



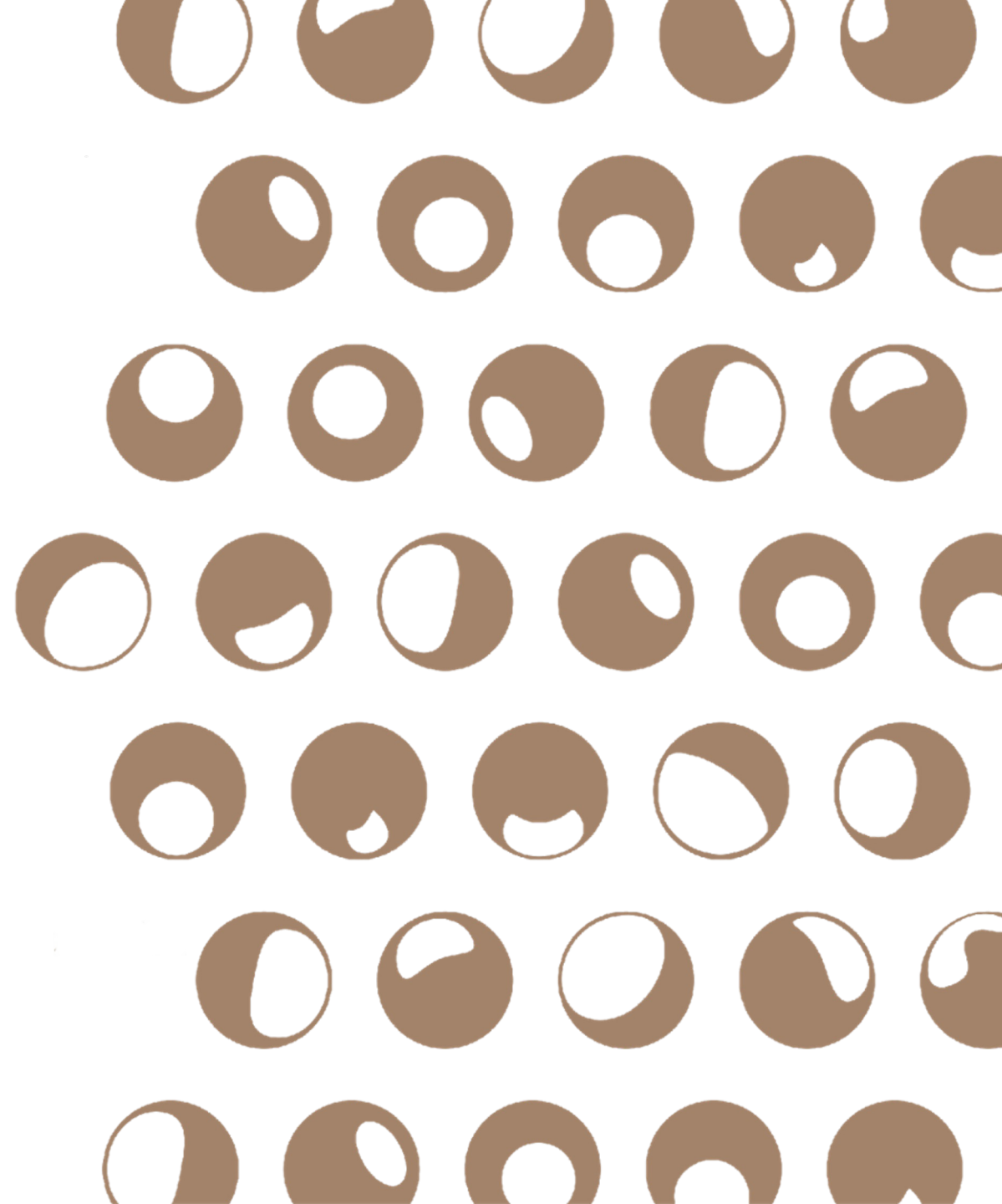
South Asia Archive

The largest online primary-source
collection in South Asian studies

Used in over 800 South Asian
academic institutions



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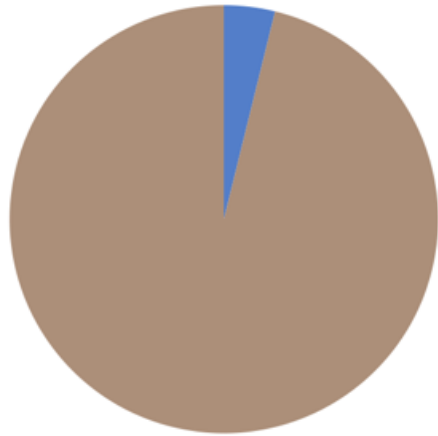
- In December 2021, Coherent Digital acquired the Taylor & Francis digital primary-source collections
- Five databases, including the *South Asia Archive*
- Currently migrating them to a new platform with many new features
- Coherent has substantial experience in creating primary-source collections

South Asian cultural materials are...



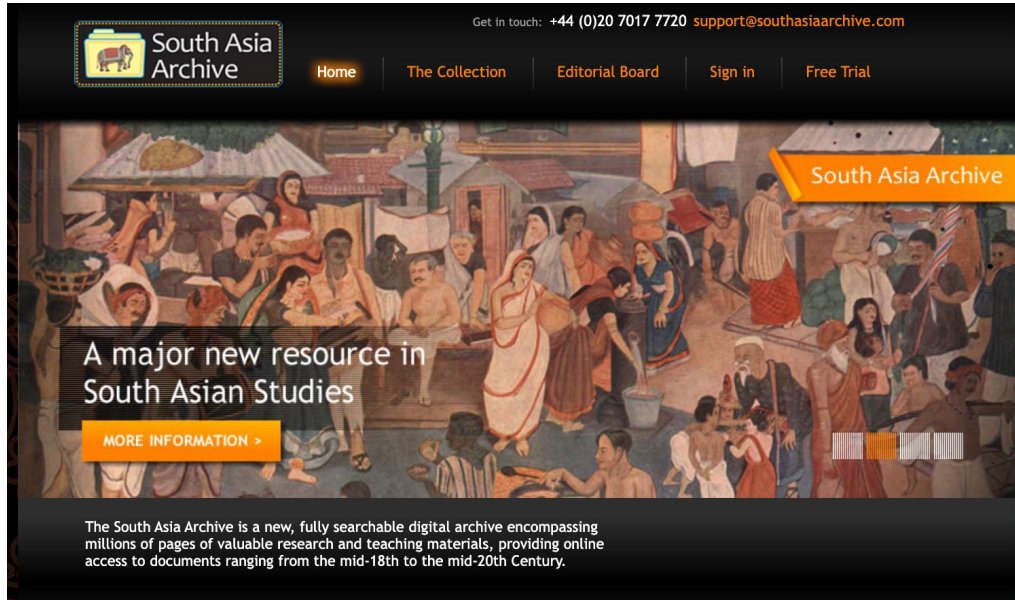
Important

One in four of the world's people comes from South Asia



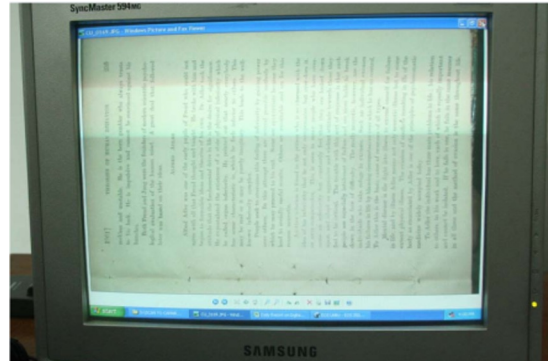
Underrepresented

Less than 4% of Western library collections



The screenshot shows the homepage of the South Asia Archive. At the top left is the logo, which includes a small illustration of a person and the text 'South Asia Archive'. To the right of the logo is a navigation menu with links for 'Home', 'The Collection', 'Editorial Board', 'Sign in', and 'Free Trial'. Above the navigation menu, contact information is provided: 'Get in touch: +44 (0)20 7017 7720 support@southasiaarchive.com'. The main content area features a large, colorful illustration of a busy street scene in a South Asian town. Overlaid on this illustration is a text box that reads 'A major new resource in South Asian Studies' and a button labeled 'MORE INFORMATION >'. Below the illustration, a paragraph of text states: 'The South Asia Archive is a new, fully searchable digital archive encompassing millions of pages of valuable research and teaching materials, providing online access to documents ranging from the mid-18th to the mid-20th Century.'

- 4.5 million pages of research material
- Content dated 1700-1953
- The entire Indian subcontinent is represented
- Most of the collection is in English—with 15% in vernacular languages, primarily Bengali and Sanskrit
- Designed for both research and teaching



Sourced from the
South Asia Research Foundation
from an archive of over 15 million
pages



Document types



Government Acts

Books

Calendars

Catalogues

Censuses

Directories

Gazettes

Journals

Film Pamphlets

Legal Documents

Magazines

Manuals

Maps

Proceedings

Reports

Statistics

Themes

Coverage on all aspects of South Asia, including:

- Partition and Independence
- Crime, Riot, and Resistance
- Colonial Knowledge and Colonial Governance
- Print and the Production of Culture
- Religious and Moral Discourse
- Constructions of Colonial Development
- Gender and Society in Colonial India: Race, Education, and Reform

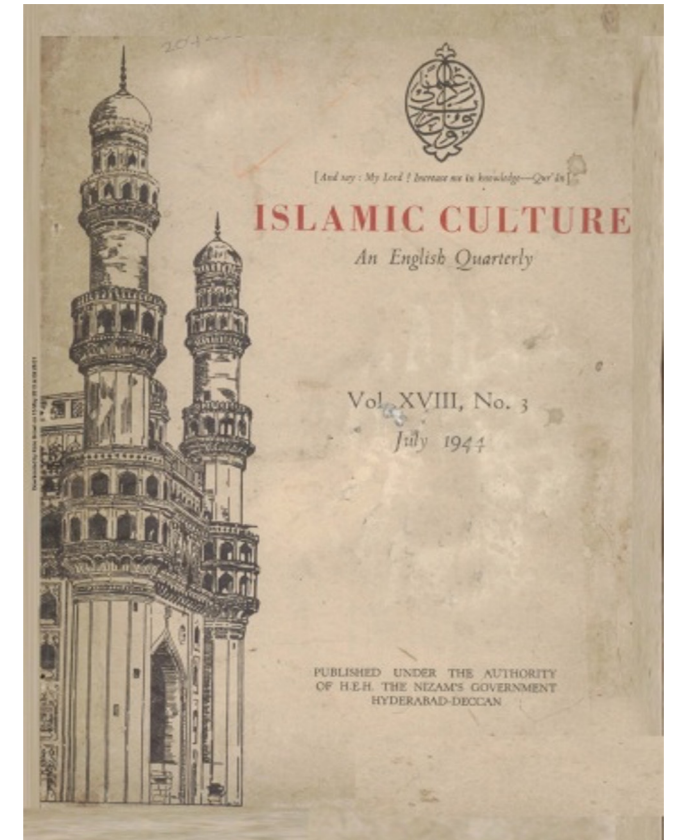


Gender, race, education

- **Books** on the education and status of women in India, including *The Scientific Basis of Women's Education*, *The Vedic Law of Marriage or The Emancipation of Women*, *The Position of Women in Hindu Law*, *Papers on Indian Reform*, *The Women of India and What Can Be Done For Them*, and *The Ways and Means of Imparting an Ideal Education to Boys and Girls*.
- **Reports** on women's education, including *Central Advisory Board of Education: Report of the Women's Education Committee on Primary Education of Girls in India, 1936* and *Development of Female Education in England and Utilization of Western Methods of Education in Bengal*.
- *Journal of the National Indian Association, In Aid of Social Progress in India (1881-1884)*.
- *Our Cause. A Symposium by Indian Women* (proceedings, 1938)
- *Widow-Burning. A Narrative* (book, 1855)
- *The Scientific Basis of Women's Education* (book, 1930)
- *The Position of Women in Hindu Law* (doctoral thesis, 1913)



- **Journals and periodicals** such as *The Islamic Review*, *The Quarterly Journal of the Mythic Society*, *Hindu Patrika*, *The Journal of the Greater India Society*, and *The Calcutta Oriental Journal*.
- Extensive issues of *Modern Review* 1907-1953.
- **Reports**, including the *Report of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Committee, United Provinces*.
- Hinduism according to Muslim Suffis (*Journal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal*, 1924)
- *Hinduism and the Untouchables* (*Modern Review*, 1936)
- *Islamic Culture* (journal, 1927)
- *Sketch of the Sikhs* (book, 1812)
- *Jatak - Arthat Goutam Buddher Atit Janmasamuher Brittanta* (book, 1916)



Colonial governance

- **Manuals** for civil servants—for example, *Manual for the Guidance of Officers of the Excise and Salt Department* and *A Manual for the Guidance of Officers in the Partition of Estates*.
- **Reports** of government departments, including commerce, agriculture, and shipping
- The 1941 Indian **Census**
- **Journals and bulletins** concerned with Indian financial and industrial performance, including *Landholder's Journal*, *Commerce: A Weekly Review* and various *Bulletins of Indian Industries and Labour*
- **Annual reports** of the Ministry of Industry and Supply and the Department of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics

No. 13.—DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION BY MAIN PROVINCES AND STATES
(Compiled from the *All-India*)

Province or State	TOTAL POPULATION†		0 TO 5 YEARS		5 TO 10 YEARS	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Provinces—						
Madras	23,082,909	23,657,108	3,382,089	3,446,613	3,031,434	2,978,629
Bombay*	11,471,543	10,330,202	1,617,265	1,631,324	1,486,771	1,332,974
Bengal	20,041,608	24,072,304	3,847,275	3,938,444	3,563,267	3,163,512
United Provinces	26,445,006	22,963,767	3,653,628	3,679,343	3,246,288	2,708,602
Punjab	12,880,510	10,700,843	1,900,178	1,831,371	1,601,328	1,462,604
Burma	7,480,676	7,166,821	990,130	1,028,133	908,410	862,552
Bihar and Orissa	18,794,138	18,883,428	2,733,706	2,808,890	2,842,921	2,430,279
Central Provinces and Berar	7,701,818	7,745,105	1,188,162	1,235,987	996,119	960,845
Assam	4,537,206	4,085,045	723,556	750,082	612,248	554,916
North-West Frontier Province	1,315,818	1,109,268	195,672	191,047	183,609	161,037

CHOICE

CURRENT REVIEWS FOR ACADEMIC LIBRARIES

“an invaluable resource to those studying South Asian (specifically Bengali) history, particularly because of its helpful and relatively consistent organizational scheme. Summing up: Highly recommended. Lower-level undergraduates and above.”

V.M. Natarajan,
Barnard College

“Information... lost to the people of India will come alive... and millions of researchers across the world will now be able to access it.”

Kapil Sibai,
Indian Minister of Communications and IT

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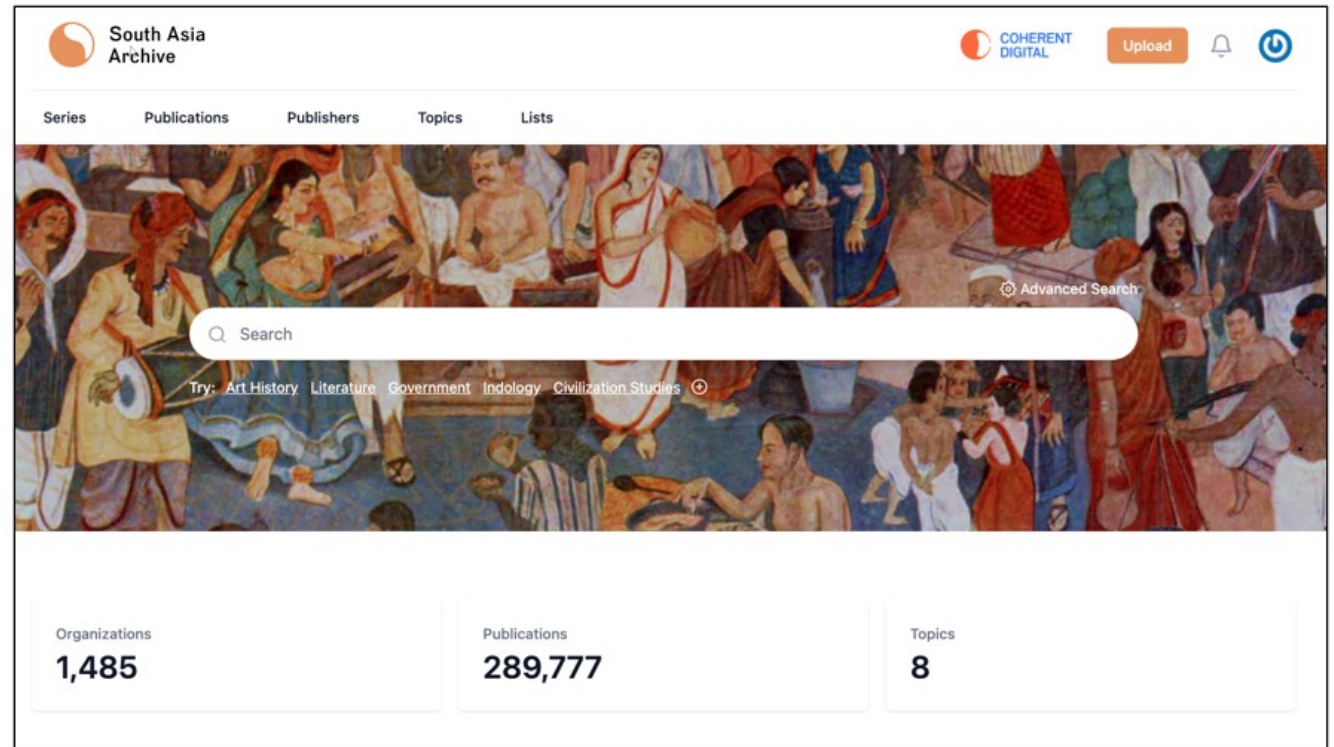
Functionality

Old platform



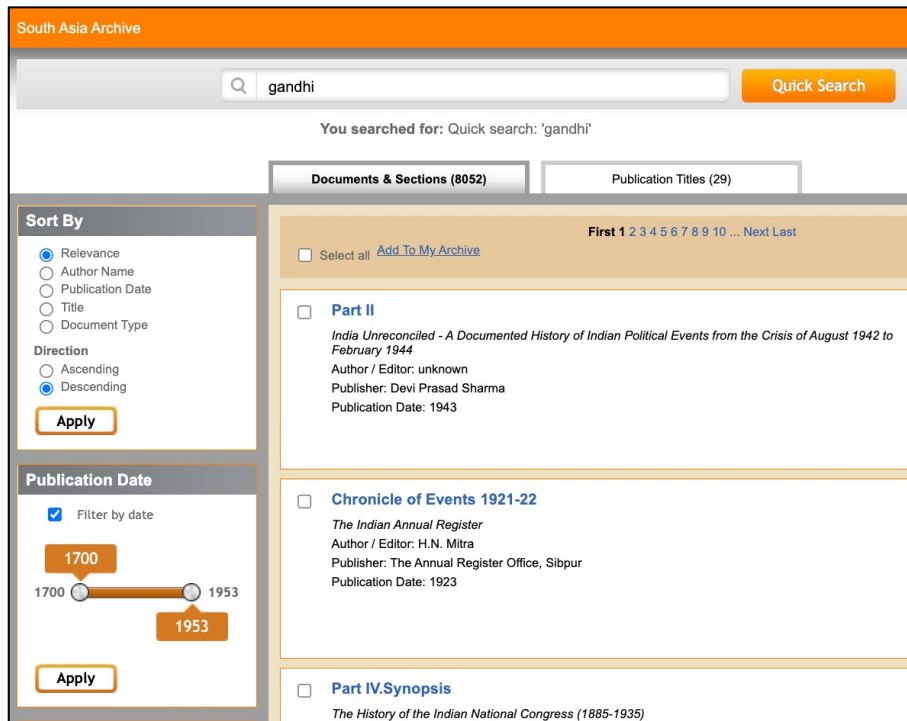
The screenshot shows the old platform interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'My Archive: Register | Sign in' and a 'South Asia Archive' logo. Below this is a search bar with 'Quick Search' and a 'Quick Search' button. The main content area is divided into several sections: 'Explore Content by Subject' with a grid of categories like 'Agriculture and Environment', 'Gender', and 'Religion and Philosophy'; 'What People Are Searching For' with a list of search terms and their results; 'Introduction' with a text block and a 'BASHALI DICTIONARY' image; and 'Resources' with a 'User Guides' section and a 'David Arnold reviews' section. The footer contains 'About Us', 'Taylor & Francis Group content platforms', and 'Help & Information' sections.

NEW platform



The screenshot shows the new platform interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the 'South Asia Archive' logo, 'COHERENT DIGITAL' logo, and 'Upload' button. Below this is a search bar with 'Search' and a 'Try: Art History Literature Government Indology Civilization Studies' dropdown menu. The main content area features a large image of a traditional Indian scene. Below the image, there are three statistics boxes: 'Organizations 1,485', 'Publications 289,777', and 'Topics 8'. The footer contains 'About Us', 'Taylor & Francis Group content platforms', and 'Help & Information' sections.

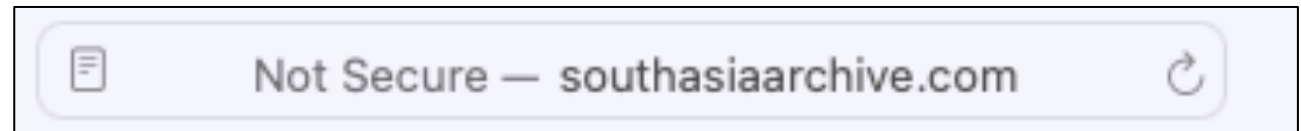
Old version...



The screenshot shows the South Asia Archive search results for 'gandhi'. The search bar contains 'gandhi' and a 'Quick Search' button. Below the search bar, it says 'You searched for: Quick search: 'gandhi''. There are two tabs: 'Documents & Sections (8052)' and 'Publication Titles (29)'. The 'Documents & Sections' tab is active. On the left, there are two filter panels: 'Sort By' and 'Publication Date'. The 'Sort By' panel has radio buttons for 'Relevance', 'Author Name', 'Publication Date', 'Title', and 'Document Type', with 'Relevance' selected. It also has radio buttons for 'Ascending' and 'Descending', with 'Descending' selected. The 'Publication Date' panel has a checked box for 'Filter by date' and a timeline slider from 1700 to 1953 with markers at 1700 and 1953. The main content area shows a list of results with checkboxes and pagination. The first result is 'Part II' with the title 'India Unreconciled - A Documented History of Indian Political Events from the Crisis of August 1942 to February 1944'. The second result is 'Chronicle of Events 1921-22' with the title 'The Indian Annual Register'. The third result is 'Part IV.Synopsis' with the title 'The History of the Indian National Congress (1885-1935)'. There is a 'Select all' checkbox and a link to 'Add To My Archive' at the top of the results list.

Great content, but...

1. Not secure (not *https*)
2. Not easy to use
3. Slow
4. Content segmentation confusing



New version



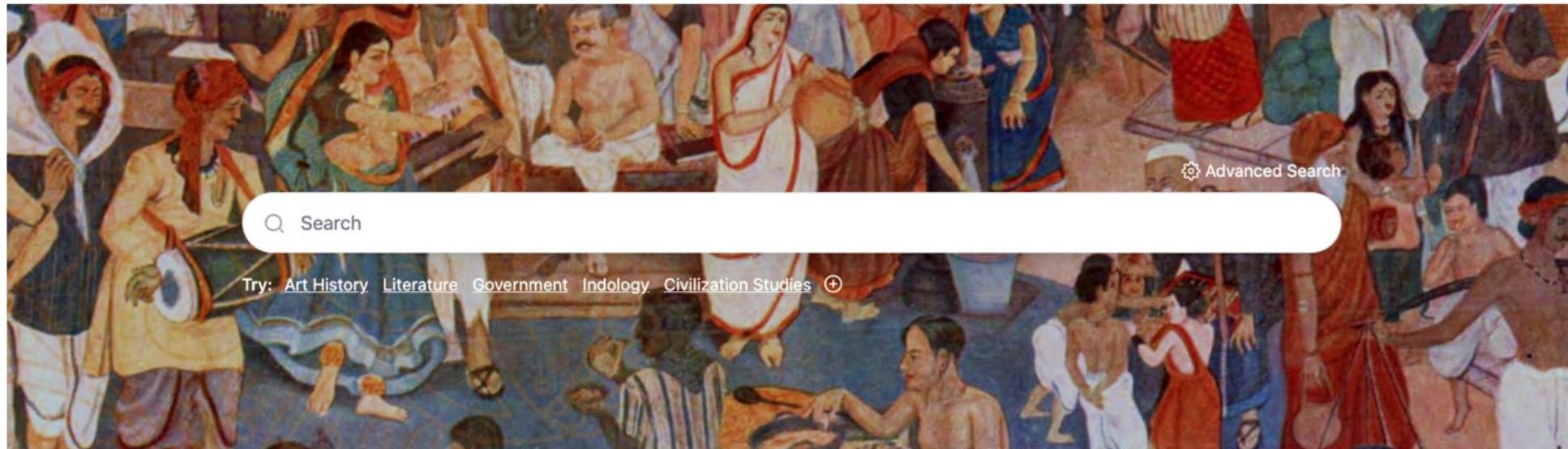
Series

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Lists



Organizations

1,485

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289,777

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Simple user interface

The screenshot shows the South Asia Archive website. At the top left is the logo and name 'South Asia Archive'. To the right are 'COHERENT DIGITAL' logo, an 'Upload' button, and notification and power icons. Below the header is a navigation menu with 'Series', 'Publications', 'Publishers', 'Topics', and 'Lists'. A large banner image of a traditional Indian painting is featured, with a search bar and 'Advanced Search' link overlaid. Below the banner are three summary cards: 'Organizations 1,485', 'Publications 289,777', and 'Topics 8'. A 'Try:' section lists 'Art History', 'Literature', 'Government', 'Indology', and 'Civilization Studies'.

Organization

Unset	3,695
Superintendent. Gov...	4,255
The Indian Press Ltd.	526
Gurudas Chattopadhy...	443
Sashibhushan Datta	341
Sri Sajanikanta Das	380
Manager of Publications	816
Calcutta University Pr...	663
Hare Press	256
Bijoychandra Bhattach...	229

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Publication Type

Journal article	14,180
Report	8,931
Book	2,750
Acts, Decisions, Instru...	502
Statistical publication	550
Gazetteer	1,768
Manual	279
Proceedings	207
Census	133
Catalogue	197

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Language

English	21,910
Bengali	6,988
Hindi	140
Sanskrit	44

Year Published

2022	5
1955	1
1953	825
1952	830
1951	680
1950	748
1949	701

Fast, responsive—with clear titles

Search for *gandhi* Follow 10 results Sort by: Relevance Export


4,376 results

Content

- Publications **4,346**
- Collections **25**
- Organizations **1**

Publication Type


- Journal article **2,731**
- Report **1,044**
- Book **238**
- Gazetteer **131**
- Proceedings **53**
- Census **37**
- Directory **19**
- Manual **19**
- Acts, Decisions, Instru **28**




Jinnah-Gandhi Talks (September 1944) Add to list

All India Muslim League · 1944 English

There was to be no change of the existing constitution until the termination of the war though agreement by the main political parties to work the existing constitution would loosen ...

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Gandhi told me why his talks with Mr. Jinnah failed to produce a solution of the Hindu-Muslim differences. ... **Gandhi** what he was prepared to recognise as Pakistan and on what basis there could be any hope of agreement in future. ... **Gandhi** "If Mr. ... **Gandhi** answered "Never **Gandhi** replied : "Mr. ...



Mahatma Gandhi: A Memorial Service. Ministers: John Haynes Homes and Donald Harrington Add to list

The Community Church · 1948 English

But **Gandhi** was not so much overwhelmed and humiliated by what happened to him as by what he saw happening to his fellowmen and fellowcountrymen—the tens of thousands of ...

- Improved titles
- Content segments brought together for continuity
- Item summary
- Keyword in context visible immediately
- Thumbnail display

PDF reader

Search ×

ICWA > Asian Relations Conference. March-April 1947.
Lanka's March to Freedom

COHERENT DIGITAL

... of the Indian National Congress under Mahatma Gandhi's leadership inspired the people of Ceylon ...

- 3 -

Ceylon, it failed to become law by the Colonial Minister who favoured reforms for the first time in the country with the official administration.

people with the regime was again imposed, which was repressed with the rebellion of 1818.

unofficial numbers and the year 1865, when led by an English official resigned on the question of the first political organization in Ceylon on the 19th May, 1865. and, Sinhalese, Tamils, Burghers, a Ceylonese in their political campaign their claim was to gain a measure of self-government for the colony, a measure of self-government for the colony, and a control over the finances. Their efforts were not successful in obtaining their municipal institutions to Colombo and the affairs of these towns were controlled by the natives, may be the result of this.

number of Ceylonese educated in English in contact with Western ideas through the number of associations doing public work. Numerous memorials were sent to the Secretary of State for the Colonies. These were for the people of Ceylon to elect a legislative council and for the inclusion of a representative in the Legislative Council.

result of this agitation, the Legislative Council was increased in size and its membership was increased. In 1911, 4 unofficial members, of whom 4 were elected, 2 Burghers, the Burgher, and the Educated Ceylonese, 2 Tamils, and 2 Burghers, were nominated by the Secretary of State for the Colonies. The result of this agitation was that the people of Ceylon must be educated in English.

The first election to the Educated Ceylonese seat was held in 1911 and a Tamil, Mr. Ponnambalam Ramanathan (later Sir) was elected to this all-island electorate, though he was contested by a Sinhalese, Mr. H.M. Fernando (later Sir) and though the Sinhalese formed the majority of the electorate.

The year 1915 saw a crisis in the relationship between the British ruler and the people of Lanka. It was during the dark days of the first war, when Germany was battering her way to the gates of Paris, and the British representatives in Ceylon thought that the days of their empire were ending; just at this time a purely local dispute between the Buddhists and the Muslims with regard to a procession began a local riot, which owing to mismanagement of the situation by the British Government developed into an island-wide riot. The Sinhalese Buddhists who thought that their sacred buildings and religion were being attacked by the Muslims began to assault Muslim traders scattered throughout the Island. The British Governor and his military adviser thought that this was a rising against British rule planned to coincide with the German victory in the west, declared martial law and many Sinhalese leaders were imprisoned and many were shot.

In the Legislative Council the only elected representative of the people, Mr. Ramanathan, raised his voice in a noble and dignified protest against government action. After some months the situation calmed down, but the Sinhalese leaders, whose lives were spared, decided that the social and religious movements which they had inaugurated were of little avail to prevent an occurrence of this nature in the future. They therefore began planning a comprehensive national movement, whose object was to gain self-government for Ceylon.

The first world war ended in a victory for the Allies and the promises of freedom they had made to India and the rise of the Indian National Congress under Mahatma Gandhi's leadership inspired the people of Ceylon to form their own National Congress to attain self-government for Ceylon. As a result of several conferences at which the leading organisations doing public work were represented, proposals were discussed for the formation of the Ceylon National Congress, and on the 13th and 14th December, 1918, the Ceylon National Congress was created. Its object was to secure to the people of Ceylon responsible government and the status of a self-governing member of the British Empire. Constitutional methods were to be used to achieve a reform of the existing system of government. At the first sessions of the Congress held on the 11th December, 1919, under the presidency of Sir Ponnambalam Ramanathan (a brother of Mr. Ponnambalam Ramanathan) a comprehensive plan for the reform of the Legislative Council by increasing its

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Improved Advanced Search tool

Advanced Search

Keyword or phrase in

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Organization

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से: प्रति:

संगठन

संगठन का प्रकार

उच्च शिक्षा ¹ गैर-सरकारी संगठन ³ गैर-लाभकारी ¹ अन्य ¹⁵³

प्रकाशन प्रकार

पुरातन ² संपर्क ¹ प्रतिवेदन ¹⁵⁷

- Phrase search
- Boolean operators AND, OR, NOT, NEAR
- Unlimited number of queries
- VPAT
- Multi-language user interface

New Organizations Directory

Organizations Directory
1,485 results

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Organization Type

- Corporation 1,137
- Government 127
- Nonprofit 120
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- Library 21
- Committee 20
- Research Center 13
- Other 7
- Think Tank 1

Region

- Asia 1,307
- Europe 155
- Americas 20
- Africa 3

ICWA: Indian Council of World Affairs
20 publications
The Indian Council of World Affairs was established in 1943. It is devoted exclusively for the study of international relations and foreign affairs.

OUP: Oxford University Press
774 publications
Oxford University Press advances knowledge and learning. From a child reading their first words to a researcher expanding the frontiers of their field, the possibilities are endless. Established in the ...

USI: United Service Institution of India
136 publications

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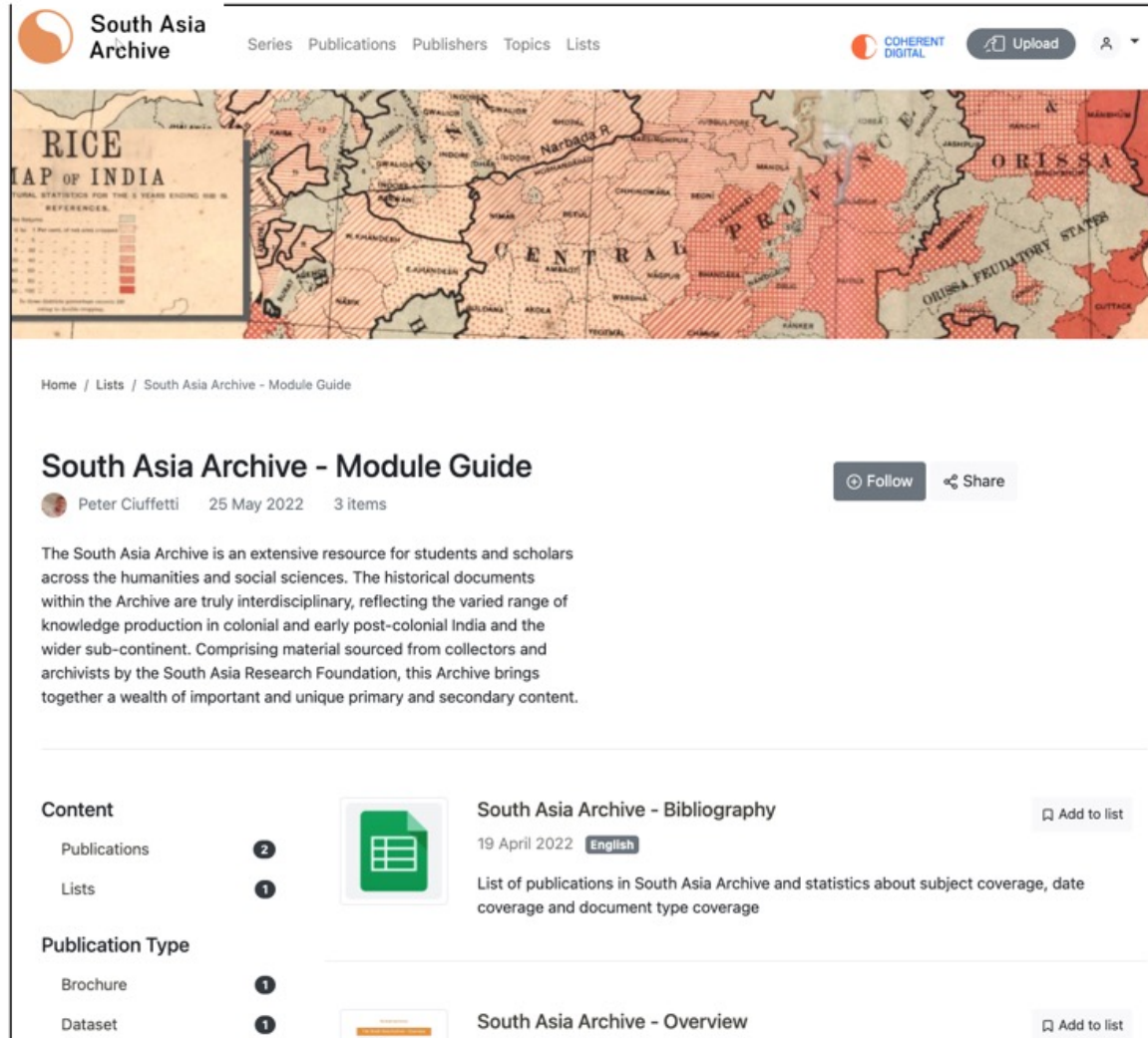


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Content

- Publications 2
- Lists 1

Publication Type

- Brochure 1
- Dataset 1

South Asia Archive - Bibliography Add to list

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List of publications in South Asia Archive and statistics about subject coverage, date coverage and document type coverage

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Upcoming for *South Asia Archive*

Summer 2022

- Additional topics
- Help files and videos
- Series—remove single titles
- Merging of individual segments

Fall 2022

- Thumbnail Gallery
- Printing and downloading
- Easier Keyword-in-Context (KWIC)
- More standardization of titles/authors/printers/publishers
- Table conversion

- Discovery service—indexing over a million additional open items
- Additional collections of South Asian content to sit alongside *South Asia Archive* on the *South Asia Commons* platform
- And more... your ideas welcome