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To my mother Shrimati Chandrama Sahu who planted the seeds of success in me during the formative years



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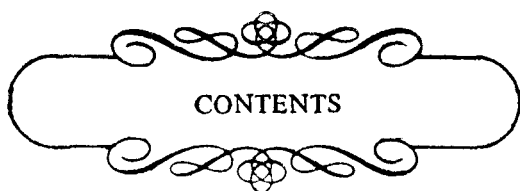
Why another book of quotations? The importance of quotations in our lives can be judged from the phenomenon that they are omni-present; be it in newspaper, periodical, a management journal, a TV programme or a radio broadcast. I have compiled these quotations from a variety of sources. Some of them are appearing for the first time in a book of this kind. Some of these quotations are worth reading over and over and assimilating. In our complex world where competition is keen and daily life is stressful achievement is always prized. All of us require guidance and a philosophy to carry us wisely through the jungle of ideas. The present book is the result of my efforts since I was a school child. If a single individual is motivated to change his life for the better after reading this book, the compiler will deem his efforts to have been amply rewarded.

S. S.

"It is a good thing for an educated man to read books of quotations . . . . The quotations when engraved upon the memory give you good thoughts. They also make you anxious to read the authors and look for more."

WINSTON CHURCHILL

*My Early Life*



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