



**Deceit, chicanery and Chaos as emerging trends in postmillennial fiction: A study of
Dan Brown's *Deception Point***

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Human intelligence is so unique that it possess the creativity and comprehension ability. Comparing to the other complex organisms like apes, human brain is highly developed as a part of years of evolution. The self-consciousness of the human brain helps in understanding various reactions to the events that revolves around and individual. These reactions can be termed as emotions. While the other higher organisms are capable of experiencing emotions, their capacity of inclusion is minimal when compared to human brain. Happiness, Sadness, Angry, vengeance etc. are common in the human psyche. These emotions act as a determining factor to various outputs. The thought process is responsible for any physical materialisation. Any project is born out of the concept. Concept is the product of human mind, which is a result of the various exposures, and experiences. This concept is deeply rooted in the perceptions. Genocide by a dictator is instigated through the hatred. The concept of hatred is sprout out in the deep labyrinth of the dictator's mind. The various notions that arises in the human mind is also attributed to the emotions that possess the power to control the output. Domination and subjugation is a common that notion that can be witnessed across the human history. Slavery, Imperialism and Colonialism are based on this notion of Domination and subjugation. The strategies used for the sustenance of domination and subjugation are marked as infamous in the history. Divide and rule was the policy of sustaining domination during the British colonialism. The result was a torn up colony because of various social scarification such as culture, ethnicity, religion, race etc. The partition of India is one the example of this policy, which resulted in a mass exodus of population when the colony was partitioned, based on religion. The colony of Cyprus was experiencing the same effect where the Greek and Turkish Cypriots still stand divided. Deception is another policy used for the sustenance of Domination. Throughout the history, deception is observed as the break of trust. but in certain instances, deception is also considered in a good light. Deception is deeply rooted in the human desires. There is deceiver, who is the perpetuator and there will be a deceived who fell prey the act. There will

be a plot in which the act is constructed upon. The moral discourses on deception reveals that trust cannot be build on consensus.

The post-millennial narratives of literature are deeply connected to the socio-political events of the last decades of the twentieth century. The changing global political scenario was one of the important motive that can be observed. The dissolution of the Soviet Union marked the end of the Cold war with the United States. The political axis was changing from a bipolar world into a unipolar world. The emergence of United States as the sole super power was also considered as the triumph ideologies. Communism was described as a failed economical model by pointing out to the dissolution of the Soviet Union. Capitalist form governments were established in the former Soviet republics. It had an impact that resulted in worldwide. Economic liberalisation was underway. Liberalisation, Privatisation and Globalisation was the result of the change in political undercurrent. Although the transformations were identified with a political perception, it also had a huge impact in the socio-cultural spheres worldwide. These impacts were visible in almost all walks of life. Arts and literature were not exceptions. New trends were begin to emerge in world literature. The oppressive totalitarian regimes had censored literature in many countries. The changing socio-political scenario had provided with an opportunity for the literary traditions in these countries to thrive again. The narratives of lives under such regimes were later published