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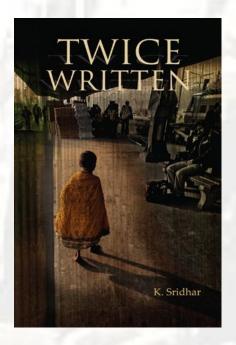
A Special ASET Event

Speaker: Professor K.Sridhar, DTP, TIFR Topic: Reading from "Twice Written"

Date: March 9, 2012
Time: 1600 hours

Venue: Lecture Theatre (AG-66)

<u>Abstract</u>: The speaker will be doing a reading from and talking about his novel, *Twice Written*, which was published recently. The conversations will centre around the novel but also deal with the creative process that has engaged the author over the years.



<u>About "Twice Written"</u>: It is Bombay of the early eighties: abundant, greasy and alive. Bombay - where geographical, cultural and historical lines intersect in multiple ways. Bombay - where the self struggles to find its being.

Prahlad, Laila and Ananya, three young people caught in a triangular web of connections, meet Dorai, known as God to his friends. A writer with the exceptional ability to 'rewrite lives', Dorai sets himself the task of writing the stories of unrequited love, fragmented histories and possible destinies. As in a palimpsest, superimposing one register on another, Dorai sets off Prahlad, Laila and Ananya in the search for meaning and purpose to their lives.

Will Dorai's text fully determine the fate of Prahlad, Laila and Ananya or will they find some of their own resolutions? Will Dorai's context be their text or will they write some text of their own?

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