



My God is a Women

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Times Group Books, New Delhi, India, 2012. Softcover. Book Condition: New. First Edition. An innocuous article in a magazine lands nine-year-old Safia Mehdi in the world of purdah. Her father gets her married to Abbas Jafri, son of the famous Jafri family of Lucknow. Abbas is a barrister and author of a controversial book. Safias father hopes that she would be able to bring back her deviated husband to Gods true faith. Ironically, Abbas who dreams of a liberated India where women enjoy equal rights as men, leads Safia to break free from the stereotype of a traditional Muslim woman. Set against the tumultuous period of pre-Independence, the husband-wife duo embarks on a journey, elucidating the way to a progressive nation. However, just when everything seems alright, Abbas is issued a fatwa for confronting the Imam, preaching inequality between men and women. His Marxist Party too ostracizes him for criticizing the Shariat for the sorry state of the Muslim women in the country. Consequently, Abbas is killed by Muslim fanatics and Safia is left all alone to fend for herself and her daughter. With time, Safia gains grit and common sense. Armed with her forth righteousness and sheer belief in her...

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