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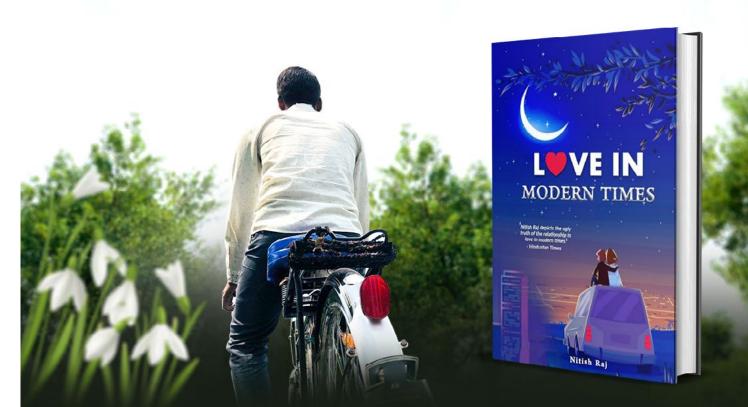




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Since literature has come into foray, we have been introduced to various forms of thought-process in the form of genres. If some artisan has made us acquainted with a world of fantasies then some other have introduced us to an alternate reality in the form of dystopia.

Nonetheless every other genre has been somehow overshadowed by the romance genre. Indeed! Love is a pious virtue which is subject to various thinkings and interpretations but ironically this had majorly condensed to teenage romance or explicit romance in the form of erotica.

Do we really need to portray such form of love only for our readers who have pinned high hopes on us? Are we providing them the right food for their brain or are we polluting the already diseased mentality? Indeed! As writers there are numerous forms of love which can be portrayed in a right sense to enrich the thought-process of the masses.

I know that it is a subject of open discussion and I dedicate the November edition for an open discussion on the selection of our theme in writings.

Nitish Raj Editor-in-Chief



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#### **About the Book**

# Reflections

Neha Chakravarthy

eflections is an anthology of 225 poems, a sequel to my previous book Impressions. The poems explore themes like love, heartbreak, abuse, violence, betrayal, oppression, survival, femininity & divinity. They teach you how to be bold & resolute in the face of every adversity that life is all about joys & sorrows in equal measure. These poems are simple, delicate & flower like in form but have a rock-like core meaning. Spreading the fragrance of hope, love, strength, courage, optimism divinity to distant corners of the world.

**Book: Reflections** 

Author: Neha Chakravarthy

Publisher: Bigfoot Publication pvt Itd

Price: INR 249
Pages: 280 pages
Customer Reviews: 4.3/5

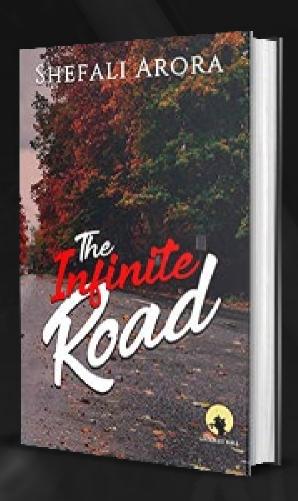


Neha Chakravarthy
Author, India





#### **About the Book**



hen you land on the crossroads of life, all you need is the courage and attitude to tread on this path covered with obstacles. For there is always a turn which basks in the glory of sunshine... Alunkrita can go to any extent to get Anokhi's, the disabled girl she found on the streets of Chandigarh, life sorted. Her start-up idea holds the key to all her dreams and Anokhi's bright future. She plans to send Anokhi to a boarding school once her feet get operated. Parth, who broke her heart years ago, offers her the most appropriate deal for the start-up. Battling between her past and her growing fondness for her new neighbour, Siddarth, would Alunkrita make the right choices for her life and, most importantly, for Anokhi? Would Anokhi's future ever see the light of dawn?



Shefali Arora Author, India Book: The Infinite Road Author: Shefali Arora Publisher: LOCKSLEY HALL

PUBLISHING LLP Price: INR 250 Pages: 147

Customer Reviews: 4.4/5



Poem

## "I Owe You Till Eternity"

rom the shades of dark, broken and shattered You uttered a word; I arose from ashes and diminished The rejoicing path that hovered brings Hope and predictability, I repent In return, my love, what I owe My life to you? I already surrendered

At dusk, I sulk, yearn your presence
Dawn beheld the splendour of everything
Together we float through the world
With no choice, I withheld the love I endeavour
My friend, tell me,
How much my presence means to you?

Envy are those who know my affinity for you They shrug when I say; you mean more to me than any for sure

The lie is when people speak in vain
That everything stands above oneself and demean
But, to me my heart, you are the fire
You are the choice I always flair

You gave me strength in pain
Healed, concealed throughout the existence that withheld
When world mocked, you stood strong
I extracted every poise from without remorse
Yet, when I say I adore "Myself" and the inner demeanour I
possess

The world embarked with the satire Of selfishness and absurdity!

-by Sheeba Vinay

#### About the Poet



Sheeba Vinay is a writer by profession. Her write-ups has been published in Lokmat Times, TOI and various platforms. She was in the top five "Most Promising Blogger" in Orangefloweraward2020, Women's Web and Literoma Samman 2020. Sheeba Vinay is founder of WeTalk, a writing community for budding writers and author of Children's ebook with Storyweaver, Pratham Publication.









The LIT Fest 2020 is meant for honoring the literary figures who have been consistent in bringing a postive change. It is aimed to commemorate the literary figures in the field of literature irrspective of language, genre and geographyjust keeping in mind their contribution to literature.

### Jury Members



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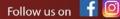




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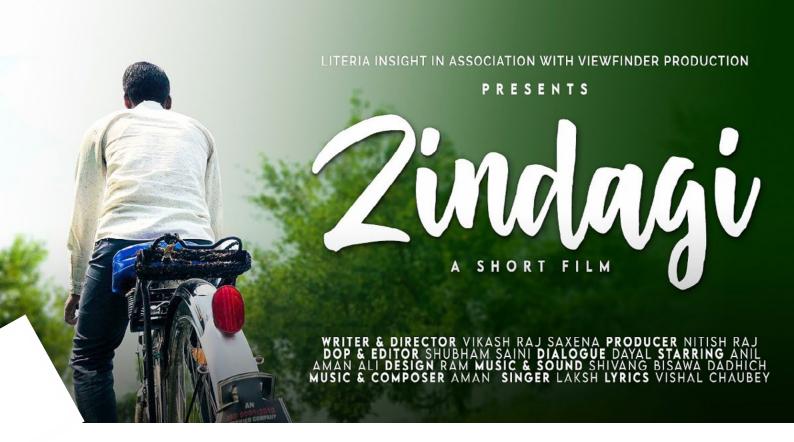


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#### Writer-Director Vikash Raj Saxena Debut Short Film 'Zindagi' Receiving Immense Love & Appreciation

he recently released Short Film; 'Zindagi' has created a stir in the whole fraternity as it has gone viral since the moment it had got released. Zindagi which has a simple background and an effective storyline have been written and directed by Vikash Raj Saxena. It had tried to touch the current dilemma of the youngsters in modern times. Indeed! The youngsters are in the grasp of either a failed relationship or their career aspirations are going haywire. These constant setbacks sometimes create a sense of loneliness and feeling of dejection in the minds of youngsters which lead to depression. Ironically, we talk about the involvement of parents in such situations but hardly have we talked to our parents which results in depression. The depressed state of mind pushes us into the grasp of suicide and the statistics presents a harrowing figure.



Vikash Raj Saxena

Zindagi has been adapted from the upcoming short story collection; Love In Modern Times by the literary critic turned author Nitish Raj which has also been produced by him. In the words of Nitish Raj; "Zindagi has been an attempt to create awareness in these millennial teenagers where they could learn to respect the value of life which has been gifted to us by the Almighty."

The short film has been a result of the contribution of various youngsters in different capacities as the dialogues has been written by Dayal whereas lyrics by Vishal Chaubey. The complete film has been edited by the young gun, Shubham Saini and this beautiful message had starred Anil & Aman Ali. The background score had been composed by Aman whereas the music had been created by Shivang Bisawa Dadhich. The beautiful song has got its voice from Laksh whereas the works of design had been done by Ram Kr. Rajput. Indeed! A movie like Zindagi has not just create a social awareness regarding the rising cases of suicide in youngsters, but has also thrown light on the various shades of an individual's life. The life which seems incomplete just needs a different perspective to make it happening. Undoubtedly Zindagi had made it happen and have been showered love and praises from all walks of the society.



Nitish Raj





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# bookइ of the month



Book: The Kite Runner Author: Khaled Hosseini

Publisher: Bloomsbury Paperbacks

Price: INR 269 Pages: 352

Language: English



Book: The White Tiger Author: Aravind Adiga Publisher: HarperCollins

Price: INR 313 Pages: 328

Language: English



**Book:** The Stationery Shop of Tehran

Author: Marjan Kamali

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Ltd

Price: INR 299 Pages: 320

Language: English



Book: Secret Admirer;: A
Satan exists in every introvert
Author: Deepesh Junwal
Publisher: Notion Press

Price: INR 185 Pages: 188

Language: English



#### Kosha Shah Chandaria

: An Author with Keen Observation and a Penchant for Thoughts



eading and writing has always been part of my life in one form or another. My family members are avid readers and I was taught reading and writing in my mother tongue at a very early age. Whether it is 'Foolwadi' newspaper or magazines like 'Chacha Chaudhary' and 'Champak'; I used to wait for them eagerly. My mother being a member of the local library used to read Guajarati novels and I also got in the habit of reading these novels. My reading habits led me to participate in elocution, debate, essay writing competitions at State and National level and I also won few of them. Even though my art was not very appealing, I used to design my own greeting cards for special occasions rather than buying like any other children. My introvert personality helped me to observe and analyze the situations and people which I used to further jolt down my thoughts and feelings. After completing my MBA, I worked for various corporates in advertising, marketing and corporate communications; delivering presentations at the start of my career. Not just the corporate sector, I have spoken at various Book Festivals, Open Mics, Book Clubs, LIT Fests and Public Libraries apart from numerous

colleges and universities all across the country. I wrote a lot of extempore topics putting society and people's behaviour under the scanner of my observant eyes. I also started writing blogs by the name of Kosmos which resulted in my first coffee table book 'Chaos Theos and Kosmos' published by the renowned publication house, Bloomsbury. Contribution of my parents and husband Brijesh and daughter Mysha cannot be just expressed in words as without their constant support, 'Chaos Theos and Kosmos' could never have been a reality.

My debut book received Ne8x literary Award for Best Book featured on World Book Day 2020 and has been nominated for Coimbatore Literary Festival. I have been invited by many renowned book cafes like Skry cafe, Oshwal Samaj, Gujarat Literature festival, NIMCJ institute and many other institutes for delivering talks on books and other related themes. I am currently Secretary at Ahemdabad Book Club, where during pandemic lockdown; we initiated projects to give platform to prominent and other authors for interviews and book promotions. My YouTube channel features many videos about various taboo topics and planning to start story reading session with my toddler bookworm daughter.

I word my feelings and experiences after observing society, day to day incidences, habits and taboo thinking on broader as well as minute scale.





Chaos Theos and Kosmos Book is a universe (Cosmos) of thoughts, birthed through Chaos of the tides of words and thoughts, which leads to concursion with one's own self. It contains various articles picked up from my extempore write-ups about thought provoking aspects of life, subjects related to human relations, love making, care, hope, menstruation, women, money, scar, father-daughter relation, barbarism, God and Worshiping, freedom, courage, break up in friendship apart from other themes. Incidences and habits of people which sum up to happy and sad moments of life are penned in this book.

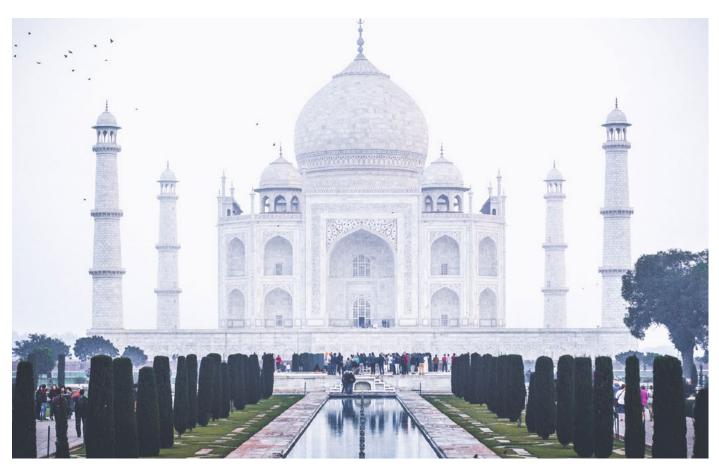
The topics are such which will compel the reader to think the other side of general view, which people will agree with the view and have soul connection, but due to societal norms or non acceptance they don't have the courage to voice it. This book is talk to self-more than reading, providing strength to your raw thoughts. The book breaks stereotypes at many levels and questions 'settlement' as being related to 'fixedness'. Fresh breeze of every kind of emotion is felt while reading and pondering over the book. Some change in thought process has to be started at some point. I have tried to titillate that thought process in the mind of readers.







# GATAJ MAHAL 33 Crown of the Palace



ne of the Seven Wonders of the world; Taj Mahal is one of the most beautiful heritage of India. Taj Mahal was made by Shah Jahan in a span of 21 years in the memory of his beloved wife, Mumtaz Mahal.



The main gateway (darwaza) to the Taj Mahal



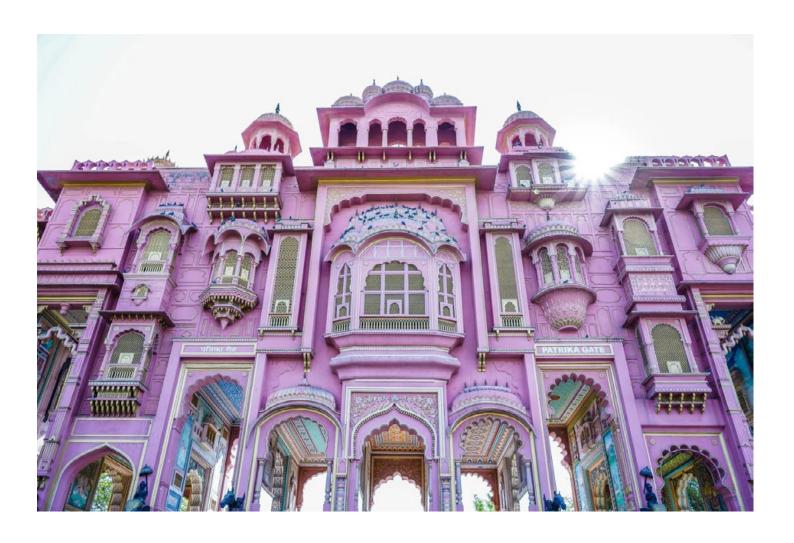
Taj Mahal minaret.





Interior view of the vaulted dome over the tombs of Shah Jahan and Mumtaz.





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