Record Nr. UNINA9910298076403321 Autore Husain Zakir Titolo Women in Kolkata's IT Sector [[electronic resource]]: Satisficing Between Work and Household / / by Zakir Husain, Mousumi Dutta New Delhi:,: Springer India:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2014 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 81-322-1593-1 Edizione [1st ed. 2014.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (140 p.) Collana SpringerBriefs in Sociology, , 2212-6368 Disciplina 331.4 331.481000954147 Soggetti Sex (Psychology) Gender expression Labor economics Economic sociology **Gender Studies Labor Economics** Organizational Studies, Economic Sociology Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Chapter 1. Women, Work and Agency: An Introduction -- Chapter 2. Women, work and exploitation: A binary perspective -- Chapter 3. Women and work: Towards an alternative approach -- Chapter 4. Nabadiganta—Women workers in Kolkata's IT sector -- Chapter 5. Agency and satisficing in Kolkata's IT sector -- Chapter 6. Work, Satisficing and Agency. Sommario/riassunto Based on a survey of women workers in Kolkata's IT sector, this book argues that growth of the IT sector has created a demand for skilled professionals. This has provided scope for highly educated urban women to create a space of self-expression and enjoy enhanced status and prestige within their families. These women workers carefully plan

> their career and daily activities, keeping in mind the need to balance diverse and conflicting needs of work and home. This kind of decisionmaking occurs outside the utilitarian framework and is better framed in

terms of Herbert Simon's 'satisficing' approach, which takes into account the bounded rationality of agents. Written in lucid, non-

technical language, the book will be an invaluable addition to existing works on gender and labour studies, and will be of interest to social scientists undertaking research on gender, labour and the IT sector.