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Asiye's Story

By Asiye Zeybek Guzel, Richard McKane

Saqi Books. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Asiye's Story, Asiye Zeybek Guzel, Richard McKane, "My arms had no sensation now. I was naked and my nakedness frightened me. I was ashamed". This book is Asiye Guzel's account of her ambush by Turkey's security forces and subsequent rape, torture and isolation. In 1996, she was incarcerated for more than five years for belonging to an illegal left-wing party. Asiye fought off suicidal urges, intense fear of dishonour and stigma and nightmarish flashbacks. Finally she decided to seek treatment, declare her experiences publicly and write her story. Speaking out as Asiye does in this book risks ugly consequences in Turkey as in many other countries. Her courage in doing so cannot be dismissed. "Asiye's Story" is more than a memoir that testifies to its author's passionate and defiant will. As she comes to re-define what "honour" means, Asiye also connects her experience to that of thousands of women and men across the world. For this reason, her story is a vital contribution to the struggle to bear witness to such human rights abuses all over the world. "The torturers will lose. I have complete faith in that. So I shout: "I...



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