

## **EXPLORING THE COLONIAL IMPACT ON POSTCOLONIAL INDIAN SOCIETY: A STUDY OF KIRAN DESAI'S NOVEL, *THE INHERITANCE OF LOSS***

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### **ABSTRACT**

*Historical events have a profound impact on the lives of people, and the impact passes from one generation to the next. The colonial experience has continued in spite of, and long after, the withdrawal of political control and cultural power of the former colonial powers. The representation of the lingering effects of colonialism and the socio-political and cultural problems of postcolonial Indian society is the central concern of this research paper. This study makes an attempt to explore the representation of these problems which include migrations, sub-nationalism, transformation of colonial culture and its effects on the native culture and tradition as depicted in Kiran Desai's novel, *The Inheritance of Loss*.*

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