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*The Congress, Indira to Sonia Gandhi* Oxford University Press, USA  
Sonia Gandhi, among the builders of the modern India, occupies a pride of place. She is the President of the Indian National Congress Party. Her historical decision-- a great act of renunciation of the position of the Prime Ministership of India, in May 2004, in lieu of strengthening the Congress Party will go a long way. She is the most inspirational person of our times. An in-depth study of her Selected Speeches & Interviews, delivered at many national and international fora (and included in this book) shows her deep commitment towards the welfare of the common man-- aam admi: her approach to their myriad problems, i.e. rural development & employment, women empowerment, right to information and education, food security to the poor people, solving the problems of the farmers, upliftment of the downtrodden/minorities etc. It outlines her clear vision for the future of the resurgent India and shows her major observations, thought process and concerns on the current state of affairs in India and abroad. Her thoughts reflect a social reality from words to work-action. She shines a light on all our lives. As a Chairperson of the UPA, She has firmly put her social sector agenda on the national centre stage. Being a Chairperson of the National Advisory Council of the Government of India, She has a mandate to guide and oversee the implementation of the socio-economic development agenda of the government that will determine how powerful global role India plays in this unfolding 21st century. A useful reference book for the opinion makers, policy-planners, public administrator, social scientists and the researchers, congress loyalists and the non-congress politicians-- young and the old, students of history and political science etc for understanding the mind and ideology, coupled with sincere zeal of Mrs. Sonia Gandhi thus employing towards the emergence of the vibrant modern India.

[India Tomorrow](#) Hachette India

Political biography of Sonia Gandhi, b. 1946, president of Indian National Congress.

[Peace, Non-violence, and Empowerment](#) Oxford University Press  
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Delight To Read Khushwant Singh, Outlook A Candid Recreation Of One Of The Most Influential Lives Of Recent Times, Mohandas Finally Answers Questions Long Asked About The Timid Youth From India S West Coast Who Became A Century S Conscience And Led His Nation To Liberty: What Was Gandhi Like In His Daily Life And In His Closest Relationships? In His Face-Offs With An Empire, With His Own Bitterly Divided People, With His Adversaries, His Family And His Greatest Confrontation With Himself? Answering These And Other Questions, And Releasing The True Gandhi From His Shroud Of Fame And Myth, Mohandas, Authored By A Practised Biographer Who Is Also Gandhi S Grandson, Does More Than Tell A Story. Praise For The Book Rajmohan Strikes A Fine Balance In This Comprehensive Work, Lacing The Painstakingly Detailed Chronological Account With Just The Right Amount Of Interpretation. [His] Approach Goes A Long Way In Painting A Portrait Of Gandhiji That Is Very Human, Plausible, And Easy To Identify With Mukund Padmanabhan, The Hindu An Impeccable Exercise In Objectivity . . . A Remarkable Performance. This Biography Ought To Be Read Over And Over Again . . . The Bareness Of Rajmohan S Recital Of Moods And Events Heightens The Poignancy . . . Mahatma Gandhi Was A Votary Of Restraint; This Book Exemplifies, Magnificently, Such Restraint. The Grandfather Would Have Approved Of Rajmohan S Mohandas Ashok Mitra, Telegraph A Story Of Epic Proportions . . . Gandhi S Luminous Compassion, Courage And Humanity Shine Through These Pages And Bring Light Into Our Lives Sonia Gandhi The Only Word To Describe This Work Is Fabulous . Literally Scores Of People Have Written On Mahatma Gandhi . . . But . . . Mohandas Will Henceforth Be Remembered As The Last Word On The Subject M.V. Kamath, Organizer

**Sonia Gandhi** Sura Books

Now updated with a new chapter on Rahul Gandhi The Congress party has always stayed one step ahead of the opposition by constantly reinventing and re-aligning itself to stay in sync with the political realities of the day. Its president, Sonia Gandhi, pulled off a master-coup in 2004 by declining the prime-ministership, while the incumbent Congress Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh is the first prime minister since Nehru to lead the party into two Union government terms. In 2013, Rahul Gandhi was elevated to the post of Congress vice-president amid much fanfare and optimism. Tasked with reviving the grand old

party, the young politician remains, in the minds of many, the best hope to lead the Congress into the next century, marking a new moment in the Congress's concept of `continuity with change?'. In his bestselling book *24 Akbar Road*, seasoned journalist and veteran Congress watcher Rasheed Kidwai puts together an incisive and engaging account of the Congress's shape-shifting nature and its tenuous hold at the Centre, providing a dispassionate observer's glance at affairs within the Congress. Kidwai brilliantly tracks the story of the contemporary Congress in the years after the Emergency, using the Congress seat of power at 24 Akbar Road as his vantage to draw a compelling account of the Congress leadership from Indira, Sanjay and Rajiv Gandhi to Narasimha Rao and Sitaram Kesri, to the present- day trinity of Sonia Gandhi, Manmohan Singh and Rahul Gandhi. In this revised and updated edition, Kidwai analyses Rahul Gandhi's appointment to assess what the Congress needs to do to remain India's nerve of power in the coming years, and whether the new vice- president can rally the party to a third consecutive victory at the Centre.'

**A Profile in Courage and Grace** Penguin UK

The Coalition Years begins its journey in 1996 and explores the highs and lows that characterized sixteen years of one of the most tumultuous periods in the nation's political history. It is an insightful account of the larger governance phenomenon in India-- coalition politics--as seen through the eyes of one of the chief architects of the post-Congress era of Indian politics.

**Sonia Gandhi** Concept Publishing Company

Tavleen Singh's acclaimed and bestselling memoir begins in the summer of 1975 when, not yet twenty-five, she started working as a junior reporter in the Statesman in New Delhi. Within five weeks, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi declared the Emergency, and soon reckless policies said to be authored by her younger son were unleashed on India's citizens. In 1984, following Indira Gandhi's assassination, Rajiv Gandhi became Prime Minister, fortified by a huge mandate from a nation desperate for change. But, belying its hopes, the young leader chose for himself a group of advisors, friends and acolytes just as unaware as him of the ground realities of a complex nation. It was the beginning of a political culture of favouritism and ineptitude that would take hold at the highest levels of government, stunting India's ambitions and frustrating its people for years to come. A sharp account of

these turbulent years, Durbar describes the Nehruvian era of Singh's childhood, the Emergency of her youth and the political shifts that followed, bringing with them insurgencies, massacres, and crises internal and external. This remarkable memoir, vivid with the colour of election campaigns and society dinners, low conspiracies and high corruption, reminds us of this truth: that if India is to achieve a better future, the past cannot be ignored or forgotten.

24 Akbar Road [Revised and Updated] Diamond Pocket Books Pvt Ltd

Articles on the life and work of Sonia Gandhi, b. 1946, as a politician from India, and leader, Indian National Congress, since 1997.

Viking Adult

Memoir of one of Indira Gandhi's closest confidants One day, soon after M.L. Fotedar had joined Indira Gandhi as political secretary in July 1980, she told him to sit at 1 Akbar Road. This would enable him to meet the people who came to her with various requests. She suggested a small room to serve as his workspace. But it was one she was emotionally attached to -- it was used by her son Sanjay, who had recently died in an air crash. For the rest of Indira Gandhi's final term in office, this room would be the nerve centre of Fotedar's work. Ordinary people and senior party leaders would come there for him to filter their requests and complaints. From assessing future leaders -- be it V.P. Singh, Pranab Mukherjee or Ahmed Patel -- with remarkable foresight, to straightening up those who were being difficult, he did it all. The Chinar Leaves paints a portrait of a six-decade-long political career that began in Kashmir and gives insights into the murky world of national politics. Here are the stories of many careers that were made and unmade in the Congress. Among these are the saga of Narasimha Rao's no-holds-barred effort to stay in power, Amitabh Bachchan's falling out of favour with the Gandhi family, the machinations of succession after Indira Gandhi's death, Giani Zail Singh's tiff with Rajiv, and many more. Fotedar, for long the voice of political wisdom in the party, also passes his verdict on the current crop of Congress leadership and searches Indira Gandhi's will, to which he was a signatory, for the true successor to her legacy. As a record of Indian politics at a time of momentous events, this is a frank and sometimes shocking look at recent history from the man who exercised immense influence

from behind the scenes and whose impact continues to this day.

Sonia Gandhi Diamond Pocket Books Pvt Ltd

Sonia Gandhi, b. 1946, president of Indian National Congress.

Rajiv Gandhi's Mind and Ideology Lotus Collection

Sonia Gandhi was born in Orbassano-a small town in Italy near Turin on 9th of December 1946. She was full of life and a bubbly youngster who wanted to be a teacher. She met Rajiv Gandhi when she was studying in London. Both developed an instant liking for each other which resulted in marriage and Sonia became a member of Gandhi family. This introduced her to politics in the later stage of her life and made her the top politician of the biggest democracy in the world. But after reaching on top the way she refused the top post, that of a Prime Minister, made her the best amongst such politicians who are in politics merely for their lust for posts and power. So what if she could not become a teacher she has definitely given a teaching to Indian politics.

**Triumph of Will, Sonia Gandhi** Sonia Gandhi Through a Different Lens

Brief biography of Sonia Gandhi, wife of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi and currently the President of All India Congress Committee.

Inspiring Thoughts Of Sonia Gandhi Roli Books Private Limited

Sonia Gandhi, b. 1946, President of Indian National Congress.

Gandhian Way Penguin Books India

The book is a first-hand account of the inner workings of the Foreign Office of Pakistan narrated during the illustrious career of the author as a statesman and especially during the Pervez Musharraf era (1999-2008) when the author was serving as Foreign Minister of the country. The script highlights the behind-the-scenes complexities in the diplomatic circles of Pakistan, specifically recounting the tenuous relationship with India in the post-Kargil period.

An Extraordinary Life, An Indian Destiny Book Venture Publishing LLC

Sonia Gandhi's story represents the greatest transformational journey made by any world leader in the last four decades. Circumstance and tragedy, rather than ambition, paved her path to power. Born into a traditional, middle-class Italian family, Sonia met and fell in love with Rajiv Gandhi, son of future Indian prime minister Indira Gandhi and grandson of Jawaharlal Nehru, while

studying English in Cambridge. Cruelly tested by the assassinations of her mother-in-law and of her husband, Sonia grew into a strong, authoritative but always private figure, now president of a coalition ruling over a billion people in the world's largest democracy. Through exclusive interviews with members of Sonia's party, political opponents and family friends, Rani Singh casts new light on Sonia. In the first mainstream biography of this inspirational figure, the author's compelling narrative retraces the path of the brave and beautiful Sonia Gandhi, examining what her life and legacy mean for India.

The Making and Unmaking of Manmohan Singh Gyan Publishing House

This book is a portrait of Rajiv Gandhi by the person who knew him best: his wife Sonia. It is in four parts, the first and last being in the nature of meditations - one in words, the other in images. In the first, Sonia Gandhi reveals Rajiv through recollections and reflections, delicate and restrained in tone but powerful in resonance. In the last, Rajiv discloses the essence of himself in a gallery of his own photographs. The biographical narrative in between progresses through pictures and extended captions, interweaving Rajiv's personal history with the milieu in which it unfolded.

A Dramatized Biography of Sonia Gandhi St. Martin's Press

"I will feel privileged even if I die for my country, I have firm belief that every drop of my blood will make my country strong and progressive". These were the last words of Indira Gandhi. Our beloved Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, who ruled our hearts for seventeen years, had sacrificed her life for the unity and integrity of the nation. The country progressed in all fields under her leadership and she hoisted the nation's prestige and fame in the global reckoning. Full of ups and downs, her life was a saga of struggle. She faced difficulties with dedication and fortitude. Today's generation can certainly derive inspiration from her philosophy of life.

Sonia Gandhi Penguin UK

Remarkable for their sensitivity and humour, and replete with vivid descriptions of major personalities and events of their times, the letters chart Indira Gandhi's developments from a shy school girl into a charismatic political leader.

Congress Indira to Sonia Gandhi Harper Collins

In the year 1965, Sonia Maino, a 19-year-old Italian student met a

young Indian boy, Rajiv Gandhi, while they were both studying in Cambridge. She was born into a modest family in suburban Turin, where her father was a strict man who kept a close eye on his three daughters. Much to his chagrin, his painfully-shy middle daughter, of whom he was especially protective, fell in love with a man belonging to the most powerful family in India. This marked the beginning of a story unlike any other - of a carefree Italian girl who was compelled to take on the murky world of rajneeti. With information sourced from close friends and colleagues, this book examines how Sonia's courage, honesty and dedication have made her a leader in the eyes of one-sixth of humanity. From her idyllic childhood to her passionate love affair and from her days as a docile daughter-in-law to her current status of being the only Indian politician to have refused prime ministership.

#### **Sonia Gandhi** Academic Foundation

Rajiv, authored by Sonia Gandhi in 1992, the year after her husband's assassination, was a portrait of him in the full current of his life. This book is a portrait of him too - but with a difference. It is one of which in a sense he is the author, since it is entirely composed of his photographs. Rajiv Gandhi, India's youngest-ever Prime Minister, was known world-wide for his qualities of leadership and his personal charisma. However, until the publication of Rajiv, in which some of his photographs appeared for the first time, few were aware that he was also an accomplished photographer. In this volume, Sonia Gandhi offers a wider selection of his photographs. Her brief but informative introduction explains his photography in context and discloses the significance it held for him. The photographs in the book, most of which have never been published before, span almost four

decades, from his childhood to his last year in office. They have been grouped under the broad themes of family, nature and people. Within these categories are presented entrancing landscapes, minutely observed particulars of nature, abstract studies and fascinating family vignettes.

Rahul Atlantic Publishers & Dist

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