Glossary

Akali Dal: semi-military organization of the Sikhs
Anna: one-sixteenth of a rupee
‘Azad Kashmir’: the portion of Kashmir occupied by Pakistan

Bapu: father; Mahatma Gandhi was addressed in this way by Nehru and many others
Bhai: brother

Crore: ten millions or one hundred lakhs

Darshan: sight of a person which is believed to be auspicious

Guru: teacher

Jan Sangh: Hindu communal party

Karma: fate; belief in past actions influencing one’s destiny

Lakh (lac): one hundred thousand
Lok Sabha: House of the People; lower house of Parliament

Pie: one-twelfth of an anna

Rajya Sabha: House of States; upper house of Parliament
Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh: militant wing of the Hindu communal party

Swadeshi: produced in one’s own country

Yuvaraj: crown prince

Zamindari: landowner’s estate