

RARE AND ART BOOKS

The most important rare document in the possession of Parliament Library for over six decades is the original calligraphed Constitution of India, (in Hindi and English). This document is of great value as it contains the signatures of the founding fathers of the Constitution.

The Parliament library possesses a rich collection of over a thousand rare books on art, painting, sculpture and architecture. Books on Indian art cover a broad canvas of Indian history depicting the different stages in its evolution. These include paintings of Mughal, Rajput, Kangra, Garhwal and other schools of art. The foreign art collection comprise the creations of celebrated artists like Michelangelo, Leonardo Da Vinci and Raphael as also works of Chinese and Japanese art and Russian, German, French, American and Arabian paintings. The book by Bernier titled *History of Late Revolution of the Great Mogol Empire*, published in 1671, is one of the oldest book available in the Library.