1. Record Nr. UNINA9910831844203321 Kinship and History in South Asia / Edited by: Thomas R. Trautmann Titolo Ann Arbor, : University of Michigan Press Pubbl/distr/stampa Collana Michigan Papers on South and Southeast Asia::7 Kinship Soggetti South Asia History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia The Kin Nucleus in Tamil Folklore / Brenda E. F. Beck -- Some Aspects Nota di contenuto of Kinship in Ancient Tamil Literature / George L. Hart, III -- Cross-Cousin Marriage in Ancient North India? / Thomas R. Trautmann --Kinship Groups in the Jtakas / Narendra K. Wagle. Kinship and History in South Asia presents four papers given at a small Sommario/riassunto conference of kinship studies scholars, "Kinship and History in South Asia," at the University of Toronto in 1973. They draw upon one another and show several common concerns, particularly the theoretical importance of Dravidian systems. Yey they remain specialist studies, each within its own raison d'être. Brendra E. F. Beck contributes a study of the "kinship nucleus" in Tamil folklore, Levi-Straussian both in its treatment of kinship and of mythology. George L. Hart's study of woman and the sacred in the ancient Tamil literature of the Sangam attempts to elucidate this literature in its own terms, and also to relate it to Beck's "kinship nucleus." Thomas R. Trautmann presents a critical examination of the evidence for cross-cousin marriage in early North India, attempting to determine historical fact from literary materials. Narendra K. Wagle offers a survey of the kinship categories to be found in the Pali Jatakas.