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Abstract

Mulk Raj Anand's novels *Untouchable* and *The Big Heart* show alienated life condition of general Indian people through selected characters. Alienation is a feeling of not belonging. This feeling can be physical, mental, religious, psychological, political, social, or economic and it tends to be a combination of more than one of these types. Alienation is a driving force that pushes the human conscience to extremes. Whether it is alienation from civilization or alienation from society, affects the lives of the people. *Untouchable* depicts alienation caused by feudalism whereas *The Big Heart* shows the alienated life of the people as a consequence of capitalism.

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