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AAe Anthropology and Aesthetics

AAION Anglistica AION

AAAG Annals of the Association of American Geographers

AaM Anthropology and Medicine
AAn Anthropologischer Anzeiger
AAnth Asian Anthropology
AAS African and Asian Studies

ABORI Annals of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute

AD African Diaspora

Adibasi Adibasi Ādilok Ādilok Adivasi Adivasi

AE American Ethnologist

AES Archives Européennes de Sociologie AÉSC Annales: Économies, Sociétés, Civilisations

Aesthetics Aesthetics AEth Asian Ethnicity

AFF Annales de la Fondation Fyssen

Africa: Journal of the International African Institute

AFS Asian Folklore Studies

AJ Art Journal
Alternatives Alternatives

AmAn American Anthropologist AMi The Ahmedabad Missionary

Anthropologist Anthropos Anthropos

Anzo Anthropozoologica
APa Ancient Pakistan
APe Asian Perspectives
AR Asiatic Researches

ARA Annual Review of Anthropology ARN Annual Review of Neuroscience

AsA Asian Affairs
AsE Asian Ethnology
ASo L'Année Sociologique

ASoR American Sociological Review

ASSR Archives de sciences sociales des religions

ASu Asian Survey

ATh Anthropological Theory AWE Ancient West and East

BCAS Bulletin of Concerned Asian Scholars

BDADU Bulletin of the Department of Anthropology, Dibrugarh University

BDCRI Bulletin of the Deccan College Research Institute BÉFÉO Bulletin de l'École française d'Éxtrême Orient

BHS Bangladesh Historical Studies

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BICUAER Bulletin of the International Committee on Urgent Anthropological and Ethnological

Research

BIPPA Bulletin of the Indo-Pacific Prehistory Association

BLS Berkeley Linguistics Society

BSOAS Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies BSRVRI Bulletin of the Sri Rama Varma Research Institute

BT Bulletin of Tibetology

BTRDI Bulletin of the Tribal Research and Development Institute

CA Cultural Anthropology
CAJ Central Asiatic Journal
CAn Critique of Anthropology

CCAP Cahiers du CAP

CCo Communalism Combat CCor Clinical Cornerstone

CE Cahiers d'Ethnomusicologie

CH Cahiers de l'Homme

Childhood Childhood

CIS Contributions to Indian Sociology
CLO Cahiers de Littérature Orale
CM Connaisance du Monde (Paris)
CML Chotanagpur Mission Letter
CNML Chota Nagpur Mission Letter
CNS Contributions to Nepalese Studies
CNS Capitalism Nature Socialism

CRe Calcutta Review

CS Conservation and Society

CSSA Comparative Studies of South Asia

CSSRB Council of Societies for the Study of Religion Bulletin

CuA Current Anthropology

DA Dalit Adab Daedalus Daedalus

DBM Die Biene auf dem Missionsfelde

EA Eastern Anthropologist

EAS European Archives of Sociology

EBHR European Bulletin of Himalayan Research
EBHS European Bulletin of Himalayan Studies

EE Ecological Economics
 EH Environment and History
 ELG The East Lakes Geographer
 EMM Evangelisches Missions Magazin

EPDSS Environment and Planning D: Society and Space

EPW Economic and Political Weekly

ER Etudes rurales
Ethnology Ethnology
Ethnopolitics Ethnorêma Ethnorêma
Ethos Ethos
Exhibitions Exhibitions

EYMS European Yearbook of Minority Issues
EZZ Ethnologische Zeitschrift Zürich

FA Fieldiana Anthropology FEQ The Far Eastern Quarterly xxii JOURNALS

Folk Folk Folklore Folklore

FR Fortnightly Review

Geoforum Geoforum

GMJIE Global Media Journal – Indian Edition

GR Geographical Review

GRB Geography of Religions and Belief

HAn History and Anthropology

HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory

HD Human Development HE Human Ecology

 $Herpinstance-Newsletter\ of\ the\ Madras\ Crocodile\ Bank$

HI Hamdard Islamicus

Highlander Highlander

HL Himalayan Linguistics HR History of Religions

HRB Himalayan Research Bulletin

HS Himalaya Studies HSA Himal South Asian

Humankind Humankind: The Journal of Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manay Sangrahalaya

IA Indian Antiquary

IACS Inter-Asia Cultural Studies
IAs Internationales Asienforum

IESHR Indian Economic and Social History Review

IHQ Indian Historical Quarterly

IICQ India International Centre Quarterly

IJA Irish Journal of Anthropology

IJAL International Journal of American Linguistics
IJBA The Internet Journal of Biological Anthropology
IJCL International Journal of Constitutional Law
IJDS International Journal of Dharma Studies
IJSD Indian Journal of Social Development

IL Indian LinguisticsILSc In Language SciencesIMR Indian Missiological Review

IOSR-JHSS International Organization of Scientific Research-Journal of Humanities

and Social Sciences

IPCSRS Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies Research Paper

IPJ Indigenous Policy Journal

IQAS International Quarterly for Asian Studies
IRSH International Review of Social History
IWCD India's Women and China's Daughters

JA Journal des Anthropologues

JAAR Journal of the American Academy of Religions

JAAS Journal of Asian and African Studies

JAC Journal of Asian Civilizations

JAF Journal of American Folklore

JAHRS Journal of the Andhra Historical Research Society

JAS Journal of Asian Studies JAs Journal Asiatique

JASB Journal of the Anthropological Society of Bombay

JASBe Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal

JBORS Journal of the Bihar and Orissa Research Society

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JBRS Journal of the Bihar Research Society

JBS Journal of Borderlands Studies

JCCP Journal of Commonwealth and Comparative Politics

JCG Journal of Cultural Geography

JDACU Journal of the Department of Anthropology Calcutta University

JDSt Journal of Development Studies JEF Journal of Ethnology and Folkloristics

JEMB Jahresberichte der evangelischen Missionsgesellschaft zu Basel

JHES Journal of Human and Environmental Sciences

JJRS Japanese Journal of Religious Studies

JPRASB Journal and Proceedings of the Royal Anthropological Society of Bengal

JRAI Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute

JRAIGBI Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain and Ireland

JRASB Journal of the Royal Anthropological Society Bengal

JRS Journal of Refugee Studies

JRSP Journal of the Research Society of Pakistan
JSALL Journal of South Asian Languages and Linguistics

JSAS Journal of South Asian Studies

JSEALS Journal of South East Asian Linguistics Society
JSRNC Journal for the Study of Religion, Nature and Culture

JSS Journal of Social Sciences

JSSt Journal of Social Studies

JSuS Journal of Sufi Studies

JWC Journal of World Christianity

JWH Journal of World History

Kailash Kailash

L'Ethnographie L'Ethnographie
L'Homme L'Homme
Lalies Lalies
Liber Liber

LMB Lahore Museum Bulletin LRF La Ricerca Folklorica

Man: Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute

Marg Marg

MAS Modern Asian Studies

MASB Memoirs of the Asiatic Society of Bengal

MBGAEU Mitteilungen der Berliner Gesellschaft für Anthropologie, Ethnologie und Urgeschichte

MCCM The Madras Christian College Magazine

MedA Medical Anthropology MI Museum International

MiI Man in India
Mimeo Mimeo
MiS Man in Society

MJLS Madras Journal of Literature and Science

ML Man and Life

MMHN Mémoires du Muséum d'Histoire Naturelle

MRe Modern Review
MW Man and World
NEHU NEHU Journal
New Quest New Quest

NGM National Geographic Magazine NM Nordisk Missionstidsskrift

NMML Nehru Memorial Museum and Library Occasional Paper History and Society

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NP Nomadic Peoples

NV Newāh Vijñāna: The Journal of Newar Studies

OA Oriental Anthropologist

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OHRJ Orissa Historical Research Journal

OM Objects et Mondes OR Orissa Review

OS Organization Studies
OT Oral Tradition
Our Field Our Field

PAPS Proceedings of the American Philosophical Society

PG Political Geography
PI Performing Islam

PIHC Proceedings of the Indian History Congress
PJPA Pakistan Journal of Public Administration

Pluriel Pluriel

PP Past and Present
PPe Pakistan Perspectives
PQ Political Quarterly

Psychiatry Psychiatry
Purusartha Purusartha

QI Quaternary International

QJMS Quarterly Journal of the Mythic Society

RC Religion Compass
Representations Representations

RET Revue d'Etudes Tibétaines RHR Revue de l'histoire des religions

RPJ Research Paper Journal RRS Regmi Research Series RSA Religions of South Asia

RSAR Religion and Society: Advances in Research RSSAS A Research Journal of South Asian Studies

RST Religious Studies and Theology RT Religionsvidenskabeligt Tidsskrift

SAB South Asia Bulletin

SAHC South Asian History and Culture SAJ The South Asianist Journal

Samaj Samaj

SAR South Asia Research SAs The South Asianist SB Sociological Bulletin

Science Science

SCSA Society and Culture in South Asia

Seminar Seminar

SES Senri Ethnological Studies

Shaman Shaman

SiH Studies in History

SJoA Southwestern Journal of Anthropology SMSR Studi e Materiali di Storia delle Religioni SNHS Studies in Nepali History & Society

SNR Sudan Notes and Records SNR Society and Natural Resources

SoAn Social Analysis

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SocA Social Anthropology

SoF Social Forces
SS Social Scientist

SSM Social Science and Medicine SSR Social Science Review STT Studies of Tribes and Tribals

SV Scholar's Voice: A New Way of Thinking

TAPS Transactions of the American Philosophical Society

TC Transforming Cultures
TDR The Drama Review

Temenos Temenos
Terrain Terrain
TJ Tibet Journal

TPS Transactions of the Philosophical Society

TWQ Third World Quarterly VA Visual Anthropology

Vestnik Vestnik

WF Western Folklore

WVM Wiener Völkerkundliche Mitteilungen

ZE Zeitschrift für Ethnologie

General Abbreviations

approx. approximately

Arab. Arabic Assamese Ass. b. born

bot.

BCE before the Common Era botanical

c. circa CE Common Era cent./cents. century/centuries ch./chs. chapter/chapters

died d. Des. Desia diss. dissertation

ed./eds. editor, edited by/editors ET **English translation**

and others et al.

f./ff. following page/following pages

fem. feminine figure fig. Gujarati Guj. Gutob Gut. Hind. Hindi Khas. Khasi kilometer km Lad. Ladakhi Lim. Limbu lit. literally m meter Mar. Marathi masculine masc. note/notes n.d. no date no location n.l. Nag. Nagamese Nepali Nep. New. Newari

number/numbers no./nos.

Odia Odi. Oll. Ollar page/pages p./pp. Pers. Persian pl. plate plur. plural

published by/publisher publ.

repr. reprint

revised edition rev. ed.

Sin. Sinhala
Sind. Sindhi
sing. singular
Skt. Sanskrit
Sut. Sutsa
Tam. Tamil
Tib. Tibetan

trans. translator, translated by, translation

unpubl. unpublished

Urd. Urdu vs. verse

vol./vols. volume/volumes