

# New Book Alerts

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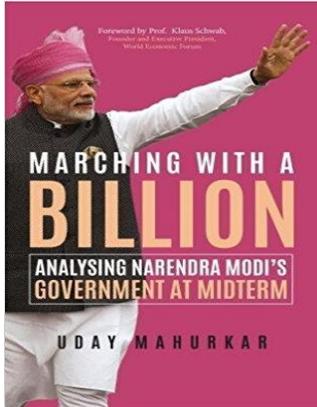
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## 1. Marching with a Billion: Analysing Narendra Modi's Government at Midterm/ Uday Mahurkar



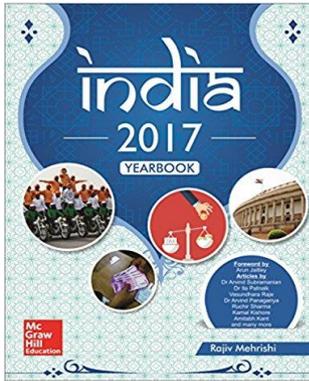
Will Modi pass the litmus test of governance? Will his performance match his promises? In *Marching with a Billion*, Uday Mahurkar analyses the Modi government's three years in power against the backdrop of years of policy paralysis and corruption before he came to power, leaving him with a stiff salvaging job. Focusing on key areas of governance like infrastructure, foreign affairs, power, the social sector, finance, digital technology and agriculture, the author showcases the work of the present government and the monumental changes the prime minister has brought about, including digital innovation and the uprooting of middlemen, which has resulted in an unprecedented level of transparency, and a resolute assault on poverty. He also points out some of the shortfalls of Modi's government, subjecting it to critical evaluation. Will Modi become a great institution builder, a prerequisite to becoming a nation builder? What will be the long-term impact of demonetization on the economy?

**Pub:Penguin Books**

**Call No: 320.60954 M217M**

**Accession No:155012**

## **2. India 2017 yearbook/Rajiv Mehrishi**



India 2017 falls under the yearbook/reference segment and is an absolute must for all students preparing for the UPSC / State Civil Service or other competitive examinations in India. The yearbook is an authoritative compilation by Shri Rajiv Mehrishi, the incumbent Union Home Secretary, on various issues that are regularly queried in various competitive examinations, including political and economic policy, public schemes, international relations, current affairs and important data related to demographics, trade, economy and others.

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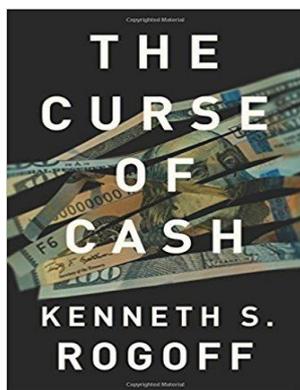
- Written by the Union Home Secretary, the book is a comprehensive compendium of all data and facts related to the Indian Union, including geographical information, who's who, major events and awards, essential information on environment, history, culture, current affairs, media, technology and sciences.

**Pub:Mc Graw Hill**

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### **3.The curse of cash/ Kenneth.S.Rogoff**



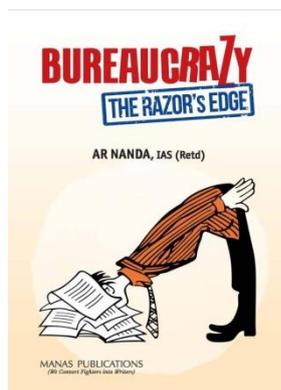
From the New York Times bestselling author of *This Time Is Different*, "a fascinating and important book" (Ben Bernanke) about phasing out most paper money to fight crime and tax evasion-and to battle financial crises by tapping the power of negative interest ratesThe world is drowning in cash-and it's making us poorer and less safe. In *The Curse of Cash*, Kenneth Rogoff, one of the world's leading economists, makes a persuasive and fascinating case for an idea that until recently would have seemed outlandish: getting rid of most paper money. Even as people in advanced economies are using less paper money, there is more cash in circulation-a record \$1.4 trillion in U.S. dollars alone, or \$4,200 for every American, mostly in \$100 bills. And the United States is hardly exceptional. So what is all that cash being used for? The answer is simple: a large part is feeding tax evasion, corruption, terrorism, the drug trade, human trafficking, and the rest of a massive global underground economy. As Rogoff shows, paper money can also cripple monetary policy. In the aftermath of the recent financial crisis, central banks have been unable to stimulate growth and inflation by cutting interest rates significantly below zero for fear that it would drive investors to abandon treasury bills and stockpile cash. This constraint has paralyzed monetary policy in virtually every advanced economy, and is likely to be a recurring problem in the future. *The Curse of Cash* offers a plan for phasing out most paper money-while leaving small-denomination bills and coins in circulation indefinitely-and addresses the issues the transition will pose, ranging from fears about privacy and price stability to the need to provide subsidized debit cards for the poor.

**Pub: Princeton Press**

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#### **4. Bureaucrazy: The Razor's Edge/ Amulya Ratna Nanda**



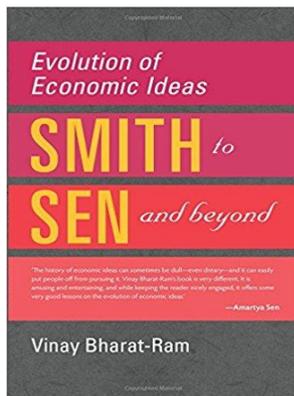
During his nearly forty years of career in civil service, the author had the taste of melodramatic events and experienced various ups and downs in the course of working and handled the storms and straits successfully. Apart from giving a graphic account of his life's journey from childhood to old age, the author delves into each phase of his career in administrative service in State and Central Governments with truthful narration of his encounter with some corrupt or eccentric ministers and senior bureaucrats. Policy, laws and programme implementation, oversight and formulation in public interest have been the sum total of the job assignments in the middle and senior levels of bureaucracy. The author has been Secretary to Government in Health, Finance, Mines, Power and Odisha Chief Minister's office, among others, he has given inside and exciting stories of the Naxalite movement, the Emergency of 1975-76, Chief Minister's office, the Mining lease, India's first Power Sector Reform, the Foreign Investment imbroglio and the National Population Policy formulation. His succinct account of the Civil Society activism on issues of population and development and related gender and human rights concerns is based on his sensitive perceptions in Government service as well as part of running and founding Civil Society organizations for over half-a-century.

**Pub: Manas Publications**

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## **5. Evolution of Economic Ideas: From Adam Smith to Amartya Sen and Beyond/ Vinay Bharat Ram**



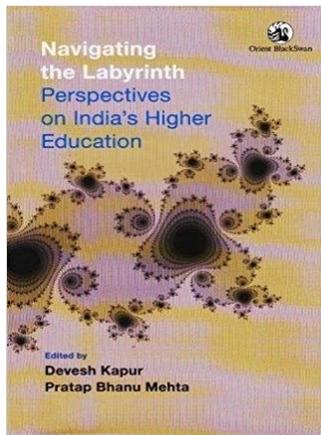
The history of economic thought can be traced to the Industrial Revolution and the 19th-century Great Divergence until which it remained an integral part of philosophy. This book deals with different thinkers and theories to explore ideas that later became the foundation of modern economics. Through the lives and social circumstances of eminent economists from Adam Smith through Marx, Keynes and many others to Amartya Sen and beyond, it establishes that each one was a keen observer of the social conditions of his time. The book adopts a unique approach of not only bringing together the thoughts of such thinkers but also highlighting how they were often vehemently different from one another. Through a narrative inspired by a kind of Socratic dialogue based on the author's classroom interactions with his students, it discusses the evolution of economic ideas, ending with a look at modern economics in the context of the great recession.

**Pub:Oxford University**

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## **6. Navigating the Labyrinth: Perspectives on India's Higher Education/Devesh Kapur**



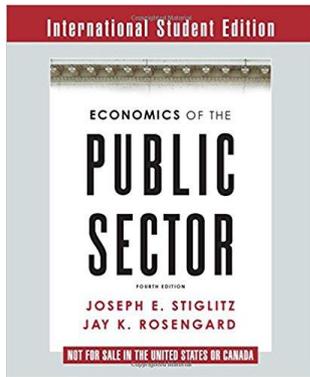
In India, few things open faster than colleges, but few sectors reform more slowly than higher education. Demographic changes, economic growth and integration into the global economy, the rising demand for higher education, and the increase in the number of private colleges have led to a massive expansion in Indian higher education. While challenges of access and cost have been long-standing, much of this expansion has been of dubious quality, the result of sustained and deep regulatory and governance failures. This book analyses these and other complex challenges facing higher education in India, and suggests possible solutions to some of them. The contributors highlight a range of issues facing higher education today, through a deeply moving account of the decline of a college in north Bihar; discussions on the various types of post-secondary educational institutions the research university, teaching colleges, and vocational training institutes; initiatives, such as community colleges, to address the problem of skill development in India; and the financing and governance of higher education in India.

**Pub:Orient Black Swan**

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## **7. Economics of the Public Sector /Joseph.E Stiglitz**



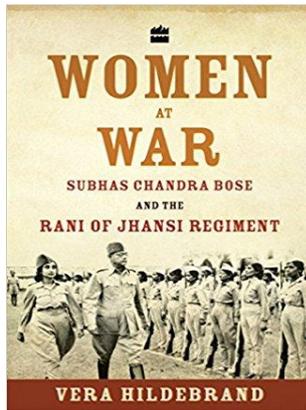
What should be the role of government in society? How should it design its programmes? How should tax systems be designed to promote both efficiency and fairness? Nobel Laureate Joseph Stiglitz and new co-author Jay Rosengard bring an unparalleled level of expertise to address these key issues of public-sector economics. No other text is as modern, as accessible, or incorporates as much first-hand policy-advising experience by its authors as Stiglitz/Rosengard.

**Pub:W.W. Norton**

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## **8. Women at War: Subhas Chandra Bose and the Rani of Jhansi Regiment /Vera Hildbrand**



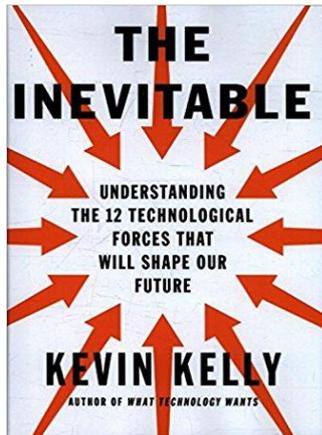
I want a unit of brave Indian women to form a Death-defying Regiment who will wield the sword which the brave Rani of Jhansi wielded in India's First War of Independence in 1857.'  
→ Subhas Chandra Bose The Rani of Jhansi Regiment (RJR), the first all-female infantry fighting unit in military history, was created in Singapore in July 1943 by Indian nationalist and visionary leader Subhas Chandra Bose to liberate India from British colonial oppression. His young recruits were girls from Indian families of the diasporas in Singapore, Malaya and Burma, and consisted entirely of civilian volunteers lacking any prior military training. These soldiers, deployed to the steamy jungles of Burma during the last two years of World War II, were determined to follow their commander to victory. Seven decades later, their history has been forgotten, their service and the role played by Bose himself having remained largely unexplored.

**Pub:Harper Collins**

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## **9. The Inevitable/Kevin Kelly**



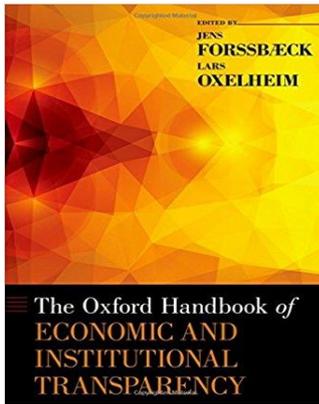
Much of what will happen in the next thirty years is inevitable, driven by technological trends that are already in motion. In this fascinating, provocative new book, Kevin Kelly provides an optimistic road map for the future, showing how the coming changes in our lives from virtual reality in the home to an on-demand economy to artificial intelligence embedded in everything we manufacture can be understood as the result of a few long-term, accelerating forces. Kelly both describes these deep trends flowing, screening, accessing, sharing, filtering, remixing, tracking and questioning and demonstrates how they overlap and are codependent on one another. These larger forces will completely revolutionize the way we buy, work, learn and communicate with each other. By understanding and embracing them, says Kelly, it will be easier for us to remain on top of the coming wave of changes and to arrange our day-to-day relationships with technology in ways that bring forth maximum benefits. Kelly's bright, hopeful book will be indispensable to anyone who seeks guidance on where their business, industry or life is heading what to invent, where to work, in what to invest, how to better reach customers and what to begin to put into place as this new world emerges.

**Pub:Viking**

**Call No: 303.483 K29I**

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## **10. The Oxford Handbook of Economic and Institutional Transparency/ Jens Forssbaeck**



In recent years, the term 'transparency' has emerged as one of the most popular and keenly-touted concepts around. In the economic-political debate, the principle of transparency is often advocated as a prerequisite for accountability, legitimacy, policy efficiency, and good governance, as well as a universal remedy against corruption, corporate and political scandals, financial crises, and a host of other problems.

But transparency is more than a mere catch-phrase. Increased transparency is a bearing ideal behind regulatory reform in many areas, including financial reporting and banking regulation. Individual governments as well as multilateral bodies have launched broad-based initiatives to enhance transparency in both economic and other policy domains. Parallel to these developments, the concept of transparency has seeped its way into academic research in a wide range of social science disciplines, including the economic sciences.

**Pub:Oxford University**

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