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306 CULTURE AND INSTITUTIONS

1 Change in democratic Mongolia: social relations, health, mobile pastoralism, and mining / edited by Julian Dierkes -- Leiden: Brill, 2012. 332p. ISBN : 9789004224346. 306.09517 DIE12 105038 Some 100 years ago, Mongolia gained independence from Qing China, and more than 20 years ago it removed itself from the collapsing Soviet Bloc. Since then, the country has been undergoing momentous social, economic and political changes. The contributions in Change in Democratic Mongolia: Social Relations, Health, Mobile Pastoralism, and Mining represent analyses from around the world across the social sciences and form a substantial part of the state of the art of research on contemporary Mongolia. Chapters examine Buddhist revival and the role of social networks, perceptions of risk, the general state of health of the population and the impact that mining activities will have on this. The changes of patterns of nomadism are equally central to an

understanding of contemporary Mongolia as the economic focus on natural resources.

** Mongolia - Land use; Mongolia - Mines and mineral resources; Mongolia - Miners; Mongolia - Social conditions Mongolia - Miners - Health; Mongolia - Pastoral systems; Mongolia - Environmental degradation; Mongolia - Social conditions

320.9 POLITICAL SITUATION & CONDITION

2 Thompson, Elizabeth F.

Justice interrupted: the struggle for constitutional government in the Middle East / Elizabeth F. Thompson.--London: Harvard University Press, 2013. 418p.

ISBN : 9780674073135.

320.956 THO13

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The Arab Spring uprisings of 2011 were often portrayed in the media as a dawn of democracy in the region. But the revolutionaries were and saw themselves as heirs to a centuries-long struggle for just government and the rule of law, a struggle obstructed by local elites as well as the interventions of foreign powers. Elizabeth F. Thompson uncovers the deep roots of liberal constitutionalism in the Middle East through the remarkable stories of those who fought against poverty, tyranny, and foreign rule.

** Middle East - Politics and government; Middle East - Justice; Middle East - Constitutional government

321 SYSTEMS OF GOVERNMENTS AND STATES

3 Marten, Kimberly

Warlords: strong-arm brokers in weak states / Kimberly Marten.-- London: Cornell University Press, 2012. 262p. ISBN: 9780801450761.

321.9 MAR12 104955

Warlords are individuals who control small territories within weak states, using a combination of force and patronage. In this book, Kimberly Marten shows why and how warlords undermine state sovereignty. Unlike the feudal lords of a previous era, warlords today are not state-builders. Drawing on interviews, documents, local press reports, and in-depth historical analysis, Marten examines warlordism in the Pakistani tribal areas during the twentieth century, in post-Soviet Georgia and the Russian republic of Chechnya, and among Sunni militias in the U.S.-supported Anbar Awakening and Sons of Iraq programs.

 $\ensuremath{^{\star\star}}$ Warlordism - History; Warlordism and international relations

332.673 INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT

Foreign direct investment and human development: the law and economics of international investment agreements / Edited by Olivier De Schutter, Johan Swinnen and Jan Wouters.-- London: Routledge, 2013. 347p. ISBN: 9780415535472. 332.673 SCH13 104962

This book presents original research that examines the growth of international investment agreements as a means to attract foreign direct investment (FDI) and considers how this affects the ability of capital-importing countries to pursue their development goals. The hope of countries signing such treaties is that foreign capital will accelerate transfers of technologies, create employment, and benefit the local economy through various types of linkages.

** Investments, Foreign - Law and legislation; Law and economic development; Investments, Foreign (International law); Investments, Foreign - Economic aspects

337.1 ECONOMIC COOPERATION

5 Cooper, Andrew F.

Group of twenty (G20) / Andrew F. Cooper and Ramesh Thakur.-- London: Routledge, 2013. 169p.

ISBN : 9780415780889.

337.1 COO13

104828 This work offers a concise examination of the purpose, function and practice of the Group of Twenty (G20) summit. Providing a comprehensive historical account of the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors process, the text then moves on to outline the conditions, events and debates that led to the formation of the permanent, expanded leaders' level forum. The historical span of the G20 Summit process is not long, but the global transformations that precipitated it are crucial when seeking to understand it.

** Group of Twenty; International economic relations; G20

338.9 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH, ECO. PLANNING

6 Narrowing the development gap in ASEAN: drivers and policy options / Edited by Mark McGillivray and David Carpenter. -- London: Routledge, 2013. 221p. ISBN : 9780415817615.

338.959 MCG13

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An important part of the vision of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) is to ensure that the benefits of development and economic integration are equitably shared by all member states and their citizens. ASEAN's work therefore aims to narrow the development gap between ASEAN member states (Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Brunei Darussalam, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam) and between subregions within ASEAN. Written by a team of internationally recognised experts in development economics, this book communicates the latest findings on narrowing the development gap in a practical, policyrelevant way, in a format that can influence decision makers within ASEAN member states and international donors.

** Southeast Asia - Economic development; Southeast Asia Poverty; Southeast Asia - Economic conditions - Regional disparities; Southeast Asia - Economic policy; ASEAN

341.4 HUMAN RIGHTS

7 Freedman, Rosa

United Nations Human Rights Council: a critique and early assessment / Rosa Freedman. -- London: Routledge, 2013. 330p.

ISBN : 9780674073135.

341.4 FRE13

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The United Nations Human Rights Council was created in 2006 to replace the UN Commission on Human Rights. The Council's mandate and founding principles demonstrate that one of the main aims, at its creation, was for the Council to overcome the Commission's flaws. Despite the need to avoid repeating its predecessor's failings, the Council's form, nature and many of its roles and functions are strikingly similar to those of the Commission.

** United Nations Human Rights Council; Human rights

347 CIVIL PROCEDURE AND COURTS

8 Fates of political liberalism in the British post-colony: the politics of the legal complex / edited by Terence C. Halliday, Lucien Karpik and Malcolm M.-- Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012. 555p.

ISBN : 9781107012783.

349.11241 HAL12

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What explains divergences in political liberalism among new nations that shared the same colonial heritage? This book assembles exciting original essays on former colonies of the British Empire in South Asia, Africa, and Southeast Asia that gained independence after World War II. The interdisciplinary country specialists reveal how inherent contradictions within British colonial rule were resolved after independence in contrasting liberal-legal, despotic, and volatile political orders. Through studies of the longue durée and particular events, this book presents a theory of political liberalism in the post-colony and develops rich hypotheses on the conditions under which the legal complex, civil society, and the state shape alternative postcolonial trajectories around political freedom.

** South Asia - Law - Colonial influence; Africa, Southern - Colonial influence; South Asia - Lawyers -Political activity; Africa, Southern - Lawyers - Political activity; South Asia - Liberalism; Africa, Southern - Liberalism; South Asia - Post colonialism; Africa, Southern - Post colonialism

951.5 TIBET - GENERAL HISTORY

9 Tibetan history reader / Edited by Gray Tuttle and Kurtis R. Schaeffer.-- New York: Columbia University Press, 2013 720p.

ISBN : 9780231144698.

951.5 TUT13 104954

Covering the social, cultural, and political development of Tibet from the seventh century to the modern period, this resource reproduces essential, hard-to-find essays from the past fifty years of Tibetan studies, along with several new contributions. Beginning with Tibet's

emergence as a regional power and concluding with its profound contemporary transformations, the collection is both a general and specific history, connecting the actions of individuals, communities, and institutions to broader historical trends shaping Asia and the world.

** Tibet Region - History; Tibet Region - Civilization; Tibet Autonomous Region (China) - History

954.91 PAKISTAN - GENERAL HISTORY

Bangladesh reader: history, culture, politics / Edited by Meghna Guhathakurta and Willem van Schendel.-- London: Duke University Press, 2013. 550p.

ISBN : 9780822353041.

954.92 GUH13 104931

Bangladesh is the world's eighth most populous country. It has more inhabitants than either Russia or Japan, and its national language, Bengali, ranks sixth in the world in terms of native speakers. Founded in 1971, Bangladesh is a relatively young nation, but the Bengal Delta region has been a major part of international life for more than 2,000 years, whether as an important location for trade or through its influence on Buddhist, Hindu, and Muslim life. Yet the country rarely figures in global affairs or media, except in stories about floods, poverty, or political turmoil. The Bangladesh Reader does what those portrayals do not: It illuminates the rich historical, cultural, and political permutations that have created contemporary Bangladesh, and it conveys a sense of the aspirations and daily lives of Bangladeshis. ** Bangladesh - History; Bangladesh - Civilization; Bangladesh - Politics and government

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