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303.4 SOCIAL CHANGE

- 1 Ray, Arjun
Peace is everybody's business: strategy for conflict prevention / Arjun Ray.-- New Delhi: Sabe Publications, 2012.
ISBN : 9788132109433.
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Arjun Ray's book is based on the dialogue around the counterinsurgency doctrine, arguing that the main strategy towards this aim should be preventing people from feeling alienated. The central focus of this strategy, which the author in his capacity as an army man successfully executed in Operation Sadhbhavna, is the people. The author proposes a three-pronged strategy to achieve success preventing conflict by addressing human security through human development, pursuing a policy of atonement and forgiveness, and eliminating trust deficit between the State and the marginalized the three pillars of Operation Sadhbhavna.
** Conflict management; Peace-building

320 POLITICAL SCIENCE

- 2 Joyce, Richard
Competing sovereignties / by Richard Joyce.-- New York: Routledge, 2013.
ISBN : 9780415678148.

320.15 JOY13 104520
Competing Sovereignties provides a critique of the concept of sovereignty in modernity in light of claims to determine the content of law at the international, national and local levels. In an argument that is illustrated through an analysis of debates over the control of intellectual property law in India, Richard Joyce considers how economic globalization and the claims of indigenous communities do not just challenge national sovereignty - as if national sovereignty is the only kind of sovereignty - but in fact invite us to challenge our conception of what sovereignty 'is'.
** Sovereignty ; Intellectual property; International relations

320.9 POLITICAL SITUATION & CONDITION

- 3 Stenslie, Stig
Regime stability in Saudi Arabia: the challenge of succession / Stig Stenslie.-- London: Routledge, 2012. 168p.
ISBN : 9780415693349.
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This book examines the structure of political power amongst elites inside Saudi Arabia and how they might cope with the very serious challenge posed by succession. Presenting a new and refreshing theoretical approach that links elite integration with regime stability, the author shows that the kingdom's royal elite is far more integrated than it has generally been given credit for.
** Saudi Arabia - Elite; Saudi Arabia - Political stability; Saudi Arabia - Politics and government; Saudi Arabia - Kings and rulers - Succession
- 4 Re-framing democracy and agency in India: interrogating political society / edited by Ajay Gudavarthy.-- London: Anthem Press, 2012. 322p.
ISBN : 9780857283504.
320.954 GUD12 104615
This volume offers rich theoretical and empirical engagement with Partha Chatterjee's idea of political society, and critically navigates the interface between political society and the dynamics of resistance in India's emerging social reality, arguing that it is the struggles that lie beyond survival strategies that are imperative for democratisation. By posing questions of democracy and agency, these essays comprise a significant advance in the debate on civil and political society, and move towards presenting alternative interpretations of popular politics in contemporary post-colonial societies.
** India - Democracy - India; India - Political participation; India - Civil society; India - Post colonialism
- 5 Afghanistan in transition: beyond 2014? / edited by Shanthie Mariet D'Souza.-- New Delhi: Pentagon Press, 2012. 206p.
ISBN : 9788182746749.
320.9581 DS012 104367
Afghanistan is at a cusp of `change`. As 2014, the date

for the drawdown of international forces draws near, the international community is confounded by the complexities of an effective inteqal (transition) as by the modalities for ensuring it. This book brings together varied Afghan voices to set the agenda, address critical gaps in the ongoing inteqal process, 2012-14 and suggest alternate course of action by setting a forward looking agenda, beyond 2014. The strength of this volume stems from the rich contributions by experts and practitioners from the field, providing an in-depth analysis of the perceptions, needs and preparedness on the ground. The common thread that runs through all the chapters of the book is that inteqal process needs to be Afghan led and Afghan owned.
** Afghanistan - Politics and government; Afghanistan - Security; Afghanistan - Economy

327 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

6 Hook, Steven W.

American foreign policy since world war II / Steven W. Hook and John Spanier.--19th Ed.-- London: SAGE, 2013. 423p.
ISBN : 9781452226712.

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The classic text on American foreign policy, Hook and Spanier's book has long set the standard in guiding students through the complexities of the field. Giving students the historical context they need, the book allows them to truly grasp the functions and frequent dysfunctions of the nation's foreign policy agenda.

** United States - Foreign relations; United States - Foreign policy; Cold war

7 Seliktar, Ofira

Navigating Iran: from Carter to Obama / Ofira Seliktar.-- New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012. 223p.
ISBN : 9780230337299.

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This book provides the first full account of America's relations with the Islamic Republic of Iran from Jimmy Carter's presidency to Barack Obama's. It discusses all major facets of Iranian policy of interest to the United States: nuclear proliferation, revolutionary export and support for international terrorism, efforts to undermine the Israeli-Palestinian peace process, and violations of human rights. It compares developments in Iran to their perception in Washington, providing the clearest picture available yet of the discrepancies between the complex and elusive Iranian reality and its understanding in the United States.

** United States - Foreign relations - Iran; Iran - Foreign relations - United States

330.9 ECONOMIC SITUATION AND CONDITIONS

8 Present day China: a net assessment / Edited by M. Rasgotra.--

New Delhi: Academic Foundation, 2012. 181p.
ISBN : 9788171889648.

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** China - Economic conditions; China - Foreign relations

954 INDIA/SOUTH ASIA - GENERAL HISTORY

- 9 Parchment of Kashmir: history, society and polity / Edited by Nyla Ali Khan.-- New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012. 262p.
ISBN : 9781137029577.
954.6 KHA12 104605
In this volume, Kashmiri scholars of all disciplines undertake a new look at their homeland. Taking account of both mainstream ideologies and contrary discourses, the authors provide a set of visions for Kashmiri culture and society.
** India - Jammu and Kashmir - Politics and government; India - Jammu and Kashmir - Group identity; India - Jammu and Kashmir - Nationalism; Kashmir - History

972.91 CUBA - GENERAL HISTORY

- 10 Cuban missile crisis: the essential reference guide / Edited by Priscilla Roberts.-- California: ABC-CLIO, 2012 278p.
ISBN : 9781610690652.
972.91064 ROB12 104464
On October 14, 1962, a U.S. reconnaissance flight provided the final, definitive proof that the Soviet Union was attempting to build missile bases in Cuba. The ensuing crisis was one of the defining moments of the Cold War, and likely the closest the world has ever come to all-out nuclear annihilation. Cuban Missile Crisis*»* contains an introductory essay by the author and alphabetically organized reference entries contributed by leading Cold War researchers. The book also includes an exceptionally comprehensive bibliography. Together, these resources give readers everything they need to understand the escalating tensions that led to the crisis as well as the intense diplomacy that resolved it, including new information about the back-channel negotiations between Robert Kennedy and Soviet ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin.
** Cuban missile crisis, 1962; Cuban missile crisis, 1962 - Sources; Cuban missile crisis, 1962 - Chronology

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