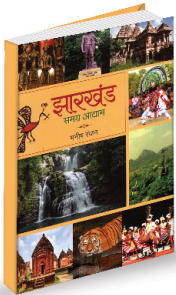


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### PICK OF THE MONTH



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## India's First Free Airport Reading Lounge Inaugurated in Varanasi



**N**BT-India's Airport Reading Lounge, set up at the Departure Lounge, Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport, was inaugurated on 9 May 2023. "A very unique and effective way to promote reading, this one of its kind Reading Lounge on an airport – especially in the City of Varanasi – is a positive step towards achieving the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister to make India excel globally as a well-read population", said Shri Awanish Awasthi IAS, Advisor to Hon'ble Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh while inaugurating one of the world's most unique Reading Lounge on Varanasi airport. Lauding the efforts of NBT-India and AAI in making reading accessible to flyers, Shri Awasthi also added that such Reading Lounges may also be opened in other cities of Uttar Pradesh by NBT-India with support from the UP State Govt. to make UP one of the first States to do so.

"Young readers are the nation builders of tomorrow and it is essential that a strong foundation be

laid from childhood to make them world leaders of the future," said Shri Yuvraj Malik, Director, NBT-India during his address at the inauguration ceremony of India's first Free Reading Lounge.

Padam Shri Ms Malini Awasthi who was also present at the occasion commended NBT-India's innovative efforts of making reading easily accessible and promoting the good habit of reading among young and general readers alike.

Ms Aryama Sanyal, Airport Director LBSI Airport Varanasi was also present at the event, which was attended by students of Sunbeam School, who were in for a treat as



the inaugural event was followed by a fun storytelling session, a pop-up quiz and extempore sessions.

Government of India has set up many milestones in its journey towards Amrit Kaal, laying the foundation with the National Education Policy 2020, to the planning for a Community Library at every Panchayat, as well as the setting-up of the visionary National Digital Library for Children and Adolescents.

Airports are a gateway to another city, a new world where we make memories, and take with us impressions and inspirations. India, the nation of a billion aspirations, needs such spaces for exchange of ideas and to take up the role of Vishwa Guru, especially in the year of its Presidency of G20 and Chairmanship of SCO summits.

Varanasi, being the oldest continuously inhabited city and the cultural capital of India has inspired sages, authors, poets and philosophers for thousands of years. Hence, it is even more pertinent that National Book Trust, India (under Ministry of Education, Govt. of India) has set-up an Airport Reading Lounge – the very first of its kind in the world, where access to the best of books is free for all visitors and passengers.

The Airport Reading Lounge is a reflection of Kashi, for both traditionalists as well as the contemporary visitors and passengers, and for those who wish to seek further knowledge on the mystical heritage of this ancient city. In addition to the books on India's culture, history, traditional knowledge system, health & wellness, Literature in Hindi, French, Spanish, English and many other Indian languages, the Reading Lounge also celebrates the literary icons of Varanasi through their works, iconic places, unknown facts, and their relation with the city.



The Reading Lounge also has a dedicated shelf exhibiting recently-published books of budding writers under Prime Minister's Mentorship Scheme for Young Authors (PM-YUVA Scheme), which includes works of YUVA authors from UP, the youngest being just 15-year-old.

From toddlers to young adults – there is a book for every young reader in the Reading Lounge. Well Stocked with a large collection of children's books – the colourful illustrations, attractive covers, friendly characters, peppy storylines, intriguing and imaginative text, emotional connect with the child – the range of books from pictorial, comic style, bilingual, and to age-appropriately-graded content ensures each child is constructively engaged during those long waiting hours at the airport.

The Reading Lounge takes care of minutest attributes to bring the comfort of a Library and a Lounge at one place – long benches, low-height stools for kids, LED Screen playing Digital content, and a reading boat, inspired by NBT-India's Floating Library initiative started last year. There is a spot in the Reading Lounge which depicts the traditional umbrella seen on the illustrious ghats of Varanasi, creating the impression of a person actually sitting on the banks of Ganga under the umbrella.

For the ones in a hurry, the Reading Lounge offers Free access to download portions of any book using a QR code. For the technology-driven generation, another QR code gives access to select Free Audio books, on the comfort of a mobile, laptop or tablet.

## NBT-India @ Abu Dhabi International Book Fair

The Abu Dhabi International Book Fair was organised from 22-28 May 2023 with Turkey as the Guest of Honour Country. The theme of the week-long book fair this year was Sustainability. More than 2,000 literary events, including a program for publishing professionals were organised during the fair to engage authors, publishers, readers, etc.

The Abu Dhabi International book fair is a favourite of readers, book enthusiasts, and publishers alike.

National Book Trust, India (NBT-India) represented about thirty publishers from India at the India Stand during the fair, which was inaugurated by Shri Sanjay Sudhir, Hon'ble Ambassador of India to UAE with Ms Vandana Sudhir and Embassy officials Dhruv Kumar Mishra, Second Secretary, Aayushi Sutaria, Third Secretary, & NBT-India officials present at the occasion. The two-member official delegation from NBT-India included Shri S. R.



Veneesh, Assistant Director NBT-India and Shri Bratin Dey, Assistant Editor (Bangla) NBT-India.

Various titles from the newly launched India@75 series and PM-YUVA series by NBT-India were also displayed along with an interesting selection of books from India. Visitors browsed through the books with great interest and appreciation for the books displayed.

## Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan Inaugurates Read India-Lead India Campaign with NBT-India

Hon'ble Governor of Telangana, Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan inaugurated the 'Read India-Lead India Campaign' at Rajbhavan, Hyderabad on 15 May 2023 in the presence of Shri J Bhavani Shankar, Joint Secretary to Governor and Shri Yuvraj Malik, Director NBT-India. School students in large numbers participated in the Read India-Lead India Campaign and interacted with the Hon'ble Governor. In her special address, Hon'ble Governor encouraged students to Read for at least one hour every day, especially about the lives of inspiring personalities and imbibe the habit of writing at an early age. "Reading good books provides moral strength and refines the readers' personality", she added. Stating that reading books helps one gain knowledge, she emphasised that knowledge can be used as a power to bring reforms in society.

Addressing the students, Shri Yuvraj Malik said that the students of today are the leaders of tomorrow who will shape



the future of the country and to lead the nation on the path of success, it is paramount to have the right knowledge which can only be gained from reading books and especially learn from the lives and struggles of great people through their biographies. The Rajbhavan, Hyderabad (Telangana) opened its doors to students and parents on 15 May 2023 as they participated in an interactive storytelling session, followed by a career counselling session. The students also excitedly browsed through the wide range of books by NBT-India available in all Indian languages and English at the exhibition.

## NBT-India Organises Telangana Pustak Parikrama

Under its Books on Wheels initiative and to spread the good habit of reading books among the Indian citizens, NBT-India organised the Telangana Pustak Parikrama from 11 to 21 May 2023. During the ten-day journey, NBT-India's Mobile Exhibition Van visited various towns of Telangana.

Starting from Bhadrachalam, the exhibition



van visited Kothagudem, Khammam, Mahabubabad, and finally concluded the journey at the Arts and Commerce College, Kakatiya University, Warangal. Visitors and students showed immense interest in the various books and genres displayed in the mobile exhibition and browsed through books from NBT-India's newly launched series.

## NBT-India Participates in Tehran International Book Fair

The 34th Tehran International Book Fair was inaugurated on 10 May 2023. Tajikistan was the Guest of Honour country this year at the 11-day book fair organized from 10-20 May 2023. The theme for this year was "The future is worth reading". A virtual exhibition was also launched at [www.ketab.ir](http://www.ketab.ir) to make books more easily accessible to book lovers and enthusiasts all over the country with free-of-cost doorstep delivery. This year about 2800 publishers, including domestic and Foreign publishers participated in the fair.

National Book Trust, India (NBT-India) put up a collective exhibit of Books from India with titles from more than twenty-five Indian publishers at the annual fair. The India Stand was inaugurated by Prof. Govind Prasad Sharma, Chairman NBT-India and Mr John Mai, Deputy Chief of Mission,



Embassy of India at Tehran. Mr Navendu Shekhar, HoC Embassy of India at Tehran, Dr. Sanchit Tyagi, Joint Director NBT-India and Mr Mayank Surolia, Deputy Director, NBT-India were also present on the occasion.

The three-member official delegation from NBT-India engaged in many meaningful conversations with various International publishers and exhibitors present at the fair.

## NBT-India Organises Workshop for MCD Teachers

National Book Trust, India (NBT-India) organised a Workshop for Teachers on 27 May 2023 at its headquarters in Vasant Kunj, New Delhi to acquaint teachers and librarians across Delhi's schools with making reading interesting as it is an integral part of growth and development for students. The Workshop was inaugurated by Shri Vikas Tripathi, Additional Commissioner (Education), Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) and Shri Yuvraj Malik, Director, NBT-India.

Shri Tripathi, in his address, focused on the importance of reading and learning and extended his support in creating an empowered society for students by collaborating with NBT-India to publish a series of books written by and for students. He expressed that NBT-India's fundamental resource building can help improve the Education Department of MCD.

Addressing the gathering, Shri Malik stressed that books should be seen as a status symbol and encouraged the teachers present at the workshop to be idols for their students. He alluded to the teachers of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Alexander the Great and Chandragupta Maurya to further stress upon the vital role played by the teachers in their student's life.

The Workshop began with a tour of the NBT Bookshop and the National Centre of Children's Literature (NCCL) Library, followed by a captivating Workshop on the 'Art of Storytelling' by storyteller and author Ms Swati Sinha, who taught the participants how to better



engage with their students through stories. A valuable counselling session on Enhancing Engagement through Books was delivered by Dr Akanksha Bhatia, a counselling and educational psychologist. Dr Subir Dey, design professor from IIT Delhi, conducted an engaging Illustration Workshop to explain the importance of using illustrations to explain various concepts to children.

The Workshop concluded with an insightful Orientation on NCCL's Readers' Club Movement. The Readers' Club Movement, initiated by NBT-India, stands as one of the largest reading movements, with approximately 128,000 Readers' Clubs established across the country. These clubs serve as activity centres, fostering a love for reading, and enhancing teaching practices in schools, non-formal education centres, libraries, and NGOs' educational establishments.

## NBT-India at the National Progressive School's Conference

The National Progressive Schools' Conference (NPSC) celebrated its 50 glorious years on 26 - 27 April 2023 at the Manekshaw Centre, Ashoka Hotel, New Delhi. NPSC is an association of senior secondary schools across the country that has more than 195 leading private schools under its wing. Shri Yuvraj Malik, Director, NBT-India was invited as the chief guest at the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the association on the theme 'Designing Human Centric Education for a Sustainable World'.

In his address, Shri Malik congratulated NPSC for fifty glorious



years of contribution for nation-building. "Teaching is the world's most noble profession," he added.

## Director, NBT-India Encourages Students of Bal Bharati Public School, Noida to Read

Bal Bharati Public School, Noida invited Shri Yuvraj Malik, Director, NBT-India as Chief Guest for the Investiture Ceremony organised on 8 May 2023.

In his address, Shri Malik spoke about Education and its three major components, viz. knowledge, skill and values – all of which are collectively required for the holistic development of a child while also laying emphasis on the importance of building a strong foundation and thinking big.

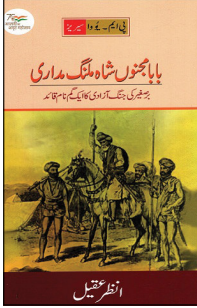
Shri Malik encouraged the newly appointed Student Council

to lead by example for the lower grades and batches. The students showed great enthusiasm and took note of what was being said.

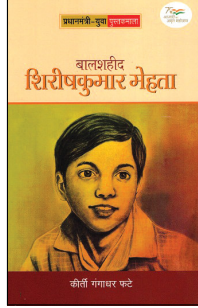


## NBT-India's Recently Launched PM-Yuva Series

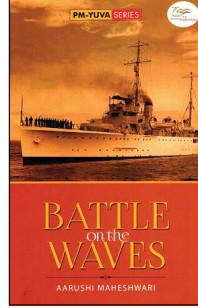
The present collection of books represents the recently published titles under NBT-India's new Publishing Series, PM-YUVA Series. These books are published as part of the PM's Mentoring Yuva Scheme 1.0 (launched by the Ministry of Education), under which 75 young authors under the age of 30 were selected through an All-India contest. NBT-India is the Implementing Agency of the Scheme.



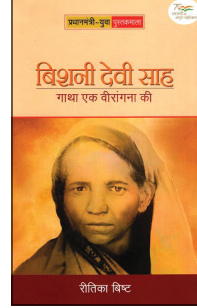
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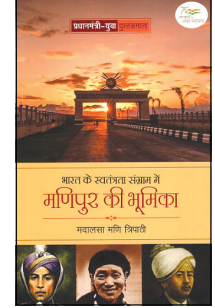
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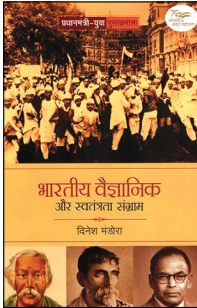
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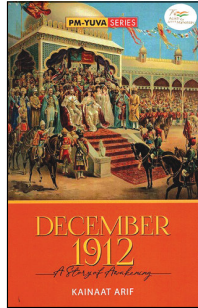
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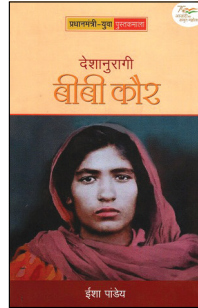
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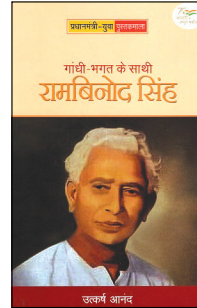
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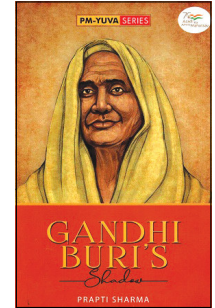
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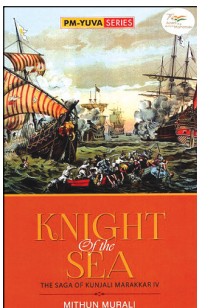
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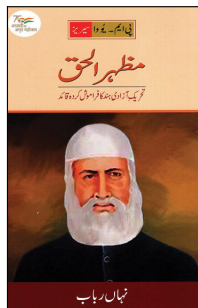
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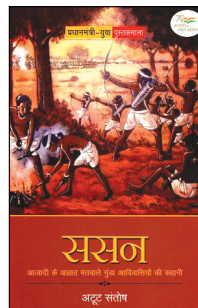
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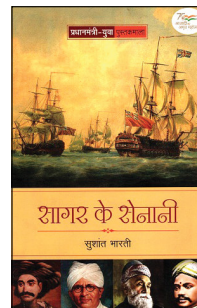
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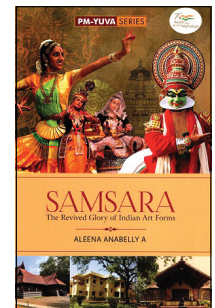
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## Book Excerpt

### The 13-Year Old Queen and her Inherited Destiny

It was a huge turnout. Men, women and children, not just from Kambiron, but also from nearby areas had gathered to hear him speak. Dikanang was their shaman priest, their leader who had rescued them from the clutches of the British officials and their callous treatment. Today, he had called them to make an announcement. “To all the inhabitants of this beautiful land, I send you my good wishes.

Today, we are gathered here to discuss a few things that have been plaguing us all for some time. A few days ago, I met a man who had to survive on a single meal a week just because he had to sacrifice ten goats and five mithuns for his daughter’s wedding to be done in an auspicious manner. Take another incident when a woman had to arrange for a host of animals to make sure her feverish aging grandmother got well on time.

Observe the pattern. The sacrifices are causing us a lot of strain. We pay house taxes, give the goras our labor with no benefits in return and make umpteen sacrifices to please various gods. It is time to realise what is happening.

We have made enough sacrifices. The gods have been appeased. We have to understand that Tingkao Ragwang is the ultimate Almighty who sees everything from above. He is a benevolent God who doesn’t need as many sacrifices as the smaller gods. The other gods are all his children. If you pray to Tingwang, you will have done your duty and earned your place in taroiram. Your good deeds will be enough.

Forget the smaller gods and emphasise on the most important entity from whom all the other gods emerge. Who is that?” “Tingkao Ragwang!” Dijeanliu shouted and others followed suit.

“Henceforth, we will be Heraka-purifying ourselves through avoidance of sacrifices unless absolutely necessary. Tingwang will understand. Here are some things which we must abide by: respect your parents and elders, and preserve your culture. Have a disciplined mind and a clean body. Be selfless. The good ones who give and work for the welfare of the society become the sons and daughters of Tingwang. Be truthful in speech and deed. Search for knowledge and light. Avoid evils like envy and enmity. Love everyone and make way to peace and happiness. Let’s fight for freedom! your Time for Hegung!” “Freedom! Hegung! Auo!” His followers shouted in unison.

“From today onwards, all of us are Heraka.” The crowd cheered on till Jaikanliu came forward onto the makeshift dais. Dikanang was surprised. This was unexpected. He was the one supposed to be presiding over the meeting, not his mother, of all people. “On

this promising occasion, I would like to announce one more piece of good news.”

The audience quietened in eager anticipation. “My son, Dikanang, will be marrying Ningduliu, daughter of Jantatlung and Fahenliu on the day of the full moon with a grand feast afterward.”

The cheers resounded once more as Dikanang was barely able

to contain his scowl. Why hadn’t his mother discussed this with him? He had no intention of getting married for the second time. How would Ningthailiu feel?

After the meeting, Dikanang and his companions retired to his house, sitting down to a bottle of zu after the long hard day: Zu helped him to think. It especially connected him to the python in his head, who, strangely, seemed to be a little withdrawn these days.

To take his mind off the new developments and avoid letting his confusion show in front of his groupmates, he started talking about the missionaries.

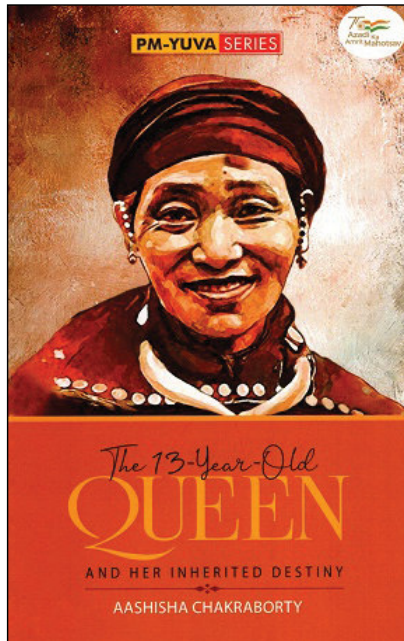
“The Christian missionaries have a huge and deep reach, we need to learn from them,” he told the audience at large. “They help everyone by educating and teaching them, showing them the way to live. We too need to get together all the people who were mistreated by people like Malcolm and provide a haven for them. Train them to defend themselves.”

“Yes,” Masuangphui nodded. “That is a very good idea.” “The Christians have hit upon a very real pain point in our ancient religion,” Dijeanliu

jumped in, making everyone stare at her with a weird look but she seemed not to notice. “The rituals we follow are obsolete with us still being taken for head hunters and human killers. There are no good outcomes except unnecessary loss of life and resources. The sacrifices must stop completely.” There was an uproar.

“Do you know what that would entail?” Ridoulung cried. “Dikanang has already talked about a single god and lessening the number of gods for worship. What if that angers some gods and results in a manifestation of their wrath on our village?” “Have you thought about the consequences of what you are saying?” Keruinging chimed in. “Even if you assume that the gods are on your side; that Tingwang is on your side, how easily do you think will the villagers accept these new-fangled rules?”

“Religion is not a playacting game. It is real and it decides who leads the village and who gets thrown out.” Dijeanliu kept quiet even as people kept hurling accusations at her.



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## NBT-India Starts Phase-I of Delhi Pustak Parikrama

To bring the students and residents of Delhi-NCR closer to books, National Book Trust, India is organising the Delhi Pustak Parikrama. It kicked off on 16 May 2023 with NBT-India's Mobile Exhibition Van (MEV) visiting the students of Air Force Golden Jubilee School, Subroto Park, New Delhi on the first day of this 45-day long journey. This mobile book exhibition will be making various stops across the Delhi-NCR region and other surrounding cities.

After Subroto Park, the MEV visited Lodhi Road, Dwarka, Noida, Pitampura, Rohini, Connaught Place, Pusa, Kamla Nagar, Mukherjee Nagar, Qutub Institutional Area, Bal Bhavan, Rail Museum, Sarojini Nagar and Dr B.R. Ambedkar University during phase I of the Delhi Pustak Parikrama.



## NBT-India as Knowledge Partner at ASSOCHAM Summit 2023

National Book Trust, India (NBT-India) participated as Knowledge Partner in the 16th International Education Leadership and Skill Development Summit 2023 organised by ASSOCHAM National Council on Education and Skill to align with India's G20 Education aspirations. The Summit was organised to develop strategies and envision an education ecosystem for excellence at par with global standards.

NBT-India also set up a stall displaying some of its bestselling titles and new publications. Delegates and stakeholders from the Education and Publishing Sector browsed through the books displayed

by NBT-India and commended NBT-India's efforts in publishing books in various languages, hence making literature accessible to readers across the country.



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### NATIONAL BOOK TRUST, INDIA BOOKLIST

## ENGROSSING TALES OF NATURE AND ANIMALS

Here are some interesting books on the fascinating facts of nature's wonders and animals. Learn about sunshine and dew drops as well as flowers of our country. Go on an adventure in the jungle where you can meet tigers and their friends. Find out how a contest turns the mongoose and the snake into enemies. Also know about the aquatic world and the difference in bodily development of frogs and fishes.

#### SWEET COLOURS OF INDIA

Author: Viky Arya

The book Sweet Colours of India illustrates beautiful Indian flowers that we find in our surroundings in an interesting way. The author-illustrator uses her remarkable story-telling skills to help young readers learn more about different flowers through this picture book. In the story, Mitthu, a little honeybee that collects nectar for her hive, flies over bright coloured flowers. She has a bucket with her that she has to fill with the nectar. Find out which flowers does she collect nectar from and if she is able to fill up her bucket through this book.



#### STRIPES IN THE JUNGLE

Author: Geetika Jain

Stripes in the Jungle is an interesting story that reveals fun facts about tigers for the readers. This book helps the little readers familiarise themselves with these glorious creatures of the wild. Beautiful illustrations provide a detailed visual representation of tigers in their natural habitat, their prey and different species of tigers which can be found across the world. The story takes readers inside the jungle and talks in detail about tigers and their friends in the jungle. A list of tiger reserves in India has been included in the book in order to inform the readers.



#### LITTLE SUNSHINE

Author: Jaswant Singh Birdi

Childhood is an age when every little thing seems interesting and makes one curious. The book Little Sunshine is a story about a group of children going to school on a cold winter morning and finding something fascinating on their way. They see a path full of beautiful flowers with little dew drops glistening on their petals. On getting close, they see the reflection of the Sun and themselves on the drops, which makes them wonder if the reason why flowers are always happy is because they have a little sunshine in them all the time.



#### A TALE OF TAILS

Author: Ramendra Kumar

This book tells an unusual tale from the depths of the jungle. It narrates an interesting story explaining how the mongoose and the snake became enemies. The snake and mongoose were friends, but something happened that changed their relationship forever. The story has an element of humour which is depicted through a competition among animals which possess a tail! Read the book to find out what must have happened during the competition. This light read coupled with vibrant and colourful illustrations makes it interesting for young readers to read and learn.



#### FOREVER FRIENDS

Author: Ankeet Bhattacharjee

Forever Friends is a heartfelt tale about friendship. This is a delightful story about a fish and a frog that laid their eggs in the same pond and watched their little kids grow up together as siblings. This story highlights the bond and friendship that these two seemingly different underwater species have. It focuses on teaching children about the aquatic world and the difference in bodily development of frogs and fishes. From similar looking eggs to completely different looking adults, both the species have formed such a strong unbreakable bond. Beautiful illustrations make this story a perfect read.



## NBT-India Organises Idukki District Library Council Exhibition

A book exhibition at the Idukki District Library Council was organised by National Book Trust, India from 20 to 22 May 2023. Idukki is a district situated among the Cardamom hills in the Western Ghats of Kerala. A wide range of books in multiple Indian languages including Malayalam, English and Hindi was displayed at the exhibition.

Visitors and students showed immense excitement and interest in the newly launched India@75 series and PM-YUVA Series, which tell the stories of notable personalities and lesser known heroes from across India.



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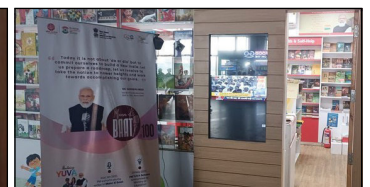
## 3-Day Konkani Translation Workshop Organised in Goa

National Book Trust, India organised a Konkani Translation Workshop from 28 to 30 April 2023 at the Central Library, Panaji, Goa. The workshop was inaugurated by Shri Sagun R. Velip, Director Art and Culture, Government of Goa. Dr Bhushan Bhawe, Principal Vidya Prabodhini Mahavidhyalaya and Shri Sushant Tandel, Curator, Krishnadas Shama Goa State Central Library were also present on the occasion. Two Konkani books were released during the inauguration ceremony. During the workshop nine English and nine Hindi titles were translated into Konkani.



## 100th Episode of Mann Ki Baat Streamed at NBT-India Book Promotion Centres

The 100th Episode of “Mann Ki Baat,” a radio program hosted by Hon’ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi, was aired



on Sunday, 30 April 2023. Mann Ki Baat is a monthly address by the Prime Minister wherein he shares his thoughts, ideas, and visions with the citizens of India. The program covers various topics such as social issues, development initiatives undertaken by the Government, cultural events, and national achievements. It aims at providing transparency in the government’s activities, fostering a sense of unity, motivation, and inspiration.

“In strengthening the social fabric of India, ‘Mann Ki Baat’ is like the thread of a rosary, holding each bead together,” said Hon’ble Prime Minister as he addressed the nation in the 100th episode of Mann Ki Baat. On this occasion, the Episode was telecasted at the Bookstores and Book Promotion Centres of National Book Trust, India across the country. Selfie points for visitors to get their pictures clicked were also set up on various locations.

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