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Indian English Routledge

Rapid developments in the fields of trade, market, commerce and telecommunication technologies, together with cultural confrontations at the global level are creating a paradigmatic shift in people's understanding of selfhood and identity. This book makes a serious attempt to trace and map out the making of contemporary post-national identities within the subcontinental cultural production of India and in its English Fiction. One of the structural ventures of this study is that these newer identities, which are basically fragmented, ruptured, hyphenated, and palimpsestic in nature, require new descriptions and new

elaborations within the field of creative literature and literary criticism. In order to pursue its research on these lines, the present work contrasts the notion of subjecthood and identity with the earlier phases of Indian cultural imagination as represented in some of the pioneering works of Indian English Fiction that have now attained a canonical status. By analysing some of the predominant concerns that work as leitmotif in most of the Indian English novels, the book brings together and reinterprets some problematic concepts such as history, culture, religion, nation and nationalism and creates a theoretical axis upon which it charts insightful and engaging aspects of selfhood and identity.

The Inheritance of Loss Atlantic Publishers & Dist

This book examines the cultural trauma of the Indian Emergency through a reading of five seminal novels. It discusses the

Emergency as an event that prompted the writing of several notable novels attempting to preserve the silenced and fading memory of its human rights violations and suspension of democracy. The author reads works by Salman Rushdie, Shashi Tharoor, Nayantara Sahgal and Rohinton Mistry in conjunction with government white papers, political speeches, memoirs, biographies and history. The book explores the betrayal of the Nehruvian idea of India and democracy by Indira Gandhi and analyses the political and cultural amnesia among the general populace in the decades following the Emergency. At a time when debates around freedom of speech and expression have become critical to literary and political discourses, this book will be of great interest to scholars and researchers of English literature, cultural studies, postcolonial studies, media studies, political studies, sociology, history and for general readers as well.

Writing India, Writing English Cambridge University Press

The Indian English Novel of the New Millennium is a book of sixteen pieces of scholarly critique on recent Indian novels written in the English language; some on specific literary trends in fictional writing and others on individual texts published in the twenty-first century by contemporary Indian novelists such as Amitav Ghosh, Kiran Desai, Aravind Adiga, K. N. Daruwalla, Upamanyu Chatterjee, David Davidar, Esterine Kire Iralu, Siddharth Chowdhury and Chetan Bhagat. The volume focuses closely on the defining features of the different emerging forms of the Indian English novel, such as narratives of female subjectivity, crime fiction, terror novels, science fiction, campus novels, animal novels, graphic novels, disability texts, LGBT

voices, dalit writing, slumdog narratives, eco-narratives, narratives of myth and fantasy, philosophical novels, historical novels, postcolonial and multicultural narratives, and Diaspora novels. A select bibliography of recent Indian English novels from 2001–2013 has been given especially for the convenience of the researchers. The book will be of great interest and benefit to college and university students and teachers of Indian English literature.

The Fiction of St. Stephen's Atlantic Publishers & Dist

Tracks the establishment of a national literature in English for independent India over the course of the twentieth century.

Perspectives on Indian English Literature Pearson Education India

This book is a detailed study of the Indian graphic novel as a significant category of South Asian literature. It focuses on the genre's engagement with history, memory and cultural identity and its critique of the nation in the form of dissident histories and satire. Deploying a nuanced theoretical framework, the volume closely examines major texts such as *The Harappa Files*, *Delhi Calm*, *Kari*, *Bhimayana*, *Gardener in the Wasteland*, *Pao Anthology*, and authors and illustrators including Sarnath Banerjee, Vishwajyoti Ghosh, Durgabai Vyam, Amrutha Patil, Srividya Natarajan and others. It also explores — using key illustrations from the texts — critical themes like contested and alternate histories, urban realities, social exclusion, contemporary politics, and identity politics. A major intervention in Indian writing in English, this volume will be of great importance to scholars and researchers of South Asian literature, cultural studies, art and visual culture, and sociology.

Secularism in the Postcolonial Indian Novel Atlantic Publishers &

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In this award-winning novel, Tharoor has masterfully recast the two-thousand-year-old epic, The Mahabharata, with fictional but highly recognizable events and characters from twentieth-century Indian politics. Nothing is sacred in this deliciously irreverent, witty, and deeply intelligent retelling of modern Indian history and the ancient Indian epic The Mahabharata. Alternately outrageous and instructive, hilarious and moving, it is a dazzling tapestry of prose and verse that satirically, but also poignantly, chronicles the struggle for Indian freedom and independence.

The Indian Novel in English Taylor & Francis

This book has been designed to help the students who want to crack the exams like NET JRF, SET SLET, TGT PGT, etc. It contains several writers and their important works in detail that is useful and exam-oriented. Once you read it, you will recommend this book to others, this is expected.

Indian English and 'Vernacular' India Peter Lang

This Volume Of Essays Examines Some Of The Important Issues In Indian English Literature Emerging Both From Its Search For A New Sense Of Identity And Its Affiliation To A Global Perspective In The Wake Of Post Colonialism. The Essays Comprising This Volume Address Topics Such As Nation And Nationalism, Hybridization And Assimilation, Problems Of Exile And Migration, The Question Of Location And Boundaries And The Place Of Indian English Literature In The Changing Canon Of English Studies. By Focusing On The Shifting Paradigms Of Indian English Literature As A Part Of The Subtle Transformation Of The Global Configurations Of English, The Volume Attempts To Place The Genre Of This Writing Within A Broad Range Of Issues Stemming

From The Peculiar And Problematic Role Of English As A Creative Medium Deployed In Various Ways In The Countries Which Were Once A Part Of The British Empire. For Illustrative Diagnostic Purposes Some Important Writers Like Salman Rushdie, Amitav Ghosh, Attia Hosain, Vikram Seth, Arundhati Roy Are Included In This Volume. But The Overall Focus Of This Volume Is Not On The Individual Writers Or Texts And Their Close Readings, But On Conceptual And Ideological Formations Of The Genre Of Indian English Literature And The Way It Has Entered The Canon Of English Studies In India Both In Its Contestatory And Collaborative Modes.

The Indo-English Novel Oxford Studies in Postcolonial

Indian writers of English such as G. V. Desani, Salman Rushdie, Amit Chaudhuri, Amitav Ghosh, Vikram Seth, Allan Sealy, Shashi Tharoor, Arundhati Roy, Vikram Chandra and Jhumpa Lahiri have taken the potentialities of the novel form to new heights. Against the background of the genre's macro-history, this study attempts to explain the stunning vitality, colourful diversity, and the outstanding but sometimes controversial success of postcolonial Indian novels in the light of ongoing debates in postcolonial studies. It analyses the warp and woof of the novelistic text through a cross-sectional scrutiny of the issues of democracy, the poetics of space, the times of empire, nation and globalization, self-writing in the auto/meta/docu-fictional modes, the musical, pictorial, cinematic and culinary intertextualities that run through this hyperpalimpsestic practice and the politics of gender, caste and language that gives it an inimitable stamp. This concise and readable survey gives us intimations of a truly world literature as imagined by Francophone writers because the postcolonial Indian

novel is a concrete illustration of how “language liberated from its exclusive pact with the nation can enter into a dialogue with a vast polyphonic ensemble.”

Mapping the Nation Cambridge Scholars Publishing

The Indian English novel has come a long way from its infancy in the 1860's to the present day. From being a mere imitation of the western style of writing it has emerged today as a full-fledged form of expression having its own distinct identity and flavour. Endowed with the richness and variety of the Indian soil and weather, the Indian English novel has transcended the barriers of languages to represent the complex national consciousness in its essence. The present book is an attempt to draw attention to the priceless treasure trove of our national heritage. It is an assertion of the nation's voice through the once-colonised and marginalised characters of dalits, peasants, women and hybridised individuals of the present world. It comprises twenty research papers and an interview with an enterprising and well-established scholar. It is hoped that this volume enthuses lovers of Indian English novel and succeeds in providing new insights.

Indian Fiction in English Translation South Asian Literature, Arts, and Culture Studies

Focusing specifically on the poetic construction of India, 'Mapping the Nation' offers a broad selection of poetry written by Indians in English during the period 1870–1920. Centering upon the “mapping” of India – both as a regional location and as a poetic ideal – this unique anthology presents poetry from various geographical nodal points of the subcontinent, as well as that written in the imperial metropole of England, to illustrate how the variety of India's poetical imagining corresponded to the diversity

of her inhabitants and geography.

Indian English Novel: Styles & Motives Routledge

The Study Is A Painstaking Probe Into The Unfolding Of A Hitherto Ignored Thematic And Stylistic Dimension Of Modern Indian English Fiction. Beginning With An In-Depth Analysis Of The Political Underpinnings In The Early Phase, The Study Moves To A Scholarly Critique Of The Same In The Post-Independence Context. Indian English Novel Has Been Appraised As A Human Document, Chronicling Most Credibly The Political Vicissitudes Of The People In General. The Crippling Nature Of The Popular Creed Has Been Isolated As The Cause Of The Personal As Well As The Political Tragedy. The Critique Discovers In Gandhism A Liberating Panacea Which Later Got Ossified Into A Myth. The Differing Perceptions In Novels Of The Light At The End Of The Tunnel Forms Part Of The Next Stage Of The Scholarly Argument. Last But Not The Least, The Book Examines The Artistic Modes Of Projection Of The Political Motif. A Refreshing Insight Into Indian English Fiction, Indian Socio-Political Psyche, The Sociology Of Faith As Well As The Artistic Amalgam Of Aesthetics And Ideology In Indian Literature. An Invaluable Source Book For Researchers, Teachers And Students Of Literature, Politics, Sociology And Philosophy.

The Emergency and the Indian English Novel The Indian English Novel

A History of the Indian Novel in English traces the development of the Indian novel from its beginnings in the late nineteenth century up until the present day. Beginning with an extensive introduction that charts important theoretical contributions to the field, this History includes extensive essays that shed light on the

legacy of English in Indian writing. Organized thematically, these essays examine how English was "made Indian" by writers who used the language to address specifically Indian concerns. Such concerns revolved around the question of what it means to be modern as well as how the novel could be used for anti-colonial activism. By the 1980s, the Indian novel in English was a global phenomenon, and India is now the third largest publisher of English-language books. Written by a host of leading scholars, this History invites readers to question conventional accounts of India's literary history.

Indian English and the Fiction of National Literature Penguin Books India

Cosmopolitanism in the Indian English Novel argues that select novels by Indian writers in English largely present a kind of micro-cosmopolitanism that preserves nation as a primary site for social and cultural formation while opening it up to critique. During colonial times, local cultural expression wrestled with the global as represented by the systems of empire. The ideal subject or literary work was one that could happily inhabit both ends of the center-periphery in a kind of cosmopolitan space determined by imperial metropolitan and local elite cultures. As colonies liberated themselves, new national formations had to negotiate a mix of local identity, residual colonial traits, and new forces of global power. New and more complex cosmopolitan identities had to be discovered, and writers and texts reflecting these became correspondingly more problematic to assess, as old centralisms gave way to new networks of cultural control. This book contends that novels written in the context of the postcolonial cultural politics after the successful attainment of national independence

question how a nation is to be made while recognizing its relation to globalization. The strong waves of globalization enforce sociological, political, and economic values in developing countries that may not be readily acceptable in those societies. Cosmopolitanism in the Indian English Novel focuses on three novelists in particular: Arundhati Roy, Kiran Desai, and Aravind Adiga, all of whom have received the prestigious Man Booker Prize for their work. Despite the varied but broadly elite cosmopolitan positions of these writers, they all depict characters working toward a cosmopolitanism from the grassroots, rather than through a top-down practice. Furthermore, these writers and their works, to varying degrees, turn a suspicious eye to the effects (cultural, economic, or otherwise) of globalization as a phenomenon that can prevent possibilities for more fluid forms of belonging and border-crossing. Cosmopolitanism in the Indian English Novel should appeal to researchers in cultural studies interested in Indian English fiction and/or the form and function of cosmopolitanism in a rapidly globalizing postcolonial world.

Cosmopolitanism in the Indian English Novel Routledge
 "Range of readings by Indian and international critics over a period of six decades, or from the beginnings of a critical discourse in the 1930s until the present time. The four chapters of the book offer a critical investigation into the reception of the novel genre as such and of the works of its three 'founding fathers', viz., Mulk Raj Anand, R.K. Narayan and Raja Rao. The latter chapters are supplemented by a list of the respective author's novels, the most comprehensive critical bibliography to date and a list of critics that includes their publications dates. Following the development of both the emergence of the modern

Indian novel in English since the mid-1930s and its critical evaluation, Riemenschneider illustrates the, at times controversial reaction to a `new` literary genre, as well as the national and international shifts of the critical literary discourse from the earlier close-reading approach of New Criticism to the more recent employment of postmodern and postcolonial theorems. The Indian Novel in English thus offers the reader insight into the development of a particular regional critical scene, as well as into the general critical concern with what is now referred to as postcolonial literature. No serious student of the Indian novel in English should miss this comprehensive, informative and balanced critical study."

Issues of Identity in Indian English Fiction Orient Blackswan
 THERE is a small village on the river Madhumati. On account of its being the residence of wealthy zemindars it is regarded as a village of importance. One Chaitra afternoon the summer heat was gradually abating with the weakening of the once keen rays of the sun; a gentle breeze was blowing; it began to dry the perspiring brow of the peasant in the field and play with the moist locks of village women just risen from their siesta. It was after such a siesta that a woman of about thirty was engaged in her toilet in a humble thatched cottage. She took very little time to finish the process usually so elaborate with womankind; a dish of water, a tin-framed looking-glass three inches wide, and a comb matching it sufficed for the task. Then, a little vermilion adorned her forehead. Last of all some betel leaves dyed her lips. Thus armed, a formidable champion of the world-conquering sex set out with a pitcher in her arm and pushing open the wattled gate of a neighbouring house entered within it. There were four huts in

the house which she entered. They had mud floors and .bamboo walls. There was no sign of poverty anywhere, everything was neat and tidy. The four huts stood on the four sides of a quadrangle. Of these three had entrances opening on the yard, the fourth opened outwards. This last was die reception room, while the others, screened on all sides, constituted the zenana. Some brinjals and salads were growing on the carefully tilled plot of land in front of die raised terrace before the outer room. The whole was enclosed by a reed fence with a bamboo gate. So the woman could easily make her way into the house. It is superfluous to add that she went straight towards the zenana. I know not where the other inmates of the house had gone after their siesta, but at that time diere were only two persons there—one, a young woman of eighteen bent over her embroidery and a child of four immersed in play. His elder brother had wilfully left his ink-pot behind when going to school. The child's eyes had fallen on it, and he was joyfully smearing his face with die ink. He seemed to be afraid of his brother coming back and snatching the ink-pot away, and so he was emptying the pot. The newcomer sat down on the floor by the side of her who was working and asked, "What are you doing?"

Simon and Schuster

The essays in this book look at the interaction between English and other Indian languages and focus on the pressure of languages on writers and on each other. Divided into two parts, the first part of the book deals with the pressure that English language has exerted, and continues to exert, in India and our ideas of connectedness as a nation in the ways in which we deal with this pressure. The essays emphasise on the emergence of

the hybrid language in the Tamil cultural world because of the presence of English (and Hindi); on the politics of 'anthologisation'; and how Karnad's *Tughlaq* deals with the idea of the nation, looking at its historical location. The second part of the book focuses on Indian English literature and deals with how it interacts with the idea of representing the Indian nation, sometimes obsessively, seen both in poetry and novels. The book argues that the writer's location is crucial to the world of imagination, whether in the novel, poetry or drama. The world is inflected by the location of the author, and the struggle between the language dominant in that location and English is part of the creative tension that provides energy and uniqueness to writing.

Myth and History in Contemporary Indian Novel in English

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Indian English and 'Vernacular' India examines the uneasy relationship of English with Indian languages by tracing its lineage in the country and reassessing its character in the age of globalization. The book promotes a symbiotic multilingualism that would enable the consolidated presence of English and Indian languages in the world's largest democracy. This volume will be of interest to researchers and students of literature, language resource studies, Indian writing in English, media studies, culture studies and sociolinguistics.

The Emergency and the Indian English Novel Library of Alexandria

This volume provides a critical reading of Khushwant Singh's *Train to Pakistan* (1956), Neel Mukherjee's *The Lives of Others* (2014) and Rohinton Mistry's *A Fine Balance* (1995) to provide a literary account of three fundamental moments in India's history:

the Partition of 1947, the Naxalbari movement, and Indira Gandhi's Emergency. These novels provide literary interpretations of the ways in which feelings of fear and insecurity connected with ethno-religious rivalries, as well as with new power shifts in Indian socio-economic structure, gave a significant contribution to the formation of the political landscape in post-colonial India. More specifically, defying any kind of identitarian juxtaposition (be it related to ethnic belonging, religion, sexuality, or social class), the present work reads those three major novels in Indian English fiction to investigate how episodes of violence, in the first three decades after India's independence from the British Empire, were enacted under the influence of cultural images and "affects" which legitimised different social groups to claim for themselves the right to prevail over others, or even take their lives. The volume starts with a reflection on the spreading of rumours during Partition in *Train to Pakistan* (1956) and their power to turn friendly communities into sworn enemies. The analysis proceeds then to discuss how the newborn government's struggle to stifle the Naxalbari movement, as it described in *The Lives of Others*, was partly sustained by paranoid feelings projected by the new metropolitan bourgeoisie on the people living in the rural parts of the country. The historical itinerary concludes with an analysis of *A Fine Balance's* description of the two main political objectives of the Emergency: the "beautification" of India and the reduction of the country's population. Both appear to be revealing moments of a predatory character present in the new Indian democratic institutions, transmitted as a kind of bodily contagion.

The Indian English Novel of the New Millennium Cambridge

Scholars Publishing

This Anthology Puts Together Some Of The Finest Articles That Discuss Themes Which Frequently Figure In Current Literary Debates Centring Round Post-Independence Indian English Fiction: Reinterpretation Of Indian History In Artistic Terms, Re-Evaluation Of Indian Culture, Postcolonial Representation Of India In Fiction, Nation And National Identity, Diasporic Indian Experience And Intertextuality. It Thus Attempts A Critical Stock Taking Of The Indian English Fiction Of The Fifty Years Since Independence From These Fresh Perspectives. Almost All The

Important Novelists Of The Three Generations Have Been Studied In This Anthology: Raja Rao, R.K. Narayan, Manohar Malgonkar, Anita Desai, Ruth Praver Jhabvala, Arun Joshi, Kamala Markandaya, Shashi Deshpande, Khushwant Singh, Gita Mehta, Vikram Chandra, Mukul Kesavan, Arudhati Roy And Gita Hariharan. Contributing To This Volume Are Some Of The Best Scholars Like Ragini Ramachandra, Antony Johae, Rama Kundu, M. Mani Meitei, D. Maya, Corrado Micheli And Christopher Rollason.

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