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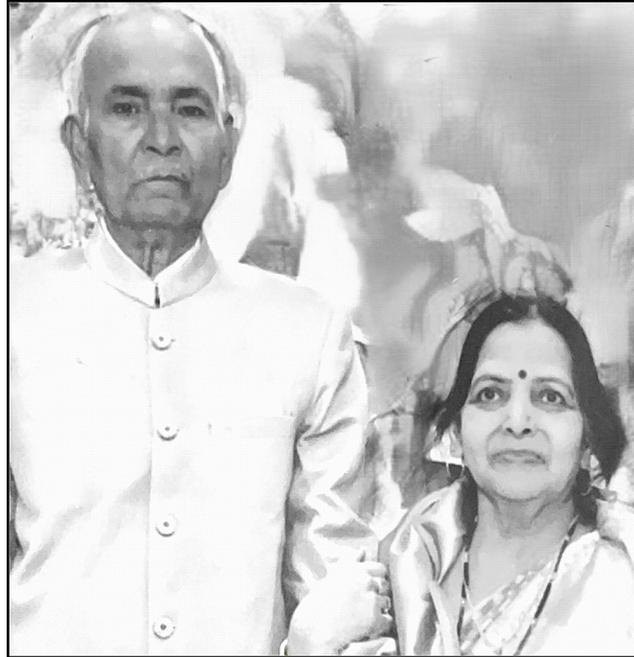
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Dated :

It gives me immense pleasure to know that the edited book - **Social Issues : Trends and Analysis** being brought out. My Warmest congratulations to the editors and contributors on the upcoming publication of book. This edited book is a testament to the hard work, dedication, and expertise of everyone involved.

Wishing you a resounding success with your book and a wide readership. May this book bring new insights, spark meaningful discussions, and make a valuable contribution to sociology & other respective areas.

Congratulations on this significant achievement of Prof. Rajani Srivastava. May your efforts be rewarded with recognition, appreciation from the society and impact on academic environment.

  
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### Message

It is with great pleasure and pride that I write the foreword for Professor Rajni Srivastava's book "Social Issues: Trends and Analysis". For a long time, there has been a need for a book on this subject. In this era of globalization, understanding and analyzing social issues and planning accordingly is crucial. As we strive to achieve the goal of a Viksit Bharat@2047, it is essential to be aware of and understand various issues and plan for them.

Professor Rajni Srivastava has included articles related to socio-economic and political issues, environment, social justice, and various other problems in the book. I am delighted that the recent issue related to senior citizens has also been analyzed. I congratulate Prof Rajani Srivastava on this occasion. I am confident that this book will be useful for readers.

  
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सामाजिक मुद्दों पर अकादमिक विमर्श और लेखन समाजवैज्ञानिकों के लिये एक दायित्व बोध का अहसास कराता है, जो समस्या के कारणों की खोज के साथ ही उनका विक्षेपण और निराकरण भी प्रस्तुत करते हैं. प्रो रजनी श्रीवास्तव द्वारा सम्पादित पुस्तक "Social Issues : Trends and Analysis" भी एक ऐसा ही संदर्भ ग्रंथ कहा जा सकता है जो विभिन्न सामाजिक मुद्दों पर शोध परक सामग्री के साथ नवीन शोध के लिये दिशा और प्रेरणा देने में सहायक सिद्ध होगी.

यह पुस्तक 11 विभिन्न विशिष्ट विषयों पर कलेवर को समृद्ध बनाती है. सामाजिक, आर्थिक, राजनीतिक और पर्यावरणीय विषयों पर जानकारी, आतंकवाद, अपराध, मादक द्रव्य व्यसन, सामाजिक विषटन और सामाजिक न्याय के विभिन्न पहलुओं पर विषय सामग्री सामाजिक शोध को एक नया आधार देती प्रतीत होती है. लैंगिक समानता, महिला स्वास्थ्य, वृद्धों की समस्यायें, गरीबी, बेरोजगारी और प्रवर्जन जैसे अनेक ऐसे सामाजिक पहलु हैं जिन पर पुस्तक में अनेक पक्ष प्रस्तुत किये गये हैं.

मुझे पूरा विश्वास है कि विभिन्न प्रवृद्ध समाज वैज्ञानिकों द्वारा लिखे लेख और प्रो रजनी श्रीवास्तव द्वारा सम्पादित पुस्तक "Social Issues : Trends and Analysis" समाजविज्ञान के क्षेत्र में एक सार्थक ग्रंथ सिद्ध हो सकेगा.

श्रेष्ठ प्रकाशन सम्पादन लेखन के लिये हार्दिक बधाई एवं शुभकामनायें

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It gives me immense pleasure to know that the edited volume titled "Social Issues: Trends & Analysis" is being brought out. This work is a significant step towards creating awareness and generating meaningful dialogue on the pressing social concerns of our time.

Books like this play an important role in shaping young minds, guiding researchers, and inspiring policy discussions that can contribute to positive social change. I extend my heartfelt blessings and good wishes to the editor, contributors, and readers. May this work receive the recognition it deserves and serve as a valuable resource for students, scholars, and all those interested in the study of society.

May your sincere efforts bear fruitful results in advancing knowledge and in addressing the challenges of our social world.

With best wishes and blessings,

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मुझे यह जानकर अत्यन्त हर्ष हो रहा है कि आप द्वारा संपादित पुस्तक "Social Issues : Trends & Analysis" प्रकाशित हो रही है। यह कृति न केवल सामाजिक, आर्थिक और व्यापारिक परिप्रेक्ष्य में समसामयिक विषयों की गहन पड़ताल प्रस्तुत करती है, बल्कि शोधार्थियों, विद्यार्थियों एवं नीति-निर्माताओं के लिए भी एक उपयोगी मार्गदर्शिका सिद्ध होगी।

प्रोफेसर रजनी एवं इस पुस्तक से जुड़े सभी सहलेखकों को इस उत्कृष्ट शैक्षणिक प्रयास के लिए हार्दिक शुभकामनाएँ। मुझे पूर्ण विश्वास है कि यह पुस्तक सामाजिक और आर्थिक विमर्श के क्षेत्र में एक महत्वपूर्ण योगदान सिद्ध होगी।

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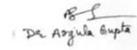
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It gives me immense pleasure to extend my heartfelt blessing to the editor and contributors of this valuable book "Social Issues: Trends and Challenges".  
This book is a sincere effort to create awareness, encourage and inspire positive action among readers.  
The editor Dr. Rajani Srivastava deserves appreciation for their sincere endeavour and enthusiastic work.  
My best wishes.



Dr. Anjula Gupta

## PREFACE

**SOCIAL ISSUES: TRENDS AND ANALYSIS** is conceived from the profound conviction that a nation's truest strength is measured not merely by its economic indices, but by the integrity and equity of its socio-political fabric. Modern India, standing at a key point where rapid development meets persistent serious challenges, presents an essential landscape for this critical examination. This volume undertakes the vital task of looking honestly at the major issues that define our current era.

The collection meticulously delineates and scrutinizes issues of profound consequence, ranging from the demographic tragedy of female feticide and the public health crisis of drug addiction to the widespread damage caused by corruption. Each chapter serves as a pivotal analysis, tracing the evolving patterns of these problems while investigating their root causes, societal repercussions, and policy implications with unwavering scholarly rigor. The book delves into a broad spectrum of critical topics, moving from matters of individual well-being and social justice to broader questions of political governance and environmental stewardship. The inclusion of a psychological analysis provides a deeper understanding of the human dimensions of these challenges, exploring the motivations, mindsets, and emotional impacts behind these issues.

This book is more than an academic compendium; it is a clear appeal for collective introspection. It stresses the urgent need to move beyond superficial discussions toward a grounded understanding of the social instabilities that allow these issues to persist. Crucially, this work aims to amplify the myriad voices of change. These include committed researchers, perceptive scholars, and concerned individuals whose lived experiences

serve as a moral compass, consistently demanding accountability and propelling the movement for social change. Through this integration of rigorous academic analysis and the direct insights of these individuals, the collection endeavors to unify theoretical knowledge with the tangible, practical demands required for genuine social transformation.

May this rigorous analysis act as a potent catalyst for informed dialogue and resolute action. It is sincerely hoped that as these pages are explored, this volume inspires the courage to interrogate the established structures, specifically the system in which society has grown complacent, which subtly erodes collective morality and empathy. May this scholarly contribution successfully redefine the reader's perception, providing the intellectual and ethical foundation required for the continuous pursuit of a truly just and equitable Republic.

*-Dr. Rajani Srivastava*

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The completion of the book, “**SOCIAL ISSUES: TRENDS AND ANALYSIS**”, has been a deeply rewarding journey made possible through the support, encouragement, and goodwill of many individuals and institutions. This collaborative effort has brought together a range of scholarly perspectives and critical insights that collectively shed light on the multifaceted social issues confronting contemporary society. It has been both gratifying and inspiring to witness such thoughtful engagement with themes of great relevance to our times.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Prof. Nivedita Malik, Principal, R.G. (P.G.) College, for her consistent encouragement, inspiring leadership, and for fostering an environment that values research, dialogue, and critical inquiry.

My heartfelt appreciation goes to all the contributors and scholars whose articles form the essence of this volume. Their academic rigor, commitment, and diverse viewpoints have given this book its richness and depth. This collective work stands as a reflection of shared intellectual effort and dedication to understanding pressing social realities.

I am thankful to my friends and colleagues for their constructive feedback and thoughtful suggestions, which greatly contributed to refining the final manuscript.

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With heartfelt gratitude,

*-Dr. Rajani Srivastava*



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