

# Professor Ramachandra Guha

**Award-winning Historian & Biographer, Author of 'India After Gandhi: A History of the World's Largest Democracy'**



Ramachandra Guha is acknowledged as a world authority in three distinct fields of scholarship, pioneering in the field of environmental history in South Asia, having authored several landmark essays on environmentalism and being seen as a pioneer in the field of sports history. He is a columnist for *The Telegraph*, *Khaleej Times* and *The Hindustan Times* newspapers. He is a fellow of Indian Institute of Management Calcutta. A historian and journalist, he is author of *India after Gandhi: The History of the World's Largest Democracy*, edits *The Picador Book of Cricket* and is a regular columnist with *The Telegraph of Calcutta*.

"Indian democracy's pre-eminent chronicler" *Time Magazine*

## In detail

Ramachandra Guha graduated from St. Stephen's College, Delhi with a BA in Economics and then attained an MA from the Delhi School of Economics (University of Delhi). He then went to Indian Institute of Management Calcutta, where he did a Fellowship (equivalent to a Ph.D.) on the social history of forestry in Uttaranchal, that focused on the Chipko movement, which was later published as *'The Unquiet Woods'*. His books and essays have been translated into more than twenty languages. His essay *'Radical American Environmentalism and Wilderness Preservation'* has been reprinted in more than thirty anthologies.

## What he offers you

With books covering a wide range of themes, including a global history of environmentalism, a biography of an anthropologist-activist, a social history of Indian cricket, and a social history of Himalayan peasants, Ramachandra Guha is a groundbreaking pioneer, who is regarded as one of the hundred most influential public intellectuals in the world by *Prospect* and *Foreign Policy* magazines. He has emerged as the most prominent chronicler of India's past and of its present and he is very much in demand at prestigious events worldwide.

## How he presents

The author-historian-sociologist-cricket expert-environmentalist, Ramachandra Guha has own direct no-nonsense, and sometimes controversial, style. One thing you can't accuse Ramachandra Guha of is mincing his words.

## Languages

He presents in English.

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