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The researcher has used the following abbreviations for the works taken for the study.

Work	Abbreviation
1. <i>The Gunny Sack</i>	TGS
2. <i>No New Land</i>	NNL
3. <i>The Book of Secrets</i>	TBOS
4. <i>The Assassin's Song</i>	TAS
5. <i>A Place Within: Rediscovering India</i>	APWRI

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