



Encyclopaedic Survey of Bihar

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Mittal Publications, New Delhi, 1992. N.A. Book Condition: New. X+306pp The History of Bihar goes back to the three thousand years. The most outstanding fact in the history of Bihar is the growth of an all Indian empire embracing nearly the whole of India, Nepal and Afghanistan and, for centuries, it has been the central point of cultural activities of the Indian peninsula. But gradually, the all India character of this region started fading and though once ruled as an independent empire, it shrank into a province which hardly enjoyed independent status till 1911. Earlier it always remained linked either with Bengal or with separated from Bengal and, in 1936 it was further separated from Orissa to form the province of Bihar with its present boundaries. Over the centuries, Bihar has witnessed a lot of changes in every sphere of life. many republics and Empires have come and gone, systems of administration have been tried and replaced, changes have taken place in religious beliefs and creeds, languages have been formed and reformed, arts have flourished and decayed, but the stream of human life, like the very Ganges that passes through Bihar, has been flowing on seeking fulfilment of economic, social,...



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