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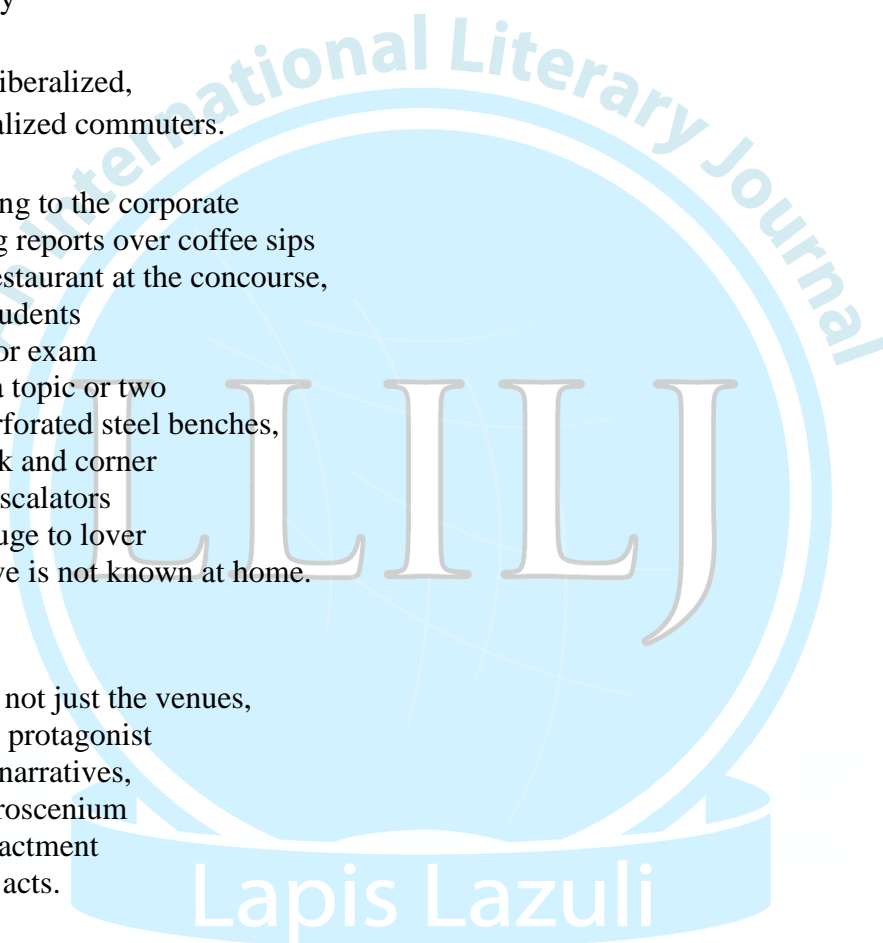
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Kashmere Gate

Not just the confluence of
Red, Yellow, and Violet lines;
Been a witness
To bygone transitions
Via
Imperial forces.
Now
Day by day
Integral to
The post-liberalized,
Post-globalized commuters.

One heading to the corporate
Discussing reports over coffee sips
In some restaurant at the concourse,
Halt for students
Rushing for exam
Revising a topic or two
On the perforated steel benches,
Some nook and corner
Near the escalators
A Subterfuge to lover
Whose love is not known at home.

Places are not just the venues,
Rather the protagonist
In human narratives,
And the proscenium
For the enactment
of diverse acts.



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