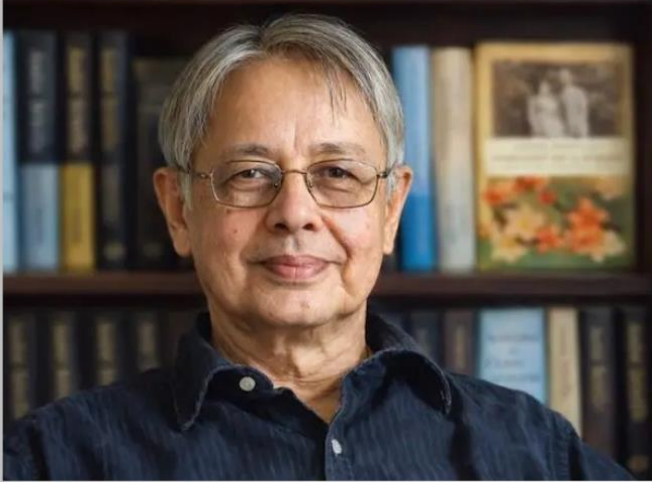
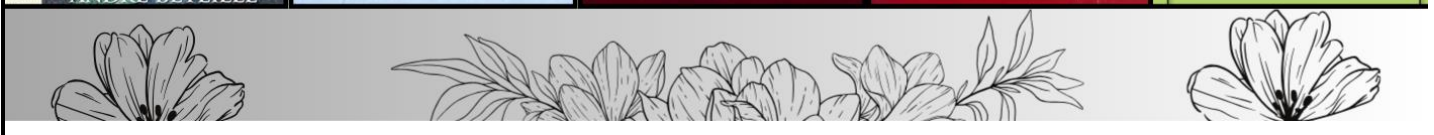
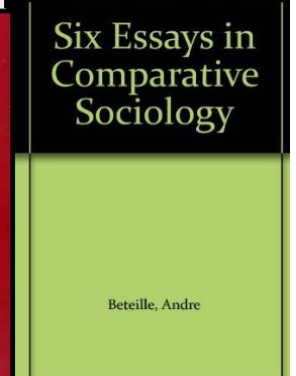
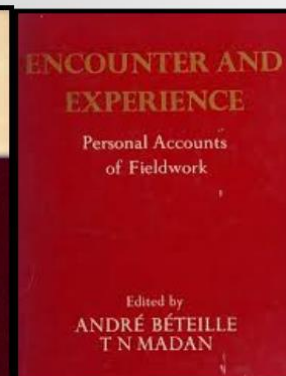
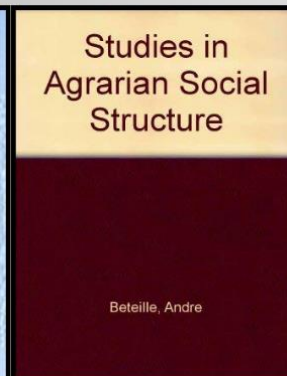
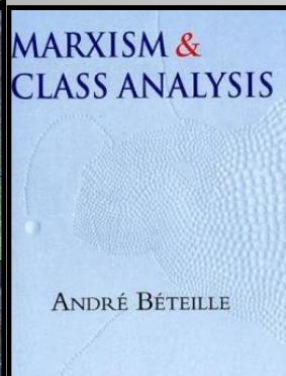
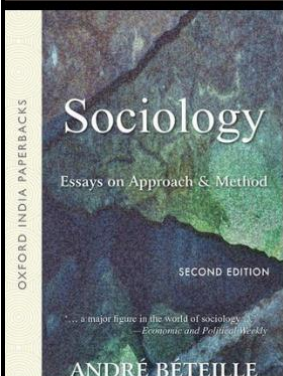
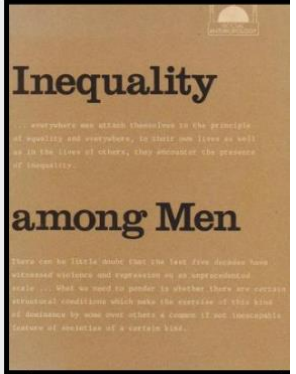
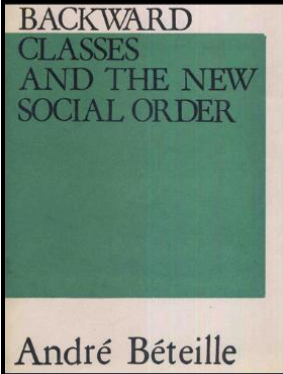
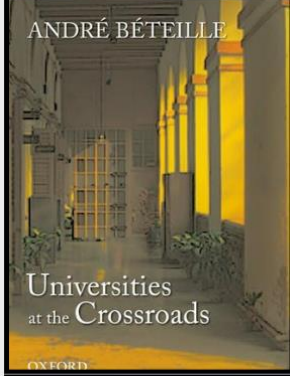
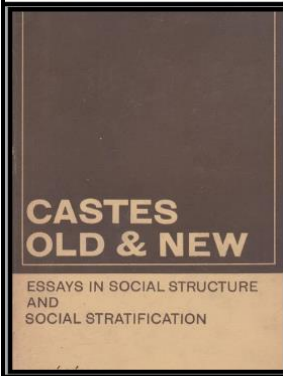
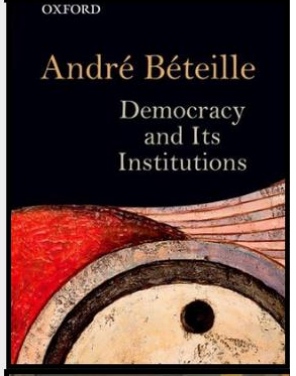


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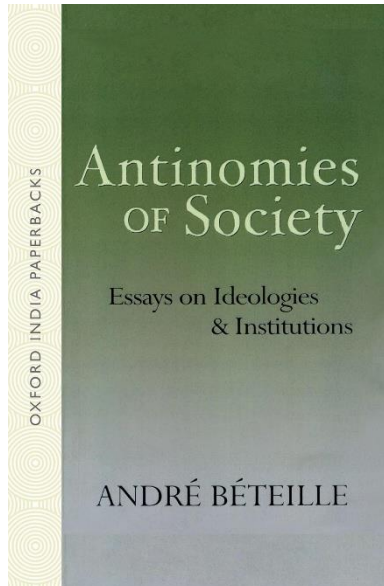
Author Spotlight

# Andre Beteille

# Antinomies of society: essays on ideologies and institutions

By: Beteille, Andre



**Description:** Addressing ideologies like Marxism, secularism, and nationalism, this collection studies the tensions and contradictions in society as manifested through different social and political institutions. Written by one of the preeminent sociologists of India, it seeks to develop the methods, concepts, and theories of the discipline through an in-depth exploration of various establishments.

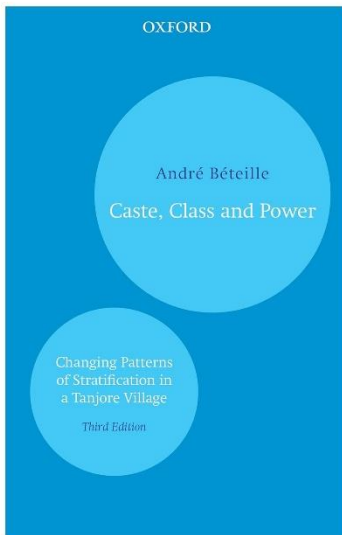
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# Caste, class, and power: changing patterns of stratification in a Tanjore Village

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** This title is part of UC Press's Voices Revived program, which commemorates University of California Press's mission to seek out and cultivate the brightest minds and give them voice, reach, and impact. Drawing on a backlist dating to 1893, Voices Revived makes high-quality, peer-reviewed scholarship accessible once again using print-on-demand technology. This title was originally published in 1965.

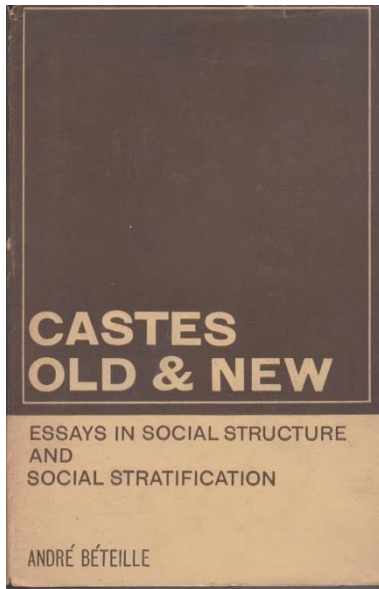
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# Castes: old and new: essays in social structure and social stratification

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** *Castes: Old and New: Essays in Social Structure and Social Stratification* (1969) by André Beteille is a foundational collection of ten essays examining the evolving nature of caste, class, and power in Indian society. It analyses how traditional hierarchical systems ("old") are adapting to democratic and industrial changes ("new").

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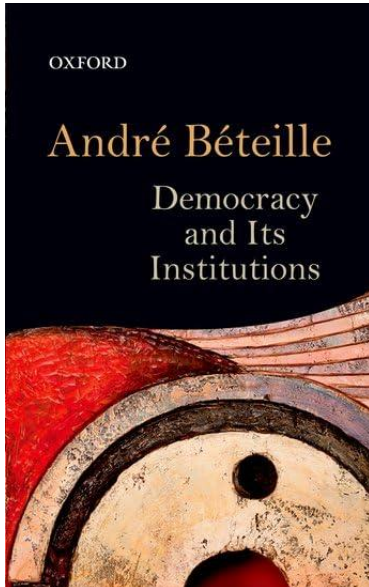
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# Democracy and its institutions



By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** This volume reflects Béteille's engagement with the conception of formal, legal, political institutions (Parliament, Judiciary, and political parties), and practices in specific domains of public and political life- rule of law, constitutional morality, the opposition-without which democracies cannot function or survive. The focus on institutions highlights the divergence between ideal and practice in the operation of democracy. The author contends that the institutions of civil society require an effective constitutional framework for their proper functioning, and that such a framework suffers when social movements set themselves continuously against the State's authority. The relationship between government and opposition acquires great value and significance in a democracy, and this issue has been examined in detail. The volume not only points to what remains neglected in the study of democracy but also offers an understanding of the ground on which democracies rest.

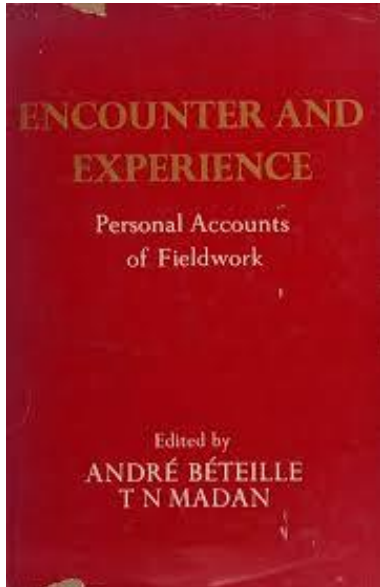
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# Encounter and experience: personal accounts of field work

Edited by: Beteille, Andre & Madan, T. N

**Description:** On social anthropological field work in India, Malaysia, and among the Zuni; personal accounts by Indian, British, American, and Japanese scholars.

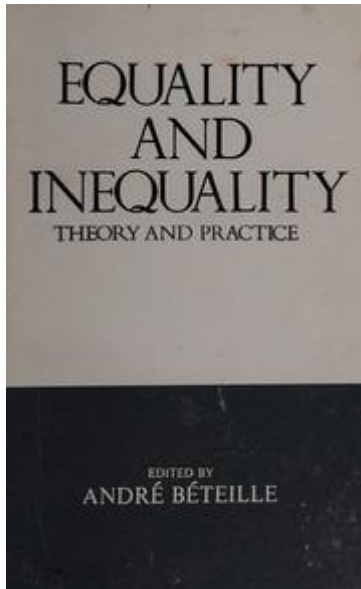
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# Equality and inequality: theory and practice

Edited by: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** Contributed articles on different aspects of socioeconomic inequality in India.

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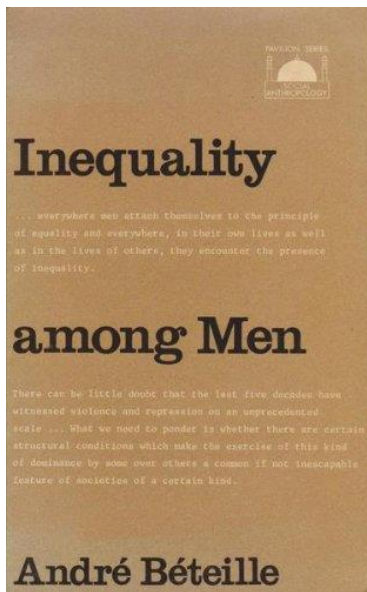
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# Inequality among men

By: Beteille, Andre



**Description:** This book presents a general and comparative account of social inequality. It identifies two basic sources of inequality, both of which are inherent in any social system: first, evaluation, since all societies evaluate, and hence place in order, objects, activities and individuals; and second, organisation, since any society is governed by rules whose enforcement inevitably leads to inequalities in the distribution of power.

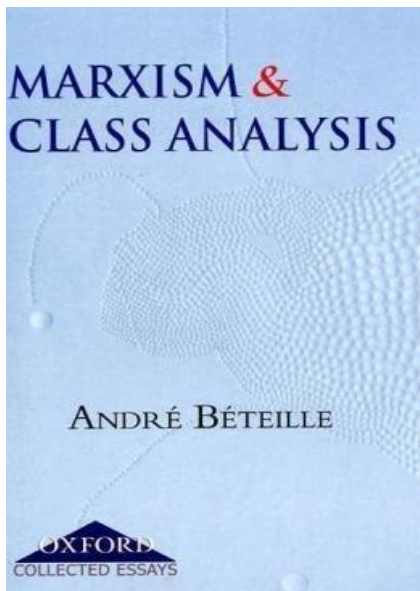
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# Marxism and class analysis

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** Marxism has played a crucial role directly and indirectly in the development of social analysis in India. This collection of essays by Andre Beteille addresses the contemporary significance of Marxism in the study of society, polity, and economy. The problems of inequality, class, and conflict in India are discussed with special reference to its agrarian social structure. Marxism has often been identified with what is described as the 'class approach' to society. While recognizing the historical and contemporary relevance of class, the essays in the substantive part of the book deal with other sources of inequality and conflict, and their relationship with class. The analysis also brings out the diverse and changing meanings of class within the Marxist tradition itself. It presents accounts of inequality and conflict at various levels of society: village, district, and region. It also provides an overview of the changes that have taken place in the concept of and approaches to the study of class since the time of Marx.

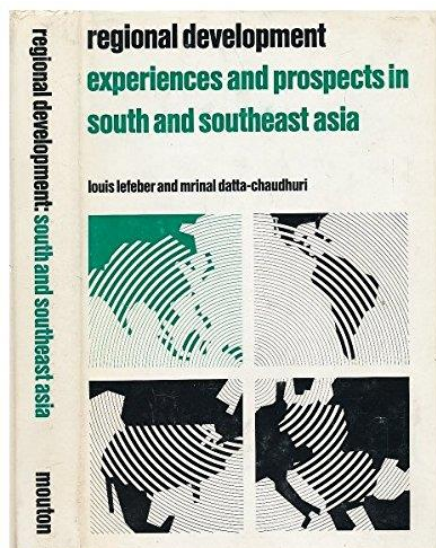
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## Regional development experiences and prospects in South and Southeast Asia

Contributed By: Beteille, Andre

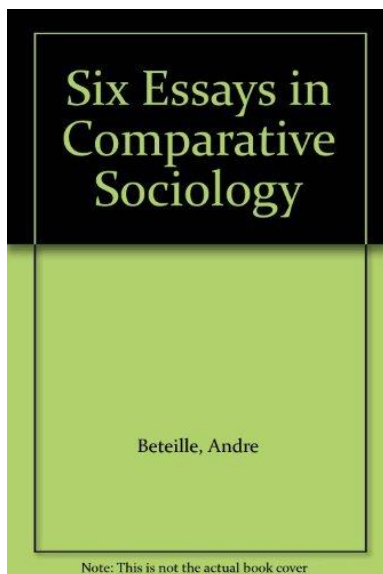
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## Six essays in comparative sociology

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** This new edition of B eteille's well-known work, *Six Essays in Comparative Sociology*, explores important topics in sociology and anthropology and relates them to contemporary Indian peasant society. Two new essays-- "Marxism, Pluralism, and Orthodoxy" and "Is There a Marxist Anthropology?"--plus new appendices on ethnosociology and concepts of the tribe, make the book more comprehensive and useful for students and scholars in a variety of fields.

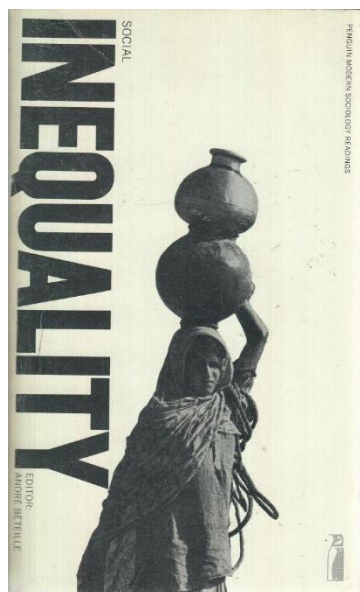
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## Social inequality: selected readings

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** Compilation of readings on the sociology of class stratification, social status and social structure - covers distributive and relational aspects of social inequality, and forms of discrimination and intergroup relations arising therefrom.

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**SOCIETY AND POLITICS  
IN INDIA**

ESSAYS IN A COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE

Andre Beteille



# Society and politics in India: essays in a comparative perspective

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** Society and politics are subjects of continuous and animated discussion in contemporary India. The essays brought together in this collection were written or published between 1964 and 1990. In this case it was also a period of many changes in the disciplines of social anthropology and sociology, as well as in the social and political environment.

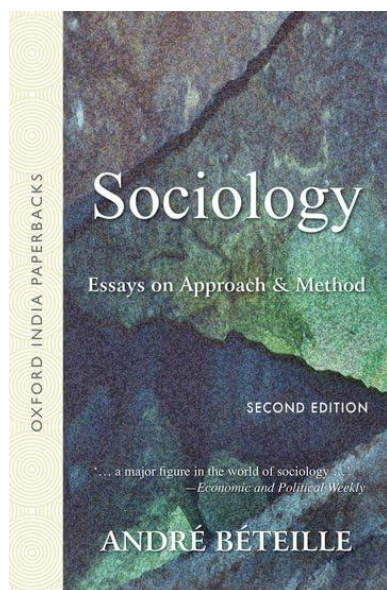
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# Sociology: essays on approach and method

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** This collection reflects André Beteille's long career in teaching and research in a single institutional setting as a scholar of sociology. With a new introduction, two new essays and a new appendix, the second edition emphasizes that sociology as an intellectual discipline should be concerned more directly with the present than the past. Both the new essays complement the existing chapters in the book. Writing about sociology and current affairs in Chapter 2, Beteille makes a distinction between 'immediate-return' and 'delayed-return' research. Chapter 5 focuses on the important question of difference between the study of one's own society and the study of other cultures. The new appendix includes a conversation between the author and Surendra Munshi on a variety of themes. Together, the two appendices in the book reiterate the author's conviction that the study of one's own society gains from the insights derived from the study of other societies.

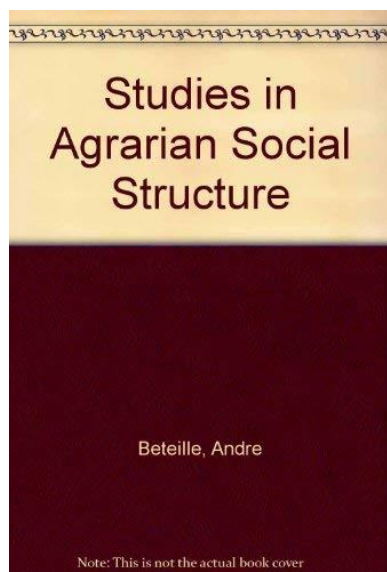
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## Studies in agrarian social structure

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** Social and cultural anthropology monograph on rural community social structures in India - covers the agricultural economy, land tenure and social stratification, peasant movements, the causes of rural area unrest, etc.

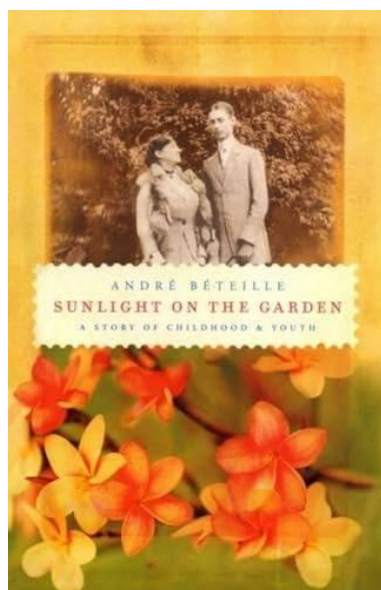
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## Sunlight on the garden: a story of childhood and youth

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** André Beteille's memoir, spanning his childhood, his schooldays and his early years as a sociologist, encompasses many worlds—that of colonial Chandannagar, where he spent his early years; of Patna and Calcutta, where he went to English medium as well as Bengali-medium schools; and of his college days, where he started off as a physicist and then turned to sociology—a field in which he was to win international renown. There are unforgettable descriptions of his colonial childhood and his two grandmothers, one French and the other Bengali; and of momentous events he lived through such as famine, communal riots and Partition. Equally compelling are his portraits of family members, his neighbourhood, school friends, teachers and Calcutta's intellectual stars, among them Sukhamoy Chakravarty and Amartya Sen. With its lucid and eloquent prose infused with acute sociological observations and insights into family relationships, childhood and adolescence, caste, class and community, this is a book that illumines the evolution of a brilliant teacher and scholar, even as it deepens our understanding of universal human dilemmas and desires.

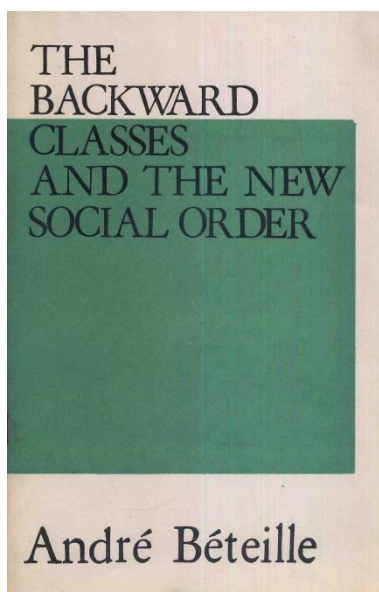
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## The backward classes & the new social order: the Ambedkar memorial lectures delivered under the auspices of the University of Bombay

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** Should quotas in education and employment be treated as matters of policy and not of right? Is the individual or groups of the community the fundamental bearer of rights and capacities? Can past disparities be adequately redressed? The author begins to address these issues with a sociological critique of the equality provisions in the Constitution of India. He argues that the problem is not simply of the contradiction between the principle of equality and the practice of inequality, but also of the tensions between divergent concepts of equality. He focuses on the problem of balancing the principle of equal opportunities with the principle of redress, citing disparities between groups that were such a striking feature of traditional India. The author argues that if caste quotas are treated as matters of right and extended indefinitely, there will be irreparable damage to institutions such as universities, hospitals and banks that are governed by principles that are radically different from those governing the relations between castes.

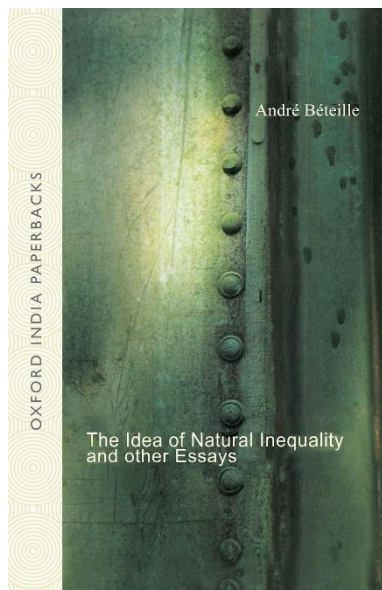
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# The idea of natural inequality and other essays

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** The essays in this volume deal with various aspects of inequality with special reference to contemporary India but has been viewed in a comparative perspective. They deal with different forms and dimensions of inequality and with alternative conceptions of equality.

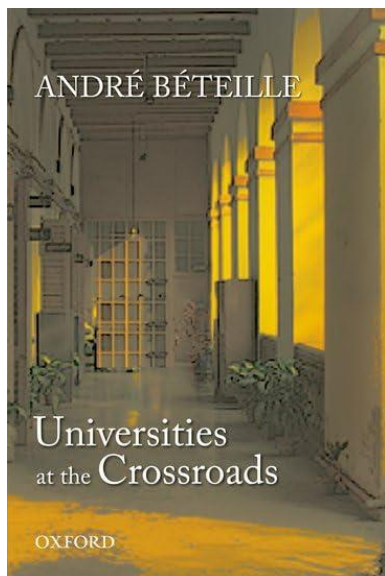
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# Universities of the crossroads

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** This book deals with the predicament of Indian universities, the objectives with which they were set up, and the extent to which they have remained true to those objectives. While the focus is on contemporary India, the book contextualises the discussion in a historical and comparative perspective. The author examines the causes and consequences of the rapid growth in the number and size of Indian universities since the middle of the twentieth century, and argues that the growth has happened both in response to the continuous expansion of knowledge and to meet the goals of social inclusion.

Written in an accessible style, *Universities at the Crossroads* will be invaluable reading for both scholars and lay readers interested in India's system of higher education.

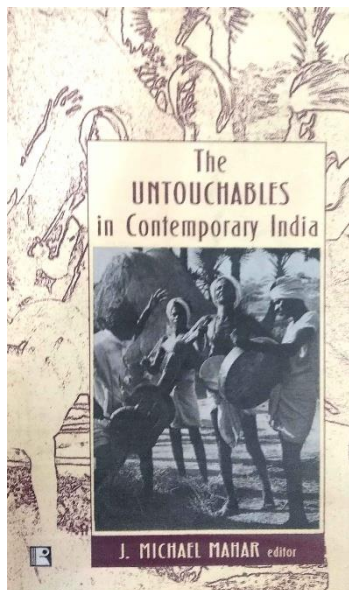
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## Untouchables in contemporary India

By: Beteille, Andre

**Description:** Compilation of papers comprising an interdisciplinary research study of untouchability among low-income castes in India - covers the untouchable's social role in the rural community, religion and reform, social policy efforts to abolish untouchability, etc., and examines the psychological aspects and sociological aspects for ex-untouchables of their newly acquired social mobility.

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