

Something Deeper than Politics and Communalism at Stake

IS there any question in any one's mind that the most dynamic civilization on the subcontinent today is Hindu civilization?

The answer to the first question is that there is no doubt that Hindu civilization is in the ascendant after a millennium of first Muslim and then British civilization eclipsing it.

At issue here is not India. For Hindu civilization embraces more than the narrow meaning of the territorial nation state. For it is a moral, metaphysical, and religious in a broad sense.

Nor is it a matter of secularism versus religion. For the old Nehruvian triad of secularism, socialism, and non-alignment, the mainstay of the old Indian state, is on the wane in this contemporary world.

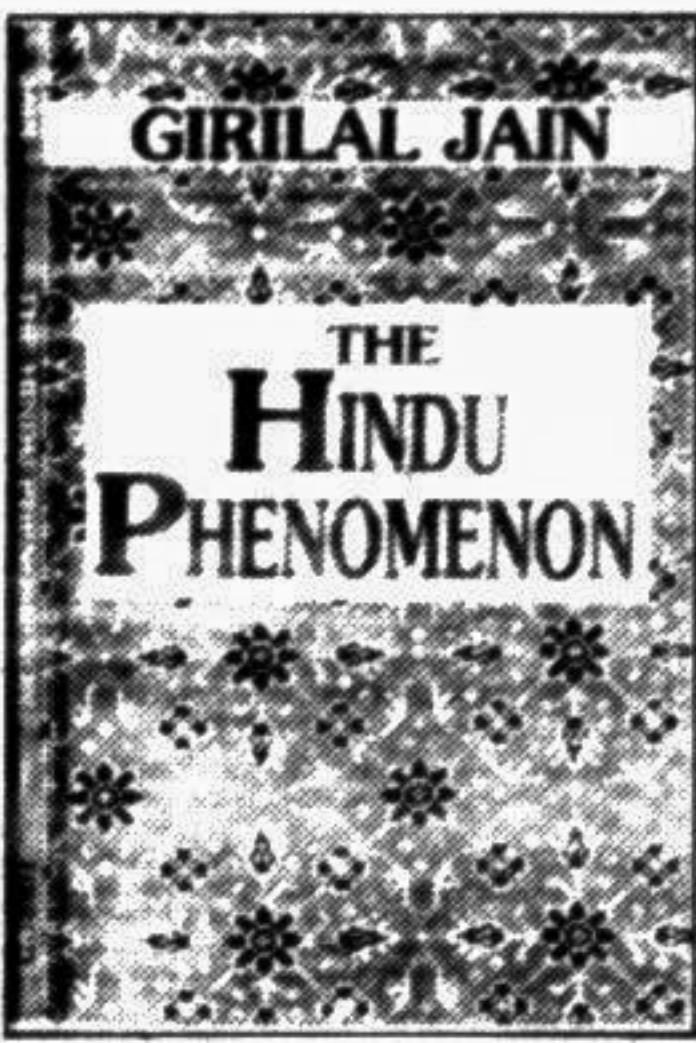
The above is the message of Girilal Jain's new 1994 book, The Hindu Phenomenon. So important is this message from India, so necessary is it for all thinking people on the subcontinent and the world to read this book.

There are some thoughts here that must be cleared away before continuing. The reviewer admits to a fondness for the author, Girilal Jain, the former editor of the Times of India.

BOOK REVIEW

The Hindu Phenomenon by Girilal Jain

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against confront religion not as something to be dismissed lightly but as a formidable part of society. The state must be secular and be a leading part of society, but it is not the only part of society.

His argument has three elements. The first is that Hinduism is not religion in the Semitic sense of the word, and it has created a whole people.

If one had to quibble with this book, it is that he does not spend enough time dealing with internal problems of Hinduism, especially the problems

of caste. Indeed he does not clearly state what separates Hinduism from the creedal religions of the Semitic variety.

For it is true that, taken in its state of grace, Hinduism embraces a wide variety of beliefs. But what it cannot do is embrace all of humanity.

Indeed he goes so far as to say Hinduism is not a religion in the creedal sense at all but a metaphysical system of thought.

What Girilal Jain has done is to make us see Hinduism, and ourselves, through the penetrating eyes of a genius. He is biased in this premises but he is cogent in following his premises to his conclusion.

Viewing Video

by Lenin Gani

In Blackbelt a brutal double murder takes place and ex-cop Don 'The Dragon' Wilson is called in to help solve the crime.



Table listing video titles, types, and casts. Includes titles like 'The Quick And The Dead', 'Just Cause', 'Witchhunt', 'Family Album', etc.

TELEVISION

Arabian Nights: Story of the Trader and the Goat

SEHRAZADE continues the story of the trader and the goat, for the curious Sultan.

Duraksha accepts Ghozala as a bride: First wife Duraksha not only decimates and lays the bed for the second wife Ghozala.

A son is born: Soon second wife Ghozala bears a baby boy to Sirajuddin — the torch

Dark Justice

Brilliant philosophy professor and multiple murderer, Simon Tall (Robert Dickman), is brought before the bench of Judge Nicholas 'Nick' Marshall (Ramy Zada).

RUMINATIONS FROM ROME

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The video rental stores seem to be a thriving business for they like the groceries, have the entire subcontinental community market in their pocket.

Everybody including first wife Duraksha express joy.

Time flies — the boy becomes sixteen years old — Sirajuddin decides to go on a trading trip for a few days.

Sirajuddin assures her that Duraksha is there to protect and take care of her.

Ghozala and son are transformed into goats: Duraksha requests Sirajuddin to get him

previously killed five college girls, is a longtime resident of Seegoville Maximum Security Prison For The Criminally Insane.

Nick senses that Simon has too much power within the walls of Seegoville and enlists

a large knife so that she could fulfil her long standing vow to sacrifice two goats.

After Sirajuddin's departure, Duraksha, on a pretext, takes Ghazala and her son to the same magician.

The fire of revenge and jealousy — suppressed from last 16 years now — erupts like a volcano.

the aid of his fellow 'Night Watchmen', Maria (Viviane Vives), Moon (Dick O'Neill) and gibs (Clayton Prince), to assist him in setting the record straight.

— Nick is able to sleep a little easier knowing that justice has

me quite a few special secrets in Bangla. 'Apa,' he whispered, 'I would forget that pinch of nutmeg if I were you.'

At first I thought of ignoring his remarks, then it transpired that it was really he who did most of the cooking, with Franco merely supervising.

Sultan spares Shehrazade for one more night: The soldiers arrive to take Shehrazade to the executioner.

The Sultan's appetite for the story remains unfulfilled. He spares Shehrazade's life for one day more so that she can complete the next night of the story of the trader and the goat

Episode II on BTV today (Friday) at 8:30 pm

Episode 12 on BTV on Sunday at 9:00 p.m.

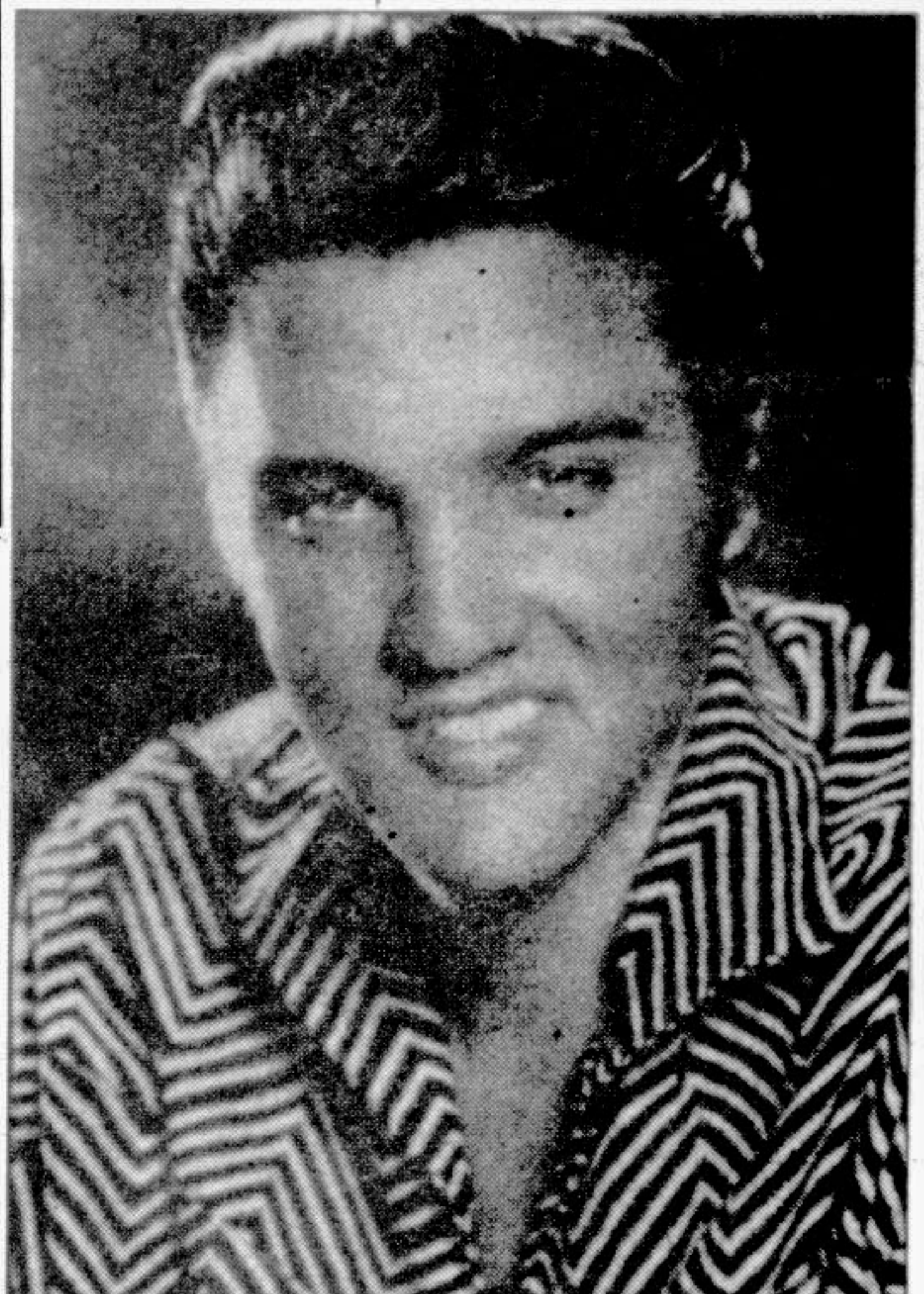
The Crystal Maze Episode 11 on BTV today (Friday) at 9:05 am

ever, the fact is that it is a very hard life for these boys, trying to carve a place in a foreign country where language is only one of the many hurdles.

no one will know who was integrated into what? Towards that future dish of integrated cultural pasta — BUON APETITO!



A scene from 'Caddy' on Star Movies



Elvis Presley on Channel V in Classic

The Star Entertainment Guide

Friday 24th March (All programmes in local time)

[Morning Session]

8:00 Opening announcement 8:10 News in Bangla 8:15 Children's programme on Islam: Alor Dishari 8:40 Education, art & culture for youngsters: Chetona 9:05 Adventure show: Crystal Maze 10:00 News in English

10:05 Release of selected drama: Moneer Mukurey 11:15 Film show: Batman 11:40 Prescription 11:55 Shiksha-Dhiksha 12:30 Close down

[Evening Session]

3:00 Opening announcement 3:10 Recitation from Tripitak 3:15 Cartoon film: Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 3:40 Bengali feature film: 5:10 News in Bangla 5:25 Sports programme 7:00 Open University 7:25 Modern songs: Malancha 8:00 News in Bangla 8:30 Film show: Arabian Nights 9:00 Magazine programme: Chalachitra 10:00 News in English 10:30 Drama series: Law & Order 11:30 Khabar: The News 11:40 Tomorrow's programme summary 11:45 Closing

9:00am, BBC World News 9:25 World Business Report 10:00 BBC World News 10:25 Time Out: Holiday 11:00 BBC Newsday 2:00 BBC World Headlines 2:05 Question Time 3:00 BBC World News 3:25 Time Out: Film 95 4:00 BBC World News 4:25 World Business Report 5:00 BBC World News 5:25 World Business Report 6:00 The World Today 7:00 BBC World News 7:25 World Business Report 8:00 BBC World News 8:25 Newsnight

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5:00 Small Wonder 5:30 Robotech 6:00 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 6:30 Batman 7:00 Home and Away 7:30 Neighbours 8:00 MASH 8:30 Remington Steele 9:00 Dynasty 10:30 The Bold & the Beautiful 11:00 Santa Barbara 12:00am Star Trek 1:00 India Business Week 1:30 Doogie Howser M D 2:00 Anything But Love 2:30 Neighbours 3:00 Mini Series: Champagne Charlie 5:00 The Sullivans 5:30 Crosslaw

6:00am The World Of Rugby 7:00 Live NCAA Basketball Regional Semifinals 11:30 The World Wrestling Federation Wrestling Spotlight 4:00 The Asian Football Show 5:00 Talking Baseball 5:30 NBA — Inside Stuff 6:00pm NBA Game of the Week Charlotte at Orlando 8:30 NCAA Basketball Regional Semifinals 1:00am NBA — Inside Stuff 1:30 NBA Game of the Week Charlotte at Orlando 3:30 The Asian Football Show 4:00 World Wrestling Federation Wrestling Spotlight 5:00 European Snooker League

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3:30 Classic: Black Narcissus (Arabic Subtitles) 5:30 Action: Downtown (Arabic Subtitles) 2:30 Khana Khazana 3:00 Khoobsurat 3:30 Baap Re Baap 4:00 Has Barse 4:30 Akbar 7:30 Hum-Hong Kamyab 8:00 Double Trouble 8:30 Close Up 9:30 Antakshari 9:00 Philips Top 10 9:30 Andaz 10:35 News 10:50 Sitara 11:20 Bazaar Buzz 11:30 Film Deewane 12:00 Banegi Apni Baat 12:30 Parvarish 1:00 Laylak (Arabic) 1:30 Infotainment 3:45 Close Down

6:00 am Bismillah & Inshar 6:07 Aaj Ke Programme 8:10 Hand-O-Naal 8:20 Bolta Haathi 8:35 Sajra Phul 9:00 Daster Khawan 9:15 Ilaqi Prog 9:40 Health Forum 10:00 Khabaron House 11:30 Commercial 11:40 Sports 12:50 Juma Spot Close Down 2:00 PTV2 Instigina 2:02 Bismillah 2:10 Aaj Ki Nashriyat 2:15 Fehm-Ul-Quran 2:40 Natka Rang 3:30 Chotay Baray Log EP:4 4:20 ETV Lab 4:50 Songs 5:00 Aasaan Hesaab-I 5:25 Taleem Nizam 6:30 Aloo Courses 6:50 AI Deewane 7:00 The News 7:30 Sesame Street 8:10 Muqabil Hai Aaina 8:20 The Big Idea: 8:50 Sophia 9:00 Khas Khas Khabaron 9:02 Sophia (Remaining Portion) 10:00 Khabarnama 10:25 Video Count Down 11:15 On Programme 11:55 English Feature Film

8:00 am Teri Sur Meri Geet (Rpt) 8:30 am Geet Gata Chal (Rpt) 2:30 Action: Lahu Ki Awaz 3:30 Hindi Film Hit Songs 7:15 Teri Sur Meri Geet 7:45 Geet Gata Chal 8:15 Gunjan 9:45 Sanget 9:18 Guldasta 9:30 Social 'Lajwanti' B/W