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Preface

This dissertation work aims at an evaluation of the novels of Kamala Markandaya in the perspective of class-consciousness embedded in her fictional narrative. The study attempts to explore the impact of class-consciousness on the attitudes, manners and conditions of living in the context of modern India as it moves from a conservative and traditional social order to a liberal and urbanized socio-economic and cultural ethos. It seeks to explore Markandaya's concern with the predicament of the individual in a class-ridden society subjected to a process of radical change.

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