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R. Gidoomal (1997), The UK Maharajahs: Inside the Asian Success Story, London, Nicholas Brealey, pp262, ISBN 1-85788-1885, 16.99 [pounds sterling]. I once attended a seminar at which an Indian speaker was being particularly effusive about the commercial prowess of Asian entrepreneurs; 'Asians are everywhere', he exclaimed. Ram Gidoomal, author of UK Maharajahs, makes it his task to document this apparent phenomenon. The Maharajahs that Gidoomal refers to are those South Asians 'who have achieved power wealth and influence' (p16). Anecdotes from these figures, who include well known entrepreneurs like the food magnate G K Noon to less prominent but equally influential Asians like Judge Mota Singh, liberally sprinkle the pages of this text. More often though, it is the author's own experiences of the world of commerce and his vast 'network' of contacts that are drawn upon in an attempt to explain why South Asians are seemingly so adept at business. Despite allusion to the occasional reference, this book is clearly not intended for an academic audience. Many of its features would not bear close scrutiny. For example, the basic premise of a 'success' story is

being challenged by the increasingly diverse experiences of South Asians groups in self-employment, and the often precarious nature of the enterprises that they tend to be engaged in. Whether the experiences of a handful of prosperous individuals operating in a wide variety of arenas can be meaningfully extrapolated across an eclectic community is a highly dubious proposition. The 'case studies' of Maharajahs are not subjected to serious analysis, either theoretically or methodologically. And the 'agenda for action' (p227) that the author sets out is not apprised of recent developments in small business policy and research. The first part of the book deals...

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