

Kolkata-based, Apeejay group-owned, Oxford Bookstore recently went global, with the launch of its first overseas store in Marrakech. Called Katakali, the bookstore is located at the Taj Palace Hotel on the foothills of the Atlas Mountains in the palmfilled oasis of Palmeraie. The 90-yearold chain has of late grown it's footprints in India as well, launching stores in Mumbai, Bangalore, Hyderabad and Bhubaneswar - totaling 26. The creative force behind the store, Priti Paul has completely integrated the bookstore with access to six million titles worldwide. "Marrakech is also my home now, as is India, and I'm truly delighted to bring a treasuretrove of beautiful publications to the city. Katakali, which has been called a boudoir for books by booklovers, will evolve to earn a place in the hearts of Marrakechis and to become the city's most treasured bookstore," says Paul.