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BOOK OF THE MONTH

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A book to cherish!

HUM: Our Stories, Our Roots and Our Heritage:

Manju Jain & Padmini Sharathkumar

Like the roots and trunks of a banyan tree, our ancestors have passed on their roots, values, knowledge, spirit and hope, generation after generation, giving phenomenal support to the new branches. Though the family's special moments, events and achievements are recorded in the recesses of our memory, these events are sometimes forgotten over the passage of time. We might not always think of recording these events on paper to pass on to the new branches of our family. Living in unit families and staying far away from our 'roots', many of us feel the strong need to pass on 'that something' for generations to come. This is the inspiration for this unique book.

The framework of this book is built around phases in our family history with a flow that is designed to recall family history in stories and record them. The book consists of eleven sections that are subdivided into chapters. In these chapters, the authors tried to assemble cues or thought-triggers to make them as comprehensive as possible. This book is planned in such a way that it can become a family project anchored by the husband and wife in the family. It has also left many free spaces for incorporating the reader's thoughts, notes and photos.

This workbook has been envisaged as a family programme for an entire family to go down the memory lane, connect with extended families and friends, record and relive their glorious traditions and heritage.

HUM is an ideal gift for weddings, wedding anniversaries, retirement and any such landmark occasion in one's life.

The proceeds from the book will go to the HUM Trust which is a non-profit organization, focusing on social initiatives in the field of education for the economically deserving students from the Government and Corporation schools as well as family connect programmes.

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