

BOOK REVIEW

IYENGAR C: Silent Solar Sentinel, VI, pp, 70, P. S. C. Iyengar, No. 42, II Main Road, Shanthinagar, Bangalore 560 027, 1974, Rs. 25.

This book with a fanciful title is addressed not only to scientists but to a wider circle of readers interested in the activities of "Science of Science". According to the author the book covers several aspects which was as universal conception and far reaching effects. In recent years a good number of books have been published in the area of social and political implications of science and in this book the author has made some loud thinking on present day issues.

The contents of the book under review are as follows.

1. The vital cosmological conclusions IX points.
2. A comprehensive lecture on evolution of elements-full.
3. Cosmology and periodic table.
4. Solar system in the universe.
5. The present world problems-cause and cure.
6. Sovereignty-virtual, dual and triple aspects.
7. Genetics-reassessed answering to decoding of DNA dilemma
8. Crisis of leadership in India.

The first chapter, according to author is based on history, philosophies, present development of sciences, their failures and doubts and dead ends and the chapter on Sovereignty-virtual, dual and triple aspects is based on political sciences, psychology and other correlated sciences. The chapter,—The present world problems—Cause and cure is addressed to India in particular.

The book taken as a whole provides some basic information, data and definitions about solar system and the elements. It also discusses further the sociological, political and moral aspects of science. The reviewers are not happy about printing and editing. Printer's devils galore and this may distract even the willing readers from using the book.

The author has indicated in the book (P. V.) that he has referred to various books but the book does not contain any bibliography or references to support his argument and claims. The book also lacks an index. The inclusion of these tools would have certainly enhanced the value of the book.

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Calendar of events: Conferences/Symposia at the Indian Institute of Science Campus

Sl. No.	Name of the School	Period	Sponsoring Department of the Institute
1.	Short Term Course on Vacuum Technology	14 February to 30 March 1975	Central Instruments and Services Laboratory
2.	Summer Institute in Molecular Structures	1-24 May 1975	Molecular Biophysics
3.	Indian National Science, Academy	16-17 May 1975	Physics
4.	Intensive Course on High Voltage Technique	25 May to 8 June 1975	High Voltage Engineering
5.	Ferrous Foundry Technology	11-28 June, 1975	Mechanical Engineering
6.	Molecular Biology of Bacteria and Bacterial Viruses	16 June to 12 July 1975	Microbiology and Pharmacology Laboratory
7.	Microwave and Millimeter Wave Communication	30 June to 12 July, 1975	Electrical Communication Engineering
8.	All India Symposium on Biomedical Engineering	22-25 July, 1975	Electrical Engineering
9.	Geo-Physical Fluid Dynamic Workshop	7-20 July, 1975	Centre for Theoretical Studies
10.	Organization of UNESCO Conference	1-15 September 1975	Mechanical Engineering
11.	Intensive Course on Fluid Engineering	20 October to 2 November 1975	School of Automation
12.	Lecture Course on Cavitation	Nov. to Dec. 1975	Chemical Engineering
13.	Crystal Chemistry for College Teachers	December 1975	Inorganic and Physical Chemistry

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