Press Release:

Why We Should Read <u>Final Frontiers</u> as Part of a World Literary Genre

Pablo Mukherjee offers a fresh perspective on science fiction and its role in the world of Literature

(24th July 2019, Liverpool University Press): Today, we see governments using the trend of science fiction writers as advisors on techno-scientific policies and defence industries. However, such relationships between literature, policy and geo-politics have a long and complex history. Pablo Mukherjee's *Final Frontiers* is the first book on the relationship between Indian science fiction, post-colonial science policies and the non-aligned movement in India.

Whilst introducing new audiences to writers like Satyajit Ray, Premendra Mitra and Adrish Bardhan, *Final Frontiers* compares Anglophone and non-Anglophone post-colonial science fiction.

Ultimately, Mukherjee's book argues that science fiction is a 'world literary genre', to which decolonization is a vital contextual factor.

'This is an exciting and vital new work in the field of sf studies...' (Rhys Williams, University of Glasgow)

'This intelligent, sophisticated, and scrupulous book makes a much-needed contribution to postcolonial studies, science fiction studies, world literature studies, and cultural studies and will no doubt inform scholarly conversation in these fields for some time to come.' (Eric D. Smith, University of Alabama in Huntsville)

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<u>Final Frontiers</u> is available for pre-order and is due to be published on 31st December via the <u>Liverpool University Press website</u>.