



Important Books and Authors (Oct - April) 2022 (English PDF)

1. Who authored the book titled 'Chronicles from the Land of the Happiest People on Earth'?

- A. Martha McPhee
- B. Wole Soyinka
- C. Jess Kidd
- D. Armando Lucas Correa
- E. Megan Miranda

Ans: B

Sol:

- Novel titled 'Chronicles from the Land of the Happiest People on Earth' has been released.
- It has been authored by Wole Soyinka (Africa's first Nobel laureate in Literature).
- The book has been published by Bloomsbury India
- He wrote his last novel Season of Anomy in 1973.
- The book is related to political and social corruption.
- It is a stirring call to arms against the abuse of power from one of our fiercest political activists, who also happens to be a global literary giant.

2. Who has authored the book titled 'Economist Gandhi'?

- A. Jaithirth Rao
- B. Shiv Nadar
- C. Nandan Nilekani
- D. Subhash Chandra
- E. Prannoy Roy

Ans: A

Sol:

- Indian Entrepreneur and writer Jaithirth Rao has come out with a book Mahatma Gandhi titled as 'Economist Gandhi: The Roots and the Relevance of the Political Economy of the Mahatma'

• Jaithirth Rao is popularly known as Jerry Rao and is the founder and former CEO of the software company Mphasis

• Book examines Mahatma Gandhi's economic philosophy and his hidden facet personality- thoughts on economics and capitalism.

• It has been published by the Penguin Random House India.

3. Who has authored the book titled 'Quest for a Stable Afghanistan'?

- A. Suhasini Haider
- B. Arfa Khanam Sherwani
- C. Sujeet Sarkar
- D. Rahul Kanwal
- E. N Ram

Ans: C

Sol:

* The book 'Quest for a Stable Afghanistan: A View from Ground Zero' was authored by Sujeet Sarkar.

* The book was published by Rupa Publications.

* It provides a detailed account of how the haggard and faulty policies of the West have put Afghanistan on the deeper and increasingly worrisome crisis

* It provides a daring new outlook denouncing several myths that colour common global perceptions of this war-ravaged country.

4. Who has authored the book titled 'The Custodian of Trust – A Banker's Memoir'?

- A. Shikha Sharma
- B. Rajnish Kumar
- C. KV Kamath
- D. Arundhati Bhattacharya
- E. Aditya Puri

Ans: B



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Sol:

* Former Chairman of State Bank of India (SBI) Rajnish Kumar has come out with his memoir titled 'The Custodian of Trust – A Banker's Memoir'.

* Book has been published by Penguin Random House India.

* It gave a rare insight of how the financial system in our country works.

* Custodian of Trust depicts Kumar's journey from a modest house in the old city of Meerut to being a probationary officer in SBI in 1980 and growing to the post of Chairman in 2017.

5. Who has authored the book titled "Sir Syed Ahmad Khan: Reason, Religion And Nation"?

- A. Shafey Kidwai
- B. J.S. Ifthekhar
- C. Hashim Nadeem
- D. Javed Akhtar
- E. Munawwar Rana

Ans: A

Sol:

• Sahitya Akademi awardee Professor Shafey Kidwai has authored a new book titled "Sir Syed Ahmad Khan: Reason, Religion and Nation".

• The book is an objective analysis of Sir Syed Ahmad Khan the founder of Mohammedan Anglo-Oriental College that grew into Aligarh Muslim University.

• The book is published by Routledge India.

• The book was released ahead of the 204th birth anniversary (17th October 2021) of Sir Syed Ahmad Khan.

• Shafey Kidwai is a reputed scholar, well-known literary critic and columnist who is teaching communication studies at Aligarh Muslim University.

• ii. He won the Sahitya Academy Award, India's highest literary award, for Urdu in 2019 for his book titled "Sawaneh-e-Sir Syed: Ek Bazadeed", a biography of Sir Syed.

6. Who has authored the book titled "Veer Savarkar: The Man Who Could Have Prevented Partition"?

- A. Kundan Kumar and Kulpreet Yadav
- B. Amarendra Tiwari and Prabhat Kumar Tripathi
- C. Uday Mahurkar and Chirayu Pandit
- D. Rama Mohana Rao and Pratap Reddy
- E. None of the above

Ans: C

Sol:

• The book titled "Veer Savarkar: The Man Who Could Have Prevented Partition" has been authored by Uday Mahurkar and Chirayu Pandit.

• The book was launched by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh at Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi.

• The book reveals the work of great leader savarkar.

• The book uncovers Savarkar's best possible pathway towards one nation that rises above religion and caste discrimination and regional feelings.

• It also proves the falsity of charges against Savarkar from time to time and exposes the motives behind them.

7. Who has authored the book titled "Actually... I Met Them: A Memoir"?

- A. Javed Akhtar
- B. Salim Khan
- C. Gulzar
- D. Shafey Kidwai
- E. Munawwar Rana

Ans: C



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Sol:

- Legendary Indian poet-lyricist-director Gulzar has come out with his new book title as 'Actually... I Met Them: A Memoir'.
- It is being published by Penguin Random House India publishing group.
- In this memoir book, Gulzar has shared many interesting unknown facts about legends like Kishore Kumar, Bimal Roy, Ritwik Ghatak, Hrishikesh Mukherjee and Mahasweta Devi, among others.

8. Who is the author of the book titled, "The Stars in My Sky: Those Who Brightened My Film Journey"?

- A. Konkona Sen
- B. Sushmita Sen
- C. Nandita Das
- D. Divya Dutta
- E. Pooja Bhatt

Ans: D

Sol:

- National Award-winning actress Divya Dutta turned an author in 2017 with her memoir 'Me and Ma'.
- And now, news is that her second book titled 'Stars In My Sky' will be out this month.
- In 'Stars In My Sky', Divya will share her emotional journey of becoming an actor along with some of her defining moments as an artist.
- The book also includes her interactions and experiences with some Bollywood legends like Amitabh Bachchan, Irfan Khan, and Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra among others who played an important role in her journey as an actor.
- 'Stars In My Sky' by Divya Dutta will be published by Penguin Random House India.

9. Who has authored the book titled "Kamala Harris: Phenomenal Woman", a biography of Kamala Harris?

- A. Anand Giridharadas
- B. Megha Rajagopalan
- C. Aaranya Rajasingam
- D. Chidanand Rajghatta
- E. C Raja Mohan

Ans: D

Sol:

- Renowned journalist and writer Chidanand Rajghatta have authored a new book "Kamala Harris: Phenomenal Woman", a biography of Kamala Harris, the first women Vice President of the United States of America(USA).
- The book is published by HarperCollins Publishers India.
- The book features the life incidents of Kamala Harris, a woman of mixed race (India and Jamaica) who has become the first Indian descent, the first woman to become the vice president of the USA.
- The book focuses on various aspects of Kamala Harris' identity such as her political career, involvement in California politics and the Senate prior to her presidential run.

10. Who has authored the book titled 'Writing For My Life'?

- A. Salman Rushdie
- B. Ajirvind Adiga
- C. Ruskin Bond
- D. Chetan Bhagat
- E. Vikram Seth

Ans: C

Sol:

- * The 2nd anthology, 'Writing For My Life: The Very Best Of Ruskin' by author Ruskin Bond has been released. It is edited by Premanka Goswami and published by Penguin Random House India (PRHI).
- * The anthology accounts for Bond's life with his father, adventure in Jersey and London etc.



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* The current one, which is Ruskin Bond's 2nd anthology, has been released 25 years after his first anthology of "The Best of Ruskin Bond".

* He was born in 19 May 1934 and won several awards like Sahitya Akademi Award for English(1992), Padma Shri (1999), and Padma Bhushan(2014).

11. Who has authored the book titled 'AIIMS Mein Ek Jang Ladte Hue'?

- A. Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'
- B. Dr Harshvardhan
- C. Dr Randeep Guleria
- D. Mansukh Mandaviya
- E. Prakash Javadekar

Ans: A

Sol:

* The book titled 'AIIMS Mein Ek Jang Ladte Hue' has been authored by the former Union Minister of Education Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'.

* He gifted one copy of the book to the PM Narendra Modi.

* The book was written by him during the COVID-19 pandemic.

* The book was published by Prabhat Prakashan Pvt. Ltd.

12. Who is the author of the book titled as "The Sage with Two Horns"?

- A. Anushka Ravishankar
- B. Preeti Vyas
- C. Radhika Menon
- D. Shobha Viswanath
- E. Sudha Murty

Ans: E

Sol:

• Famous author, Sudha Murty has released her new book titled "The Sage with Two Horns" in which she tells numerous lesser-

known and fascinating stories that have been lost in the pages of Indian mythology.

13. Who has authored a book on Ayodhya verdict titled "Sunrise over Ayodhya: Nationhood in our Times"?

- A. P Chidambaram
- B. Ghulam Nabi Azad
- C. Salman Khurshid
- D. Digvijay Singh
- E. Kapil Sibal

Ans: C

Sol:

* Former union minister & Congress leader Salman Khurshid has launched his book on the Ayodhya verdict named "Sunrise over Ayodhya: Nationhood in our Times"

* Book states about unity between Hindus & Muslims and about creating an awareness that the Supreme Court verdict on Ayodhya was a good one.

* On 9 November 2019, the Supreme Court, in a unanimous verdict, cleared the way for the construction of a Ram temple at the disputed site in Ayodhya.

14. Who is the author of the biography of Olympic athlete Gurbachan Singh Randhawa titled 'Uddna Baaz'?

- A. Pargat Singh
- B. Dalip Kaur Tiwana
- C. Surjit Singh
- D. Navdeep Singh Gill
- E. Waryam Singh Sandhu

Ans: D

Sol:

* Biography of Olympic athlete Gurbachan Singh Randhawa titled 'Uddna Baaz' written by Navdeep Singh Gill.

* The book is published by Unistar Books at Punjab Kala Bhawan.



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* The Book is about Gurbachan Singh Randhawa's journey along with the Document of Nation's sports history.

15. Who has authored the book titled 'The Disruptor: How Vishwanath Pratap Singh Shook India'?

- A. Shashi Tharoor
- B. Debashish Mukerji
- C. Subramanian Swamy
- D. Suhasini Haider
- E. Salman Khurshid

Ans: B

Sol:

* HarperCollins India will publish a book titled 'The Disruptor: How Vishwanath Pratap Singh Shook India' that was authored by Debashish Mukerji on 8th December 2021.

* The book presents a detailed account of India's eighth Prime Minister (PM), Vishwanath Pratap Singh (V P Singh), who served as PM between December 1989 to November 1990.

* V P Singh was known for implementing the recommendations of the Mandal Commission Report 1980 that provided reservations in central government services for the first time to the Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in 1990.

* He also served as the Defence Minister of India & the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh.

16. Who is the author of the book 'Lal Salam'?

- A. Smriti Irani
- B. Brinda Karat
- C. Sitaram Yechuri
- D. Dharmendra Pradhan
- E. Prakash Javadekar

Ans: A

Sol: * Union Minister Smriti Zubin Irani turns author with her debut novel Lal Salaam

* The book is being published by the publishing house Westland

* 'Lal Salaam' is based on the tragic killings of 76 CRPF personnel in Dantewada in April 2010

* The book will be released on November 29

* Lal Salaam is the story of a young officer, Vikram Pratap Singh, and of the challenges he faces against a system that is steeped in backroom politics and corruption.

17. Which of the following has penned down 'Lal Salaam: A Novel'?

- A. Nirmala Sitharaman
- B. Mamta Banerjee
- C. Smriti Irani
- D. Harsimarat Kaur
- E. Maneka Gandhi

Ans: C

Sol:

* Smriti Zubin Irani has come out with her debut novel titled as "Lal Salaam: A Novel".

* This book is likely to hit the stands on November 29, 2021 and will be published by Westland.

18. Who is the author of the book titled '10 Flashpoints; 20 Years'?

- A. Salman Khurshid
- B. Manish Tiwari
- C. Adhir Chowdhury
- D. Murali Deora
- E. Kapil Sibal

Ans: B

Sol:

* Congress Lok Sabha MP and former union minister Manish Tewari has authored the book titled '10 Flashpoints; 20 Years'.



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- The book is set to be released on December 2.
- The excerpts of the book appear to suggest that Mr Tewari -- the official spokesperson of the Congress at the time who later he became the information and broadcasting minister -- was in favour of a tougher response by the UPA government to 26/11 terror attack in Mumbai.

19. Who has authored the book titled 'Resolved: Uniting Nations in a Divided World'?

- A. Kofi Annan
- B. Ban Ki-moon
- C. António Guterres
- D. Boutros Boutros-Ghali
- E. None of the above

Ans: B

Sol:

* Former United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has come out with his autobiography titled as 'Resolved: Uniting Nations in a Divided World'.

* The book has been published by HarperCollins India.

* Ban has described how he became a man of peace from a child of war in his autobiography.

* He also talks about his election to the top UN post in 2006, in which India's Shashi Tharoor was also a contender.

20. Who has authored the book titled 'Conversations: India's Leading Art Historian Engages with 101 themes, and More', based on and around the Indian arts?

- A. Tapati Guha-Thakurta
- B. Brijinder Nath Goswamy
- C. Swaraj Prakash Gupta
- D. Dattatraya Ganesh Godse
- E. Sadashiv Vasantrao Gorakshkar

Ans: B

Sol:

* Renowned art historian and critic Brijinder Nath Goswamy has announced new book titled 'Conversations: India's Leading Art Historian Engages with 101 themes, and More', based on and around the Indian arts.

* It will be published by Penguin Random House India (PRHI) and will hit stands in 2022.

* The book opens a window to a wide range of subjects: on and around the arts.

* It not only invites those interested and literate in arts but also the general readers who want to take a dive into the field of the arts.

21. Who has authored the book titled 'Public Service Ethics – A Quest for Naitik Bharat'?

- A. Prabhat Kumar
- B. M. Venkaiah Naidu
- C. Om Birla
- D. S Jaishankar
- E. Ravishankar Prasad

Ans: A

Sol:

• The book titled 'Public Service Ethics' has been authored by Prabhat Kumar, former Governor of Jharkhand and former Cabinet Secretary to the Government of India.

• The book was released by the Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu.

• The book is published by IC Centre for Governance.

• The book deals with ethics in governance and public service and proposes a collective quest for ethical India or Naitik Bharat.

• It doesn't just talk about the problems and the crisis of ethics – it gives practical and positive solutions and tells you how to head in the right direction.



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22. Who has authored the book titled 'The Midway Battle: Modi's Roller-coaster Second Term'?

- A. Rajnath Singh
- B. Gautam Chintamani
- C. M. Venkaiah Naidu
- D. Prakash Javadekar
- E. Prabhat Kumar

Ans: B

Sol:

* M. Venkaiah Naidu launched a book titled 'The Midway Battle: Modi's Roller-coaster Second Term' authored by Gautam Chintamani and published by Bloomsbury India at Upa-Rashtrapati Nivas, New Delhi.

* The book mentioned the political scenario of India.

* It marks the second tenure of the current Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi.

* The Midway Battle shed light on the various legislations like the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, triple talaq, the Citizenship (Amendment) Act as well as farming laws.

23. Who has authored the book titled 'At Home in The Universe'?

- A. RC Sinha
- B. Injeti Srinivas
- C. Bala Krishna Madhur
- D. Ittira Davis
- E. Prashant Kumar

Ans: C

Sol:

* An autobiography titled 'At Home In The Universe' by Bala Krishna Madhur was released by R.C. Sinha, IAS (Rtd), advisor to the Ministry of Road Development in Mumbai, Maharashtra.

* The book is the autobiography of B K Madhur, a former Chief Executive Officer at DHFL Property Services Ltd, and one of the

key personalities in establishing Dewan Housing.

* The book is published by Bookworld Enterprises of Mumbai.

* The book offers an inside view into the policy environment in the 1980s and 1990s in the Housing Finance Sector.

24. Who has authored the book titled 'Pride, Prejudice and Punditry'?

- A. Salman Khurshid
- B. P Chidambaram
- C. Shashi Tharoor
- D. Manish Tiwari
- E. Subramanian Swamy

Ans: C

Sol:

* Former union minister and Lok Sabha Member of Parliament Dr Shashi Tharoor's 23rd book titled 'Pride, Prejudice and Punditry' was launched in Hyderabad, Telangana.

* The book, published by Aleph Book Company, was earlier launched in Delhi.

* There are ten sections in this book, each devoted to a particular topic such as modern Indian history, Indian Politics etc.

25. Who has authored the book titled 'Raj Kapoor: The Master At Work' that was released by the Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu?

- A. Raj Kumar Santoshi
- B. Rajkumar Hirani
- C. Rahul Rawail
- D. Sanjay Leela Bhansali
- E. Subhash Ghai

Ans: C

Sol:

* Vice President of India, M Venkaiah Naidu released the book titled 'Raj Kapoor: The



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Master At Work' authored by Rahul Rawail and published by Bloomsbury India.

- The book launch event was held at India Habitat Centre in New Delhi, coinciding with Raj Kapoor's 97th birth anniversary.
- The vice president described the book as a "labour of love and dedication".
- The book is also dedicated to Raj Kapoor's second son and father of Ranbir Kapoor, Rishi Kapoor, who passed away in April 2020.
- Raj Kapoor was an Indian actor, film producer and film director who worked in Hindi cinema since the 1950's.

26. Who has authored the book titled 'Gandhi Topi Governor'?

- A. M Venkaiah Naidu
- B. Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad
- C. P.S. Rammohan Rao
- D. Vijay Kumar
- E. Arif Mohammad Khan

Ans: B

Sol:

* M Venkaiah Naidu, Vice President (VP) of India released the Telugu book titled 'Gandhi Topi Governor' by Padma Awardee Dr Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad, Chairman, Official Language Commission, Andhra Pradesh (AP), at Upa Rashtrapati Nivas, New Delhi, Delhi.

* The book chronicles the life of Barrister Idpuganti Raghavendra Rao.

* The book is published by Emesco Books.

* Idpuganti Raghavendra Rao was a prominent freedom fighter, Legislator and the Governor of the Central Provinces in the British Administration.

* He has served in various capacities at the British government, from Chairman of Bilaspur Municipality to Member General of the Governor General's Executive Council.

27. Who has authored the book titled 'Rewinding of First 25 years of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology'?

- A. Ajay Prakash Sawhney
- B. Prakash Javadekar
- C. Ravishankar Prasad
- D. S S Oberoi
- E. Kapil Sibal

Ans: D

Sol:

* The book titled 'Rewinding of First 25 years of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology' authored by S S Oberoi, the former adviser at the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) was launched by Ajay Prakash Sawhney, Secretary of MeitY.

* The book consists of life experience, challenges working as an advisor under the MeitY.

* S. S. Oberoi is a retired adviser in the Department of Electronics (DoE).

* He was the first head of the Software Development Agency and the first adviser of Information Technology.

28. Who has authored the book titled "India's Ancient Legacy of Wellness"?

- A. Bhagat Singh Koshyari
- B. Rekha Chaudhari
- C. Soumya Swaminathan
- D. H. S. Chhabra
- E. Sandeep Vaishya

Ans: B

Sol:

• The book titled "India's Ancient Legacy of Wellness" authored by Dr Rekha Chaudhari was launched in the presence of the Governor of Maharashtra, Bhagat Singh Koshyari.

• It was launched on the occasion of World Digital Day (WDD) celebration.



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- The book highlights how important it is for human beings to be close to nature which helps to revive and recharge to do productive work.
- Dr Rekha has also published many of her research works in the World Health Organization (WHO).
- She was invited by John Hopkins, Harvard and Oxford University to publish her research.

29. Who is the author of the book titled 'Bachelor Dad'?

- A. Salman Khan
- B. Karan Johar
- C. Tusar Kapoor
- D. Sonu Sood
- E. Kapil Sharma

Ans: C

Sol:

* Tusshar Kapoor has written his first book titled 'Bachelor Dad'. The actor became a single father to son Lakshya Kapoor via surrogacy in 2016.

* He has shared his journey of being a single father in the new book.

* The actor has shared his journey of the 'slightly unconventional road to fatherhood' in his debut book, Bachelor Dad.

* On the cover of the book, he can be seen carrying his son.

* Announcing the book, Tusshar wrote, "I WROTE A BOOK! Becoming a father has been one of the most cherished moments of my life and my first book, Bachelor Dad, talks about how I took a slightly unconventional road to fatherhood."

30. Who has authored the book titled "Gandhi's Assassin: The Making of Nathuram Godse and His Idea of India"?

- A. Jayanta Ghosal
- B. Joyojeet Pal

- C. Barkha Dutt
- D. Shekhar Gupta
- E. Dhirendra K. Jha

Ans: E

Sol:

• Dhirendra K. Jha, a Delhi based journalist, has authored a new book titled "Gandhi's Assassin: The Making of Nathuram Godse and His Idea of India".

• The book is published by Vintage Books.

• The book explores Godse's relationship with the organizations that influenced his view and gave him a sense of purpose and draws out the gradual hardening of Godse's resolve that led to Mahatma Gandhi's assassination.

31. Who has authored the titled "Mamata: Beyond 2021"?

- A. Jayanta Ghosal
- B. Joyojeet Pal
- C. Barkha Dutt
- D. Shekhar Gupta
- E. Rajdeep Sardesai

Ans: A

Sol:

• HarperCollins Publishers India is set to publish a new book titled "Mamata: Beyond 2021", authored by political journalist Jayanta Ghosal and translated by Arunava Sinha.

• The announcement about the release of the book was made on 5th January 2022, the birthday of Mamata Banerjee, the Chief Minister (CM) of West Bengal and the leader of the Trinamool Congress (TMC) party.

• The book will be published on 24th January 2022.

• The book explores and examines why the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) lost the 2021 West Bengal Election.



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- Jayanta Ghosal, author of the book, has traveled across West Bengal (to all the districts) and discovered certain key factors that helped TMC win the West Bengal Election of 2021.
- The book also describes how Mamata Banerjee portrayed herself as a daughter of Bengal who works for the poor and disadvantaged people of the state.

32. Who has authored the book titled 'Ratan N. Tata: The Authorized Biography', the authorized biography of Ratan Tata?

- A. H. S. Chhabra
- B. Sandeep Vaishya
- C. Thomas Matthew
- D. S S Oberoi
- E. Ajay Prakash Sawhney

Ans: C

Sol:

- Retired IAS officer and senior bureaucrat Dr. Thomas Matthew has penned down Ratan Tata's authorized biography titled 'Ratan N. Tata: The Authorized Biography'
- The book is set to hit the stands in November 2022.
- It will be published by HarperCollins.
- The book chronicles Ratan Tata's childhood, college years, and early influences, among other things.
- Ratan Tata is an Indian industrialist and former chairman of Tata Sons and awarded Padma Vibhushan and Padma Bhushan (2000).

33. Who has released a book titled 'Praktik, Vaidik avem Jaivik Kheti- Graameen Udyamita Ka Naya Swaroop'?

- A. Narendra Tomar
- B. Manoj Sinha
- C. M Venkaiah Naidu
- D. Satyapal Malik
- E. Amit Shah

Ans: B

Sol:

- * Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha has released a book titled 'Praktik, Vaidik avem Jaivik Kheti- Graameen Udyamita Ka Naya Swaroop' at the Raj Bhavan, Jammu.
- * The book was published by Chudamani Sanskrit Sansthan, Basohli, Kathua
- * It was released as a souvenir after the successful conduct of the Annual Festival and foundation day celebrations
- * In this research-oriented souvenir, scholars of Sanskrit-agricultural science, young researchers have written their research papers.

34. Who has authored the book titled 'The Legend of Birsa Munda'?

- A. Tuhin A Sinha
- B. Ankita Verma
- C. H. S. Chhabra
- D. S S Oberoi
- E. Both A and B

Ans: E

Sol:

- * The book titled 'The Legend of Birsa Munda', authored by Tuhin A Sinha and co-authored by Ankita Verma.
- * The book has been released by Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari.
- * The book is the story of a lesser-known tribal hero, Birsa Munda, who courageously fought against the oppressive British Raj for the rights of his tribal community.

35. Who has authored the new biography of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose titled "Bose: The Untold Story of An Inconvenient Nationalist"?

- A. Chandrachur Ghose
- B. Thomas Matthew
- C. H. S. Chhabra



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D. S S Oberoi
E. Ajay Prakash Sawhney

Ans: A

Sol:

* A new biography of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose titled 'Bose: The Untold Story of An Inconvenient Nationalist' is scheduled to release in Feb 2022

* The book sheds light on Netaji's thoughts on independent India's development, the problem of communalism, geopolitics his political ideology, and how he negotiated with the revolutionary societies, and the govt.

* The book "Bose: The Untold Story of An Inconvenient Nationalist", is authored by researcher and founder of pressure group Mission Netaji, Chandrachur Ghose

* It will be published by Penguin Random House India under its Viking imprint.

* According to the publishers, the book is poised to open a window to many hitherto untold and unknown stories of Netaji coinciding with his 125th birth anniversary.

36. Who has authored the book titled "Last among Equals: Power, Caste, and Politics in Bihar's Villages"?

- A. Tuhin A Sinha
- B. Ankita Verma
- C. Chandrachur Ghose
- D. MR Sharan
- E. Arundhati Bhattacharya

Ans: D

Sol:

• MR Sharan authored the, Last among Equals: Power, Caste, and Politics in Bihar's Villages.

• The book is an account of the author's field study in a group of villages in Bihar.

• The book lays bare how the best of policies, crafted with the best of intentions, get

subverted by local village-level power structures.

• The hero of this book is the little-known Sanjay Sahni, an immigrant from Bihar eking out a comfortable living as an electrician in Delhi.

37. In association with Amar Chitra Katha, which ministry has prepared the comic book titled 'India's Women Unsung Heroes'?

- A. Ministry of Women and Child Welfare
- B. Ministry of Culture
- C. Ministry of Education
- D. Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- E. None of the above

Ans: B

Sol:

• The comic book titled 'India's Women Unsung Heroes' was launched by Union Minister for Culture and author Meenakshi Lekhi at IGNCA, New Delhi.

• The unique book has been prepared by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India in partnership with Amar Chitra Katha.

• It beautifully portrays the tales of valor of our forgotten women freedom fighters.

• The book is launched as a part of the Ministry of Culture's ongoing Amrit Mahotsav.

38. Who has authored the book titled 'Fearless Governance'?

- A. Kiran Bedi
- B. Nirmala Sitharaman
- C. Smriti Irani
- D. Arundhati Bhattacharya
- E. Anupriya Patel

Ans: A

Sol:

• The Book titled 'Fearless Governance' authored by Dr Kiran Bedi has been released.



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- Dr. Kiran Bedi is the former Lt Governor of Puducherry and IPS (retd).
- This book is based on the ground realities of nearly five years of service of Dr. Bedi as Lt. Governor of Puducherry and her vast experience of 40 years in the Indian Police Service.

39. Who has authored the book titled “The \$10 Trillion Dream”?

- A. Rajiv Kumar
- B. Subhash Chandra Khuntia
- C. Subhash Chandra Garg
- D. Ajay Tyagi
- E. Vinod Rai

Ans: C

Sol:

* Former finance secretary Subhash Chandra Garg will soon make his debut as an author with upcoming book, “The \$10 Trillion Dream”.

* The book claims to explore the critical policy issues that India faces today and suggests reforms for it to become a USD 10 trillion economy by the mid-2030s.

* The book scheduled to publish by end of Feb 2022.

* It is published by Penguin Random House India (PRHI).

40. Who is the author of the graphic novel titled ‘Atharva - The Origin’, in which Cricketer Mahendra Singh Dhoni has been portrayed as the superhero Atharva?

- A. Ramesh Thamilmani
- B. Shamik Dasgupta
- C. B. N. Goswamy
- D. Navdeep Singh Gill
- E. Jagreet Kaur

Ans: A

Sol:

* MS Dhoni stars as a warrior named Atharva in an upcoming ‘new age’ sci-fi graphic novel Atharva-The Origin.

* Dhoni unveiled the first look of his upcoming graphic novel Atharva - The Origin.

* The project is created by Virzu Studios in association with MIDAS Deals.

* The graphic novel has been written by Ramesh Thamilmani.

41. Who is the author of the biography of the Tokyo Olympic Gold Medalist Neeraj Chopra titled “Golden Boy Neeraj Chopra”?

- A. Ramesh Thamilmani
- B. Shamik Dasgupta
- C. B. N. Goswamy
- D. Navdeep Singh Gill
- E. Jagreet Kaur

Ans: D

Sol:

* The book ‘Golden Boy Neeraj Chopra’ is penned by sports author Navdeep Singh Gill and was released in a ceremony held at Punjabi Bhawan in Ludhiana

* The biography on Tokyo Olympics-2021 gold medalist Neeraj Chopra was released by chairperson of Punjab Kala Parishad Surjit Patar and president of Punjabi Sahit Akademi Lakhwinder Singh Johal, amid the presence of the author and his family members.

* It is the seventh book written by Navdeep and the sixth placing focus on the sports as well as the sportspersons. The book brought out by Lokgeet Prakashan is from the genre of children’s literature.



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42. Who has authored the book titled “India-Africa Relations: Changing Horizons”?

- A. Shayam Saran
- B. S Jaishankar
- C. Rajiv Kumar Bhatia
- D. Hamid Ansari
- E. Natwar Singh

Ans: C

Sol:

- Ambassador Rajiv Bhatia (Rajiv Kumar Bhatia / RK Bhatia), a Distinguished Fellow, Foreign Policy Studies Programme at Gateway House, has authored a new book (his 3rd book) titled “India-Africa Relations: Changing Horizons” which explores the emergence and assertion of Africa as a significant actor and stakeholder in global affairs and the transformation of the relationship between India and Africa.
- The book is published by Routledge India.
- The book also provides a detailed exploration of India–Africa partnership in all its critical dimensions.
- The book describes the historical backdrop and shared colonial past to focus on and contextualise the evolution of the India – Africa engagement.

43. Who is the author of the book titled “How to Prevent the Next Pandemic”?

- A. Mark Zuckerberg
- B. Tim Cook
- C. Elon Musk
- D. Bill Gates
- E. Steve Jobs

Ans: D

Sol:

- A book titled ‘How to Prevent the Next Pandemic’ authored by Technologist, business leader, philanthropist Bill Gates and will be published this year in May 2022.

- In the book Bill Gates has written about specific steps that can only stop future pandemics but, in the process, provide better health care for everyone around the world.
- Bill Gates’ last book ‘How to Avoid a Climate Disaster’ was published in 2021.

44. Who has authored the book titled “Humane: How the United States Abandoned Peace and Reinvented War”?

- A. Bill Gates
- B. Mark Zuckerberg
- C. Samuel Moyn
- D. Elon Musk
- E. Steve Jobs

Ans: C

Sol:

- * A new book titled “Humane: How the United States Abandoned Peace and Reinvented War” authored by Samuel Moyn was released.
- * The book is published by Farrar, Straus & Giroux, New York, United States of America (USA).
- * The book highlights the United States of America (USA) strategy on fighting wars and how armed combat was transformed from an imperfect tool for resolving disputes into an integral component of the modern condition.
- * This provocative book argues about the endless wars USA created in the past including Vietnam War (1955-1975), Korean War (1950-1953), World War II (1939-1945) etc and this development might not represent progress at all.

45. Who has authored the book titled “Dignity in a Digital Age: Making Tech Work for All of Us”?

- A. Rajiv Kumar Bhatia
- B. Hamid Ansari
- C. Ravishankar Prasad
- D. RO Khanna
- E. Nandan Nilekani



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Ans: D

Sol:

* A new book titled “Dignity in a Digital Age: Making Tech Work for All of Us” authored by Ro Khanna released.

* The book highlights the effects of changing lifestyle patterns of Americans due to technological progress.

* It also mentioned about the digital divide i.e unequal access to technology and the revenue, as it is one of the most pressing issues faced by the United States.

* The book helps in tackling these challenges head-on and imagines how the digital economy can create opportunities for people all across the country without uprooting them.

46. Who has authored the book titled, “A History of Sriniketan: Rabindranath Tagore’s Pioneering Work in Rural Construction”?

- A. Uma Das Gupta
- B. Sagrika Ghose
- C. RO Khanna
- D. Rajiv Kumar Bhatia
- E. Navdeep Singh Gill

Ans: A

Sol:

• The book, “A History of Sriniketan: Rabindranath Tagore’s Pioneering Work in Rural Construction”, is written by historian and Tagore biographer Uma Das Gupta.

• It is published under Niyogi Book’s ‘Paper Missile’ imprint.

• Tagore’s work in ‘village reconstruction’ at Sriniketan is not as widely known as his work at Santiniketan, popularly known today as a university town.

• The idea of doing something to redeem the neglected village came to Tagore when he first went to live in his family’s agricultural estates in East Bengal during the 1890s.

47. Who has authored the book titled ‘The Great Tech Game: Shaping Geopolitics and the Destinies of Nations?’

- A. Anirudh Suri
- B. Rajiv Kumar Bhatia
- C. RO Khanna
- D. Uma Das Gupta
- E. Navdeep Singh Gill

Ans: A

Sol:

* Famous Indian author Anirudh Suri has come out with his new book titled as ‘The Great Tech Game: Shaping Geopolitics and the Destinies of Nations.’

* It has been published by HarperCollins India publication.

* The book lays out a roadmap for how any country must develop its own strategic plan to succeed in this technology-dominant era.

* He is the founding partner and managing director of India Internet Fund.

48. Who has authored the book titled “Udaan Ek Majdoor Bachhe Ki” about Captain AD Manek that was released by the famous Bhajan Samrat Anup Jalota?

- A. Mithilesh Tiwari
- B. Anirudh Suri
- C. RO Khanna
- D. Rajiv Kumar Bhatia
- E. Uma Das Gupta

Ans: A

Sol:

• A new book titled “Udaan Ek Majdoor Bachhe Ki” about Captain AD Manek was authored by Mithilesh Tiwari and was released by the famous Bhajan Samrat Anup Jalota in Mumbai, Maharashtra.

• The program was well organized by Shailesh B Tiwari of P Club Education Pvt Ltd.



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- It highlights the life journey, struggle and success story of Captain AD Manek.
- Capt AD Manek is the founder of “The Skyline Aviation Club”.
- It was established in 1987 and currently he is presiding as Managing Trustee and Chief Advisor of The Skyline Aviation Club in Mumbai.

49. “One Among You” is an autobiography of who among the following?

- A. H.D Devgoda
- B. Rahul Gandhi
- C. Mamta Banerjee
- D. MK Stalin
- E. Pinarayi Vijayan

Ans: D

Sol:

- Autobiography of MK Stalin, the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu was launched by Rahul Gandhi.
- The title of the book is “Ungalil Oruvan” which means “One Among You”.
- This is the first part of the autobiography that contains his early life experiences.
- Stalin is the president of the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) party.

50. Originally written as “Ullas Ki Naav” is the biography of who among the following that has been translated in English as ‘The Queen of Indian Pop’?

- A. Alisha Chinai
- B. Lata Mangeshkar
- C. Usha Uthup
- D. Asha Bhosle
- E. Sunidhi Chauhan

Ans: C

Sol:

- The biography of pop icon Usha Uthup titled “The Queen of Indian Pop: The

Authorised Biography of Usha Uthup” was released on February 28, 2022.

- The book was originally written in Hindi titled “Ullas Ki Naav” by author Vikas Kumar Jha. “The Queen of Indian Pop: The Authorised Biography of Usha Uthup” is the English translation of the book, translated by the writer’s daughter Srishti Jha.

51. Who has authored the first authorized biography of Rahul Bajaj titled “Rahul Bajaj: An Extraordinary Life”?

- A. Gita Piramal
- B. Ayesha Faridi
- C. Julian Birkinshaw
- D. Shaili Chopra
- E. Sucheta Dalal

Ans: A

Sol:

- * The first authorized biography titled “Rahul Bajaj: An Extraordinary Life”, authored by Gita Piramal and published by Penguin Random House (PRHI) will be launched on 21 March 2022.
- * The book is based on the life of the late iconic industrialist Rahul Bajaj.
- * It highlights his life’s journey, struggle and challenges in becoming one of the most well regarded business personalities in the world.

52. Who is the author of the book-length poem titled ‘Monsoon’ published by the Sahitya Akademi?

- A. Sitakant Mahapatra
- B. Amitabh Rajan
- C. Abhay Kumar
- D. Syed Asif Ibrahim
- E. None of the above

Ans: C



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Sol:

* Sahitya Akademi, India's National Academy of Letters has published a book-length poem 'Monsoon' by Indian poet-diplomat Abhay K on the occasion of its 68th anniversary.

* Sahitya Akademi was established on 12th March in 1954.

* Its logo was designed by Satyajit Ray himself and Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru was its first President.

* The first book published by the Academy was Bhagwan Buddha by D.D. Koshambi in 1956. It was a translation from Marathi into Hindi.

53. The book titled 'We the people' has been authored by ____.

- A. Krishna Saksena
- B. Bibek Debroy
- C. Y.V. Reddy
- D. Nani Palkhivala
- E. None of these

Ans: D

Sol:

The book titled 'We the people' has been authored by Nani Palkhivala.

54. 'Midnight's Children' is a novel written by ____.

- A. Agatha Christie
- B. Salman Rushdie
- C. Barbara Cartland
- D. Agatha Christie
- E. None of these

Ans: B

Sol:

'Midnight's Children' is a novel written by Salman Rushdie.

55. Who is the author of the book "Crunch Time: Narendra Modi's National Security Crises"?

- A. Vikram Seth
- B. Sreeram Chaulia
- C. Arundhati Roy
- D. Aravind Adiga
- E. Kiran Desai

Ans: B

Sol:

• Sreeram Chaulia is the author of the book "Crunch Time: Narendra Modi's National Security Crises".

• The book was recently released by Meenakshi Lekhi, Minister of State for External Affairs.

56. In April 2022, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has released a book on the life of tribal freedom fighter Birsa Munda, titled 'Birsa Munda - Janjatiya Nayak', is written by whom?

- A. Prof Dinesh Singh
- B. Prof V.K.R.V. Rao
- C. Prof Ram Kishor
- D. Prof Alok Chakrawal
- E. Prof Yogesh Singh

Ans: D

Sol:

• Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan has released a book on tribal freedom fighter Birsa Munda.

• The 'Birsa Munda - Janjatiya Nayak' is titled book written by Prof Alok Chakrawal, Vice-Chancellor of Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya Bilaspur.



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57. Who is the writer of the book, titled "Not Just A Nightwatchman"?

- A. Andimuthu Raja
- B. Durga Shakti Nagpal
- C. Ashok Khemka
- D. Vinod Rai
- E. Diana Edulji

Ans: D

Sol:

* Former Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG), Vinod Rai has authored a book "Not Just A Nightwatchman: My Innings with BCCI".

* He was a chairman of the Committee of Administrators (CoA) formed by the Supreme Court for BCCI in 2017 for 33 months.

* Recently, Rai has been appointed as chairman and independent non-executive director of Kalyan Jewellers.

58. Name the author of the book 'Hear Yourself', which has recently launched for the Indian subcontinent in Mumbai?

- A. Chetan Bhagat
- B. Prem Rawat
- C. Jhumpa Lahiri
- D. 14th Dalai Lama
- E. Nomalizo Leah Tutu

Ans: B

Sol:

Author Prem Rawat has launched his book 'Hear Yourself' for Indian subcontinent in Mumbai.

This is the New York Times bestseller book which is already available in 58 countries and five languages.

This book assists people to understand their own potential, develop better self-understanding, and helps them to find out peace in a noisy world.

59. Who is the author of the book "The Boy Who Wrote a Constitution"?

- A. Ankit Tiwari
- B. Rajesh Talwar
- C. Amar Kidwai
- D. Megha Majumdar
- E. Nirmal Bhatt

Ans: B

Sol:

• The book titled "The Boy Who Wrote a Constitution" was released on the occasion of the 131st birth anniversary of Dr BR Ambedkar.

• The book was authored by Rajesh Talwar and published by Ponytale Books.

60. Who has authored the book titled "Atal Bihari Vajpayee", the biography on the former Prime Minister of India?

- A. Ravishankar Prasad
- B. Prakash Javadekar
- C. Meenakshi Lekhi
- D. Sagarika Ghose
- E. Anupriya Patel

Ans: D

Sol:

• Book titled "Atal Bihari Vajpayee" authored by Sagarika Ghose has been launched. It is a biography on the former Prime Minister of India.

• Sagarika Ghose is a journalist. She has also authored a book titled "Indira: India's Most Powerful Prime Minister".



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