



## Concept of Man in Comparative Perspective

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**Today under the inspiration of the worldwide Human Rights Movement man his dignity and rights, his welfare and development are increasingly receiving attention of scholars, institutions and governments. The present book being a collection of articles most of which were presented in a seminar on the Concept of Man in Comparative Perspective organised by the Institute of Objective Studies, makes an attempt to understand how world religions and secular ideologies have variously viewed man, his origin, his faculties, powers disabilities and limitations. The book thus presents a rich variety of concepts of man in Hindu scriptures, in Buddhist and in Christianity, Islam and Sikhism alongside the Renaissance and Radical Humanist concept of man and his destiny.**

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