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OF INDIAN MEN AND FAMILY LIFE

In *Men at Home*, Gyanendra Pandey offers a detailed exploration of men's conduct in the home and the implications of their ambiguous commitment to this critical part of their lives.

The author draws on autobiographies, memoirs, fiction, and ethnographies to situate Indian men firmly in the domestic world. He investigates how men negotiate marriage, intimacy, and conjugality and focuses on the effects of the humiliating and constant assertion of gender, caste and class power in familial interactions.

To uncover the nuances of these relationships, Pandey attends to the domestic commitments of upper-, middle-, and lower-class men across religion and caste. He considers issues of honour and shame, rights and responsibilities, citizenship and belonging, through this exploration of how men across the subcontinent understand themselves in and beyond their domestic relationships.

This is, then, a book about Indian modernity as seen from the location of men in the home.



**Men at Home: Imagining
Liberation in Colonial and
Postcolonial India**

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