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Largest Democracy

On 12 June 1975, for the first time
in independent India's history, the
election of a prime minister was set
aside by a high court judgment. The
watershed case, Indira Gandhi v.
Raj Narain, acted as the catalyst for
the imposition of the Emergency.
Based on detailed notes of the
court proceedings, The Case That
Shook India is both a significant
legal and a historical document.
The author, advocate Prashant
Bhushan, provides a blow-by-blow

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account of the goings-on inside the courtroom as well as the manoeuvrings outside it, including threats, bribes and deceit. As the case goes to the Supreme Court, we see how a ruling government can misuse legislative power to save the PM's election. Through his forceful and gripping narrative, Bhushan vividly recreates the legal drama that decisively shaped India's political destiny.

The executive, the legislature and the judiciary are the three branches of government, both state and central, in India. Of these, it is the judiciary's task to uphold constitutional values and ensure justice for all. The interpretation and application of constitutional values

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by the judicial system has had far-reaching impact, often even altering provisions of the Constitution itself. Although our legal system was originally based on the broad principles of the English common law, over the years it has been adapted to Indian traditions and been changed, for the better, by certain landmark verdicts. In *Landmark Judgments that Changed India*, former Supreme Court judge and eminent jurist Asok Kumar Ganguly analyses certain cases that led to the formation of new laws and changes to the legal system. Discussed in this book are judgments in cases such as *Kesavananda Bharati v. State of Kerala* that curtailed the power of

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Parliament to amend the Constitution; Maneka Gandhi v. Union of India and Others that defined personal liberty; and Golaknath v. State of Punjab, where it was ruled that amendments which infringe upon fundamental rights cannot be passed. Of special significance for law students and practitioners, this book is also an ideal guide for anyone interested in the changes made to Indian laws down the years, and the evolution of the judicial system to what it is today.

Glanville Williams
India's Legal System
Learning the Law
Constitutional Law of India
An Anthology

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God Save the Hon'ble Supreme Court and Other Opinions The System and Procedure

First published in 1945, Glanville Williams: Learning the Law has been introducing new and prospective law students to the foundation skills needed to study law effectively for over 70 years. Presenting an overview of the English Legal System and covering the essential legal skills that students need to master if they want to succeed both in their legal studies and in their future careers, this is a must-have book for all new law students! On the life and work of eminent Indian jurist and lawyer, Nani Ardeshir Palkhivala, b. 1920-

| Shortlisted for the Tata Literature Live Non-fiction Book of the Year Award and Hindu Prize for Non-fiction
| We think of the Indian Constitution as

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a founding document, embodying a moment of profound transformation from being ruled to becoming a nation of free and equal citizenship. Yet the working of the Constitution over the last seven decades has often failed to fulfil that transformative promise. Not only have successive Parliaments failed to repeal colonial-era laws that are inconsistent with the principles of the Constitution, but constitutional challenges to these laws have also failed before the courts. Indeed, in numerous cases, the Supreme Court has used colonial-era laws to cut down or weaken the fundamental rights. The Transformative Constitution by Gautam Bhatia draws on pre-Independence legal and political history to argue that the Constitution was intended to transform not merely the political status of Indians from

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subjects to citizens, but also the social relationships on which legal and political structures rested. He advances a novel vision of the Constitution, and of constitutional interpretation, which is faithful to its text, structure and history, and above all to its overarching commitment to political and social transformation.

What Are Our Courts Doing? What Should We Do About Them?

From the Bench to the Bar

Legal Eagles

Handbook of Human Rights and Criminal Justice in India

The Legend of Nani Palkhivala

The Wit and Wisdom of Nani A. Palkhivala

M.K. Gandhi, Attorney at Law

The gripping story of an explosive turning point in the history of modern

India On the night of June 25, 1975,

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Indira Gandhi declared a state of emergency in India, suspending constitutional rights and rounding up her political opponents in midnight raids across the country. In the twenty-one harrowing months that followed, her regime unleashed a brutal campaign of coercion and intimidation, arresting and torturing people by the tens of thousands, razing slums, and imposing compulsory sterilization on the poor. *Emergency Chronicles* provides the first comprehensive account of this understudied episode in India's modern history. Gyan Prakash strips away the comfortable myth that the Emergency was an isolated event brought on solely by Gandhi's desire to cling to power, arguing that it was as much the product of Indian democracy's troubled

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relationship with popular politics. Drawing on archival records, private papers and letters, published sources, film and literary materials, and interviews with victims and perpetrators, Prakash traces the Emergency's origins to the moment of India's independence in 1947, revealing how the unfulfilled promise of democratic transformation upset the fine balance between state power and civil rights. He vividly depicts the unfolding of a political crisis that culminated in widespread popular unrest, which Gandhi sought to crush by paradoxically using the law to suspend lawful rights. Her failure to preserve the existing political order had lasting and unforeseen repercussions, opening the door for caste politics and

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Hindu nationalism. Placing the Emergency within the broader global history of democracy, this gripping book offers invaluable lessons for us today as the world once again confronts the dangers of rising authoritarianism and populist nationalism.

Contributed articles.

Nepal has seen more change in the last fifteen years than most countries. Its two-hundred-andthirty- years old monarchy was dealt a grievous blow with a horrific multiple murder that remains unexplained to this day.

Alongside it came a decadelong civil war spearheaded by the Maoists.

16,000 people died, over a thousand disappeared, tens of thousands were affected, the little infrastructure and state presence the country had was

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destroyed. Peace has come with uncertainty. Elections were held in 2008 with the Maoists coming to power in a coalition government. A year later the coalition crumbled, replaced with another one. Ethnic assertion is posing new and unpredictable challenges, impunity and corruption are rife and there are two standing armies in the country. What does the future hold? Combining reportage and political history, and superbly narrated, *A Half Revolution* is the definitive book on Nepal's recent history. Anagha Neelakantan is a freelance journalist who has written for *Newsweek*, *Far Eastern Economic Review*, *Himal* and *Biblio* among others. She was educated at Princeton University and has worked with the Nepal Mission of the UN and

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been an executive editor of The Nepali Times.

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Law & Justice

Anita Gets Bail

Emergency Chronicles

The Case that Shook India

Stories of the Top Seven Indian Lawyers

10 Judgements That Changed India

this book contains select quotations classified subjectwise under various chapters from his writings and speeches over six decades of his working life. the book introduces the man through his thoughts and ideas with the aim of inspiring readers, particularly the youth. An incisive and comprehensive view of India's legal process and its key issues India has the second-largest legal

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profession in the world, but the systemic delays and chronic impediments of its judicial system inspire little confidence in the common person. In India's Legal System, renowned constitutional expert and senior Supreme Court lawyer Fali S. Nariman explores the possible reasons. While realistically appraising the criminal justice system and the performance of legal practitioners, he elaborates on the different aspects of contemporary practice, such as public interest litigation, judicial review and activism. In lucid, accessible language, Nariman discusses key social issues such as inequality and affirmative action, providing real cases as illustrations of the on-ground situation. This frank and thought-provoking book offers valuable insights into India's judicial system and maps a possible road ahead to make justice available to all.

It has long been contended that the Indian

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Constitution of 1950, a document in English created by elite consensus, has had little influence on India's greater population. Drawing upon the previously unexplored records of the Supreme Court of India, *A People's Constitution* upends this narrative and shows how the Constitution actually transformed the daily lives of citizens in profound and lasting ways. This remarkable legal process was led by individuals on the margins of society, and Rohit De looks at how drinkers, smugglers, petty vendors, butchers, and prostitutes—all despised minorities—shaped the constitutional culture. The Constitution came alive in the popular imagination so much that ordinary people attributed meaning to its existence, took recourse to it, and argued with it. Focusing on the use of constitutional remedies by citizens against new state regulations seeking to reshape the society

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and economy, De illustrates how laws and policies were frequently undone or renegotiated from below using the state's own procedures. De examines four important cases that set legal precedents: a Parsi journalist's contestation of new alcohol prohibition laws, Marwari petty traders' challenge to the system of commodity control, Muslim butchers' petition against cow protection laws, and sex workers' battle to protect their right to practice prostitution. Exploring how the Indian Constitution of 1950 enfranchised the largest population in the world, *A People's Constitution* considers the ways that ordinary citizens produced, through litigation, alternative ethical models of citizenship.

FROM THE TRENCHES.

We, the People

Can it be Saved?

A Radical Biography in Nine Acts

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The Verdict That Led to the Emergency
Rethinking Palkhivala

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***Eightieth birthday
commemorative volume
Lawyer par excellence,
renowned public speaker,
philanthropist and
distinguished ambassador,
Nani Ardeshir Palkhivala was
in public life for over five
decades. His post-budget
speeches in Bombay since
1958 have drawn national
attention. Considered to be
one of the world's top ten
lawyers, he was once
described by former prime
minister Morarji Desai as
India's finest intellectual.
The profile at the beginning
of this volume, penned by the***

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editors, L.M. Singhvi, M.R. Pai and S. Ramakrishnan, brings together for the first time little known episodes from Nani Palkhivala's early years, as also instances of his legendary memory, kindness, humility and generosity. The selections that follow, from his best published writings and lectures, show to good effect his multi-faceted personality and understanding of Indian business and society. They are on subjects as diverse as religion, freedom and democracy, the Indian Constitution, judicial reforms, the Indian economy, socialism, and education. There are also pieces on

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historical figures and contemporaries who have strongly influenced him. Some of the correspondence that Palkhivala has had with K.R. Narayanan, Indira Gandhi, Sanjay Gandhi, V.P. Singh, Dr Manmohan Singh, Justice H.R. Khanna, Swami Ranganathananda and others has been included, along with rare photographs from the Palkhivala family album. All these offer a warm and full portrait of an individual who has spent his life in pursuit of excellence. Candid, provocative and forceful, the pieces in this volume reflect a mind that possesses a remarkable moral and intellectual integrity and a

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rare clarity of vision.

***Autobiography of a former
judge of the Supreme Court of
India.***

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India.***

***Indira Gandhi and
Democracy's Turning Point
An Independent, Colonial
Judiciary***

Civil Procedure Code

We, the Nation

A People's Constitution

The Transformative

Constitution

Nani Palkhivala

Speeches and lectures
delivered by the author on
various occasions; chiefly
on the legal and political

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developments of India. Most financial services are now tradable across borders in an extremely competitive environment with buyers and sellers around the world having a choice of procuring services from competing international financial centres. The global international financial services (IFS) market in the 21st century is one in which competition is driven by rapid innovation in financial products, services, instruments, structures, and arrangements to

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accommodate and manage myriad requirements, risks and a ceaseless quest for cost reduction.

Competitive advantage in IFS provision depends on seven key factors: - An extensive national, regional, global network of corporate and government client connections possessed by financial firms participating in an international finance centre - High level human capital specialized in finance, supported by a numerate labour force. - World-class

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telecommunications
infrastructure - State-of-
the-art IT systems - A
well-developed,
sophisticated open
financial system - A
system of financial regime
governance that is
amenable to operating on
global 'best-practice'
lines and standards - A
'hinterland advantage' in
terms of either a national
or regional economy
(preferably both) whose
growth is generating rapid
growth in demand for IFS
The Ministry of Finance,
Government of India
established a High Powered

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Expert Committee in 2006 to study the feasibility of India's entry into the global market for IFS and that of Mumbai becoming an IFC. The Committee's report analyses Mumbai's strengths and weaknesses in terms of the above seven key factors essential for the success of an IFC. The report strives to deliver a nuanced appreciation of the likely costs and benefits of the path to an IFC, based on an understanding of which policy-makers can make a reasoned choice.

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This book brings together the leading judgments of Justice V.R. Krishna Iyer, a former judge of the Supreme Court of India. The work lucidly describes the principles of human justice reflecting in his judgments.

The Art of a Lawyer
The Emergency, Censorship,
and the Press in India,
1975-77

Wandering in Many Worlds
The Man Before the Mahatma
Selected Writings

The Lost Decades
A History of the Bombay
High Court during the
British Raj, 1862-1947

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In 2012, the Bombay High Court celebrated the 150th year of its existence. As one of three high courts first set up in colonial India in 1862, it functioned as a court of original and appellate jurisdiction during the British Raj for over 80 years, occupying the topmost rung of the judicial hierarchy in the all-important Bombay Presidency. Yet, remarkably little is known of how the court functioned during the colonial era. The historiography of the court is quite literally anecdotal. The most well known books written on the history of the court focus on humorous (at times, possibly apocryphal)

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stories about 'eminent' judges and 'great' lawyers, bordering on hagiography. Examining the backgrounds and lives of the 83 judges-Britons and Indians-who served on the Bombay High Court during the colonial era, and by exploring the court's colonial past, this book attempts to understand why British colonial institutions like the Bombay High Court flourished even after India became independent. In the process, this book will attempt to unravel complex changes which took place in Indian society, the legal profession, the law, and the legal culture during the colonial era.

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The judiciary has been the one sturdy dyke that has saved us from the excesses of rulers. But recent events remind us of the cracks that have formed: the quality of individuals apart, even the institutional arrangements that had been put in place to preserve the purity and independence of the institution--the collegium, conventions governing the way cases are to be assigned among judges--have frayed. These cracks provide a dangerous opportunity to political rulers to suborn this institution also. Through actual cases and judgments--of subordinate

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courts, High Courts, the Supreme Court--Arun Shourie enables us to see how frail and vulnerable this 'last pillar standing' has become. A judge who by a brazen manipulation of facts lets a prominent politician off ... Events and a judgment that let the convicted choose the prosecutor who is to conduct the case against them ... Courts that turn a blind eye to life-and-death reforms even as they preoccupy themselves with trivia ... Courts that deliver ringing judgments and then do not care to look if their directions are being implemented ... Courts that disregard their own judgments

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on penalizing persons for perjury, for dragging out cases ... Courts that do not think through the consequences, even the predictable consequences of their judgments ... Judges who prevaricate, who look the other way when some of their own fraternity come under a cloud ... A judge who is manifestly unbalanced, judges whose knowledge of the most elementary facts of science is laughable, a judge whose prose even the Supreme Court is unable to comprehend--all of them continue to hand down rulings that affect the fortunes and lives of thousands ... Judges

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who disregard well-settled principles to such an extent that their colleagues are compelled to make their grave misgivings public...And the non-bailable warrants that are issued for the arrest of Anita, Arun Shourie's ailing wife, for evading summons that were never served, summons that were ostensibly issued for their having built a house that was never built, on a plot they did not own... Through the meticulous examination that is a hallmark of his writing, Arun Shourie leads us through judgments and instances--some hilarious, so many infuriating--and points to things

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that each of us--judges, lawyers, laypersons like us--can do to retrieve this most vital of institutions.

This critically acclaimed handbook is an in-depth study of human rights and criminal justice, in particular the Criminal Procedure Code, in India. The new edition, with an additional chapter on recent changes in the criminal justice system, reviews contemporary developments in this area.

*Landmark Judgements That Changed India
Centenary Commemorative Volume
Before Memory Fades*

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Speaking for the Bench
Listen to My Case! When
Women Approach the Courts of
Tamil Nadu
Debates on Judicial
Appointments
Mastering Essay & Answer
Writing for UPSC Civil Services
IAS/ IPS & State PSC Main
Exam

Before Memory Fades by Fali S. Nariman is a revelatory, comprehensive and perceptive autobiography – candid, compelling and authoritative. Internationally admired and respected, Fali S. Nariman is a senior advocate of the Supreme Court of India. He began his career at the Bombay High Court in November 1950, and has since been

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active in the legal profession. Over the years, he has held several prestigious posts at both the national and international levels. He became a Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha) in November 1999. He is the recipient of the Padma Bhushan (1991) and the Padma Vibhushan (2007). Starting with his formative years, when he had the good fortune to interact with many eminent judges and advocates, Fali S. Nariman moves on to deal with a wide variety of important subjects, such as, the sanctity of the Indian Constitution and attempts to tamper with it. crucial cases that have made a decisive impact on the nation, especially on the interpretation of the law, the relationship between the political class and the judiciary, the cancer of corruption and how to combat this menace, the author outlines measures

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to restore the now-low credibility of the legal profession, he also delineates his role in several high-profile cases. In recognition of his track record, the Government of India nominated him to the Rajya Sabha. He describes the highlights of his tenure there. Both members of the legal profession and the lay reader will find the contents informative and useful.

Harish Salve failed his CA exam twice. Mukul Rohatgi was unable to secure a place at the Law Faculty, Delhi University. Rohinton Nariman was trained to become a Parsi priest. Legal Eagles examines the lives and times of India's top seven lawyers, who fought some of the country's landmark courtroom battles. Tracing their journey from their childhood days to the present, the book highlights the important milestones of their careers,

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their victories and failures, their influences, and their work ethic and role models, demonstrating that the path to success is paved with determination, grit and challenges. Journalist Indu Bhan gives a ringside view of the most significant case handled by each of these lawyers, including the Vodafone tax case, Coalgate and the 2G spectrum controversy, among others.

Who was Shah Bano and why was her alimony pertinent to India's Secularism? Does the fundamental right to life include the right to livelihood and shelter? Where there is the right to live, is there also the right to die? How did Bhanwari Devi's Rape help define sexual harassment at the workplace? Here are the Supreme Court's ten pivotal judgements that have transformed

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Indian democracy and redefined our daily, lives. Exploring vital themes such as custodial deaths, reservations and environmental jurisprudence, this book contextualizes the judgements, explains key concepts and maps their impacts. Written by one of India's most respected lawyers, Ten Judgements That Changed India is an authoritative yet accessible read for anyone keen to understand India's legal system and the foundations of our democracy.

As Amended Upto Seventy-fifth
Amendment

Nani Palkhivala: A Role Model
Choosing Hammurabi

(with a Concise Commentary on
Equalisatin Levy)

Kanga & Palkhivala's the Law and
Practice of Income Tax
Of Law and Life