Deepak Nayyar, economist and educationist, has spent four decades photographing scenes from across the world. His new book, *Faces and Places*, published by Roli Books, showcases a selection of his photographs from various locations:

1. Simon’s Town, South Africa, 2010: A trio of penguins on the beach. The picturesque town is home to the famous Jackass penguins, named so for their animated braying call.

2. Nimaj, Rajasthan, 2011: A pigeon formation on the edge of the town’s famed lake. One can witness a breathtaking sunrise and a host of rare bird species while staying in the many camps lining the edges of the lake.

3. Abu Simbel, Egypt, 2010: A woman looking through the key, or ankh, a symbol of eternal life. Iconographic art from ancient Egypt depicts most gods with it and it is popularly worn as a pendant these days.


5. Yokohama, Japan, 2012: Yamraj is the surprising deity at a Buddhist temple.

6. Near Angkor Thom, Cambodia, 2013: The tree growing out of the ruins of the 13th C. Ta Prohm monastery, which was built by the Khmer king, Jayavarman VII, as a Mahayana Buddhist monastery and university.

Some of Deepak Nayyar’s (below) photographs date back to the era of the near-extinct 35mm colour negative film. The book is divided into thematic clusters, such as vignettes, people, streets and curiosities, nature, monuments, temples-churches-forts-palaces and cityscapes.