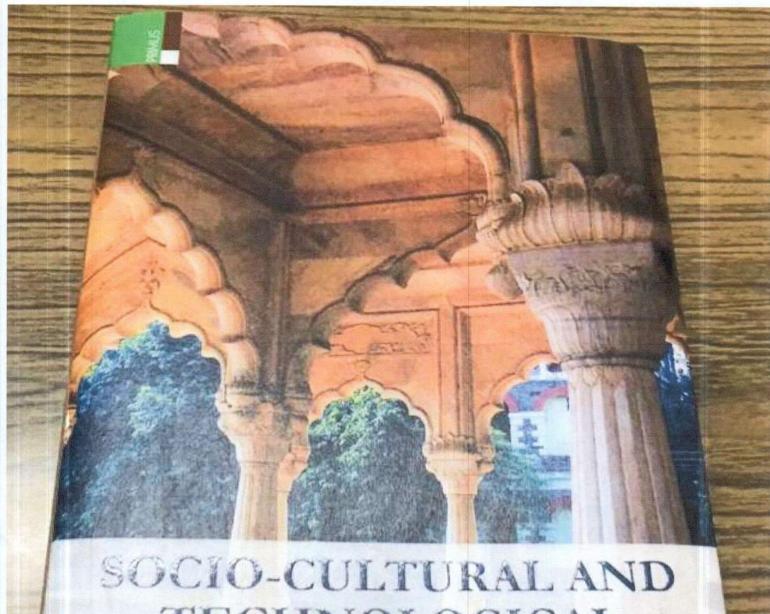
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A Study of Offices and Titles

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THE ESTABLISHMENT OF the Mughal Empire in the sixteenth century was accompanied by a steady migration of Central Asians to Hindustan'. Some of them joined the Mughal State and settled in different parts of India, while others after a brief stay returned to Central Asia. The absence of rigid frontiers, along with the rise of Uzbeg power encouraged them to move to Hindustan. These migrants came from diverse social backgrounds ranging from political and religious elite to ordinary people like auxiliaries, stonecutters, slaves, artisans, horse keepers, pigeon keepers, and merchants. Their settlement in Hindustan influenced the social, political, and cultural life of both the migrants and the place where they settled down. The existence of many Central Asian terms like Sardar, Bahadur, Baicarchi, Baicarchikhana, Top, Topchi, and Beg in Indian languages is a living proof of this

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Abstract

Among the many complexities of contemporary India is the steady increase in the numbers, frequency, pervasiveness and intensity, of structural encounters between diverse, even contradictory forces and agencies. These include, among others, caste, communal, linguistic, and ethnic encounters; but perhaps the most fundamental, persistent and pervasive kind of encounter, especially over the last few decades, has been the quadripolar ones between (a) left-wing extremist (LWE) forces, also referred to generically as 'Naxals', 'Naxalites' and/or 'Maoists'; (b) the Indian state; (c) the tribal populations of central and western India, especially in Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Maharashtra; and (d) large multinational industrial corporations, of both Indian and foreign origin, seeking to establish operations in these areas. The multivalent, multilayered and often overlapping and intersecting nature of these encounters is one important reason for their characterisation as 'cosmopolitical'. The other is the persistence and pervasiveness of certain specific dynamics of encounter, even in and through this diversity of kinds of encounters. This article addresses some of these issues.

Key words: indigenous, tribal, cosmopolitics, development, left wing extremists.

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BHARAT MATA, MELODRAMA AND THE MEDIATION OF THE NATIONAL SUBJECT

Karen Gabriel

Does the beautiful lady of our imagination represent the bare-bodied and but workers on the fields and factories? Or the small group who have from ages pse crashed the masses and exploited them, imposed cruel customs on them an make them even untouchable? We seek to cover truth by the creatures of our imagination and endeavour to escape from reality to a world of dreams.

(Nobra 1936, 451)

The sconic figuration of the Indian nation as a divine, inclusive and pan-national mother has become a now routine part of literary and popular visual and discursive representations of nation, nationalism and communities. The most recurrent agest these representations may arguably, be considered as indicative of a dominant imagnation of the nation state. This chapter will critically examine specific domnant aspects of some familiar and sconic representations of Bharat Main that are available in popular culture in order to analyse the politics of these icons and the discursive apparatus that they mobilize and enable. While doing this, it will offer the illustrated argument that the iconic and mythogenic figuring of the nation as Mother Inda Bharat Mata, contrary to enduring assumptions about it, is, strict highly exclusive and chira, and its claim to representativeness is in fact a fundive speaking, not a 'national' or representative one at all. The figure of Bharat Mats 5 of its clitism, the clite claim to be the norm. After all, 'India is in the main the pear and the worker, not beautiful to look at, for poverty is not beautiful (Nebra 1936, 431). The chapter will argue that the iconography of Bharat Mara typically incorporates as influencial and as desirable. Furthermore, these are reinforced a normative within dominant notions of community and nation, a move that in 1977 investiblizes and marginalizes the vast and highly heterogeneous majority. Powers by symbolism, the Bharat Mata icon renders the social hierarchies that it literal promotes the social, dicursive, cultural and institutional hierarchies of caste, class

religious majoritarianusm and orthodox sexual politico. While doing this, the chapter will demonstrate the libidinal investment in this figure, the use of melodeama, and the ways in which notions of desirability and legitimacy grid this argument.

Figuring Bharat Mata and Mother Nation

stely, I will undertake a quick review of some of the influencial magnings of this Stare and their implications, which alert us to some crucial alsological and discurove drivers behind its sconic and semiotic signatures and also to the ways in which Digore's 1905 panning of Banga Mata (later to become Bhaza Mata, Figure 12.1) as the nation and the body of Bharat Mata, and either the body noell or its garments and beauty to iconicize the nation. Neumayer and Schelbenger (2008) observe that of this personafication, there is a deliberate of compadence between the landmass of deponeally enclose a territory and population (see Figures 12.2-12.8). Immediit is not very clear when the 'concept of presenting links as a goodiess appeared for the first time" (36). Like Hoskote (2000), they go on to remark on Abanindeznach by the divinity of this figure (Gabriel 2007, 2010), the blessedness of motherhood or the (idealized) citizen. Quite early on and before independence, Nehru had Nehru's passing remarks on Bharat Mara were prompted by the fact that '[m]ups of as woman, the nation is also figured as maternal, a 'universal mother', such as Gao Mata' (Panney 2004: 108), or an anthropomorphic mother (Sarkar 1987, Bapcha 1990; Buralia 1996; Sinha 2006; Gabriel 2007, 2010; Ramawarmy 2010; While remarking on the European use of a composite of the goddlesso of victors, wisdom an early instance of the representation of India as goddes. The accurate, sampless and bounty that accrue to Bharat Mata by virtue of being both mother and godices determine the figure's capacity for both affect and mythogeness. That is, this figure 8 internely generative of passion and narranve. We will see later how this figure naternality itself yields a crucial affective dividend that is substantially asginerate. s compounded by the divinity or blessedness of this figure. An additional feature The figure and figuring of the nation as a woman - whether as the generic mother nation or the specific Mother India/Bharat Mata - have been observed and 1936; 431), He went on to say that India becomes Bharat Mara, Mother India, a remarked by scholars of nationalism (Anthias and Yaval-Davis 1989; Balakrishnan 996; Enloe 1989; Kedourie 1993; Smith 1991). Such figurations have now become noutine part of the discursive apparatus of popular nationalistic discourses and remarked on the tendency to give 'an anthropomorphic form to a country' (1982) monplace among Indian nationalists' (Butalia 1996). In addition to being figures peaunful lady, very old but ever youthful in appearance, sad eyed and forform, cruelli of literary and visual representations of nation, nationalsm, national communities treated by aliens and outsiders, and calling upon her children to protect her (thid india, with the body of a woman, often a goddess, mapping its territory, were com

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Electronic pornography and the transnational assemblage of sexuality

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Introduction

This chapter seeks to examine and analyse the apparently interminable growth in pernographic production and its dispersal of sexuality into exponentially increasing images, clips and films, as well as into remote locations via internet access. It argues that (a) this apparent dispersal is actually an assembling and centring of (certain specific understandings of) sexuality! into single, homogeneous, transnational realm/centre - 'pornography' (or porn'). (b) This transnationally available sexual imagery apparently thrives on the diversity of its various pleasures, but strives to conceal, mystify and/or erase the specificities of its processes of production, filming and behind-thescenes making (unless those are required for pleasure). However, even within a theoretical configuration that attempts to invisibilize sexual economies (and not just the representational ones) and propose the sexual as constituted merely of sexual acts, the economies of sexuality are both manifest and are in fact eroticized to create porn and its desires for power. (c) The local imperatives of contradict the claims to egalitarianism that accompany liberal understandings of transnationalization and therefore interrogate the almost dislocated, unreal gical changes and the ideological and ideational shift away from the material to the cultural. Through these arguments, the chapter aims to show how pom quality that porn can have." (d) Part of this dislocation is caused by technolothe processes of production - when they get exposed, as they sometimes do eroticizes, even as it invisibilizes, the institutionalization of (men's) power.

Centres of dispersion, the dispersion of centres, and dispersion as centre

Pornography is among the most controversial socio-economic global developments of modern history and has been a source of concern for governments, non-governmental groups, conservatives and feminist groups alike. It has always been a globally contested zone of socio-cultural and commercial production, especially in the case of image-based (still and moving) porn that requires the filming of human performers. The commercial production of porn is in many ways essentially about filming and watching paid performers.

Electronic pornography 1

whether umateur or professional, and the (usually) monetized distribution of this content, for either purchase or use by private and usually male, 'user-consumers'. The emergence and spread of internet and mobile technology greatly facilitated action at both ends of the spectrum, production and consumption, and the exponential spread of pornography around the globe. Consequently, pornographic representations have acquired a significant transnational reach and presence, and, furthermore, now solicit the individual, privately and intimately, via the user-consumer's personal computer (PC) or mobile phone.

A particularly crucial factor is the enormously accelerated growth in the information technology (IT) and information communications technology (ICT) sectors, in terms of digitization, technological advances, infrastructure development, scaling down of costs, waling up of accessibility, as well as in the increasing integration of these technologies into an ever-widening range and variety of socio-economic sectors, functions, services, and activities. From banking, to education, to online marketing, to the web-based organizing and conducting of business, to e-governance, to interactive gaming, to chatting, to acquiring information, to accessing sports, film, television and music, these technologies are becoming increasingly pervasive. Consequently, not only has the production, distribution and use-consumption of porn become almost completely digitized, it has also become, commensurately, increasingly available and accessible.

functionality of a home PC in the mobile instrument itself. But before exploring the ways in which pornography as a sphere of activity has been cated mobile telephone technology that strives to replicate the functions and affected by this, we will first examine and formulate the understanding of sphere, they are also becoming integral to the very constitution of those has received scholarly attention (for example, Konsbruck a.d., UNCTAD social, professional and administrative lives of most people in urban areas nologies. This is only likely to spread and intensify, as these technologies get more and more integrated, particularly in and through increasingly sophisti-This increasing presence and prevalence of IT and ICT has another, less day activities. That is, not only are these technologies penetrating every social spheres. The incremental yet inexorable manner in which these technologies have reorganized everyday life, especially in urban areas, around the world. 2011; van Dijk 2013). It is fair to say that, today, globally, the personal, (and increasingly in rural areas too) are substantially reliant on these techcasily discernible consequence; it signifies their increasing centrality to every

'centrality'.

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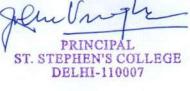
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SEX, RAPE, REPRESENTATION

Cultures of sexual violence in contemporary India

Karen Gabriel

Framing the issues

In 2012, impelled by the fatal gang rape of a 23-year-old student, Jyoti Singh in Delhi (also known as the Nirbhaya rape case),1 Kamlesh Vaswani, an advocate of the Indore High Court, filed a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) petition, which triggered a fresh controversy around pornography in India. The petition argued an explicit link between porn and harm: specifically, gender-based violence, rape and assault and social, cultural and moral degradation. It referred to the growing prevalence of porn in the electronic domain that was based on the fact that the organisation of porn production in India has seen a sea-change, from the professional soft-porn productions of the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s, to the steadily and rapidly increasing volume of professional, semi-professional and amateur porn that began to appear with the spread of digitalisation, the Internet and cheap mobile technology. The petition noted that the volume of porn available worldwide, and the formats and platforms in which it is available, have increased considerably, triggering a dynamic that has impacted most societies, and often adversely. The main prayer of the petition - to "treat watching of porn videos and sharing as non-bailable and cognizable offence" - was accompanied by arguments about the adverse social, cultural and moral effects of porn, especially on minors. On the matter of the ban, the court bench led by Chief Justice of India H.L. Dattu, noted the "hydra-headed" nature of porn but ruled out banning porn, saying that it could not stop adults from exercising their fundamental right to personal liberty to watch it within the privacy of their room. The bench also remarked that it was not desirable to do so. The government concurred with the court, observing that while child pornography must be banned, "we cannot be present in everyone's bedroom" (Pandey and Ghosh 2015). The PIL's claim that porn led to sexual assault and violence had its takers and critics and remains an unresolved debate. The arguments favouring porn,

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college, it does not matter. Thereby, you have no right to write anything in a newspaper or in the social media. You can't write or speak against the government. You can at best write about culture, etc, and so on. Hence, the creation of a conformist academic community. This has been one of the important agendas.

The Cotton College in Guwahati was established in 1901. It is the oldest college in the north-eastern region and it has been upgraded to a university. This was being debated for the last 6-7 years. The demand was that Cotton College should be upgraded into Cotton University. What the government initially did was that Cotton College was made (degraded?) into a constituent college and established another university, under the name of the Cotton College State University. Cotton College was made a

constituent college under the Cotton College State University. It created huge dissent. Finally, the provision of the constituent college was done away with, and it was made Cotton University. There are apprehension – whether, the university will retain the status of the college or not. Six-seven years of political tussle has already done huge damage to this reputed institution.

The state government of Assam has been proposing that from primary to post-graduate classes, free text books will be provided. This is interesting. Nobody knows, how, at the UG and PG level, single text books will be provided. Nobody knows, who will write these text books. Probably, this will facilitate saffronisation or whatever agenda the government wants to inject into the education system.

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Karen Gabriel, Associate Professor, Department of English, St Stephen's College, Delhi University

'The previous BJP-led NDA regime had already started saffronisation by changing school books and by introducing courses like Purohitya,

Karmakand and Jyotirvidya'

ast year, in the admissions for the current academic year, Delhi University colleges offered a pair of unique, and very telling, 'advantages' to applicants: the first was that students could opt for a Modern Indian Language (MIL – other than Hindi, meaning, one

of either Punjabi, Tamil, Urdu, Telegu or Bengali – the only MILs offered in Delhi University), or for Sanskrit, and thereby claim an additional 10% in their marks. The second was that students could now include courses categorised as 'Vocational Studies' in their best-of-four

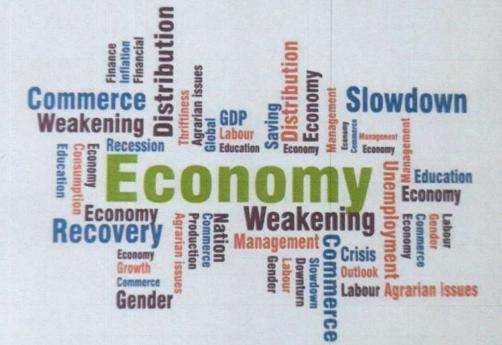
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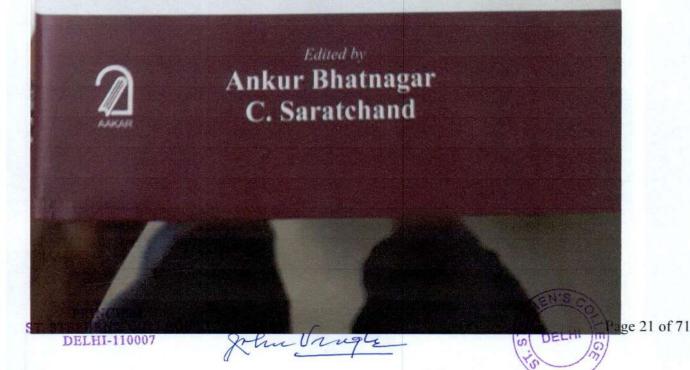
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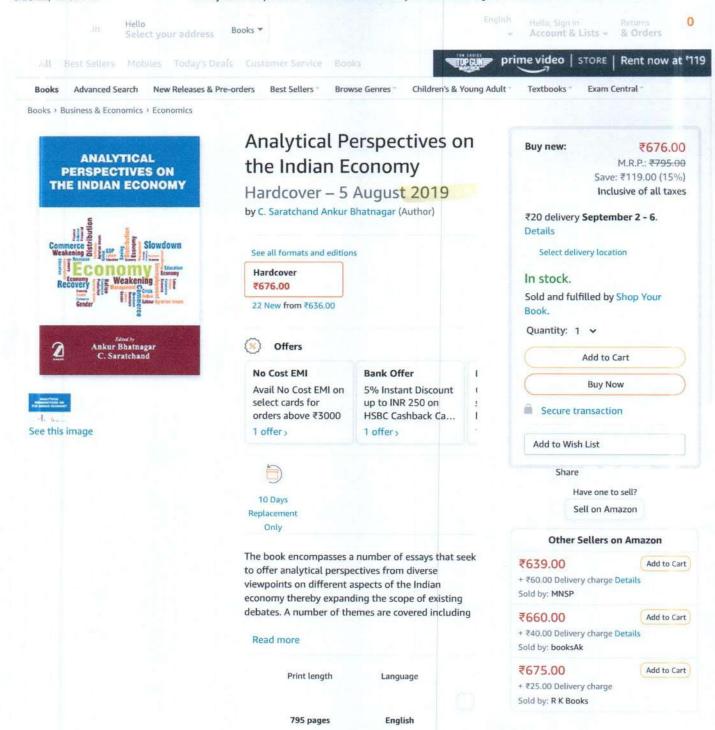




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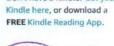
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Comparison of Learning Outcomes in Private and Government Schools (A Pilot Study)

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Introduction

The importance of basic literacy and education in ensuring economic as well as societal well-being cannot be overemphasized. Amartya Sen has repeatedly lamented on the state of primary education in India.

India does have many achievements in the success of a relatively small group of privileged people well trained in higher education and specialised expertise. Yet our educational system remains deeply unjust. Among other bad consequences, the low coverage and low quality of school education in India extracts a heavy price in the pattern of our economic development, Amartya Sen, Hindu, 2011.

Mincer (1974) is one of the first papers that brought to the forefront the importance of education in harnessing earning premiums. Most policy makers in developing countries see education as a necessary requirement to ensure lower levels of poverty, by ensuring higher earnings. However education also contributes in other ways to the well-being of individuals and the society. Education leads to greater labour productivity and labour mobility. Also there are positive interlink ages between health and education. One can also expect a higher level of democracy with Primary education. To sum up, education enables people to escape poverty by building "capabilities" (Sen, 1999).

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Note from the Editor

Aditya Pratap Deo

This issue of *Summerhill* has been delayed much beyond its scheduled publication date; and has passed through the desks of several editors before coming to mine. It is thus a somewhat incongruous collection of essays derived from the different phases of its making. But though it lacks a unity of theme, hopefully, it makes up for it with the diversity and vitality of its contributions.

The theme around which its original set of contributions was based was literary criticism: now this section, with some addition, is christened *From the World of Literature*. The first piece – *Do You Understand me?: The Culture of Translation in India* – is by the noted poet and scholar K. Satchidanandan, who offers a brief meditation on the history and state of translation in the Indian subcontinent. First pointing out the unique qualities of the traditions of translation in pre-colonial times, including that of creative re-readings as well as 'vertical translation', he moves on to track the changes in translation practices in the colonial and post-colonial periods, and ends with an analysis of the challenges facing this critical art today, especially when translation, as conversation between cultures, is the need of our times.

In Mystical, Magical, Maverick Mira: The Poetics of Dissent, Paritosh Chandra Dugar attempts to resurrect a 'poetics of dissent' through an exploration of the 'metaphysics, aesthetics and ethics' of the extraordinary medieval poet and bhakta Mira, with a careful and perceptive reading of her poetry. Dugar takes us on a fascinating journey into Mira's world, where she boldly reinterprets – in her devotion to Krishna and in transgression of the patriarchal strictures of matrimonial duty – the idea of love. In an imaginative use of the analytic of rasa in understanding her poetry, Dugar argues that Mira's love for her deity, sensual and emotional as it was, helped her invert the normative 'impure' into the liberating 'pure'. At the end, this essay foregrounds Mira's very life, lived with freedom of conscience, as resistance to power.

Albeena Shakil's Locating the 'Northeast': Global, National, Regional and Local Novels of Siddhartha Deb, Mamang Dai and Anjum Hasan, as the title suggests, introduces us to the less known but significant English language fiction from the Northeast. Through a study of three novelists, Siddhartha Deb, Mamang Dai and Anjum Hasan, Shakil looks at the themes of identity and belonging, local and global, region and nation, personal and collective, that shape their complex, fragmented and crisis-ridden imaginaries. In our intensely here yet intensely nowhere world, the marginal location of the Northeast, and the multiple alienations that it is suffused with, provide its Anglophone writers with a peculiar if also poignant vantage from which to engage with issues that mark the human condition in general today.

In 'Frames of Return': Sādhanā of Vārtā, Aditya Chaturvedi attempts an emic reading of a Vaishnava text from the tradition which Pustimārga bhakti began Vallabhacharya in the 16th century and has continued in our times. The writer argues that modernist ways of reading texts that were composed in the pre-modern period and are part of living (often oral), non-Western literary traditions, limit our understanding of the true sense contained within. Chaturvedi then creatively uses Aurobindo's idea of spiritual discipline and practice to decode the 'secret' meanings infusing the text in question. We learn that the other-worldly, that which is before and beyond language, is often critical for the practice of language and literature.

In the next section, titled For Our Times, in a standalone piece Teacher as Mandala: Faith, Beauty and Knowing in Times of N/Rationalism, Rizio Yohannan Raj offers us a deeply thought-provoking vision of a world beyond the stultifying order of n/rationalizing regimes, and in the embrace of trans-local, organic 'unorder', where 'true reason'/ 'faith' leads us to the knowledge of the beautiful complex/complex beauty of life and nature, plural and unfettered. In Raj's view, the critical, creative, libertarian and enlightened leader is the figure who negotiates this passage from death to resurrection.

In Satire, we move to Martin Kämpchen's Who is in

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Hindi Publishing in Colonial Lucknow: Gender, Genre, and Visuality in the Creation of a Literary 'Canon' by Shobna Nijhawan, *Delhi: Oxford University Press*, 2018; pp xviii + 241, `1,050.

On page 29 of Shobna Nijhawan's *Hindi Publishing in Colonial Lucknow: Gender, Genre, and Visuality in the Creation of a Literary 'Canon'* we are made to pause at a black and white photograph of a building in ruins. The closed shutters, the dark gaping archway and the signs of dereliction make the story Nijhawan tells all the more poignant. The photograph contrasts with the bright mustard yellow backdrop of the book cover, used to juxtapose lively images from *Sudha*, a Hindi literary journal. Nijhawan's book chronicles the life of this journal, published by the Ganga Pustak Mala Karyalaya, Lucknow, between the years 1927 and 1942. The photograph of the Karyalaya building is a reminder of the depleted archives and challenging circumstances faced by researchers choosing this domain of inquiry. The cover montage from *Sudha* suggests a dogged persistence at work in pursuing the fast disappearing traces of a robust literary culture.

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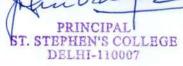
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किंतु, चिरकालिक अवसाद यह है, अतीत की आधि यह है, व्यतीत की व्याधि यह है कि अन्वर्थनामा इस महैश्वर्य मंडन का यथार्थवोध या तो तथाकथित विद्वानों को नहीं है और यदि है भी तो उस बोध से अपने को व्यवस्थित नहीं करना चाहते। यह दुर्भाग्य है कि प्रायः तेरह सौ वर्षों से अपने चिंतन से विश्व को पराभूत करने वाले तथा ज्ञानार्थियों को अपने ज्ञान से अभिभूत करने वाले मंडन को हमने तेरहवीं-चौदहवीं शताब्दी में क्षुद्र मानसिकता से लिखी गयी दो-चार पुस्तकों को प्रमाण मान कर अज्ञान के आवरण में डाल दिया। यदि किसी ने इन्हें इस आवरण से निकालने का प्रयास किया भी तो हमने उनको भी अनर्गल प्रलाप समझ लिया। इस प्रकार शास्त्रार्थ विषयक भ्रांति बनी ही रही, उनके पराजय का मिथक, मिथक ही वना रहा, इतिहास ने भारती को अ-भारती बना दिया, शंकर दिग्विजय प्रमाण बन गया, सत्य भ्रांत वन गया, लोकपरंपरा अरुचिकर हो गयी और तो और मंडन मिथकमंडित हो गये।

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Ionic liquid-based membranes for water softening

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1. Introduction

Increased global human activities (industrial, mining, agriculture, and vehicular) have created serious environmental challenges [1–3]. The polluted environment is a leading cause of a variety of illnesses and diseases to human beings, animals, and plants [4–6]. Air [7, 8], soil [9, 10], and water [11, 12] pollution constitute the three biggest categories of environmental pollution. Among these, water pollution represents a serious problem, which can lead to disasters [13, 14]. The complete purification of water bodies is a challenging task as it requires the search for greener and cleaner alternatives [15–18]. Ionic liquids in the last decade have spawned new dimensions ranging from crystal engineering, to reaction media, to sustainable separation of pollutants [19, 20]. The interesting nature of recyclability has made this area (ionic liquid) more popular among scientists, technologists, and environmentalists [19, 21–23]. Particularly the ionic liquid-based membranes have the unique potential to address fundamental challenges surrounding clean water facilities [24, 25].

1.1 Ionic liquids (ILs)

Ionic liquids are basically stable salts with melting points below 100°C [26]. These usually consist of ions in general, such as large organic cations and small inorganic anions (Fig. 1) [27]. The alkane chains on the organic cation can be engineered efficiently to produce large number of "designer solvents" along with desired physical properties [28]. Moreover, polarity, hydrophilicity, hydrophobicity, conductivity, and viscosity etc. can also be fine-tuned through modification of ionic liquid's cationic or anionic part.

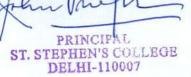
Many features of ionic liquid such as recyclability, low melting point, negligible vapor pressure, nonflammability, enhanced moisture stability, high temperature radiation stability, wide electrochemical potential window, and chemically tunable nature make ILs worthy for replacing common volatile organic solvents [29–33]. Owing to their negligible vapor pressure, ionic liquids are known as "air friendly" and do not release toxic vapors into the atmosphere. Furthermore, ionic liquids containing hydrophobic groups

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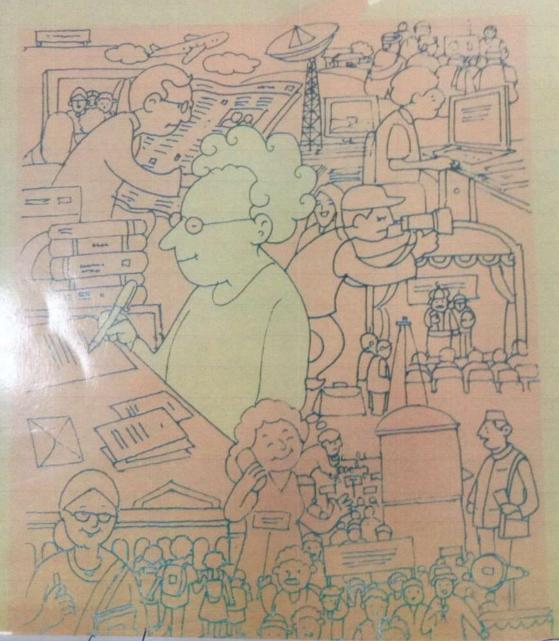
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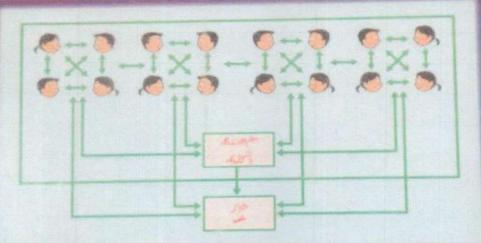
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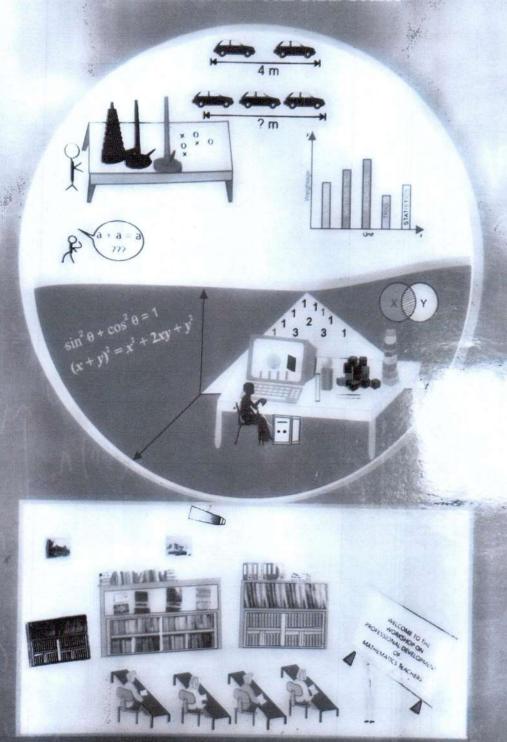
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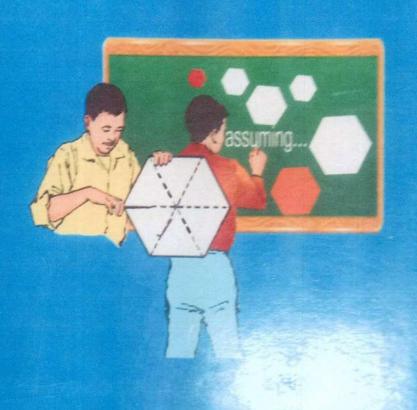
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SŪTAS, NĀSTIKAS AND RETELLING THE MAHĀBHĀRATA

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Romila Thapar has critiqued the representation of Hinduism as tolerant and non-violent. In this paper, I look at the Mahābhārata of Vyāsa, a central text of Hinduism, which is about extreme violence at many levels. The Mahābhārata took shape during a period when a range of belief systems was competing for followers and patrons. This paper draws attention to some of the ways (sometimes rather brutal ways) in which the text responds to the religious plurality of its time. The Mahābhārata calls itself kārsnam vedam, the Veda of the dark one. Vyāsa, and the

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Modes of Marginalization in Kate Grenville's The Secret River: Reading the Politics of Silencing the 'Other'

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But we'll get you all in the end... There's such a bleeding lot of us. He had a quick piercing memory of Butler's Buildings, the coughing and cursing of dozens of men and women pushed in together. He could hear the great machinery of London, the wheel of justice chewing up felons and spitting them out here, boatload after boatload... There won't be no stopping us, he said. Pretty soon there won't be nowhere left for you black buggers. (229)

William Thornhill, the speaker of these lines in Kate Grenville's novel The Secret River (2005), serves as a mouthpiece of the colonial mission of silencing the "black buggers" or the racial 'Other' constituted by the Aboriginal people of the colonized land. In doing so, he recognizes the pioneer role of the Emancipists or the pardoned British convicts in the penal colony of Australia in establishing White settlements in the land of the Blacks. Ironically, he also obliquely acknowledges the 'Otherness' associated with the "bleeding lot of us", that is, the economically exploited and the socio-culturally marginalized people of the Western world, who are trapped in the "wheel of justice" in London only to be released in the other world being taken over by the colonizers. The 'Otherness' associated with the likes of William Thornhill, which can be attributed to their socio-economic position within the borders of the colonizing nation, encourages the reader to question the center-periphery equations of the colonial era by diverting attention to those who inhabit the socio-economic margins at the centre of the colonial empire. This enables the reader to identify various markers of 'Otherness' as well as multiple modes of silencing the 'Other' which operate in the text. However, Thornhill's acknowledgment of the power of the "dozens of men and women" ensnared in the "great machinery of London" to eradicate the "black buggers" from the latter's

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