

Required Readings

1. Hannah Ellis-Peterson, “‘Messianic spell’: how Narendra Modi created a cult of personality.” *The Guardian* (UK) (April 19, 2024).
2. Jawaharlal Nehru, “We Want No Caesars: Nehru’s Warning to Himself.” Reprinted from 1937) *The Caravan* (November 16, 2016).
3. Christophe Jaffrelot, “Is India Still a Democracy?” *The Nation* (April 12, 2024).
4. Mujib Mashal and Hari Kumar, “Modi’s Party Doesn’t Control All of India. But He’s Working on It.” *The New York Times* (March 23, 2024).
5. Nachiket Joshi, “‘H-Pop’: A cut-throat digital economy and deep-rooted hatred have fundamentally changed India.” *Scroll.in* (February 25, 2024).
6. Hannah Ellis-Petersen, Aakash Hassan and Shah Meer Baloch, “Indian government ordered killings in Pakistan, intelligence officials claim.” *The Guardian* (UK) (April 04, 2024).

Recommended

1. Chietigj Bajpae, “India’s geopolitical heft will trump concerns over the state of democracy as it goes to the polls.” Chatham House (geostrategic thinktank) (April 11, 2024).
2. Samanth Subramanian, “The Long Read: How Hindu supremacists are tearing India apart.” *The Guardian* (February 20, 2020).
3. Ashutosh Varshney “Jim Crow Hindutva” *The Indian Express* (October 20, 2021).
4. Atish Taseer, (FILM) “In Search of India's Soul: From Mughals to Modi.” *Al Jazeera*, (February 13, 2020).
5. Nicholas Kristof, “He’s the World’s Most Popular Leader. Beware.” *New York Times* (March 18, 2023) or try this [archived link](#) (if you can, do read some of the comments too!)
6. Mujib Mashal, Suhasini Raj and Karan Deep Singh, “Modi’s Power to Sideline Challengers Is Only Growing” *New York Times* (March 29, 2023) or try this [archived link](#)

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