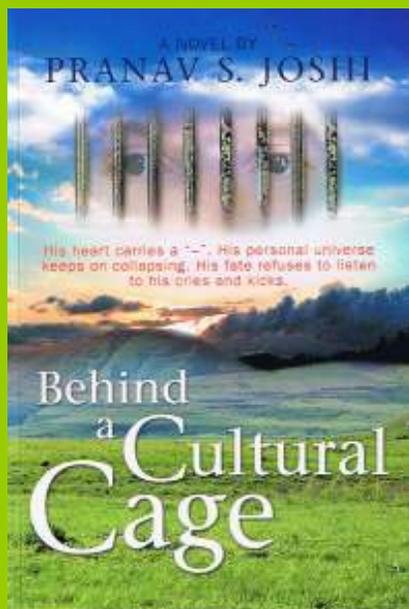


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Mr. Om Nath Panday is a prolific writer. He has written many things - articles, short stories and inspiring quotes of wisdom. He has also penned some poetries. As a passionate writer, he has been contributing to his daughter's school, MacPherson Secondary School, where he is the Chairman of the Parent Support Group. To provide colourful past into Old Singapore, he wrote about the biography of Yahya Bin Mat Som, chronicled in a book "The Home Team" by Ministry of Home Affairs. His writings (be it historical, fiction work or on social & educational issues) give fresh perspective and powerful inspirations. His philosophy on good values, humanity and global perception makes a mark in his writing. Om Nath is active in the literary circles for example the Singapore Book Club, Society of Singapore Writers and Caferatti.

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