

Book Reviews

K.U. Mada, *Dynamic Settings in Fluid World*, Southern Economist, Bengaluru, 2019, pp. 432, Price ₹ 400/- only.

This book is in six parts. Part I deals with assimilations and harmonisation for development. It covers subjects like India as a bonding and assimilating nation, beyond management education, importance of consultants, value of public service, etc. The subject of Part II is globalisation and its impact. It has essays on integration in world economy, emerging global powers, Brexit, global economic uncertainties, etc. Part III covers development projects. It has essays on land acquisition, utilization of surplus land, project management, smart city and so on. Two essays are on Karnataka. Part IV covers governance of enterprises and institutions. Five essays are on the Reserve Bank of India and three on corporate governance. Development banking, family managed business and public enterprises have also been dealt with. Part V deals with different aspects of inclusive growth including mini-finance for self-help ventures and investors in bear market. Part VI includes 'Reviewing thoughts.' They are inclusive of foreign investment by emerging economies, coalition government, fractures in the world economy, etc.

The contents of this book are aimed at a general reader and were earlier published in the form of articles. It does not add much to a reader's understanding of the issues discussed in it.

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Rohit Azad, Shouvik Chakraborty, Srinivasan Ramani and Dipa Sinha (Eds.), *A Quantum Leap in the Wrong Direction?*, Orient Blackswan, Hyderabad, 2019, pp. 315, Price ₹ 495/- only.

With a question as its title, the book contains a number of essays which seek to answer it. These essays were written when the general elections were round the corner in the country and they contain an assessment of the NDA-II government in terms of what it had promised and what it has delivered. The contributors are academicians, journalists and others which means that their views need to be taken seriously even if the reader may decide not to agree with them.

Part I deals with four aspects of the economy. The first essay deals with the foremost plank of the NDA government: *Sabka saath, sabka vikas* by Rohit Azad. He thinks it to be contradiction in terms. He concentrates on demonetisation and GST. The former has inflicted hardship on the dispossessed and the latter put