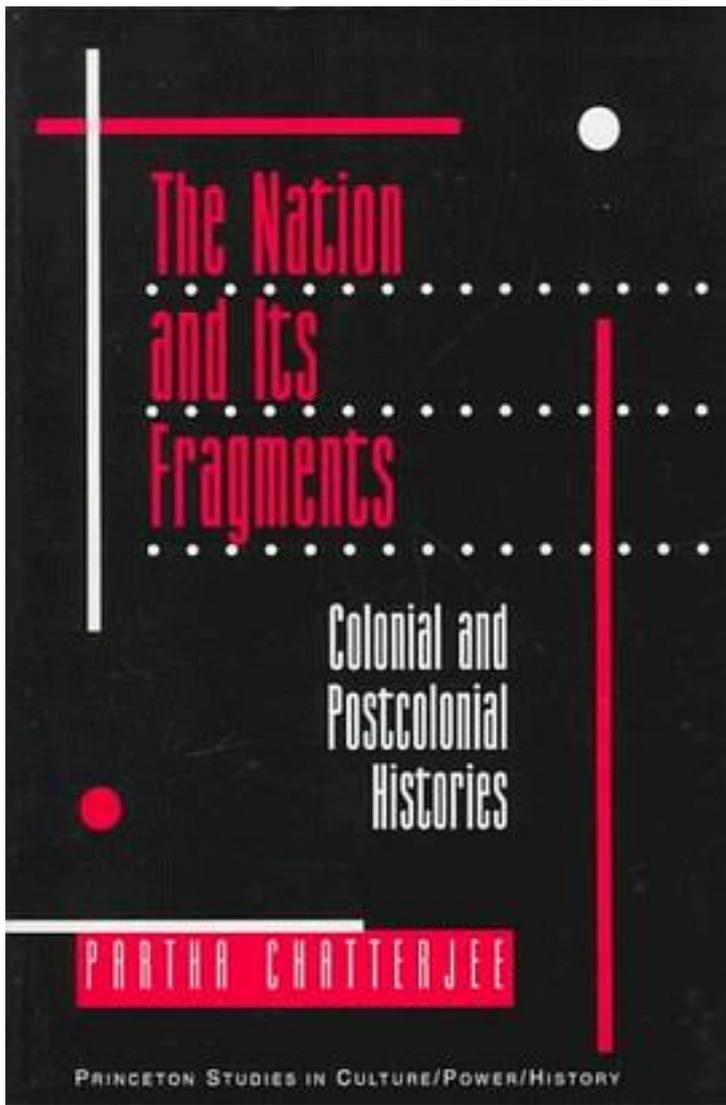


The Nation and Its Fragments



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In this book, the prominent theorist Partha Chatterjee looks at the creative and powerful results of the nationalist imagination in Asia and Africa that are posited not on identity but on difference with the nationalism propagated by the West. Arguing that scholars have been mistaken in equating political nationalism with nationalism as such, he shows how anticolonialist nationalists produced their own domain of sovereignty within colonial society well before beginning their political battle with the imperial power. These nationalists divided their culture into material and spiritual domains, and staked an early claim to the spiritual sphere, represented by religion, caste, women and the family, and peasants. Chatterjee shows how middle-class elites first imagined the nation into being in this spiritual dimension and then readied it for political contest, all the while "normalizing" the aspirations of the various marginal groups that typify the spiritual sphere. While Chatterjee's specific examples are drawn from Indian sources, with a copious use of Bengali language materials, the book is a contribution to the general theoretical discussion on nationalism and the modern state. Examining the paradoxes involved with creating first a uniquely non-Western nation in the spiritual sphere and then a universalist nation-state in the material sphere, the author finds that the search for a postcolonial modernity is necessarily linked with past struggles against modernity.

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二元对立和社会主题在印度历史研究中是如此显著。

现代性最根本的矛盾是资本与社会生活共同体之间的矛盾，而不是国家与公民社会之间的矛盾。非常认同查特杰的这个观点。从研究民族国家引申出一条批判现代性的理路。公民社会和国家究竟在多大程度上是真正的历史叙述的category？以及怎样理解由“公民社会”生发的“个人权利”概念？

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亚非反殖民族主义基本特点是对于自身精神文化传统的强调，也就是对于想象共同体方式的争夺。他一方面强调现代权力政体的普适性，另一方面强调精神文化层面的差异性。民族主义通过对大众的征用，传统文化的经典化和文化领导权结构的结合作为一种国族构建的中介工程在起作用。

Ironies within the nationalist discourse

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