

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910960767703321
Autore	Guichard Sylvie
Titolo	The construction of history and nationalism in India : textbooks, controversies and politics / / Sylvie Guichard
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Abingdon, Oxon ; ; New York : , : Routledge, , 2010
ISBN	1-136-94930-5 1-136-94931-3 1-282-65622-8 9786612656224 0-203-84857-8
Edizione	[1st ed.]
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (249 p.)
Collana	Routledge advances in South Asian studies ; ; 17
Disciplina	954.0072
Soggetti	Nationalism - India - History National characteristics, East Indian Hindutva Secularism - India Nationalism and education - India Textbooks - India Textbook bias - India India Historiography Political aspects India Historiography Social aspects
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 and index.
Nota di contenuto	Book Cover; Title; Copyright; Contents; Illustrations; Acknowledgements; Abbreviations; Introduction; 1 Nation, religion and history; 2 Textbooks, teachers and students; 3 The debate in context; 4 Enemies and defenders; 5 Perspectives and silences; General conclusion; Notes; Bibliography; Index
Sommario/riassunto	Most studies on nations and nationalism argue that history, or more precisely a 'common past', is crucial for the process of national identity building. However, the existence of one or more concurrent narratives for the construction of this identity is often not accounted for, and there are cases where the 'common past' or a 'collective memory' is no

longer shared. This book centres on the construction, elaboration and negotiation of the narratives that have become official history in India. These narratives influence politics and the representation of the nation. Depending on the c
