

Marriage is one of the most sacred institutions in India. Traditionally, parents and other family members have arranged marriages for their children based on caste, matching horoscopes, family status, or dowry. Over the past few decades, however, divorce rates have grown significantly. It would seem that the old way of doing things is no longer working—but why?

Drawing on her experience with hundreds of families struggling with marital discord, attorney and mediator Geetha Ravindra explores the breakdown of Indian marriage within a rapidly changing culture, explaining why the conventional criteria used to arrange marriages no longer ensure lasting, healthy relationships. With stories of how real Indian couples navigate a twenty-first-century world, *Shaadi Remix: Transforming the Traditional Indian Marriage*, provides guidance on alternative methods of choosing partners, as well as tips on effectively communicating and resolving conflict in marriage.

*Shaadi Remix* is a must-read for Indian parents, Indian youth contemplating marriage, and anyone who is interested in understanding the Indian marriage system. Geetha Ravindra offers readers a unique approach to the traditional Indian union—one that blends the important values of the Vedic marriage with contemporary and practical considerations.

Geetha Ravindra will be presenting at the July 2013 VPA Conference. Her new book, *Shaadi Remix*, will be available for purchase. *Shaadi Remix* will also be available on Amazon.com.

