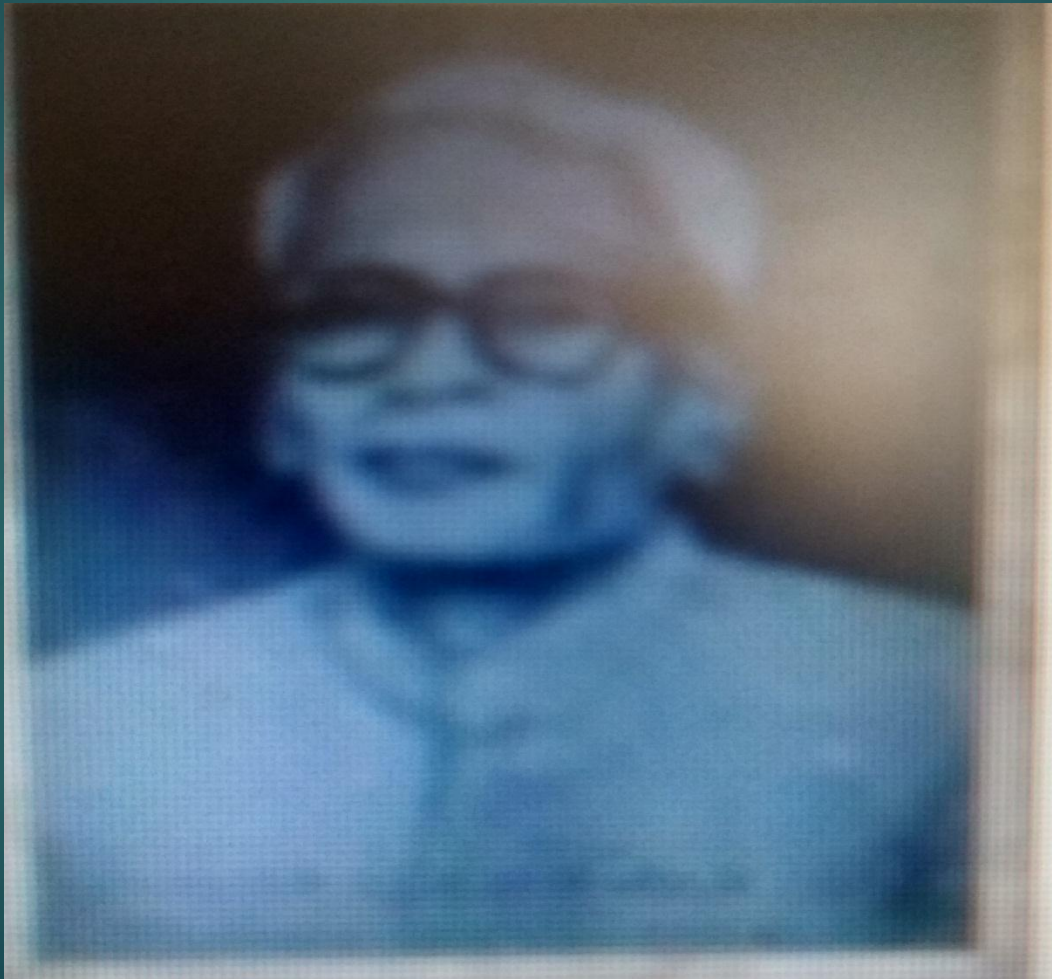


# K.K.DUTTA: A HISTORIAN

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# LIFE AND WORKS



- ▶ Born at Jhikarhati village in Pakur on May 5, 1905, his father Sadananda Datta was the headmaster of Pakur High School. He began his schooling from Jhikarhati Primary School.
- ▶ After passing matriculation examination from Pakur Raj High School in 1921, he completed his graduation with Honours in History from Krishnanath College, Berhampur and Masters from Calcutta University in 1927, being placed in the first class at both the examinations.

# LIFE AND WORKS

- ▶ He joined Patna University as a research scholar in 1928 and as a lecturer in Patna College in 1930. ***Alivardi and His Times*** earned him a Ph.D. degree in 1937 under great Dr S.C. Sarkar.
- ▶ But before that he had been awarded the prestigious Premchand Roychand Scholarship by Calcutta University for his highly-acclaimed work *Studies in the History of Bengal Subah 1740-70*.

# LIFE AND WORKS



- ▶ He became the head of the department of History, Patna College, in 1945 and seven years later, the head of the department of History, Patna University. He retired from Patna University service in 1960.
- ▶ Dr Dutta had earned great repute for his erudition, command over language, oratory, and enduring love for students and phenomenal memory.

# LIFE AND WORKS



- ▶ Like most of his illustrious contemporaries, he made an enviable blend of teaching and research that resulted in his authoring 50 books and several research papers.
- ▶ Other than the ones named before he was the famous co-author of *An Advanced History of India and Text Book of Modern Indian History* as well as the author of *A Social History of Modern India, Dawn of Renascent India, Shah Alam II, Kunwar Singh, Amar Singh, Mahatma Gandhi and Dr Rajendra Prasad*.

# LIFE AND WORKS



Though permanently located in Patna, Dr Dutta cherished enduring attachment to his village and that part of Bihar, which later became Jharkhand. He published the *Santhal Insurrection of 1855-57* in 1940, long before writing a counter nationalist narrative that was included in the agenda of Indian historians.

# LIFE AND WORKS

- ▶ KK Dutta was also closely connected with the Regional Records Survey Committee of Bihar and the *Bihar Research Society* in various capacities. Closely associated with the Indian History Congress, he served the organisation as its Sectional President in 1943 and was elected its General President in 1958. He also served as the Director of the Indo-British Historical Society of Madras. In 1968 Dutta was awarded the Jadunath Litt. (Honoris Causa) in 1982.



# LIFE AND WORKS



- ▶ Shortly before his death the University of Burdwan conferred on him D Litt. (Honoris Causa) in 1982.
- ▶ KK Dutta belonged to the old group of historians, who relied on a lucid style and in a correct presentation of historical data. His command over historical sources was unique and he relied more on concrete evidences rather than abstract theorisation. He passed away on 24 March 1982.

# HIS WORKS

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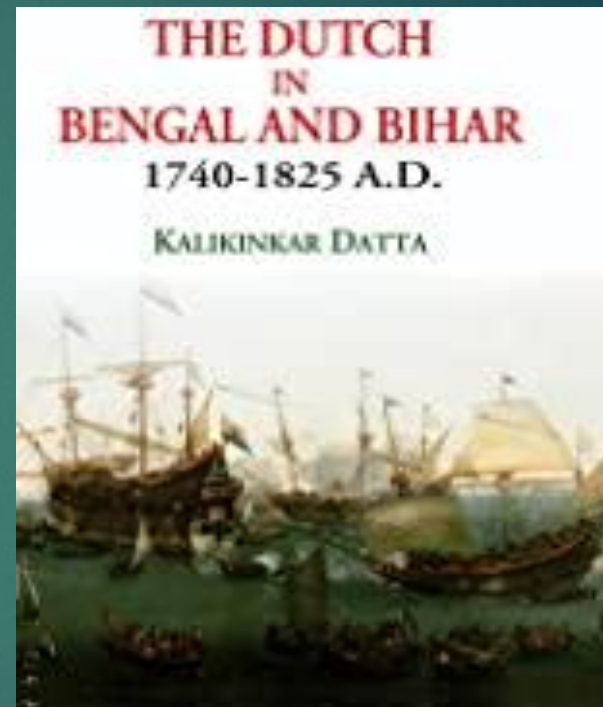
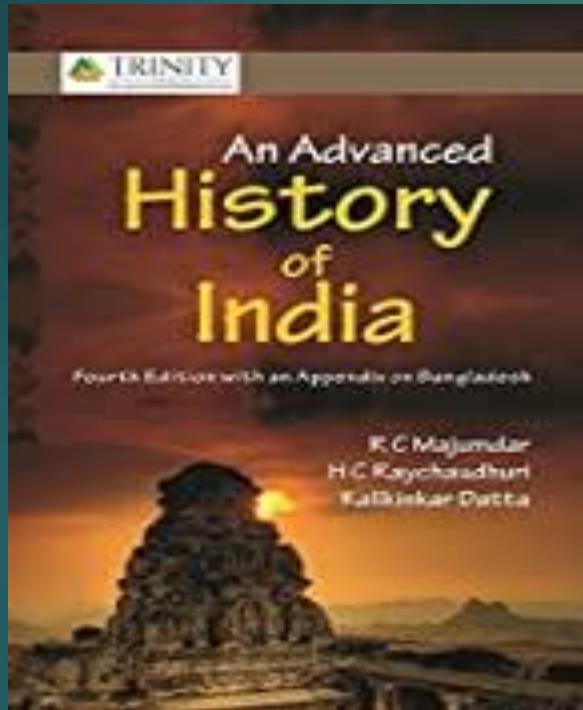
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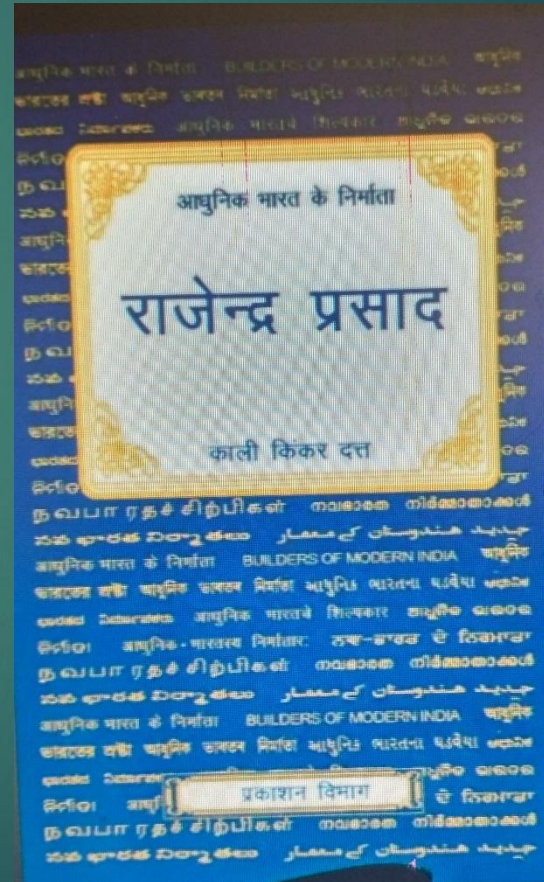
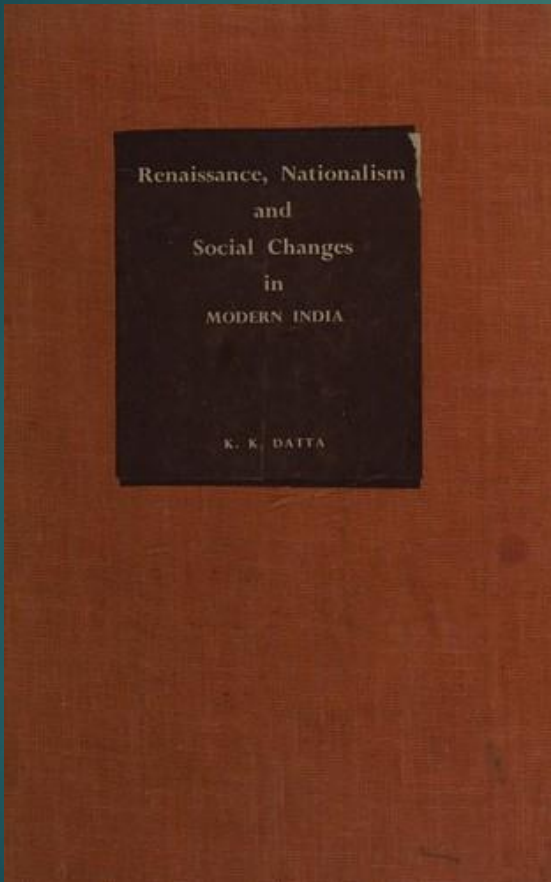


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