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Sommario/riassunto	Creolization can be defined as an interaction of heterogeneous cultures leading to a new and unexpected reality. This book is an attempt to investigate whether or not nearly three centuries of French presence (1674- 1954) in the former French territories of India (Pondicherry, Karaikal, Mahe, Yanam and Chandernagore) have led to creolization. Can one say that there are traces of French colonization, language and culture in the former enclaves? If so, what is their significance with respect to India as a nation? The investigation has been based on an analysis of historical facts and ground realities gauged from an observation of local life and conversations with people of these territories. Nous pouvons definir la creolisation comme etant une interaction de cultures heterogenes menant a une realite nouvelle et inattendue. Le but de cet ouvrage est de determiner si pres de trois siecles de presence francaise (1674-1954) dans les anciens territoires francais de l'Inde (Pondichery, Karikal, Mahe, Yanaon et Chandernagore) ont mene a une creolisation. Peut-on dire qu'i y a toujours des traces des anciennes particularites la-bas? Si cela est le cas, quelle est leur signification par rapport a l'Inde comme nation? L'enquete de l'auteur a ete basee sur une analyse de faits historiques et de recherches sur le terrain a partir d'une observation de la vie locale et de conversations avec des habitants de ces territoires.