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In a primary commodities boom spurred on by the rise of China, countries the world over are turning to the extraction and export of natural resources as an antidote to the global recession. With fresh insight and analysis from Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru, Columbia and Mexico, this book looks at the political dynamics of capitalist development in a region where the neoliberal model is collapsing under the weight of a resistance movement lead by peasant farmers and indigenous communities.
