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Sonia Gandhi Penguin Books India

It was in 1973 that G.B.S. Sidhu, a young official with the newly set-up Research and Analysis Wing (R&AW), took charge of the field office in Gangtok in 1973. With an insider's view of the events that led to the Chogyal's ouster, he presents a first-hand account of the fledgling democracy movement and the struggle for reforms led by Kazi Lhendup Dorji in a society that

was struggling to come to terms with the modern world. In his fast-paced, clear-sighted narrative, Sidhu tracks the reasons behind New Delhi's shift from a long-standing pro-Chogyal stand to a pro-democracy position and maps the political alignments on the ground in Sikkim. He outlines the interplay of personalities- Indira Gandhi, the Chogyal, the Kazi, and the Indian officials and intelligence agencies involved-to reveal the chain of events that led to the merger of the Himalayan kingdom with India. Persons, Passions & Politics Oxford India Paperbacks/Oxford University Press

We live in an era of nation-states. Nationhood is predicated on shared sense of past and a common purpose of future. More than nation-state, India is a civilization, a complete civilization. To keep this civilization fresh and vibrant, winds from all directions are imperative for its nourishment. But, winds cannot be allowed to build into destructive storms, that threaten to uproot the civilization, the very basis of nationhood. Jihadism and Maoism are the two main destructive storms. Fueling these storms are India's enemies as well as the forces of proselytization. They have to be crushed

both at ideological and physical levels. We have been squeamish in dealing with the problems because of the misplaced notion that all ideologies are basically benign and beneficial, they are not. 73 years of our post-independence experience is testimony. This misplaced notion has caused at least a lakh lives in Kashmir alone, resulting in ethnic cleansing of Hindus from the Valley by the jihadists. Sardar Patel did crush the communist revolt in Telangana, but in the following years due to subversion of our political class, it grew into the 'Red Corridor', i.e. from Tirupati to Pashupati. These forces have to be vanquished to secure the internal or the third front. This book 'Know the Anti-Nationals' exposes these enemies within.

My Unforgettable Memories University of Chicago Press

Stories To Inspire People Who Despair About India Bapu Kuti, At Sewagram Ashram, Wardha, Is The Mud Hut Which Was Mahatma Gandhi's Last Home. Half A Century After Bapu Was Killed, The Kuti Is Alive With Gatherings Of People Who Share His Dreams. They Do Not Call Themselves Gandhians . Yet, As They

Search For Solutions To The Many Problems Of Modern India, These Activists Find Themselves Coming To The Same Conclusions As Had Gandhi. In This Collection, Rajni Bakshi Explores The World And Lives Of Twelve Such People Who Have Turned Their Backs On Lucrative Professions To Embark On A Search For Practical And Humane Ways Of Political And Social Transformation, Rooted In The Faith That A New India With Prosperity For All Can Be Built On The Strengths Of Cooperation And Community. In Rajasthan, For Instance, Through A Rare Community Effort, Villagers Make A Creative Livelihood Instead Of Migrating To Urban Slums; In Andhra, Impoverished Weavers Gain New Life By Reviving Their Dying Craft; In Bhagalpur, Bihar, A Movement Is Launched To Liberate Mother Ganga. These Images Of Passionate Creativity Present An India Seldom Seen In The Mainstream Media. They Challenge The Pervasive Cynicism Of Our Times To Show That Idealism Did Not Die With Gandhi. Affirming Humanity's Ceaseless Striving To Evolve To Higher Levels Of Being, They Anticipate An Age When Conciliation Must Replace Confrontation

For Building A More Just Future.

Nehru's 97 Major Blunders Juggernaut Books

It is a fascinating book about a fascinating personality written in a fascinating fashion. That sums it all. Sir Dr. Ravi Singavarapu has succeeded in weaving magic with his pen. He brings out the interesting aspects of Sonia Gandhi's life and personality in an interesting manner. In 'Meeting Clinton', 'Meeting Musharraf' and 'Meeting the Russian President' he talks of the instances when she met each of them. In 'New Definition of Sacrifice' he brings out the way in which she sacrificed the highest post. Sonia Gandhi's tastes, habits, traits and even policies are brought out interestingly by Sir Ravi Singavarapu. It is indeed an interesting read. Enjoy.

Digital Activism in Asia Reader
Canongate Books

"Don't miss this equivalent of a brilliant graduate course from a feisty and exhilarating teacher." -The Washington Post An engrossing and definitive narrative account of history and myth, The Hindus offers a new way of understanding one of the world's oldest major religions. Hinduism does not lend itself easily to a

strictly chronological account. Many of its central texts cannot be reliably dated within a century; its central tenets arise at particular moments in Indian history and often differ according to gender or caste; and the differences between groups of Hindus far outnumber the commonalities. Yet the greatness of Hinduism lies precisely in many of these idiosyncratic qualities that continues to inspire debate today. This groundbreaking work elucidates the relationship between recorded history and imaginary worlds, the inner life and the social history of Hindus. *Rogue Elephant* Penguin UK

A lively portrait the state of India today and an investigation of what the future holds for the world's fastest-growing country, as told by those in the thick of the action

Indira Gandhi Penguin Books India

In the year 1965, Sonia Maino, a 19-year-old Italian student met a young Indian boy, Rajiv Gandhi, while they were both studying in Cambridge. She was born into a modest family in suburban Turin, where her father was a strict man who kept a close eye on his three daughters. Much to his chagrin, his painfully-shy middle

daughter, of whom he was especially protective, fell in love with a man belonging the most powerful family in India. This marked the beginning of a story unlike any other - of a carefree Italian girl who was compelled to take on the murky world of rajneeti. With information sourced from close friends and colleagues, this book examines how Sonias courage, honesty and dedication have made her a leader in the eyes of one-sixth of humanity. From her idyllic childhood to her passionate love affair and from her days as a docile daughter-in-law to her current status of being the only Indian politician to have refused prime ministership.

Such a Long Journey National Geographic Books

Shashi Deshpande's latest novel explores the lives of two women, one obsessed with music and the other a passionate believer in Communism, who break away from their families to seek fulfilment in public life. Savitribai Indorekar, born into an orthodox Hindu family, elopes with her Muslim lover and accompanist, Ghulaam Saab, to pursue a career in music. Gentle, strong-willed Leela, on the other hand, gives her life to the Party, and to working with the

factory workers of Bombay. Fifty years after these events have been set in motion, Madhu, Leela's niece, travels to Bhavanipur, Savitribai's home in her last years, to write a biography of Bai. Caught in her own despair over the loss of her only son. Madhu tries to make sense of the lives of Bai and those around her, and in doing so, seeks to find a way out of her own grief.

One Life is Not Enough Conran Octopus

"Somehow I woke up one day and found myself in bed with a stranger." Meant literally or figuratively, this statement describes one of the best-known plots in world mythology and popular storytelling. In a tour that runs from Shakespeare to Hollywood and from Abraham Lincoln to Casanova, the erudite and irrepressible Wendy Doniger shows us the variety, danger, and allure of the "bedtrick," or what it means to wake up with a stranger. The Bedtrick brings together hundreds of stories from all over the world, from the earliest recorded Hindu and Hebrew texts to the latest item in the Weekly World News, to show the hilariously convoluted sexual scrapes that people manage to get themselves into and out of. Here you will

find wives who accidentally commit adultery with their own husbands. You will read Lincoln's truly terrible poem about a bedtrick. You will learn that in Hong Kong the film *The Crying Game* was retitled *Oh No! My Girlfriend Has a Penis*. And that President Clinton was not the first man to be identified by an idiosyncratic organ. At the bottom of these wonderful stories, ancient myths, and historical anecdotes lie the dynamics of sex and gender, power and identity. Why can't people tell the difference in the dark? Can love always tell the difference between one lover and another? And what kind of truth does sex tell? Funny, sexy, and engaging, *The Bedtrick* is a masterful work of energetic storytelling and dazzling scholarship. Give it to your spouse and your lover.

A Life Among the Scorpions Harper Collins
The definitive and first non-partisan biography of one of the most formidable political figures of the twentieth century (voted Woman of the Millennium in a BBC poll, 2000)

The Bones of Grace Hachette UK
Reminiscences of the author, special assistant, 1946 to 1959, to Jawaharlal Nehru, 1889-1964, former Prime Minister

of India.

Know the Anti-Nationals Simon & Schuster
Fashion in India is distinctly unique, in its aesthetics, systems, designers and influences. Indian Fashion is the first study of its kind to examine the social, political, global and local elements that give shape to this multifaceted center. Spanning India's long historical contribution to global fashion to the emergence of today's vibrant local fashion scene, Sandhu provides a comprehensive overview of the Indian fashion world. From elite high-end to street style of the masses, the book explores the complex realities of Indian dress through key issues such as identity, class, youth and media. This groundbreaking book does not simply apply western fashion theory to an Indian context, but allows for a holistic understanding of how fashion is created, worn, displayed and viewed in India. Accessibly written, *Indian Fashion* will be a fantastic resource for students of fashion, cultural studies and anthropology.

The Bedtrick Rupa Publications
Such a Long Journey is set in (what was then) Bombay against the backdrop of war in the Indian subcontinent and the birth of

Bangladesh, telling the story of the peculiar way in which the conflict impinges on the lives of Gustad Noble, an ordinary man, and his family. It was the brilliant first novel by one of the most remarkable writers to have emerged from the Indian literary tradition in many years. It was shortlisted for the 1991 Booker Prize, and won the 1992 Commonwealth Writers Prize.

Small Remedies Bloomsbury Publishing
The book is an autobiography of the former External Affairs Minister and senior Congress Party leader Natwar Singh. In the autobiography, Natwar Singh has shared his experiences on several events in the political corridors of Delhi. He has also described his early years as a diplomat, his proximity to former Prime Ministers Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi and to events post-Rajiv Gandhi's assassination in 1991 - including information about Sonia Gandhi, the President of the Congress Party.

Bapu Kuti Faber & Faber
Tavleen Singh's acclaimed and bestselling memoir begins in the summer of 1975 when, not yet twenty-five, she started working as a junior reporter in the

Statesman in New Delhi. Within five weeks, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi declared the Emergency, and soon reckless policies said to be authored by her younger son were unleashed on India's citizens. In 1984, following Indira Gandhi's assassination, Rajiv Gandhi became Prime Minister, fortified by a huge mandate from a nation desperate for change. But, belying its hopes, the young leader chose for himself a group of advisors, friends and acolytes just as unaware as him of the ground realities of a complex nation. It was the beginning of a political culture of favouritism and ineptitude that would take hold at the highest levels of government, stunting India's ambitions and frustrating its people for years to come. A sharp account of these turbulent years, *Durbar* describes the Nehruvian era of Singh's childhood, the Emergency of her youth and the political shifts that followed, bringing with them insurgencies, massacres, and crises internal and external. This remarkable memoir, vivid with the colour of election campaigns and society dinners, low conspiracies and high corruption, reminds us of this truth: that if India is to achieve a better future, the past

cannot be ignored or forgotten. [Gujarat](#) Penguin Books India
On 21 May 1991, journalist Neena Gopal had finished just one part of an interview with Rajiv Gandhi—the last of his life—when his car reached the election rally at Sriperumbudur. Moments later, Rajiv Gandhi was dead, blown up by suicide bomber Dhanu, irrevocably changing the course of Indian politics, as Neena Gopal, just yards behind him, watched in horror. In this gripping, definitive book, Gopal reconstructs the chain of events in India and at the LTTE's headquarters in Sri Lanka where the assassination plot was hatched, and follows the trail of investigation that led to the assassins being brought to justice. Drawing on extensive interviews, research and her own vast experience as a journalist, she deftly establishes the background—the shortsightedness of India's Sri Lanka policy; the friction between the intelligence agencies and between the agencies and the external affairs ministry; the many warnings that went unheeded; and the implacable hatred that LTTE supremo Prabhakaran felt for Rajiv Gandhi. Bringing all these

complex threads together, Gopal takes us step by step to Sriperumbudur as Rajiv Gandhi walked inexorably to his death on that tragic May evening twenty-five years ago.

Freedom at Midnight Hachette UK

Zubaida is on a journey to unearth the past. It will lead her from the corridors of Harvard to the scorching deserts of Pakistan, and the bones of an ancient whale. It will carry her back to Bangladesh, and the dark horrors of a ship-breaking yard. Here - deep inside a beached ocean liner, steeped in mystery and tragedy - lies the key to her story. And a lifeline to the man she loves, but whose heart she may never win back. Echoing with loneliness and longing, *The Bones of Grace* is a story of lost love and conflicted identity; of the urgent need to discover who we are, before we can truly belong anywhere and truly love anyone.

The Pregnant King Lotus Collection

Novel based on the diaries of Anita Delgado, 1890-1962, the late princess of Kapurthala.

[The Secret's in the Spice Mix](#) Sahibabad, India : Vicas, c1980 [i.e. 1979]

'Clearing my throat, I announce that I

have an idea for my next book. My mother smiles encouragingly. My father shows no sign of having heard. He is immersed in an editorial, no doubt another scathing comment on the state of the nation. Bravely, I continue. I say I am thinking of writing a book about them.' Strictly Personal: Manmohan and Gursharan is that book. In 2004, Manmohan Singh became prime minister of India. Over the next ten years he led the country through opportunities and challenges, not without some controversy. But this is not that story. This is the story of what went before, and it is told by his daughter

Daman Singh. It charts the journey of a young boy growing up in undivided India, battling family hardship to pursue his dream of higher education, determining his intellectual and moral compass and learning to live life on his own terms. It is equally about Gursharan Kaur, the woman with whom he made that life. Vivacious and talented Gursharan, the centre of the family and of the circle of friends they shared. And about their three daughters, Upinder, Daman and Amrit, growing up with a resilient mother and a workaholic father who stepped into the limelight. Based on conversations with her

parents and hours spent in libraries and archives, this honest and affectionate memoir provides new insights into the former prime minister and his wife. Moving from Gah, Nowshera and Peshawar; through Amritsar, Patiala and Hoshiarpur; to Chandigarh, Cambridge and Oxford; then New York, Bombay and Geneva; and on to New Delhi, this intimate portrayal of two lives is also the history of a nation unfolding over half a century. Sonia Macmillan + ORM Autobiographical reminiscences of a woman political leader from West Bengal, India.