

## BOOK—REVIEW

### TEXTBOOK FOR MIDWIVES

(With Modern Concepts of Obstetric and Neonatal Care)

By MARGARET F. MYLES:

Ninth Edition 1981, English Language Book Society and Churchill Livingstons

This book written by a senior midwife—Tutor of United Kingdom was first published in the year 1953 and in less than thirty years has had nine editions and several reprints. This low priced edition from B.I. Publications, Bombay consists of 860 pages with 124 photographs and 132 clear line drawings. Many topics have been added or amplified in this edition especially subjects like foetal growth and well being, genetic counselling, real time ultrasonic scanning, kick count chart, oxytocin challenge test, Bishop's induction cervical score, cervicograph, partogram etc. Six chapters

are devoted to the "Care of the Newborn Baby" and all the problem of the newborn are dealt with in detail. Each of the 48 chapters of the book ends with "questions for revision" and the last chapter consists of questions for revision for all the topics, which will enable the reader to have self evaluation.

The language is simple and clear. The practical aspects of obstetrics, presentations, mechanism and management of labour are all explained with suitable diagrams clearly and precisely. This book is not only very useful for Nurse-midwives but also to Medical Students and also doctors practising Obstetrics.

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