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The Pakistan army is poised for perpetual conflict with India which it cannot win militarily or politically. What explains Pakistan's persistent revisionism despite increasing costs and decreasing likelihood of success? This book argues that an understanding of the army's strategic culture explains its willingness to fight to the end.

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600 BC.... Three Hundred years after the epochal Mahabharata War... India is still haunted by the shadows of the devastating conflict of the Kuru cousins, which almost destroyed the entire land.... The epicentre of power has now shifted to the kingdom of Vrij, situated on the northern banks of the Ganga, ruled by an ambitious king who would not stop at anything to lay his hands on the most powerful weapon of the Mahabharata age... Soaring ambitions have once again brought the ancient civilisation on the dark brink of another full-scale war.... Against this backdrop, a warrior princess is set to change the political legacy of Ancient India - guided by her destiny... and a phenomenal man, who lived three hundred years before her... A man who is considered God today, but whose greatest contribution lies buried below layers of ancient history... And buried below these very layers, lies the story of this warrior princess, who unravelled the mystery of His code - an eternal way to establish dharma in Bharat... Will the princess change the way kingdoms in India are ruled? What is the destiny of Bharat?

This book is indeed a critical analysis of history of political development of Pakistan. The hypothesis floated in the book, seeking peaceful coexistence of two people who are identical in more than one way, finds it difficult to sustain in wake of the political absurdities being committed by certain imprudent elements. With more Muslims in India, Pakistan has long lost its postulation that it was carved out of British India as a nation for Indian Muslims. The two nation theory, which saw its silent burial after partition of Pakistan, had been based on a faulty proposition that Hindus and Muslims of India were two distinct nationalities. Post formation, its nation building has gone through twists and turns of political turbulence that has been discussed in detail in this book. Besides focusing on the infamous military regimes, the author has also analyzed socio-political upbringing of this nation under popular governments. Having discussed the foreign policy dilemmas of the country, its role in pre and post-Taliban Afghanistan has also been dwelled upon. Nation's obsession with K word seems to have shut all its routes to rationality and prosperity besides denying it the privilege of peaceful coexistence with its parent country. The author has also attempted to look through the frosted glass to perceive possible future scenario for the nation that continues to remain an uncertainty.

Did you know that a little-known Panchala prince, Yudhamanyu, single-handedly defeated the great Duryodhana? Or that Shakuni was a valiant warrior on the battlefield? How did Iravan, the son of Arjuna by Naga Princess Ulupi, rout the whole Gandhara armies all by himself? And how did the ageing king Bhagadatta, perched on his famed elephant Supratika, defeat a whole army of the Pandavas led by Bhima? Loyal. Valiant. Steadfast. They were all that and more. They secured crucial victories. They were indispensable. And yet, there were forgotten. *Unsung Valour: Forgotten Warriors of the Kurukshetra War* is an attempt by ten writers to bring forth those forgotten warriors of the Mahabharata. Reimagined with passion and devotion, each story brings you a new perspective of the epic as each warrior gears up for his big day on the battlefield. In this epic battle, they are all related by either blood or loyalty. These stories capture the poignance, valour, unsung victories and eventual destinies of the warriors. This is a magnificent attempt to explore the epic in dimensions that have not been explored yet.

This book explains how colonial legacies and the postcolonial state of Pakistan negatively influenced the socio-political and cultural dynamics and the security situation in Pakistan's Pashtun 'tribal' areas, formerly known as the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA). It offers a local perspective on peace and conflict resolution in Pakistan's Pashtun 'tribal' region. Discussing the history and background of the former-FATA region, the role of Pashtun conflict resolution mechanism of Jirga, and the persistence of colonial-era Frontier Crimes Regulations (FCR) in the region, the author argues that the persistence of colonial legacies in the Pashtun 'tribal' areas, especially the FCR, coupled with the overarching influence of the military on security policy has negatively impacted the security situation in the region. By focusing on the Jirga and Jirga-based Lashkars (or Pashtun militias), the book demonstrates how Pashtuns have engaged in their own initiatives to handle the rise of militancy in their region. Moreover, the book contends that, even after the introduction of constitutional reforms and FATA's merger with the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, little has changed in the region, especially regarding the treatment of 'tribal' Pashtuns as equal citizens of Pakistan. This book explains, in detail, why indigenous methods of peace and conflict resolution, such as the Jirga, could play "some" role towards long-term peace in the South Asian region. Historically and contextually informed with a focus on North-West Pakistan, this book will be of interest to academics researching South Asian Studies, International Relations, Peace and Conflict Studies, terrorism, and traditional justice and restorative forms of peace-making.

Gandhi and Nehru helped create a myth of nonviolence in ancient India that obscures a troubled, complex heritage: a long struggle to reconcile the ethics of nonviolence with the need to use violence to rule. Upinder Singh documents the tension between violence and nonviolence in ancient Indian political thought and practice, 600 BCE to 600 CE.

This book traces the history of India's progress since its independence in 1947 and advances strategies for continuing economic growth. Insiders and outsiders that have criticized India for

slow economic growth fail to recognize all it has achieved in the last seven decades, including handling the migration of over 8 million people from Pakistan, integrating over 600 princely states into the union, managing a multi-language population into one nation and resolving the food problem. The end result is a democratic country with a strong institutional foundation. Following the growth strategies outlined in the book and with a strong leadership, India has the potential to stand out as the third largest economy in the world in the next 25 to 30 years. Subhash Jain and Ben Kedia delve into India's development and emergence as an economic power, one of the three countries that can make its own supercomputers, one of the six countries that can launch satellites and that has the second largest small car market in the world. They discuss its need for innovative initiatives and top leadership to pursue an agenda of economic growth, and monitored policies to encourage entrepreneurship at all levels. With an emphasis on the new leadership of Prime Minister Modi, the book identifies policies that need to be adopted to make India's future bright and prosperous. This book is a critical resource for students and scholars interested in India and invested in its progress, as well as policymakers, government officials and corporations considering India as a place to expand and do business.

It Is A Transformation Of An Ancient Legend Into A Modern Novel. In This Process, It Has Gained Rational Credibility And A Human Perspective. The Main Incident, The Bharata War, Symbolic Of The Birthpangs Of A New World-Order, Depicts A Heroic But Vain Effort To Arrest The Disintegration And Continue The Prevailing Order. It Is Viewed From The Stand Points Of The Partisan Participants And Judged With Reference To The Objective Understanding Of Krishna. Narration, Dialogue, Monologue And Comment All Are Employed For Its Presentation. Shot Through With Irony, Pity And Understanding Objectivity, The Novel Ends With The True Tragic Vision Of Faith In Life And Hope For Mankind.

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Lucidly written and simply told, a book for the young reader. Jafa, has traced the life of Mohania, the young boy who grew up to be known as Mahatma, the great soul.

'Sky beyond the Clouds', is a story of a teenage boy, who aspires to become an Indian military officer to make his grandfather proud. His grandfather is his sole companion. After conquering the Service Selection Board challenges, where the military world tests him and his newly formed friends, rigorously. A storm that will change his life, awaits him. The jolts come one after the other, until he is lost, on the verge of death, in a mystic valley, with only hope to see the girl he adores. Destiny has tested him repeatedly, but will it favour him this time? The story has been inspired from a series of real life incidents, where the author pieced together bits and pieces through his interactions with hundreds of people across various towns and cities. The book provides an enthralling picture of the toils of a deserted young boy, who discovers his destiny after an enormous struggle.

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Two issues that dominated the debates of the strategic community in the first quarter of this year were; 'Make in India' energetically marketed at the Aero-India Show and the Defence Budget. The Defence Budget is looked at intently to get the general emphasis of the government on security. Brig Gurmeet Kanwal has debated this lucidly. Maintaining a large standing armed force requires more than mere day-to-day support. An ill-equipped large force mired with equipment hollowness is not a guarantee for security but in a future war will be cannon fodder for the adversary. Someone will have to be held accountable to the nation for this debilitating lapse. Or take a conscious decision to reduce its size if this country cannot afford a well equipped large armed force!!! Preparing an armed force on a long-term basis requires a deeply considered perspective of its future role in the national security scheme and the road map for its implementation. The absence of a doctrine and the hesitation of establishing a single point of contact on all matters military have been well debated in this issue. Generals Harwant and Banerjee and Colonel Achutan look at the aspects of doctrine. 'Make in India' has been the didactic theme of this Government. It needs to be spelt out in clear terms and not left to the (mis-)interpretation of the bureaucracy. Make in India will be feasible only when the basic industrial manufacturing has notched up a number of counts and the manpower skills to go with it are matching. Currently it is more theoretical than implementable. The articles Dr Misra, Air Marshal Kukreja and Group Captain Noronha address these issues with particular reference to the aerospace industry. Two articles relate to the major current event on PM Modi's visit to China; the first is on Tibet and the second on the boundary issue. Cyber space is emerging the next frontier; Gen Davinder Kumar has generated an excellent discussion on the issue. Col Harjeet has looked at the implications of social media on security. As a first Claude Arpi has documented a diary highlighting prominent issues relating to China's PLA in this first quarter. This will now be a regular feature in the print edition. Wishing all our readers a worthwhile professionally invigorating

reading experience.

The title aspires to present a panorama of India's yet to be fully discovered martial heritage, denoted by its unconquerable ancient epoch, a critique of the generally misread medieval age vicissitudes, followed by a survey of the contemporary & post-independence travails and triumphs. Not a historical narrative, it attempts to define what constitutes India's natural-born military mind, how it evolved and breasted the world-conquering armies, followed by critical glimpses of the past ordeals, besides its uncelebrated defiance & conquests. The venture culminates in defining the nation's prospective defence and development policy imperatives, for its emerging global role. It is rare in providing in one volume India's scintillating perspective of the past, present and the future. The ardent quest, spanning over twelve years, is a reflective blend of a review of the Vedas, the Epics, relevant Shastras & other select material of help, with the author's long years of rich military operational, planning and instructional experience. Poring over its pages answers many elemental questions, coming naturally to a lay reader, student, research scholar, man-at-arm, defence analyst and the policy maker. The thesis fills a gap by covering a wide range of archeological, historical, politico-military, socio-cultural and strategic and warfare issues, besides dispelling certain myths, which tend to demean India's way of life and war fighting. The scrutiny of the post-independence wars comes to several untold finds. An exclusive study on 'what motivates men in combat' gives the subject an added depth. A lucid account of the nuances of the vital subject, bolstered by an unflagging perceptive probe, makes it an absorbing study.

Ensuring public security is increasingly becoming a complex task for governments across the world. Day-to-day public security generally referred to as maintenance of public order is a localized activity, best entrusted to a well-trained and accountable police department. However, public security across the world, irrespective of the type of government has acquired a complex character. Constitutionally designated governance domains of a federal polity create rough patches. Increasing intricacies of public security, with local, national, international and global security crossing each other's boundaries, is creating not-easily-surmountable-challenges for police departments, increasing compulsions of synergy by the day. The need for going beyond traditionally laid out division of power to devise mechanisms that can bring different components of the security apparatus function independently as well as in coordination with each other is generally required, but has increasingly become a necessity. The nature of security requirements in rural and urban contexts calls for greater specialisation, professionalization and coordination. Aside from complex character of the politics of terror, emerging challenges of narco-terrorism, pedalling in arms, cyber crime need nationwide dexterity and exchanges amongst agencies and governments. Border management, intra-state and inter-state migrations and ferment amongst marginalised sections of population are other areas of public security that call for a federal management of public security. The present volume brings together twelve essays on Canada, India, Mexico and USA specially written for the book and bound together by a well-articulated Introduction.

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It is the tenth night of the great war between the Pandavas and Kauravas. Bhishma, the venerable patriarch of the families, lies fatally wounded on the plains of Kurukshetra. On his deathbed he offers Radheya, his nemesis, a chance to rule the Kuru kingdom by capturing Yudhishtira. In the Pandava camp, Yudhishtira, a reluctant warrior, tries desperately to hold his allies together and escape capture without appearing to be a coward. Meanwhile, his young and impulsive nephew, Abhimanyu, a warrior prince, dreams of glory and yearns for a chance to save the Pandava cause. The lives of these three warriors, Yudhishtira, Radheya and Abhimanyu, collide brutally on the thirteenth day. A story of how stories are created, how fact becomes fiction, how history becomes mythology and how men become legends, The Thirteenth Day re-imagines India's greatest epic like never before.

Kargil: Turning the Tide, is a gripping account of the operations of 8 Mountain Division, which was tasked to evict the enemy from the Drass-Mushkoh Sector during Op Vijay. Coming from the pen of Lt Gen (then Maj Gen) Mohinder Puri, who led the division during the operations, the book is as authentic an account of the operations as one can hope to have. Written in a racy style, the book vividly captures the emotions and sentiments of a soldier; the apprehensions and fears of the leaders, and finally the joy and ecstasy of a hard won victory. The book, covering a wide spectrum from attacks at platoon level to issues impinging on national security, will be of immense value to all military professionals. Civilian readers will find the accounts of various close quarters, hand to hand battles fought in the extremely challenging and hostile environment of rugged high altitude terrain, inclement weather and an entrenched enemy, very engrossing and moving. A very high casualty count of 268 killed and 818 wounded, coupled with a rich haul of gallantry awards – three Param Vir Chakras, eight Mahavir Chakras, and 42 Vir Chakras – operations of 8 Mountain Division are a saga of fortitude, exceptional bravery, and exemplary junior leadership, which will undoubtedly swell any Indian's heart with pride.

A work with broad implications for theories of comparative strategic behavior and civil-military relations, Societies and Military Power uses the long history of the armies of India as a basis for analyzing whether the character of a given society affects the amount of military power that can be generated by the armies that emerge from that society. By examining the changing

relationship between ruling elites in the Indian subcontinent and their armed forces, the book shows that divisions within society are mirrored within the military, even within the contemporary professional military. Stephen Peter Rosen explores the proposition that cultural explanations don't sufficiently account for changes in military power, whereas social structure does. He suggests also that the dynamics of civil-military relations in a non-Western setting are not explicable without social-structural insight. He concludes that the comparative study of strategic behavior and military organization has lacked a sound foundation, which the social-structural explanation offered in this book begins to provide.

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Triumph in Surrender is a fast paced narrative that blends edge-of-the-seat action with heartwarming passion and rectitude, set in the IAF against the backdrop of an existential threat to the nation. The thriller romance gives an intimate glimpse into the lives of IAF personnel and showcases the technological capabilities of the service that invariably gets the first call to action. The novel's plot is woven around three brilliant and passionate characters who stay in perfect harmony despite cross wired attractions, out of deep respect for each other. Triumph in Surrender illustrates how, when reposed with freedom and trust by their governments, the karamvir yodhas of this world can ward off the most diabolic threats to civilized life; evil exists only where goodness is mute or shackled. The book cover doesn't allude to it, but the narrative proclaims it loudly - the karamvir yodhas of today are as often women, as men.

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From aggressive, devious neighbours to well-armed internal insurgents, the list of those taking aim at our nation is long. Our morally bankrupt political system and blinkered bureaucracy only compounds the mess. As the editor of Indian Defence Review, Bharat Verma lives by a simple philosophy: 'Don't give me a list of problems, give me solutions.' Solutions are what he offers in this sequel to Fault Lines, a compilation of his writings since then. From ways to counter China's imperial ambitions, to why a splintered Pakistan is in India's interest. Why we need to develop not just cutting edge defence industries but also have an offensive orientation against those gunning for our democracy. Because at the end of the day, national interest is supreme. In this riveting series of columns, Verma takes a 360 degree look at the strategic and military challenges facing India today, and suggests ways and means to overcome them.

Artillery: the Battle-Winning Arm is a book about the battle winning role played by the artillery. The artillery made its first impart on the Indian soil in 1526, in the first Battle of Panipat, when Babar inflicted a crushing defeat on his opponent, Ibrahim Lodhi. The artillery shot into prominence once again during the rule of Maharaja Ranjit Singh. Then followed a period of relative stagnation, with the value of the gun confined barely to a supporting role of infantry and armour. It is only during the last two decades that there has been a considerable growth in the expansion of the artillery. The artillery has now emerged as a formidable force of about 250 units, including two artillery divisions, on its order of battle. (Orbat) Further, the artillery of today is equipped with long-range multi-barrel rocket launchers (MBRL's) and guns capable of firing a variety of lethal ammunition. With the above resurgence of the Indian artillery, it is no longer a supporting arm but a fighting arm much like the infantry and armour. In fact, the artillery has emerged as a battle-winning arm, where the artillery battles will decide the course of future ground operations.

J&K is a complicated problem, compounded by various internal and external factors. Unfortunately the issue has not remained confined to India and Pakistan only but has become a pawn in global and regional power politics. Based on his unique personal experiences, first as a soldier and then as the Security Adviser to the Governor, the author has sketched out the intrigues and blunders which plunged the state into its present state of militancy of disturbing magnitude, causing untold trouble and suffering to the people. The book tells the story of J&K forged by its ironic destiny and by the uncertainties and instabilities of Indian policies. Many pertinent questions arise. Who were the persons responsible for bringing about such a situation in the state and for how long do its people have to suffer the miseries? Is there to be an end to this bloodletting or will the conflict continue as hithertofore? One may wonder what led to the great tragedy in the state. There have been genuine grievances of the people which have not been adequately addressed. Political and administrative lapses created resentments, which have been and continue to be exploited by outside powers.

The state of Jammu and Kashmir has gone through some testing times. When terrorism was at its peak, it was confronted with a strong will and iron resolve by the people of the state who refused to get cowed down. In their endeavour to challenge the forces of evil, people found vigorous support from fellow citizens of the Indian Union and the security forces. An unfortunate facet was the politics of opportunism played out by some elements, who continue to remain out of sync with the actual aspirations of the people. This book revisits some of the main events of this millennium that have been instrumental in charting a new course for this trouble torn region. It speaks of the spirit of the people, who defied all odds for their right to live a life of freedom and dignity as an integral part of a vibrant democracy. As the book goes through various events, it provides invaluable inputs for energetic debate on the future course of action.

The book is on the Prime Ministers of India since Jawaharlal Nehru. A chapter is devoted to each of them with a focus on their foreign policies. The broad organisational framework, designed and deployed in this publication, begins with a brief analysis of their formative years, their perceptions of the international system, and the architecture of their foreign policies, before delving into their decisional process, and

before concluding with an evaluation of their role. All the Prime Ministers were obviously not interested in international affairs. Though the dimensional size of the country had unavoidably pushed all of them to deal with foreign affairs, their role was variegated and their performance was unequal. While the Nehru-Gandhi family were the icons of Indian diplomacy, there were others like Morarji Desai, V.P.Singh, H.D.Deve Gowda, Chandra Shekar, etc. who were really marginal either because their mandate was limited by time or by interest. The uniqueness of the book lies in the fact that the author has dealt with all the Prime Ministers, including the ones for whom foreign policy was not crucial.

This book is an effort to recall the life in Kashmir, a state under perpetual conflict. It is a saga of courage, betrayal, passion and hatred seen from the eyes of a young soldier. In this nature's paradise, is a human hell where the lives are lost daily in pursuit of Ideology. Armed by own set of Justifications India, Pakistan and the Kashmiris battle each other to no end in sight. Zealous young men continue to die for a cause diseased by treachery and celebrated by heroism. The territorial desire of Pakistan has cost dearly to the generations stifled in this conflict. This fight has devastated many a homes with ever widening chasm and deepening scars. Punctuated by blood curdling violence, Kashmiris are prisoners of a historic mistake. In the ongoing series of Pakistan's grand design to wrest control of this state, a proxy war was unleashed by them in 1989. This war still continues as I write.

There was a change of Government in India in May 2014 which galvanised a rather insipid Foreign Policy. The Prime Minister's (PM) visit to the neighbouring countries and the Foreign Minister covering those where he was not able to go created a new dynamic in the neighbourly relations. However, Pakistan due to its Army shadowing the Civilian Government presents a unique dilemma in progressing bilateral relations. China surprisingly put across contradictory signals due to the actions of the Peoples Liberation Army on the Line of Actual Control during the visit of the President to India. These present a dilemma to the Indian Government and are covered in the Comment by Lt Gen Jiti Bajwa. Gp Capt Joseph Noronha looks at the future of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles followed by Gp Capt B Menon presenting the need for developing weapon systems for the Air Force in the near future. Air Marshal PV Naik views National security in a holistic perspective. The visit of the PM to Japan has been succulently analysed in the strategic dimension by Dr S Roy Chaudhary. The Chinese President's visit in the first year of his term coinciding with that of the Indian PM was looked at with much anticipation, the nuances of the visit has been persuasively covered by Claude Arpi. Lt Gen Gautam Banerjee interprets the Pakistan nuclear rhetoric in a realistic geopolitical setting. Consequent to Boeing of USA successfully test flying a retired F 16 fighter aircraft in an unmanned mode Sqn Ldr Vijendra Thakur studied the possibility of Chinese Air Force utilising similar modification to their hordes of retired Migs. The outcome is a surreal scenario. Maj Gen AK Chadha has ventured in to Cyberspace and looks at the military possibilities in this 'No Man's Land' most comprehensively. Our Special Correspondent has looked at two connected issues Revolution in Military Affairs (RMA) and India's Defence Industrial complex. Rear Adm AP Revi analyses the consequences of a depleting submarine fleet of the Indian Navy. Priya Tyagi covers the latest defence news and Col Danvir Singh reports of his visit to France presenting the FREMM multi-mission Frigate by DCNS.

This book traces the evolution of theories of warfare in India from the dawn of civilization, focusing on the debate between Dharmayuddha (Just War) and Kutayuddha (Unjust War) within Hindu philosophy. This debate centers around four questions: What is war? What justifies it? How should it be waged? And what are its potential repercussions?

Existing textbooks on international relations treat history in a cursory fashion and perpetuate a Euro-centric perspective. This textbook pioneers a new approach by historicizing the material traditionally taught in International Relations courses, and by explicitly focusing on non-European cases, debates and issues. The volume is divided into three parts. The first part focuses on the international systems that traditionally existed in Europe, East Asia, pre-Columbian Central and South America, Africa and Polynesia. The second part discusses the ways in which these international systems were brought into contact with each other through the agency of Mongols in Central Asia, Arabs in the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean, Indic and Sinic societies in South East Asia, and the Europeans through their travels and colonial expansion. The concluding section concerns contemporary issues: the processes of decolonization, neo-colonialism and globalization – and their consequences on contemporary society. History of International Relations provides a unique textbook for undergraduate and graduate students of international relations, and anybody interested in international relations theory, history, and contemporary politics.

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In late-nineteenth-century Kerala, a man flamboyantly rode a villuvandi (bullock cart) along a road. What might sound like a mundane act was, at that time, a defiant form of protest. Riding animal-pulled vehicles was a privilege enjoyed only by the upper castes. This man, hailing from the untouchable Pulaya community, was attacking caste-based discrimination through his act. He was none other than Ayyankali, a social reformer and activist. Featuring several such inspiring accounts of individuals who tirelessly battled divisive forces all their lives, this book seeks to enhance present-day India's imagination and shape its perception of the Dalit community. Based on original research on historical and contemporary figures such as B.R. Ambedkar, Babu Jagjivan Ram, Gurram Jashuva, K.R. Narayanan, Soyarabai and Rani Jhalkaribai, among many others, Makers of

Modern Dalit History will be a significant addition to the Dalit discourse. This definitive volume on some of the foremost Dalit thinkers, both past and present, promises to initiate a much-needed conversation around Dalit identity, history and politics.

Whose India Is It Anyway? This book is an exploration of the abiding idea of India, through the blend of a true-to-life story of a principled son of the soil, and the author's own experience and research on the subject. The first part of the book takes the reader through the life and times of one Hira, who, despite a battle-hardened stint in World War II, followed by facing the horrors of the partition, and grave personal loss, continued to live a resiliently progressive life, symbolising the vicissitudes of India's irrepressible life story. The second part investigates the idea of India rooted in its scriptures and literature, crystallizing into recommendations on how to build an invulnerable and abundant India, fit to play her destined global role; before eventually touching on pertinent angles of the theme to help the reader arrive at a plausible answer to the title query. A must-read book both for foreign and indigenous booklovers: For the foreigners wanting to know India and for Indians to better understand themselves.

What do Naxal terrorists have in common with Somali pirates? What man-made event triggers more refugees than all wars put together? How do terrorist movements end? And how can you help? Everyman's War is a collection of insightful essays that describe our participatory role in securing ourselves and our progeny. Defence, internal security, and terrorism are important yet closely guarded issues. Even as outrage over safety of women and rising terror take centre stage, there continues to be limited access to information on the subjects of national defence and security—especially in a language that a layman can understand. Raghu Raman, an expert on security and terrorism, presents issues of defence, strategy and national security in an engaging narrative, with historical and contemporary examples. He recalibrates the great 'India rising' story with its real and present dangers and the role of a regular citizen in this everyman's war.

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