Dalit Assertion and the Unfinished Democratic Revolution: The Bahujan Samaj Party In Uttar Pradesh

This book examines the emergence, ideology and programmes, mobilisational strategies, electoral process and political significance of the BSP against the backdrop of the strong wave of Dalit assertion in UP. Based upon extensive fieldwork in western UP, government reports and interviews with Dalit leaders, this study, while highlighting the BSP's considerable achievements, explores the reasons for the party's failure to harness the forces of Dalit assertion in UP.

Women Heroes and Dalit Assertion in North India - Badri Narayan - 2006-11-07

This book explores the process by which Dalits in North India have made women heroes of the past into heroes of the present. It presents a detailed study of the various factors that have led to the emergence of Dalit women heroes and the means by which the Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) has turned them into effective political tools.

Women and governmentality The rise of the Dalit movement - Sudha Pai - 2002

This book discusses the range of socio-economic and cultural problems faced by the Dalit community. The movement advancing the rights of Dalits took place both before and after independence but was in the last two decades that it acquired unprecedented momentum. This movement appeared to have significantly changed the very mindset and attitude of upper caste people to restrain themselves and not to resort to any discriminative acts against Dalits. This book examines the circumstances of Dalits in the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh, and the current efforts attempting to achieve more social equality for the caste here.

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Interrogating Social Capital - Dwijayan Bhattacharya - 2004-12-08

Recent years have seen the concept of social capital gain increasing currency, besides courting controversy, both in academic social science writing and in the development discourse. This book has been viewed as an explanation for both the flourishing of democracy and economic development, and therefore as the potential key to successful development practices in the developing world. Presenting varied experiences of the interaction between social capital and the democratic functioning of a variety of countries in the wake of increased social cohesion, and the challenges faced by the Dalits in the areas of joint forest management, environment and education - macro-studies which relate indicators of human development to dimensions of social capital. The book seeks to build a theoretical understanding of the relationship between social capital and class, caste, gender and religious spheres. It also discusses the canonic of social capital in India and the Dalit assertion of marginalised Dalit assertions about social capital and the relationship between social capital and stratification. The book will be of great interest to researchers, teachers and students working on social science.

Dalit Studies - Ramnarayan S. Rasut - 2016-04-29

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Dalit Politics in Contemporary India - Sambhavna Gundimeda - 2015-10-14

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