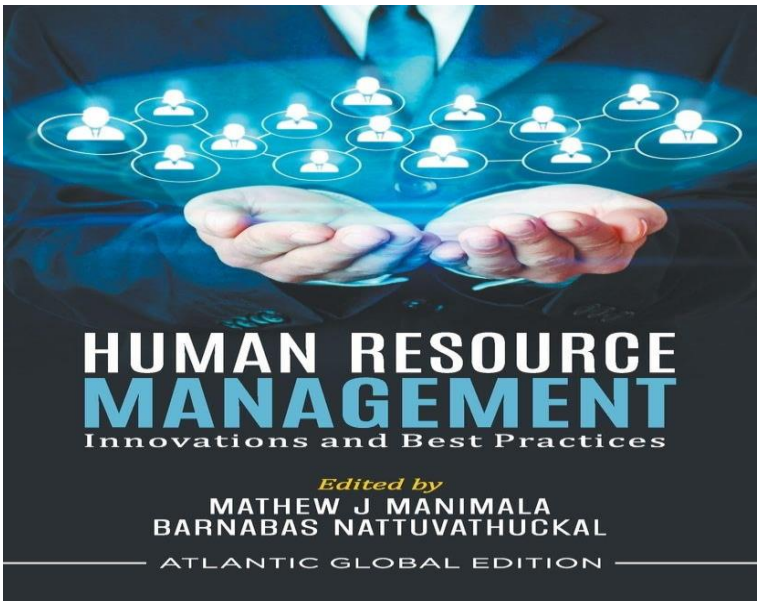
- **situates demographic events - fertility, mortality and migration - within the context of broader social impacts and theorisations like social inequalities, individualisation and life course analysis**
- **uses global illustrative examples to demonstrate the importance of data and data interpretation in population studies**
- **is illustrated throughout with pedagogic features, like chapter opening summaries, suggestions for further readings and case study examples.**



Rural public policy debates in India

Author: M.R. Biju
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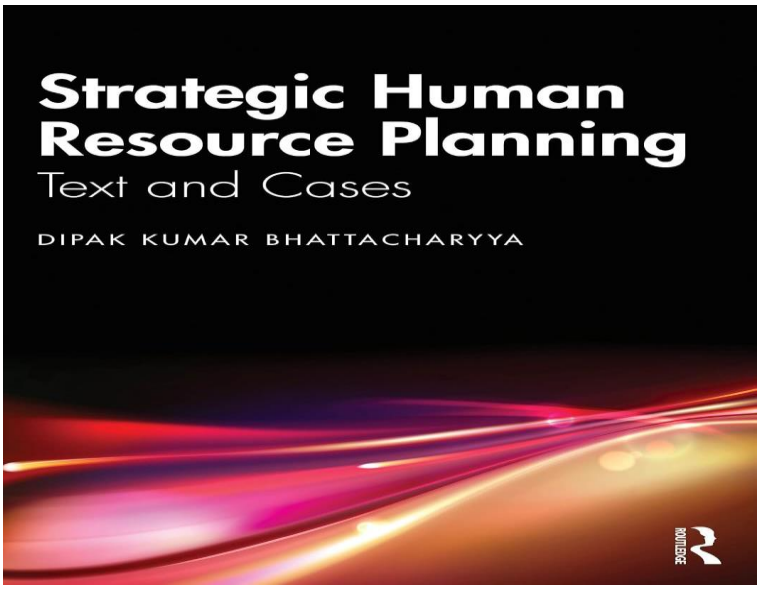
Rural Public Policy Debates in India encompass a wide range of critical issues and reflect the complex challenges faced by rural communities. Agriculture and rural development, poverty alleviation, education and skill development, healthcare and sanitation, infrastructure development, natural resource management, and governance and decentralization are key areas of contention and deliberation. These debates underline the need for comprehensive and integrated approaches to rural development that address the multidimensional aspects of rural life.



Human resource management: innovations and best practices

Author: Mathew J. Manimala
Publisher: New Delhi: Atlantic, 2026
Description: 619p.
Accession no. 89521

Human Resource Management: Innovations and Best Practices presents a comprehensive collection of thought-provoking research and real-world case studies that explore the evolving landscape of HRM. Spanning strategic HRM, organisational change, executive presence, Al applications and post-pandemic transitions, the volume delves into innovations across industries and global contexts. With thirty chapters contributed by scholars and practitioners, this book offers valuable insights into employee well-being, leadership development, knowledge management and crisis navigation-making it an essential resource for HR professionals, academicians and business leaders seeking to build resilient, people-centric organisations.



Strategic Human resource planning: text and cases

Author:	**Dipak K. Bhattacharya**
Publisher:	**New York: Routledge, 2026**
Description:	**260p.**
Accession no.	**89522**

This book analyses human resource planning (HRP) function with a strategic lens. Human Resource Management (HRM), being a business-aligned function of organizations, is primarily shaped by HRP. The need for strategic handling of the latter thus results in a revamped nomenclature – SHRP.

In addition to detailing the basic tools and techniques of HRP, this book delves into important strategic areas to transform SHRP as a critical HR function, on which the success of all other HR functions, including the success of organizations depend.



Employee experience management: the new normal

Author: Shikha Bhardwaj
Publisher: New York: Routledge, 2027
Description: 222p.
Accession no. 89523

This book integrates people management trends, practices, concepts, and principles through an experienced lens, with theoretical and practical aspects of managing the employee experience (EX) in the workplace. It brings a fresh perspective on managing employees with relevant case-lets, snippets, exercises, fireside chats with industry experts, and self-assessment tools, all set in varying contexts. This volume is meticulously designed through an input–output approach, addressing the methodological process of managing EX. This diverse content reflects the multifaceted challenges encountered in real-world scenarios.