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**A History of India** - Burton Stein 2010-02-04  
This new edition of Burton Stein's classic A History of India builds on the success of the original to provide an updated narrative of the development of Indian society, culture, and politics from 7000 BC to the present. New edition of Burton

Stein's classic text provides an narrative from 7000 BC up to the twenty-first century Includes updated and extended coverage of the modern period, with a new chapter covering the death of Nehru in 1964 to the present Expands coverage of India's internal political and

economic development, and its wider diplomatic role in the region. Features a new introduction, updated glossary and further reading sections, and numerous figures, photographs and fully revised maps.

**The Hidden Half** - Patricia Albers 1983

Covering a wide range of topics, this volume presents case studies which focus on particular aspects of the female condition in Plains Indian societies, mostly concentrated on tribal groups in the northern Plains region of the United States and Canada. The focus is primarily historical, dealing with the conditions of Plains Indian women in the pre-reservation period, but also contains selections concerned with the role and status of women in the modern reservation era.

**Gender, Medicine, and Society in Colonial India** - Sujata Mukherjee 2017-01-05  
British imperialism in India left in its wake the scars of many battles between the colonizer and the colonized. Intense

hostilities were witnessed as each tried to prove its superiority in domains such as medicine, education, and law. Through the lens of gender politics, Sujata Mukherjee confronts these conflicts to reveal the contested 'body' of the Indian woman. Focusing on hospital medicine and preventive medical care, Mukherjee traces the popularization of Western forms of medical care in nineteenth- and early twentieth-century Bengal. She shows how it created a space-albeit small-for providing Western health care to female patients; for the first time, women could receive medical attention outside the purdah and zenana. However, there was a simultaneous discrediting of indigenous forms of medicine-such as Ayurveda and Unani-and their practitioners, who had once exercised significant influence. The book also explores the growth of Western medical education among women in Bengal. Overcoming racial and gender discrimination, social

taboos, and active opposition from authorities and their families, some remarkable women became doctors and practicing physicians. Aiding them in their long-drawn efforts were the Brahma Samaj and several women's organizations and agencies of the time.

**Women and Society in Early Medieval India** - Anjali Verma  
2018-07-16

This book examines women and society in India during 600–1200 CE through epigraphs. It offers an analysis of inscriptional data at the pan-India level to explore key themes, including early marriage, deprivation of girls from education, property rights, widowhood and sati, as well as women in administration and positions of power. The volume also traces gender roles and agency across religions such as Hinduism and Jainism, the major religions of the times, and sheds light on a range of political, social, economic and religious dimensions. A panoramic critique of contradictions and

conformity between inscriptional and literary sources, including pieces of archaeological evidence against traditional views on patriarchal stereotypes, as also regional parities and disparities, the book presents an original understanding of women's status in early medieval South Asian society. Rich in archival material, this book will be useful to scholars and researchers of ancient and medieval Indian history, social history, archaeology, epigraphy, sociology, cultural studies, gender studies and South Asian studies.

*Women and Trade* - World Bank; World Trade Organization  
2020-09-04

Trade can dramatically improve women's lives, creating new jobs, enhancing consumer choices, and increasing women's bargaining power in society. It can also lead to job losses and a concentration of work in low-skilled employment. Given the complexity and specificity of the relationship between trade and gender, it is essential to

assess the potential impact of trade policy on both women and men and to develop appropriate, evidence-based policies to ensure that trade helps to enhance opportunities for all. Research on gender equality and trade has been constrained by limited data and a lack of understanding of the connections among the economic roles that women play as workers, consumers, and decision makers. Building on new analyses and new sex-disaggregated data, *Women and Trade: The Role of Trade in Promoting Gender Equality* aims to advance the understanding of the relationship between trade and gender equality and to identify a series of opportunities through which trade can improve the lives of women.

**Role and Status of Women in Indian Society** - Renuka

Ray 1978

Contributed articles.

**Patriarchy and Economic Development** - Valentine M.

Moghadam 1996

**Women of India** - Arun R.

Kumbhare 2009-07

A systematic presentation of the status of women of India throughout the long history of about 6000 years has been presented starting from the Vedic times to the post-independence period. A detailed description of the status of women during the Vedic times, which is rarely available in any of the existing literature, and in the following periods is very significant to the study of this subject. The author has discussed how the political and religious conditions over the periods have affected the conditions of women. The age-old evils, which had got firmly entrenched in the Indian society, such as the tradition of Sati, illiteracy, child marriages, and deplorable treatment of widows and so on, still persist and some new ones have joined the list. These are: bride burning, dowry, female feticide, domestic violence, to name a few. Short biographies of some outstanding women have been included to illustrate that in spite of adversities

some women had achieved eminence. To the credit of the Indian Government, legislative measures have been taken to protect and improve the status of women after independence and just prior to it. These have been outlined. Unfortunately, these measures have not been able to achieve their intended results on account of wide spread corruption and lack of education and awareness among women, especially in the rural areas. A snapshot of the present conditions is given along with concluding remarks and recommendations for improvement. Improvement of the status of women is extremely improvement for India if it wishes to become a developed and progressive country and a world leader in culture and ideology.

Woman in Modern India -  
Neera Desai 1977

*The Negro Motorist Green Book* - Victor H. Green  
The idea of "The Green Book" is to give the Motorist and Tourist a Guide not only of the Hotels and Tourist Homes in all

of the large cities, but other classifications that will be found useful wherever he may be. Also facts and information that the Negro Motorist can use and depend upon. There are thousands of places that the public doesn't know about and aren't listed. Perhaps you know of some? If so send in their names and addresses and the kind of business, so that we might pass it along to the rest of your fellow Motorists. You will find it handy on your travels, whether at home or in some other state, and is up to date. Each year we are compiling new lists as some of these places move, or go out of business and new business places are started giving added employment to members of our race.

*Beyond the Private World* -  
Subrata Bagchi 2015-06-10  
*Beyond the Private World* explores the status of Indian women, through the ages, in the framework of the private-public dichotomy, as reflected in their lives. Keeping in mind the Habermasian concept of 'public sphere' as a reference

point, yet mindful of the incongruity between the Eurocentric ideas and the Indian reality this collection of essays appraises the position of Indian women in the pre-modern period with reference to tradition. It also provides glimpses of the various social movements and struggles to overcome patriarchy as well as the nationalist/democratic movements in colonial and post-colonial India that filtered into the 'private sphere' and transformed it.

*Women In Changing India* - Rameshwari Pandya 2008  
Development Of Women Has Emerged As An Important Area Of Scientific Work. But Its Very Nature Is Interdisciplinary In Nature. Considerable Public Opinion And Public Funds Has Been Invested In The Cause Of Development Of Women. Each And Every Aspect Of Women S Life Is Discussed In A Systematic And Rational Manner. The Major Objectives Of Writing This Book Is To Equip Everyone With Enough Fundamental Issues Related To Women. To Furnish The Reader

With All Practical And Necessary Information Related To Women. In *Women In Changing India* Emphasis Is Placed On Presenting The Subject Matter In A Very Simple And Explicit Way. The Book Is A Sincere And Modest Analysis Of The Real Position And Status Of Women In Today S Changing Indian Society. It Is Hoped That The Book May Prove To Be Useful To The Post Graduate Students Of Education, Sociology And Of The Courses Of Women Studies As Well As The Research Scholars Who Have Their Interest In This Field. The Social Workers, Politicians, Social Planners And Many Others May Find The Book Informative And Useful. This Book Is Intended To Serve As A Basic Text Book For Students, University And College Teachers. The Author Tries To Put Together The Concerns At Various Levels With The Grass Roots Level Realities. From Decentralized Planning, Poverty Eradication, Income Generation It Goes Up To The Wider Issues Of Policy

Formulation And Implementation. It Is This Neat Arrangement Of Different Chapters That Make The Book A Practical Guide To Researchers And Teachers Alike. Also, The Book Demonstrates How Action Projects Can Be Successfully Carried Out. Contents " Women And Law " Women And Health " Women Entrepreneurs " Women And Environment " Status Of Women " Women And Media " Women Administrators " Women And Globalization " Women And Adult Education *Management in India* - Herbert J Davis 2006-01-04

Over the last decade, globalization has had a tremendous and far reaching impact on Indian management culture, policy and leadership styles. Management in India presents the first comprehensive and indepth examination of the emerging changes in Indian management culture both at the macro and micro levels and their impact on domestic and multinational businesses based in India. Drawing on the talent of

outstanding contributors, the editors of this book analyse how the Indian business scenario is changing rapidly, while the attitude towards and orientation and practice of management has been correspondingly slow to change. Indian managers have found it difficult to change policies both at the enterprise and the employee level to match an increasingly global and international environment. *Women in American Indian Society* - Rayna Green 1992 Examines the life and culture of North American Indian women.

**The Position of Women in Hindu Civilization, from Prehistoric Times to the Present Day** - Anant Sadashiv Altekar 1956

The Position of Women in Hindu Civilization will enable the reader to understand the subject in its true perspective, as it is based upon a critical and imparital survey of all the available data. The work not only surveys the position of Hindu women during the last four thousand years but also

indicates the general lines on which the present day problems confronting them should be solved. The treatment is quite impartial; the limitations of the Hindu civilization have not been passed over nor its excellences exaggerated, nor vice versa.

### **Women in Indian Society -**

Anju Beniwal 2014-06-30

As a woman in India, I find that the society is changing a lot in terms of acceptance of the many roles of women as professionals, as bread-earners in families and as independent thinking individuals. The traditional Indian woman has evolved to prove herself equal in many professions as well as proved better suited than men in others. The situation for the changing role of women is improving fast. On the other hand, female foeticide, dowry deaths, and domestic abuse provide a macabre background of primitive barbarism. In the typical Indian Society, you find that there are still expectations and assumptions about women that are not so much relevant to their current status, but a

clear hangover from our suppressive past. This may be more obvious with traditional women or women in rural societies, but it is extremely prevalent in urban ones as well. This book contains the articles related to women issues. It addresses critical aspects of life of women in India like violence, female foeticide, challenges against working women, psychological barriers in empowerment of women, live-in-relationship, health issues etc. Articles related to the status of Tribal and Muslim women, Role of judiciary and role of women in independence movement are one of important matters which we should discuss. It finds that progress in ensuring the equal status of women and men has been made in many areas, including school enrolment, health, and economic participation. At the same time, it makes clear that much more needs to prevent the many forms of violence to which women are subjected. It is my hope that the insights and information contained in the



present publication will help governments, researchers, scholars, non-governmental organizations and concerned citizens around the world in their efforts to ensure that every single woman achieves her full potential.

**Rural Muslim Women** - Sekh Rahim Mondal 2005

Admittedly women's perspectives are not much reflected in the discourse and agenda development planning and interventions. Due to lack of research there is tremendous scarcity of information about social condition of women among various Indian communities. This book is solely devoted to examine the social situation of Muslim Women of India in general and the state of West Bengal in particular. The situation of Muslim women of West Bengal, specially of Northern region of this State has been described in details. The present study seeks to explore: Role and status of Muslim women as well as their problems and prospects, Quality of Socio-economic life

of the Muslim women and the extent of changes that have occurred among them, and Problems the Muslim women face towards their empowerment under contemporary changing world order. The book also highlights some of the policy implications of major findings of the study. With its original data and fresh theoretical perspective the book will serve the interest of social scientists, policy makers and women activists.

**Women of India** - Harshida Pandit 2017-04-07

The status and position of Indian women have undergone many changes since the high status they enjoyed in the Vedic era yielded to forced suicide during the dark ages, female infanticide, purdah, child marriages and the denial of property and political rights. This book, first published in 1985, provides a comprehensive annotated bibliography to those years, and the years that followed of the relentless liberation struggle by women on the socio-political and legal fronts.

*The Role of Tension Induced  
Conflict Among Working  
Women of Different Job Levels -  
Arun Kumar 2022-07-06*

INTRODUCTION Traditionally, an Indian woman had four fold status-role sequences. These were her role as a daughter, wife, housewife (homemaker), and mother. The woman, whose status and role traditionally was well defined and almost fixed in the society, is now experiencing far-reaching changes. The woman in modern time is entering into certain new fields that were unknown to the woman's sphere of role-sets. They are actively participating in social, economic, and political activities. The women of the present generation have generally received higher education than the women of their preceding generation. There have been far reaching consequences of the economic status of their families. In modern India educated women are just on the threshold of transition from tradition to modernity. The women themselves desire that their

status and position in society should rise higher. Though a proper climate for such a change is still wanting, yet there have been many structural and statutory innovations for the improvement of their position. The traditional status and role sets of women are breaking up and new role-sets based on achievement, independence and equality are coming up. As contemporary Indian society is at the transitional stage, the working women phenomena is yet to be fully integrated in the larger patterns of culture. It requires ample modifications and readjustment in various aspects of the culture. Due to the rapid changes traditional roles for men and women have become dysfunctional to some extent. There is fluidity of sex role definitions causing lots of problems. Before delving into the analysis of working women of different strata, it is of, **Women Studies** - N. Jayapalan 2000 Women Studies Has Become A Thought Provoking Challenge All Over The World. All The

Civilised Societies And Nations Are Better Understood With Women Studies. Women Studies Are Of Great Importance At The Present World And Cover A Vast Area. This Book Evaluates The Status And Role Of Women, Feminist Theories, Traditional Indian Society, Traditional Asian Society, Movement For Women In The 19Th And 20Th Centuries, Social Reforms And Welfare In India, Inter-National Women S Year, Organisations, Government Policy, Women And The Law, Changing Role Of Women In India And Challenges Facing Women. In Short This Book Provides A Clear Picture About Women Studies In All Respects. This Book Will Surely Be Useful Not Only To The Students But Also To The Academicians, Social Workers And Others Interested In Women Studies.

**Voice and Agency** - Jeni Klugman 2014-09-29

Despite recent advances in important aspects of the lives of girls and women, pervasive challenges remain. These challenges reflect widespread

deprivations and constraints and include epidemic levels of gender-based violence and discriminatory laws and norms that prevent women from owning property, being educated, and making meaningful decisions about their own lives--such as whether and when to marry or have children. These often violate their most basic rights and are magnified and multiplied by poverty and lack of education. This groundbreaking book distills vast data and hundreds of studies to shed new light on deprivations and constraints facing the voice and agency of women and girls worldwide, and on the associated costs for individuals, families, communities, and global development. The volume presents major new findings about the patterns of constraints and overlapping deprivations and focuses on several areas key to women s empowerment: freedom from violence, sexual and reproductive health and rights, ownership of land and housing,

and voice and collective action. It highlights promising reforms and interventions from around the world and lays out an urgent agenda for governments, civil society, development agencies, and other stakeholders, including a call for greater investment in data and knowledge to benchmark progress.

*Tradition and Liberation* -

Catherine A Robinson

2020-10-12

The text examines the role of the Hindu tradition in the ideology and methodology of the Indian women's movement. By showing how leaders of the movement have restated aspects of the tradition, it provides insight into the ways in which a women's movement can restate a religious tradition. Throughout Indian society religion has been central to debate about the position of women and opposition to the women's movement has often been rationalised in terms of religion. Through a review of the speeches and writings of leading figures of the

movement from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, it identifies positive as well as negative representations of the tradition and its implications for women. It shows when and why the movement has chosen either to offer a traditional justification for its aims and activities or to eschew such a justification in favour of an alternative rationale.

**Half a Billion Rising** -

Anirudha Dutta 2015

Indian Women in Leadership -

Rajashi Ghosh 2018-10-10

This book provides intriguing insights into the development of highly qualified women leaders in diverse Indian contexts and their role at national and organizational levels. While India has made enormous economic strides in the past few decades, gender inequality and underutilization of female talent remain deeply rooted and widely spread in many parts of Indian society. This book addresses an urgent need to stop treating Indian women as under-developed human capital and begin

realizing their potential as leaders of quality work. This book will fill the gap of research on international leadership for students, academics, and multinational organizations.

Human Development Report 2015 - United Nations

Development Programme (UNDP) 2016-01-22

This report takes a broad view of the link between work and human development. Work is a critical tool for economic growth and security, poverty reduction and gender equality. It enables full participation in society while affording people a sense of dignity and worth. Humans working together not only increase their material well-being, they also accumulate a wide body of knowledge that serves as the basis for cultures and civilizations. The report finds that work enhances human development when policies are taken to expand productive, remunerative and satisfying work opportunities. Workers' skills and potentials are enhanced, their well-being in

terms of rights, safety and benefits are ensured with targeted interventions, and an agenda incorporating decent work, a new Social Contract and a Global Deal is pursued.

**The Educated Woman in Indian Society Today** - YWCA of India 1971

**Muslim Women in India** - Seema Kazi 1999

This report locates the political, socio-economic and legal position of Muslim women within a historical framework, beginning with the evolution of Islam in India and its subsequent interaction with Indian society. It emphasizes the diversity of women in Muslim communities and the range of factors influencing their status. Kazi traces the developments in discourses of gender vis-à-vis Muslim women from the late nineteenth century to the present day, and describes Muslim women's transition from being British subjects to Indian citizens. Muslim women's contributions within the women's movement are outlined, as well as the

challenges they face as members of India's largest religious minority community.

The Householder - Ritu Sharma  
2018-07-31

The roles of men and women in the ancient society were well defined. And even though the institution of marriage has remained the same since aeons, a woman's purpose and status has drastically changed over the years. Women, since the beginning of time, were always taught that their purpose was to serve men. But now, the idea that women are created for themselves and for their own happiness is beginning to conquer the world. Women, today, are educated, independent, and not at all at the mercy of men. From living their lives as an oppressed gender, women now have an equal role in society. But despite her liberation, women continue to be enchained by the conditionings of the patriarchal mindset. The Householder explores the psychology which is responsible for the biases and prejudices that surround a

woman's identity and sexuality and takes us through her journey of survival in a unanimously skewed world.

**Women in Indian Society** - Neera Desai 2001

Confined to women and women related issues, the book makes a concerted effort to present the status of Indian women against the everchanging social, economic, political and academic backgrounds.

Women in Contemporary Indian Society - Seema Pandey  
2015-01-01

The status of women has become an important parameter to gauge the level of development and sensitivity in any society. This book penetrates the silence that surrounds the lives of India's women. It offers a perceptive understanding of the trials faced by women from the country's state of Rajasthan, in all segments of its society - tribal, rural, and urban - and provides a comparative viewpoint of the status of women in all three segments. It is a comprehensive and holistic examination of questions

relating to the rights and status of women in India. There have been infinite variations of the status, according to the cultural milieu, family structure, caste, class, property rights, etc. All these distinctions are significant determinants of variations.

Psychoanalytic and Socio-Cultural Perspectives on Women in India - Paula L. Ellman 2021-07-09

This important book provides a bridge between psychoanalytic perspectives and socio-cultural issues to shine a spotlight on the experiences of women in India today. Women's well-being and security has often depended upon their gender positioning while other binaries like rural-urban, class, and caste have also played a crucial role globally and especially in India. Historically, women have been subjected to various forms of oppression that include sex selective abortions, domestic violence, bride burning for dowry, and acid attacks. Threats to women's security have recently increased with progressive

polarization and hardening of socio-political and cultural ideologies. This book assesses how women's lives are impacted by these social and cultural conventions and stigma, including ideas around motherhood, religion, intimacy and femininity itself, and the psychological implications these have. Topics include the seduction of religion, motherhood in contemporary times, intimacy and violence, and fundamentalist states of mind in the clinical space. While the book echoes a regional specificity, it simultaneously resonates a backdrop of global change of affairs that has its impact on ideological freedom and the concept of inclusivity in terms of gender, race, culture, and politics across the world. For this comprehensive perspective, the effort is to create a platform of authors comprising psychoanalysts, social scientists, scholars from the liberal arts discipline, as well as social activists. In a country where women have been historically subjected to

both psychological and physical oppression, this timely and original book will interest a range of scholars interested in gender, mental health and contemporary Indian society, as well as clinicians in the field.

**Social Structure and Change**

- A M Shah 1996-08-19

Based on primary as well as secondary data, these cogently argued essays provide a valuable framework to assess the process of reform and change in Indian society within a gender perspective. This volume will interest all those involved in the fields of gender studies, social change, sociology and social anthropology.

**Changing Status and Role of Women in Indian Society** - C.

Chakrapani 1994

The Multi-disciplinary and comprehensive collection of articles presented in this volume provides a valuable discussion on the status and role of the women in development of the society. Till recently, women were treated on a different pedestal, depriving them of their rights

but reminding them of their duties. But with the changing times, the role of women has changed from child bearing and rearing to bread earner. This book brings under one cover the role of women in the changing society and their changing roles under the broad categories of Health, Education, Employment, Politics, Popular Movements and Development.

**The Evolution of Ideals of Womenhood in Indian**

**Society** - Candrabali Tripāṭhī 2005

The present work is English Translation of an award winning Hindi book-Bharatiya Samaja Mein Nari Adarshon ka vikasa, written by late Pt. Chandra Bali Tripathi. While it eulogizes the strong points in the social matrix in various ages, it does not hesitate in bringing out the shortcoming which had resulted in denial to the women of their rightful share in building the social fabric. The Hindi book has been widely acclaimed by scholars of Indian History and Sociology as well as by the



general reader.

**Masculinity and Its Challenges in India** - Rohit K. Dasgupta 2013-12-20

This volume of new interdisciplinary essays provides insights into the emerging field of masculinities and the challenges it poses to the Indian male. Masculinities research has evolved considerably and demonstrates that men are not an homogenous group but are instead diverse--there are many "masculinities." Manliness can no longer be studied from just a North American or European perspective but from those of every part of the world.

Covering an array of topics such as the construction of identity and the negotiation of power and sexuality, these essays aim to show how masculinities are experienced and embodied within India.

**Women in Early Indian Societies** - Kumkum Roy 2002-10-01

Women In Early Indian Societies Is An Anthology Of Articles And Excerpts From Leading Works On The Theme.

There Is A Special Focus On Issues And Perspectives In Historical Writings, On The Material Underpinnings Of Gender Relations, Socio-Sexual Construction Of Gender And The Complex Relationship Between Women And Religious Traditions. The Introductory Essay And Bibliography Contextualise The Themes Which Are Explored And Suggest Possibilities For Future Research.

**Women in Modern India** - Geraldine Forbes 1996-05-09

The author traces the history of Indian women from the nineteenth century under colonial rule, to the twentieth century after Independence. She begins with the reform movement, established by men to educate women, and demonstrates how education changed their lives, enabling them to take part in public life. Through the women's own accounts, the author has compiled an accessible and immediate record of their achievements over the past two centuries, which will be of interest to students of South

Asia and to anyone concerned with women and their history.

*Feminism in India* - Maiyatree Chaudhuri 2005-03-04

This collection is an invaluable overview of the rich history of Indian feminism. It brings together the writing of prominent Indian academics and activists as they debate feminism in the context of Indian culture, society and politics, and explore its theoretical foundations in India. The inevitable association with western feminism, the status of women in colonial and independent India, and the challenges to Indian feminism posed by globalization and the Hindu Right are discussed at length. It deepens our understanding of why, despite the existence of legal and constitutional rights, women are subject to oppressive practices like dowry.

*Moonshot* - Dr. Albert Bourla 2022-03-08

Wall Street Journal Bestseller  
2022 Genesis Prize Laureate  
The exclusive, first-hand, behind-the-scenes story of how

Pfizer raced to create the first Covid-19 vaccine, told by Pfizer's Chairman and CEO Dr. Albert Bourla. A riveting, fast-paced, inside look at one of the most incredible private sector achievements in history, *Moonshot* recounts the intensive nine months in 2020 when the scientists at Pfizer, under the visionary leadership of Dr. Albert Bourla, made "the impossible possible"—creating, testing, and manufacturing a safe and effective Covid-19 vaccine that previously would have taken years to develop. Dr. Bourla chronicles how the brilliant, dedicated minds at Pfizer, under the enormous strains of the global pandemic, overcame a series of crises that were compounded by social and political unrest, and reveals the doubts, decisions, obstacles, and failures they encountered. As Dr. Bourla makes clear, Pfizer's success wasn't due to luck; it was because of preparation driven by four simple values—Courage, Excellence, Equity, and Joy. *Moonshot* is a story of leadership under the

most unprecedented circumstances—how Dr. Bourla, a Greek immigrant, a child of Holocaust survivors, and a veterinarian, became the head of one of the world's largest corporations and initiated a dramatic transformation of the organization just before a global health crisis would serve to test the organization, its scientists, and its leader, like never before. Moonshot describes best practices that can be used to address the multiple, unprecedented challenges our world faces, reveals Pfizer's implementation of scientific breakthroughs at a record-breaking pace, and offers leadership lessons that can help anyone successfully manage their own seemingly unsolvable problems. As Dr. Bourla explains, "I am sharing the story of our moonshot—the challenges we faced, the lessons we learned, and the core values that allowed us to make it happen—in hopes that it might inspire and inform your own moonshot, whatever that may be."

### **Women, Poverty, and Productivity in India** - Lynn Bennett 1992

This publication considers the effects of gender on access within the family and beyond. It is based on a more detailed study of women's involvement in key sectors of the Indian economy, the returns they are getting, and the critical constraints they face in increasing their access to, and productivity in, these sectors. Three fundamental observations emerge. First, women are vital productive workers in India's national economy. Second, the poorer the family, the greater its dependence on women's economic productivity. The third observation is that, as a society, India invests far less in women workers than in its working men. India's women also have less access than do men to health services and nutrition. These gender based asymmetrics are contributing factors in India's high child mortality rates and persistently high birth rates.