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305 SOCIAL GROUPS

1. Kamrava, Mehran

Iran's intellectual revolution / Mehran Kamrava.-- Cmabridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008. 267p. ISBN: 9780521725187.

305.5520955 KAM08 100777

Relying on interviews with Iranian intellectuals and Persian-language sources, Kamrava (Georgetown Univ.) has written an erudite, sophisticated book about the three major intellectual currents in Iran: religious conservative, religious reformist, and secular modernist. He identifies principal personalities and philosophical underpinnings within each of these contending discourses. This thought-provoking account of the Iranian intellectual and cultural scene will confound stereotypical views of Iran and its mullahs.

** Iran - Intellectual life; Iran - History

320.9 POLITICAL SITUATION & CONDITION

2. Schwartz, Joseph M.

Future of democratic equality: rebuilding social solidarity in a fragmented America / Joseph M. Schwartz. - London: Routledge, 2009. 225p. ISBN: 9780415944656.

320.973 SCH09 100556

Why has contemporary radical political theory remained virtually silent about the stunning rise in inequality in the United States over the past thirty years? Schwartz contends that since the 1980s, most radical theorists shifted their focus away from interrogating social inequality to criticizing the liberal and radical tradition for being inattentive to the role of difference and identity within social life. This critique brought more awareness of the relative autonomy of gender, racial, and sexual oppression. But, as Schwartz argues, it also led many theorists to forget that if difference is institutionalized on a terrain of radical economic inequality, unjust inequalities in social and political power will inevitably persist.

** United States - Equality; United States - Democracy; United States - Solidarity

325 INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION AND COLONIZATION

3. Fekete, Liz

A suitable enemy: racism, migration and islamophobia in Europe / Liz Fekete.-London: Pluto Press, 2009. 259p. ISBN: 9780745327921.

325.4 FEK09 100786

Liz Fekete is a leading authority on issues of racism, Islamophobia and national security legislation. A Suitable Enemy draws on sixteen years of research to present a comprehensive overview of EU immigration, asylum, race and security policies.

** European Union - Racism; EU - National security; Islamophobia; European Union countries - Emigration and Immigration; EU - Race relations

327.1 FOREIGN POLICY AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

4. Derian, Der James

Critical practices in international theory: selected essays / James Der Derian. -- London: Routledge, 2009. 316p. ISBN: 9780415772402.

327.101DER09 100550

The book includes a framing introduction written for this volume in which Der Derian provides historical and theoretical context for a diverse body of work. Discussing his own influences and reflecting upon the development of international theory, he advocates a critical pluralist approach to the most pressing problems of world politics.

** International relations - Philosophy; International relations

327.172 PEACE

5. Building states to build peace / edited by Charles T. Call and Vanessa Wyeth. -- New Delhi: Viva Books, 2009. 438p. ISBN: 9788130909797.

327.172 CAL09 100425

There is increasing consensus among scholars and policy analysts that successful peace building can occur only in the context of capable state institutions. But how can legitimate and sustainable states best be established in the aftermath of civil wars? And what role should international actors play in supporting the vital process? Addressing these questions, this state-of-the-art volume explores the core challenges involved in institutionalizing post conflict states. The combination of thematic chapters and in-depth case studies covers the full range of the most vexing and diverse problems confronting domestic and international actors seeking to build states while building peace.

** Civil wars; Peace building; Post conflict state building

327.54 INDIA – FOREIGN RELATIONS

6. Gerster, Richard

Partners in Development: India and Switzerland / Gerster Richard. -- New Delhi: Social Science Press, 2008. 154p. ISBN: 81358408.

327.540494 GER08 100014

Swiss contribution to Indias development programme dates back to 1958. Swiss Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) were in the forefront of this endeavor followed by the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs in 1961. Since then, India has been the most important partner of the Swiss Government in development cooperation and also for many Swiss NGOs. Making use of case histories drawn from 50 years of wide-ranging cooperation in areas like food and other basic needs, work and income, training and education, rural finance, protection of the environment and participation in society, this book offers a wealth of data and thus contributes to a more informed debate on the merits and problems of development cooperation, in Switzerland, India and elsewhere.

** India-Foreign relations-Switzerland; Switzerland -Foreign relations - India

327.73 UNITED STATES – FOREIGN RELATIONS

7. Bugajski, Janusz

America's new European Allies / Janusz Bugajski.—New York: Nova Science Publishers, 2009. 149p. ISBN: 9781606924334.

327.7304 BUG09 100735

This book provides a set of recommendations to the United States, NATO allies, and EU institutions in promoting a more consequential Eastern Dimension. Above all, the U.S. administration needs to clearly make the argument that progress toward stable states and secure democracies in a widening Europe and an expanding trans-Atlantic community that encompasses the Black Sea zone is in America's national interests and serves its strategic goals.

** United States - Foreign relations - Europe; Europe -Foreign relations - United States; North Atlantic Treaty

330 ECONOMICS

8. Cohen, S. I.

Economic systems analysis and policies: explaining global differences, transitions and developments / S. I. Cohen. - New York: Palgrave Macmillan Publishers, 2009. 439p. ISBN: 9780230223820.

330.1 COH09 100771

This book is a meeting point between economic systems and development economics, offering theoretical foundations and empirical evidence that support the persistence of distinct systemic behavioural differences and developments. The book aims to explain global differences, transitions and development, and classifies systems and countries into behaviourally dominated types, treating rich industrialized countries, transition economies, and world developing regions separately. With coverage of all major regions, this book is essential for all looking for a comprehensive analysis of economic systems worldwide.

** Economics; Economic development; Economic policy

330.9 ECONOMIC SITUATION AND CONDITIONS

9. Phillips, Jack M. ed.

China: economic, political and social issues / Jack M. Phillips and Logan J. Moore. -- New York: Nova Science Publishers, 2009. 307p. ISBN: 9781604567274. 330.951 PHI09 100736

China is blossoming as a world power. In the process, her economic, political and educational issues have become of interest to countries all over the globe. This new book presents in-depth analyses of such issues as foreign policy, FDI, military plans, school reform, currency policies, and overall economic developments.

** China - Economic conditions; China - Economy; China - Social conditions; China - Politics and government

10. Studwell, Joe

Asian godfathers: money and Power in Hong Kong and South-East Asia / Joe Studwell.-- London: Profile Books, 2008. 328p. ISBN: 9781861977014.

330.959 STU08 100103

This is a sad story. A story of abundant wealth diverted, of development Opportunities deferred, of poverty unrelieved. It challenges the myths surrounding Li Ka Shing, Robert Kuok and a group of about 50 others, the economic kings of Southeast Asia he calls godfathers.

** Asia, Southeast - Economy

355 MILITARY ART & SCIENCE

11. Cloughley, Brian

War, coups & terror: Pakistan's army in years of turmoil / Brian Cloughley. -- New York: Skyhores Publishing, 2008. 218p. ISBN: 9781602396982.

355.0095491 CLO08 100714

Explores the place of Pakistan's military and its controversial role within the government since Ali Bhutto came to power in 1971, with specially informed material on its fight against al-Qaeda and the Taliban as well as its operations against the 2003-2004 tribal uprising, providing many new insights into twentieth-century military-political relations.

** Pakistan - Army; Pakistan - Military policy; Pakistan Terrorism; Pakistan - Military history

363 SOCIAL PROBLEMS AND SERVICES

12. Mirza, M. Monirul Qader

Interlinking of rivers in India: Issues and Concerns. -- Boca Raton: CRC Press, 2008. 298p. ISBN: 9780415404693.

363.610954 MIR08 100258

Inter-basin water transfers are complex human interventions on natural systems that can have profound adverse as well as beneficial social, economic and environmental implications. India's plan to interlink its rivers (ILR) and to transfer water may, according to one set of views, generate positive benefits through improved and expanded irrigation and may also contribute to flood and drought hazards mitigation for India, although the magnitudes are debatable. However, there are opposing views, in the context of India itself, that the interlinking plan is economically prohibitive, fraught with uncertainties, and has potential for disastrous and irreversible adverse after-effects. Water deficit can be reduced through improved water management without large scale engineering interventions.

** River engineering - India; Rivers - India; India - Water development resources

363.7 ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS AND SERVICES

13. Faber, Daniel

Capitalizing on environmental injustice: polluter-industrial complex in the age of globalization / Daniel Faber. -- Lanham: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, Inc., 2008. 303p. ISBN: 9780742533912.

363.7 FAB08 101031

Capitalizing on Environmental Injustice is a comprehensive assessment of the environmental justice movement, examining the achievements and challenges confronting the movement, along with an emphasis on new strategies of environmental problem-solving and innovations in environmental policy.

** United States - Environmental justice; Environmental policy - United States; Environmental economics – United States

658.403 INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

14. Freitag, Alan R.

Global public relations: spanning borders, spanning cultures / Alan R. Freitag and Ashli Quesinberry Stokes. - London: Routledge, 2009. 310p. ISBN: 9780415448154.

659.2 FRE09 100605

This text provides a structured and practical framework for understanding the complexities of contemporary public relations. It is an instructional book that guides the reader through the challenges of communication and problem solving across a range of organizations and cross cultural settings.

** Public relations - Cross-cultural studies; Intercultural communication; Culture and Globalization

820 ENGLISH AND OLD ENGLISH LITERATURES

15. Lal, Bela

The night of Kaamini / Bela lal. -- New Delhi: Penguin, 2008. 373p. ISBN: 0143101550.

823 LAL08 100095

Bela Lal's beautifully crafted tale weaves effortlessly between the turbulence of the 1940s the time of Kaamini's youth and the sweeping social changes of the 1980s, as Mita and Amit try to plan their future in the face of silence, opposition and mistrust. Lal's authentic characters, her ability to evoke recent historical periods with vividness and authority and, above all, her unmatched ability as a storyteller, make The Night of Kaamini an unforgettable read.

** Fiction

955 IRAN - GENERAL HISTORY

16. Amanat, Abbas

Apocalyptic islam and Iranian shi'ism / Abbas Amanat.-- London: I. B. Tauris, 2009. 286p. ISBN: 9781845119812.

955 AMA09 100793

Abbas Amanat is one of the leading scholars of Shi'ism. And in this powerful book, a showcase for some of his most influential writing in the field, he addresses the colourful and diverse history of Shi' Islam in both premodern and contemporary times. Focusing specifically on the importance of apocalypticism in the development of modern Shi'i theology, he shows how an immersion in messianic ideas has shaped the conservative character of much Shi'i thinking, and has prevented it from taking a more progressive course. Tracing the continuity of apocalyptic trends from the Middle Ages to the present, Amanat addresses such topics as the early influence on Shi'ism of Zoroastrianism; manifestations of apocalyptic ideology during the Iranian Revolution of 1979.

** Iran - Shiah - History; Iran - Islam; Shiah -Political aspects

956 MIDDLE EAST - GENERAL HISTORY

17. Bassiouni, M. Cherif

A guide to documents on the Arab-Palestinian / Israeli conflict: 1897--2008 / M. Cherif Bassiouni and Shlomo Ben Ami. -- Netherlands: Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 2009. 247p. ISBN: 9789004175341.

956 BAS09 100774

A Guide to Documents on the Arab-Palestinian/Israeli Conflicts: 1897-2008, is a comprehensive non-partisan compilation designed to provide relevant legal and historical source material pertaining to this conflict. Each document is summarized for the reader's benefit. The compilation contains all United Nations Resolutions and Reports, Treaties and Agreements, as well as historic documents that are difficult to obtain.

** Arab-Israeli - Law and legislation; Arab-Israeli conflict - History - Sources; Palestine – International status - History

18. Dawisha, Adeed

Iraq: a political history from independence to occupation / Adeed Dawisha. -- Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2009. 377p. ISBN: 9780691139579.

956.7 DAW09 100692

Dawisha traces the history of the Iraqi state from its inception in 1921 following the collapse of the Ottoman Empire and up to the present day. He demonstrates how from the very beginning Iraq's ruling elites sought to unify this ethnically diverse and politically explosive society by developing state governance, fostering democratic institutions, and forging a national identity. Iraq is required reading for anyone seeking to make sense of what's going on in Iraq today, and why it has been so difficult to create a viable government there.

** Iran - History; Iran - Politics

958.1 AFGHANISTAN - GENERAL HISTORY

19. Gull, Surayia

Afghanistan through passages of history / Surayia Gull. -- New Delhi: Kanishka Publishers, 2008. 107p. ISBN: 9788173919794.

958.1 GUL08 100007

The present book, which is divided into four chapters, in the Chapter Ist "Afghanistan Geo-Political and Historical Perspectives", describes its geo-physical features and stages of historical development in detail. The following chapter "Turmoils in Afghanistan" analyses the history of wars in detail that have taken place in Afghanistan and how their intensity gradually gained momentum. The remaining two chapters "Economic Profile and Afghanistan as a Nation State" deals with basic economic structure of the country and facts the figures of Afghanistan being a nation state.

** Afghanistan - History; Afghanistan - Economy

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