

Experts' Reviews on the first edition Shaping India of our dreams

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This book explores ways to strengthen India economically, politically and spiritually and make it one of the most powerful and flourishing nations in the world. It analyses the factors responsible for the dismal progress of India and the miserable condition of its people, including misgovernance, corruption, industrial failure and a dwindling economy amongst others. Taking up various areas for focused study, the book examines the mistakes made in the past partly because of ignorance and selfish motives in approach, strategies adopted, execution of plans and their evaluation. Giving vital facts and figures garnered through intensive research, the book points out how and why India lags behind, and presents insightful suggestions on how the situation can be remedied. Including that of north-eastern states and the Kashmir imbroglio.

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When you are ill, you go to a doctor. Similarly, when the nation is sick, the problem has to be diagnosed by professionals and experts. This is what K. C. Agrawal, an electrical engineer and an industrialist, advocates in his latest book. The book analyses the factors responsible for the "ramshackled state of affairs in the country today as a result of many a malaise — misgovernance, dwindling economy, corruption, industrial failure," to name a few.

— Book Review, INDIA TIMES, The Times of India
<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/cms.dll/html/uncomp/raticleshwo?msid-209523>

This book is very timely, it must go into the hands of maximum numbers of people. In every chapter the book gives the solution of the problems which the country is facing. The book will have the lasting impact on human minds.

— Harbhajan Singh, Editor, INDIAN OBSERVER
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The format and contents of the book are inspiring and gripping.

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It is rare that moneybags care to write about the country in an emotional undertone, almost a cry, and seek to change everything around them. Here is something different though the undercurrent is that familiar know-all type which somehow ill-fits our present system, and author also demands, repeatedly, that "specialists" be allowed to work their way. The book is certainly worth reading and storing as a reference book. Nothing is above the nation and well-being of the people.

The agenda, as laid down in Chapter I (Introduction), is indeed very comprehensive and seeks to provide 100% job within two years and, in author's grandiose perception, GDP may increase by 6-8 times.

Chapter III, "Our Cowardice," traces Indian history of plunder from Mahmood Gazni to Britishers and runs along familiar lines. However, Chapter IV is an interesting survey of all that we have (Our Basic Resources) and is a treatment that deserves careful reading. The Chapter "Our Dwindling Economy and its Dreadful Effects," handles the sensitive data on Budget and makes case for better and professional management of the economy. It is difficult to quarrel on "Unbound Cost of Our Governance" (Chapter VI)

Part II of the book "Why We Are" is interesting and provoking. "Our Callous System of Governance" is more than right.

"Evolution of Corruption in Our Society" (Chapter IX) is again true and accurate. The remedies suggested by the author seem like utopia. Given the present state of rural India, it looks like a dream which is actually what the book is all about — a dream for new India.

All the talk of reforming police and judiciary (Chapter XXII) is going to remain just that — a pipe dream. "Developing North-East States" and "Resolving Kashmir Through Unification" are very questionable propositions. A very readable treatise of the "I Love My India" kind by a thoroughbred Indian which could do with some deeper treatment. It must be read in homes and by impressionable minds.

— C S Kalra, Editor, UNIVERSITY TODAY
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I respect you for the laudable objective you have in writing this book. I wish you succeed in your mission.

— Anant Pai, Editor, India Book House Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai,
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You have correctly focused our attention on the problem that we Indians have and identified the ways to solve the same. You are almost like a visionary and a philosopher.

I wish to recommend the book to the students. We have a Readers Club in our institute. In one of the sessions, I shall review your book in the class, so that they would be encouraged to buy your books.

— Dr. P.C. Shejwalkar, Professor Emeritus of Commerce &
Management Sciences, and Dean University of Pune,
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Kudos for having the guts to speak many bitter truths. You are the first person to write with feeling about the pain of our own 86% destitute, woebegone, hungry, dehumanised countrymen.

— Kamal Sharma, New Delhi
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We definitely as a nation need a revolution to eradicate various ills to wake India. You have set the ball rolling for awakening the nation.

— Lt. Col. Anand Kumar, Retd. (Sikh Regt.),
Dr. Homoeopath, Sector-4, Gurgaon, Haryana

It is an innovative book giving wonderful thoughts, and ideas as to how to revolutionise Indian economy.

— N.K. Aggarwal, Advocate, Supreme Court, New Delhi

The book is a remarkable work of research.

— Navin Kumar Jaggi, Advocate, Supreme Court of India

Your detailed and forthright analysis of the myriad problems afflicting the nation in all spheres of living is commendable.

— Styra Paul, Apeejay Education Society
Greater Kailash II, New Delhi

The book reflects the extensive research on varied subjects to identify the causes of peoples' sufferings. You have poured all your rich knowledge to give a wake-up call to the people of India. Each and

every right-thinking citizen who has the ambition of seeing his country with high glories should read this book.

— Lion Chandrashekar Sheth, Vice District Governor
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An incredible, very useful and impressive book which can turn our dream to make India a powerful country in the world. It is a wakeup call for the Indians to take some definite actions towards the prosperity of our country.

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Wonderful analysis of various socio-economics problems, their suggested remedies, causes of people's suffering and above all your intense desire to reconstruct our nation into one of the mightiest and the most prosperous nations in the world reflects your deep concern for the welfare of this country and its people.

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Reflects your command on English and your inspiring, provoking thoughts. It is an excellent publication. The book will help change mindset of our people.

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This book has provided me with valuable insight about the present India and the vast possibilities of improvement of its socio-economic conditions.

I hope that your dreams will become reality because not only Indians but also the rest of the human kind will benefit from your reflections.

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Indeed a well-researched work, informative and useful. We will add it to our staff library.

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It makes interesting reading.

— Sudhir Jatia, Managing Director, Blow Plast Ltd., Mumbai
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Found it inspiring and thought-provoking.

— Prakash Lohia, Managing Director,
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Interesting and informative book. Nothing is above the nation and well being of the people. It shows your full dedication towards this cause and the first step towards realizing these dreams. If we all make this our motto of life, lot of miseries and problems in life would be solved.

— Raj Chopra, Competent Automobiles Co. Ltd., New Delhi
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Fully agree that it is our duty to shape the country. As responsible citizens, we must leave for future generation a country they love and respect as much as we do. Indeed, the book is visionary.

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Very interesting and inspiring. I appreciate your efforts and devotion for India.

— Yogesh Munjal, Managing Director,
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It is evident that your roots are firmly embedded in the Indian soil. I am sure the day is not far when the dream of India as the mightiest and most prosperous nation in the world will be realised.

— Davish Jain, Managing Director, Prestige, Indore
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It is just excellent. I can very well imagine the amount of efforts put in by you. On the background of 'India Shining' slogan of political parties and Central Government about Public Sector Units, this book will provide public a useful knowledge.

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Very useful reading.

— K. Skandan, Chairman and Managing Director
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The thoughts put forward in this book will certainly be recognized and will be of interest to all who read it.

— Raymond Bickson, Managing Director,
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Shaping the Nation — will achieve its goals of making our country a progressive and vibrant nation in the years to come.

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Fascinating.

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Well researched and thought-provoking book. Many Indians will find it stirring and inspiring.

— Bhaskar Bhat, Managing Director,
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The wake-up call succinctly described in your book to revive our country from the fires of hell is well thought out. The multi- dimensional problem has been dealt with an original approach and a new perspective has been brought out. The solutions offered are very brave and hopefully they will reshape India of our dreams. You are Certainly right when you state that homoeopathic treatments are not going to succeed to treat the ailing economy, surgical operations are required to serve the diseased limb of society.

— R. L. Palhan, Management Consultant
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I appreciate your intense research and hard work for making this book a great success in the country. This will certainly inspire our young generation.

— Dr. Surendra Kansal
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The book indeed will be of great use to the senior students and research scholars.

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The book is of greater significance not only to the present readers but also to the coming generation.

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The topics covered under the four parts (I to IV) are very relevant and the facts and figures presented in various chapters strengthen the arguments put forward by the author.

The observations are supported even by the latest international surveys conducted by reputed agencies/organisations.

The book should be made a compulsory reading for UG and PG students.

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It was very nice to read the magnificent and valuable information about our great India. It was worth a reading.

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We find this book very enlightening and has been placed before the teachers for reference.

— Prof. A. Arul Mariyanathan, Principal,
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Your book is a very valuable addition to our data bank and it will add a new dimension to our understanding India, so essential for us whose sole preoccupation has been to convert India's "Babu Economy to ITBT economy" from 1996-2004.

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and Economic Research , [Pune, Email : tisper2@hotmail.com](mailto:tisper2@hotmail.com)

The style of the book is techno-economic and exhortatory. Goals of family planning are difficult to achieve because of socio-culture factors

and development lags. I liked the Chapter on Corruption and Environment, especially pollution due to immersion of deities on the occasion of festivals.

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This Book is very interesting and useful to be read by one and all. Sincere endeavour to bring in prosperity to this nation.

— M Ramamoorthy, Director
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The book reveals its tremendous information related to demography, economy, education, human resource, etc.

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It gives the essential impetus to those craving for an equitable development. Quite a few of our youngsters are interested in such subjects. I'll suggest this book to them.

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The public in general are of the same views as given in the book. "Awake, arise and organise" is the need of the hour, as done by Mahatma Gandhi. It will be great in case you take the lead.

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This book will be definitely beneficial for students and research scholars.

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The publication has been added to the holdings of the Library for the consultation of research scholars.

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वास्तव में यह पुस्तक नए भारत के निर्माण के लिए मील का पत्थर साबित होगी। पुस्तक को हमारे स्टाफ एवं पुस्तकालय के लोगों ने बहुत सराहा है।

— Rajiv Kumar Singh, Secretary,
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यह नई पीढ़ी के साथ समस्त राष्ट्र प्रेमियों, मानवता प्रेमियों व बुद्धिजीवियों के लिए पवित्र गीता व रामायण तुल्य प्रतीत हुई। आपके विचारों को मैं गाँधी और जयप्रकाश नारायण (जे.पी.) के समीप पाता हूँ। वर्तमान संदर्भ जोड़ कर आप उनसे भी आगे खड़े हैं। प्रियवर, इन विचारों को जन-जन तक पहुँचाने के लिए एक प्रबल आंदोलन की आवश्यकता है।

— Dr. R. S. Yogi
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विषय काफी आकर्षक है। आप ने भारत की उन्नति के मार्ग की बाधाओं का ठीक से वर्णन किया है। यह सच है कि १९४७ से पहले भारत को परायों ने उतना नहीं लूटा जितना की इसके बाद हमारे अपनों ने लूटा है।

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