**GLOSSARY**

**Ayah** - nanny

**Baijee** - mistress/madam

**Bibi** - madam

**Begum** - wife

**Choorail** - witch

**Durbar** - messenger

**Faqir** - a wandering singer

**Ghazal** - a traditional song in Urdu sung with the accompaniment of instruments and rich in poetry

**Jana** - beloved

**Kusti** - a sacred cord (retied 5 times a day, accompanied by prayers.)

**Mai** - mother

**Memsahib** - madam

**Navajot ceremony** - a thread ceremony/an initiation into the Parsi religion, which occurs before puberty.
Palloo- veil

Sudra- a sacred shirt, (with a central pocket, into which a person’s good deeds keep collecting.)

Vazir- minister