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The 'Diaspora' is an equally unique and complex term in Indian English Literature. There are many Indian writers who have been migrated to the foreign countries for the betterment of their future. Diaspora literature has given a new horizon and canon for the research in Indian English literature. Immigration is a prominent theme of diaspora literature because there are many family, people and writers who have been migrated to the foreign land for the settlement. The writers of Indian diaspora deals with their diasporic experiences as a common themes in their literary works like alienation, immigration, nostalgia, memory, identity, homelessness and belongingness, dislocation and displacement, socio-political atmosphere, cultural and others. The present edited book is an outcome the scholarly book chapters of researchers in English Literature.

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20. Diasporic Displacement and Cultural Conflict in *Arranged Marriage*

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Abstract

Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni, a renowned Indian-American author, whose works mostly focus on the struggles of expatriates, diasporic and cultural conflict. Her own extensive experience as an immigrant, Divakaruni portrays the struggle, rootlessness, and fear experienced by the Indian diaspora as well as how they have adapted to and assimilated other cultures. Divakaruni deftly illustrates how expatriate women, who are born with the capacity to simultaneously, relate to two homes - Indian and American by fusing the best aspects of the two cultures. As a result, Divakaruni inspired by the required "double" perspective that diasporic writers acquire.

Keywords: expatriate, diasporic, cultural conflict, immigrant, rootlessness

Diaspora, which in Greek means, "to disperse," is a significant topic in today's post-colonial discourse. A key historical fact of colonization is the movement of people, either voluntarily or forcibly, from their native countries to new ones (Ashcroft 68). The colonization of Europeans to colonies was first sparked by European imperialism. Afterwards, the

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