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Socio-Economic and Politico-Cultural Aspects of Diaspora in *Erotic Stories, You People and Gold Diggers*

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In the 21st century, the study of diaspora is significant because global economic, social and cultural unifications got a boost from the existing international institutions. Thus, any diaspora is very diversified in terms of language, identity and status. Its socio-economic and politico-cultural role becomes crucial along with the level of integration and assimilation as culture and tradition that form connection between two countries are preserved and protected subsequently. Despite the important role played by the diaspora community in every corner of the world, diaspora population is looked at with a lot of suspicion and reservation too. In the light of the above observations, this research is directed to study socio-economic and politico-cultural aspects of Diaspora in Balli Kaur Jaswal's *Erotic Stories for Punjabi Widows* (2017), Nikita Lalwani's *You People* (2020) and Sanjena Sathian's *Gold Diggers* (2021).



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