

PARTITION OF INDIA-REPRESENTATION IN LITERATURE

BACKGROUND:-

- India suffered slavery under British for about three centuries. When it got freedom, India had to pay its price in the form of partition
- The partition gave birth to two nations.But thousands of men lost their lives, hundreds of women were raped and countless number of children were orphaned.

Attempts from the part of Indian writers

 Indian writers could not remain untouched from this shocking incident and used the medium of creative writing to lay bare the brutality, inhumanity and genocide of worst type.

Literature and partition

 Kushwant Sing's 'Train to Pakisthan- depict the pain of the victims of partition-As he belongs to a sikh community, who remained the victim of partition, he could easily understand the trauma of the victims. The novel was written in the background of Mano Majra, an imaginative peaceful village of communal harmony. He argues that in this tragic event not only a country was divided but even the heart and soul of the people got alienated.

Other works...

- A Bend in the Ganges by Manohar Malgaonkar
- The Rape by Raj Gill
- The Ashes and Petals by H.S. Gill
- The Shadowliness by Amitav Gosh
- The Azadi by Chaman Nahal
- The Sunlight on a Broken Column
- Waiting for the Mahatma by R.K.Narayan

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Ice-Candy-Man by Baspasi Sidhwa

Midnight's Children by Salman Rasheed

Pinjar by Amrita Pritam

The Dark Dancer by Balachandra Rajan

Punjab Paschim by Sunil Gangopadhyaay

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- Adha Gaon by Rahi Masoom Razha
- Tamas by Bhishma Sahni
- Toba Teksari by Saadat Hasan Manto
- Poems of Ahmed Faiz
- Freedom at Midnight by Dominique Lapierre and Larry Collins

Freedom at Midnight by Dominique Lapierre and Larry Collins

 The book covers historical account of India's freedom struggle, the partition of sub continent and Mahatma Gandhi's assassination. It gives a detailed account of the last year of British India, the princely state's reactions to Independence, the colourful and luxurious lifestyle of Indian princes, the partition of India and the riots that followed. It also covers in detail the events leading to the assassination of Gandhi.

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