



The City of Devi

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Bloomsbury. 1 Paperback(s), 2013. soft. Book Condition: New. The author of *The Age of Shiva* and the PEN/Faulkner Award finalist *The Death of Vishnu* here gives us a dazzling epic about love and the fate of the world. Mumbai has emptied under the threat of imminent nuclear annihilation. Yet as gangs of marauding Hindu and Muslim thugs rove the desolate streets, Sarita seeks perhaps the last pomegranate in the city, convinced that the fruit holds the key to finding her husband Karun, a physicist who has been missing for more than a fortnight. Searching for his own lover in the midst of this turmoil is Jazcocky, handsome, and glib. Both he and Sarita are inexorably drawn to Devi ma, the patron goddess who has reputedly appeared in person to save her city. "The best sex comedy of the year about nuclear war between India and Pakistan. Even amid the wondrous variety of contemporary Indian fiction, Suri's work stands apart, mingling comedy and death, eroticism and politics, godhood and Bollywood like no one else." *Washington Post* "During their awkward courtship, physicist Karun tells statistician Sarita about an alternative vision of the Hindu triumvirate in which Brahman is replaced with the mother goddess Devi. This..."



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