



Women, Gender and Everyday Social Transformation in India

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'Women, Gender and Everyday Social Transformation in India' explores key processes of gendered change in contemporary India through stimulating and ethnographically grounded case studies.

'[O]ne of the key strengths of this book is the meticulous application of an intersectional approach by all the contributors. [...] The expansive range of topics provides us, as readers, with excellent glimpses into the complex transitions at play in modern India, and the generation of novel concepts [...] gives us much to reflect upon.'

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The pace of socioeconomic transformation in India over the past two and a half decades has been formidable. This volume sheds light on how these transformations have played out at the level of everyday life to influence the lives of Indian women, and gender relations more broadly. Through ethnographically grounded case studies, the authors portray the contradictory and contested co-existence of discrepant gendered norms, values and visions in a society caught up in wider processes of sociopolitical change. 'Women, Gender and Everyday Social Transformation in India' moves the debate on gender and social transformation into the domain of everyday life to arrive at locally embedded and detailed, ethnographically informed analyses of gender relations in real-life contexts that foreground both subtle and not-so-subtle negotiations and contestations.

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Key selling points

Offers stimulating and ethnographically grounded case studies from across India

Explores an impressive range of topics, such as feminist activism, technology, consumption, popular religion, health, migration and work, through the prism of gender and change

Brings out the complexity and diversity of the ways in which gender relations are changing in contemporary India

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