



The Sound of Water

By Sanjay Bahadur

IndiaInk/Roli Books, New Delhi, India. Softcover. Book Condition: New. 'In this dark and remorseless world, there are no winners or losers. There are only survivors.' Loosely based on the disastrous flooding of the Bagdighi colliery (now in Jharkhand) in 2001, which trapped and killed dozens of miners, Sanjay Bahadur recreates the eventful hours of a disaster in the fast-paced and intriguing narrative that moves between the real and the surreal. Raimotor, an old miner, trapped hundreds of feet below the surface of the earth, struggles to save himself and his fellow miners. Meanwhile, the officials from the mining company and the government, more concerned about their careers, launch a 'rescue operation of their own. And Madho, Raimoti's brother, and his wife, Dolly, eagerly anticipate compensation. The Sound of Water is a searching fictional expose of the conditions of mining of India. The story is as much an exposition of despairing minds as it is about the high voltage drama of a mining accident. But pitted against constant fear of death, mind-numbing work, greed and the establishment's apathy is the power of spiritual strength and conviction that enables one to survive the odds. Printed Pages: 168.



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