Book Title: India: A culture in transition

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ABOUT THE MANUSCRIPT

This edited collection aims to present a sound theoretical and empirical basis for understanding the evolving and changing nature of culture in Indian organisations. This collection will incorporate contributions from national and international academics with active interests of researching in organisational culture and management in domestic firms and Indian multinationals. In addition to covering topical issues on culture, this collection offers novel theoretical lenses and methodological approaches to analyse and understand culture in Indian organisations. Rich and reflective case study insights from practitioners and academic reviews balance and integrate the theoretical underpinnings and cultural practices in the transforming tapestry of Indian culture. The use of rich case studies including the high growth sectors such as the IT industry highlight some of the macro and micro level challenges faced by organisations in managing a culture in transition. The editors are keen on including topics such as listed below:

- Understanding culture in Indian organisations
- Postcolonial understanding of culture
- Role of cultural literacy in organisations in India
- Methodological approaches to understanding culture(s)
- Cross-cultural approaches
- Cultural integration in Indian and foreign MNCs
- Diffusing culture in internationalisation
- Managing cultural challenges for Indian immigrants and expatriates in India
- Corruption, culture and business organisations
- Spirituality and culture in Indian organisations
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Assam Secretariat Files: Revenue A and B, Confidential and Education, 1890–1938. Assam State Archives, Guwahati.

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The culture of India refers collectively to the thousands of distinct and unique cultures of all religions and communities present in India. India's languages, religions, dance, music, architecture, food and customs differ from place to place within the country. Indian culture, often labeled as an amalgamation of several cultures, spans across the Indian subcontinent and has been influenced by a history that is several millennia old. Many elements of India's diverse cultures, such as Indian religions. Questioning: The cultural preoccupation with politeness and modesty can sometimes mean that some Indians automatically answer 'yes' to direct questions that require a yes or no answer. For an Indian, a flat 'no' may indicate that you wish to end the relationship. One way of navigating around ambiguity is to check for clarification several times using open-ended questions. For example, rather than asking 'Does the shop this way?' it is better to ask 'Which way is the shop?'

Hierarchy: The social hierarchy of Indian society often influences communication patterns in many scenarios.

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