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Tokyo may have more money and Kyoto more culture; Nara may have more history and Kobe more style. But Osaka has the biggest heart.

~Vikas Swarup

The slums are not a place of despair. Its inhabitants are all working towards a better life.

~Vikas Swarup

...a rainy day ceases to have meaning for a person who has lived in the open under a monsoon cloud most of his life.

~Vikas Swarup

That dreams have power only over your own mind. But with money you can have power over the minds of others

~Vikas Swarup

Sometimes street knowledge can be as important as book knowledge.

~Vikas Swarup

Never judge a man's actions until you know his motives

~Vikas Swarup

I am not into the unrealistic realm of magic realism where birds talk.

~Vikas Swarup

I did not go to any creative writing workshop; I did not major in literature. If I can write, anyone can write. All it needs is imagination.

~Vikas Swarup

I am very interested in human-interest stories emerging from modern India. I get my inspiration and daily dose by reading the Hindustan Times.

~Vikas Swarup

A great artist is not one who merely fits into a genre but one who defines the genre.

~Vikas Swarup

God made the human body like a machine with built-in obsolescence.

~Vikas Swarup

I became completely addicted to 'Angry Birds' for a while.

~Vikas Swarup

Mumbai may not be my city. But it is my kind of city.

~Vikas Swarup

The brain is not an organ we are authorized to use. We are supposed to use only our hands and legs.

~Vikas Swarup

People don't just want a mindless flick with a superstar; they want to connect more deeply.

~Vikas Swarup

Just because someone has gone to an elite school and college does not make him smarter than the person who has grown up on street knowledge.

~Vikas Swarup

The writer's is an interior world, a world of the mind.

~Vikas Swarup

I am the luckiest novelist in the world. I was a first-time novelist who wasn't awash in rejection slips, whose manuscript didn't disappear in slush piles. I have had a wonderful time.

~Vikas Swarup

My first novel was a challenge to myself. No one had an inkling that I was working on it.

~Vikas Swarup

Global terror does not respect national boundaries.

~Vikas Swarup

The first thing you have to understand is that I was not desperate to be a writer. I was never a closet writer filing away notes in a cupboard.

~Vikas Swarup

Indian writers have appropriated English as an Indian language, and that gives a certain freshness to the way we write.

~Vikas Swarup

My books are about ordinary people placed in extraordinary situations who are able to draw upon their inner reserves to challenge the status-quo in life and navigate compelling human relationships.

~Vikas Swarup

I am neither a Bengali nor am I from Delhi's St Stephen's. I am an Allahabad boy.

~Vikas Swarup

And I realized again that real life is different from reel life.

~Vikas Swarup

One does not question a miracle.

~Vikas Swarup

I want to show that the underdog can win. I believe were all the same: you, a slum girl, my mother.

~Vikas Swarup

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