



**Annual Report
2015-16**

**Department of Sociology
University of Delhi
Delhi**

PREFACE

The report covers the period, July 20, 2015 - July 19, 2016. This marks the fifty seventh year of the Department, and its forty seventh year as a Centre of Advanced Study in Sociology.

The Department of Sociology was established by the University of Delhi in 1959 as a constituent of the Delhi School of Economics. To begin with, the Department trained students for two courses: M.A. and Ph.D. In 1966, a two-year course for the M. Litt. degree was introduced. This has been replaced since 1976 by an M. Phil. degree course of a year's duration. In 1968, the Department was recognized as a *Centre of Advanced Study in Sociology* by the University Grants Commission (UGC). At present, the sanctioned strength of the faculty includes six Professors, eight Readers, seven Lecturers, and three Research Associates. In addition, there is a Documentation Officer, and eight members on the office staff.

The Department has a co-coordinated programme of teaching and research covering a variety of fields, including some developed for the first time in the country. Studies have been published or prepared on community power structures, local-level politics, trade unions, co-operatives, textual and contextual studies of Hinduism, religious symbolism, family and kinship, and social and religious movements. Studies have also been conducted in the fields of stratification, gender, environment, the sociology of development, historical sociology, urban sociology, the sociology of collective violence and medical sociology. The sociology of masculinity, demography, popular and visual cultures, education, migration, the sociology of violence and documentary practices of the state are some of the new areas that faculty members are working on at present.

The Department has been visited by a large number of distinguished scholars from India and abroad, who have delivered lectures and given seminars, some of them as Visiting Professors and Fellows. The faculty of the Department has also been associated with many institutions in India and elsewhere as Visiting Professors and Fellows, and as participants in seminars and conferences. The Department draws students from different parts of India and from universities abroad for all its courses.

All members of the faculty are actively engaged in research, which has resulted in the publication of a long list of books, reports, and research papers in different fields of sociology. The Department has undertaken several research projects during the last five decades. Members of the Department have been actively associated with the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and the UGC in preparing surveys of research and teaching in the discipline.

From its very inception, the Department has encouraged a view of learning in which students are given an opportunity to participate actively in discussions. To supplement the classroom interaction between teacher and M.A. students through lectures, the Department has an active M.A. tutorial programme. In this system, each student is assigned a tutor who discusses particular topics and allocates reading and writing exercises in accordance with the needs of a student. Thus a student has a continuous feedback on his or her progress. Small groups of students meet their tutor every week for discussion and each student writes one long essay per course every semester. Since 1994-95 a system of continuous internal evaluation has been introduced, where the marks of one tutorial essay submitted in each course are counted towards the final examination. The Department follows the semester mode for both teaching and examination for several years now.

FACULTY

PROFESSOR EMERITUS

Andre Beteille, M.Sc. (Calcutta), Ph.D. (Delhi), FBA is Professor Emeritus in the Department. He has authored many books including *Caste, Class and Power: Changing Patterns of Stratification in a Tanjore Village* (1965); *Studies in Agrarian Social Structure* (1974); *Inequality among Men* (1977); *The Idea of Natural Inequality and Other Essays* (1983); *Antinomies of Society: Essays on Ideologies and Institutions* (2000); *Chronicles of our Times* (2000); *Equality and Universality: Essays in Social and Political Theory* (2002); *Sociology: Essays on Approach and Method* (new ed. 2003); *Ideology and Social Science* (2006); *Marxism and Class Analysis* (2008); (with Dipankar Gupta) *Anti-Utopia* (2011) *Universities at the Cross Roads* (2011); *Democracy and its Institutions* (2012) and *Sunlight on the Garden: A Story of Childhood and Youth* (2012). He was awarded the Padma Bhushan by the President of India in 2005.

FACULTY MEMBERS

Janaki Abraham, M.A, M.Phil, Ph.D. (Delhi) is Associate Professor in Sociology. Her research interests include the study of kinship, gender and caste, visual anthropology and gender and space, particularly the study of towns. She is finalising her manuscript entitled: 'Gender, Caste and Matrilineal Kinship: Shifting Boundaries in Twentieth Century Kerala' based on her doctoral research.

Ilito. H. Achumi, M.A (Delhi), M.Phil (J.N.U), Ph.D (J.N.U), was Research Associate in Sociology. She joined the Department in March 2015. Her research interests include Sociology of tribes, Sociology of Northeast India, Study of identities and class formations. Her doctoral thesis was on "The Emergent Middle class in Naga society: A Sociological study". She had been currently working in the area Memory and Remembering and in December 2015 moved to another University.

Anuja Agrawal, M.A. (J.N.U.), M.Phil. (Delhi), Ph.D. (J.N.U.), is Associate Professor in Sociology. Her research interests include gender, family and kinship, and study of marginal people. She is the editor of *Migrant Women and Work* (2006) and the author of *Chaste Wives and Prostitute Sisters: Patriarchy and Prostitution among the Bedias of India* (2008).

Kamei Aphun, M.A. (JNU), M.Phil (Delhi), Ph.D (JNU), is Assistant Professor in Sociology. His research interests include Sociology of Ethnicity, Social Movements and Conflicts, Political Sociology, Sociology of North East India, Sociology of Tribes, Sociology of Cultural studies and Identity. He is the editor of *Indomitable Spirit: Rani Gaidinliu (1905-1993)* (2016) and author of *Challenges of Development in North East India: Issues and concerns* (2015) and *North East India Today: Some Reflections* (2015)

Yasmeen Arif, M.A., MPhil., PhD (Delhi) is Associate Professor in Sociology. Her doctoral work has been about post-war recovery and urban space in Beirut, Lebanon. Her other research areas include philosophy and method in social anthropology/sociology, social theory, international law and humanitarianisms, emotion and affect, money and its cultures, urban studies, material and visual culture. Her work has been published in *the International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, *Domains: International Journal of Ethnic Studies*, *Journal of the World Anthropological Network*, *Economic and Political Weekly* and several edited volumes. She has also served as the Reviews Editor for the journal *Contributions to Indian Sociology*.

Sunil Babu C.T., M.Phil (JNU), PhD (Result awaited), is Assistant professor of Sociology. He previously taught in Nagpur University and has joined the Department in June 2015. His teaching and research are concerned with interdisciplinary orientations in social sciences. More specifically, his areas of specialization implicate the interdisciplinary domain of inquiry such as Philosophy of Social Science, Social and Political Theory, Indian Sociology, Education, Cultural Politics of Marginalisation, Caste, Media and Political Process and Modernity and Politics of Knowledge Production with special focus on colonialism, capitalism, Centre-periphery questions etc. He has published articles in Economic and Political Weekly, Interdisciplinary Policy Research and Action etc.

Rita Brara, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D. (Delhi), was Associate Professor in Sociology. Her research concerns the study of kinship, agrarian society, and rural development. She is the author of *Shifting Landscapes: The Making and Remaking of Village Commons in India* (2006). She retired in January 2016.

Roma Chatterji, M.A. (Delhi), M.Phil. (Hyderabad), Ph.D. (Delhi), is Professor in Sociology. Her research interests include medical sociology, folklore and folk art and the sociology of violence. She is the author of *Writing Identities: Folklore and the Performing Arts of Purulia* (2009); *Speaking with Pictures: Folk Art and the Narrative Tradition in India* (2012); co-author (with Deepak Mehta) of *Living with Violence: An Anthropology of Events and Everyday Life* (2007); co-editor (with Deepak Mehta) of *Riot Discourses* (2007) and editor *Wording the World: Veena Das and Scenes of Inheritance* (2015).

Radhika Chopra, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D. (Delhi), is Associate Professor in Sociology. Her special areas of interest are gender and masculinity, urban anthropology, and Punjab Studies. She is the author of *Militant and Migrant: The Politics and Social History of Punjab* (2011) and editor of *Reframing Masculinities: Narrating the Supportive Practices of Men* (2007). She is also co-editor (with C. Osella and F. Osella) of *South Asian Masculinities: Context of Change Sites of Continuity* (2003) and (with P. Jeffery) *Educational Regimes in Contemporary India* (2005).

Abhijit Dasgupta, M.A. (Delhi), D.Phil. (Sussex), is Professor and Head of the Department of Sociology. His research interests include agrarian structure, sociology of development, and the sociology of social movements. He is the author of *Displacement and Exile: The State-Refugee Relations in India* (2016), He has edited (with S. Bandyopadhyaya and W. Van Schendel) *Bengal: Communities, Development and States* (1994), and co-edited (with M. Togawa and A. Barkat) *Minorities and the State: Changing Social and Political Landscape of Bengal* (2011) and (edited) *On the Margins: Castes, Tribes and Other Social Group* (2012).. He is the author of *Growth with Equity: The New Technology and Agrarian Change in Bengal* (1998), and co-author (with Imtiaz Ahmed and Kathinka Sinha-Kerkhoff) *State, Society and Displaced People in South Asia* (2004).

Satish Deshpande, M.A. (Economics) (J.N.U.), M.A. (Sociology), Ph.D. (California), is Professor of Sociology. His research interests include caste and class inequalities, contemporary social theory, politics and history of the social sciences and south-south interactions. He is the author of *Contemporary India: A Sociological View* (2003), and with Ghanshyam Shah, Harsh Mander, Sukhadeo Thorat and Amita Baviskar *Untouchability in Rural India* (2006). He has also co-edited (with Patricia Uberoi and Nandini Sundar) *Anthropology in the East: The Founders of Indian Sociology and Anthropology* (2007).

Tila Kumar, M.A. (Utkal), M.Phil. (J.N.U.), is Lecturer in Sociology. His research interests include history, politics and sociology of sociology, Dalit movements, sociology of India, subaltern studies and the sociology of poverty, development and democracy.

Vikramendra Kumar, M.Sc. (DU), Ph.D. (DU), is Assistant Professor in Sociology. He joined the Department in May 2015. His research interest includes Sociology of Religion, education, development, theory and research methodology in Anthropology/Sociology, and Economic Anthropology/Sociology.

Rajni Paliwala, M.A. (J.N.U.), M.Phil., Ph.D. (Delhi), is Professor of Sociology. Her research interests include agrarian and development studies, gender and kinship, feminist theory and politics, care, and comparative research. She is the author of *Changing Kinship, Family and Gender Relations in South Asia: Processes, Trends and Issues* (1994). She has co-authored (with Carla Risseuw and Kamala Ganesh) *Care, Culture and Citizenship: Revisiting the Politics of the Dutch Welfare State* (2005) and (with Mary E. John, Ravinder Kaur, Saraswati Raju, Alpana Sagar) *Planning Families, Planning Gender: Adverse Sex Ratio in Select Districts of Madhya Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab* (2008) She has co-edited (with Leela Dube) *Structures and Strategies: Women, Work and Family* (1990), (with Carla Risseuw) *Shifting Circles of Support: Contextualising Gender and Kinship* (1996), (with Patricia Uberoi) *Marriage, Migration, and Gender* (2008) and (with Ravinder Kaur) *Marrying in South Asia: Shifting concepts, Changing Practices in a Globalised World* (2013).

Tulsi Patel, M.A. (Jodhpur), M.Phil., Ph. D. (Delhi), is Professor of Sociology. Her special research interests are population studies and anthropology of reproduction, gender, kinship and family studies, sociology of ageing, medical sociology, and childbirth knowledge systems. She is the author of *Fertility Behaviour: Population and Society in a Rajasthan Village* (1994, second edition with a new Introduction, 2006), and has edited *The Family in India: Structure and Practice* (2005) *Sex Selective Abortion in India: Gender, Society and New Reproductive Technology* (2007), and with B. S. Baviskar, *Understanding Indian Society- Past and Present: Essays in Honour of A M. Shah* (2010).

Preeti Sampat, M.A. (State University of New York, Binghamton), M. Phil., Ph.D. (City University of New York, NYC) was Research Associate in Sociology. She joined the Department in March 2015. Her research interests include legal anthropology, anthropology of infrastructure, urbanization, real estate, land rights, social movements, democracy and capital. Her doctoral work was a legal anthropological examination of the policy genesis and evolution of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) in India at the national level, and their failure in implementation in Goa on account of popular resistance. Preeti is currently working on land rights within Special Investment Regions and Smart City initiatives along the Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor. She is also working on a manuscript on infrastructure, urbanization and land rights in India. She is the author of *Economic Globalization Today* (2003). Preeti moved to a new position in another University in July 2016.

Charu Sawhney, M.A.(J.N.U.), M.Phil.(J.N.U.), Ph.D. (J.N.U.), is Research Associate in Sociology. She joined the Department in April 2015. Her research interests include Forced Migration, Ethnic Identity, Internally Displaced Persons and Urbanization, Displacement and Gender. Her doctoral thesis was on "Internally Displaced Kashmiri People: A Sociological Study of Response Strategies and Change." Her work has been published in Sociological Bulletin and other academic journals

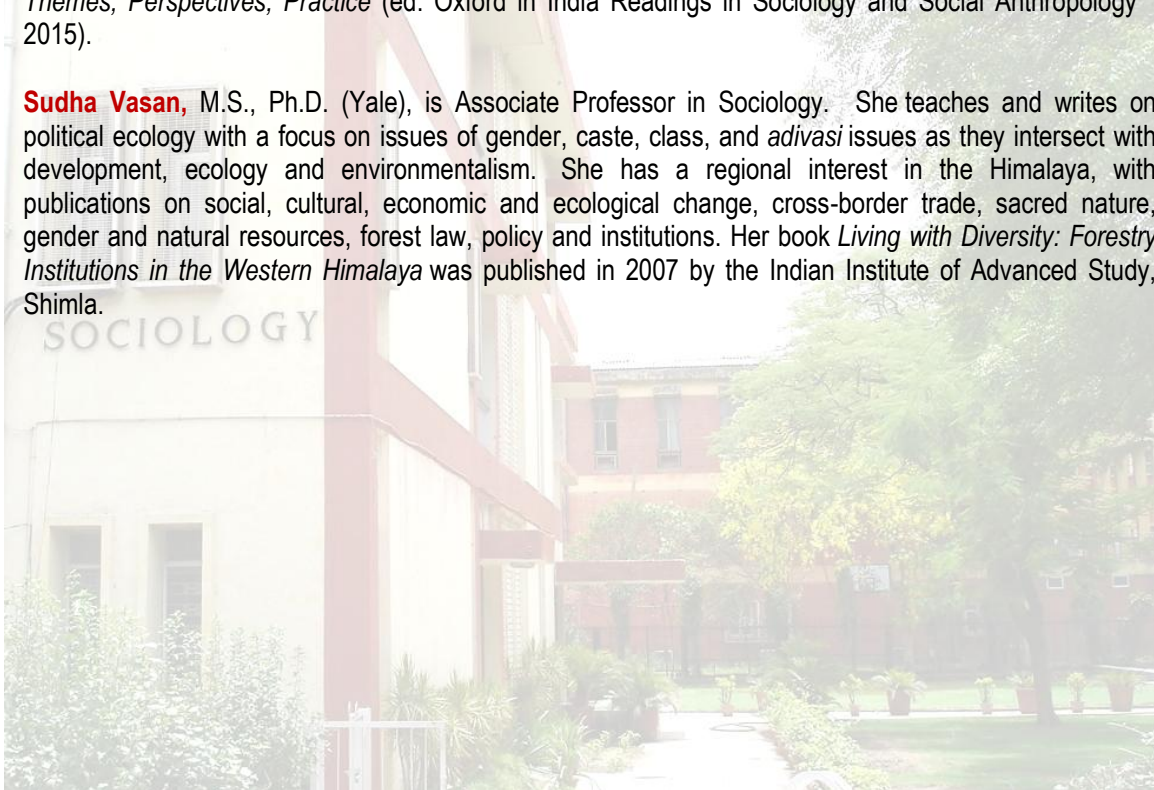
Shashi Bhushan Singh, M.A. (Delhi), M.Phil.(Delhi), Ph.D. (Delhi), is Assistant Professor of Sociology. He joined the Department in May 2015. His research interests include. democratic 'community', religion and social life, social movements and qualitative research methodology.

Nandini Sundar, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D. (Columbia), is Professor of Sociology. She was Co-editor of *Contributions to Indian Sociology from 2007-2011*. Her publications include *Subalterns and Sovereigns: An Anthropological History of Bastar* (2nd ed. 2007), published in Hindi as *Gunda Dhur Ki Talash Mein* (Penguin 2009), and *Branching Out: Joint Forest Management in India* (2001). She is editor of *Legal Grounds: Natural Resources, Identity and the Law in Jharkhand* (2009), co-editor of *Civil Wars*

in South Asia: State, Sovereignty, Development, (2014) *Anthropology in the East: The founders of Indian sociology and anthropology* (2007) and *A New Moral Economy for India's Forests: Discourses of Community and Participation* (1999).

Meenakshi Thapan, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D. (Delhi), is Professor of Sociology and Co-ordinator, D.S. Kothari Centre for Science, Ethics and Education, University of Delhi and Provost, International Students' House for Women, University of Delhi. Her special interests are sociology of education, sociology of migration and gender studies. She is the author of *Life at School: An Ethnographic Study* (1991, (second edition with a new Introduction, 2006) and *Living the Body: Embodiment, Womanhood and Identity in Contemporary India*. (2009). She has edited *Embodiment: Essays on Gender and Identity* (1997) and *Anthropological Journeys: Reflections on Fieldwork* (1998). She has also edited *Ethnographies of Schooling in Contemporary India* (2014), *Contested Spaces. Citizenship and Belonging in Contemporary Times* (2010), *Transnational Migration and the Politics of Identity* as part of the general series on 'Women and Migration in Asia' (2006), and (with Roland Lardinois) *Reading Pierre Bourdieu in a Dual Context: Essays from India and France* (2006). Her most recent publications are *Ethnographies of Schooling in Contemporary India* (ed. SAGE, 2014) and *Education and Society. Themes, Perspectives, Practice* (ed. Oxford in India Readings in Sociology and Social Anthropology 2015).

Sudha Vasan, M.S., Ph.D. (Yale), is Associate Professor in Sociology. She teaches and writes on political ecology with a focus on issues of gender, caste, class, and *adivasi* issues as they intersect with development, ecology and environmentalism. She has a regional interest in the Himalaya, with publications on social, cultural, economic and ecological change, cross-border trade, sacred nature, gender and natural resources, forest law, policy and institutions. Her book *Living with Diversity: Forestry Institutions in the Western Himalaya* was published in 2007 by the Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla.



OFFICE STAFF

Section Officer

Mangoo Dhingia (up to 8th March 2016)

Sohan Singh Negi (from 9th March 2016)

Stenographer

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Junior Assistant/s

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Anil Kumar (on contract)

Dharam Singh (on contract)

Rakhi (on contract)

Resource Centre Assistant

Rajni Bagri (on contract)

Office Attendant/s

Diwakar Singh (on contract)

SOCIOLOGY

Kiran Kashyap (on contract)

Mali

Devender Singh (on contract)

Safai-Karamchari/s

Mahesh Kumar

Shish Ram (Part-time)

Farash

Rajesh Kumar

TEACHING PROGRAMME

M.A. Examination Results (Batch of 2014-2016)

Number of students who appeared:	89
Number of students who obtained 1 st Division:	15
Number of students who obtained 2nd Division:	48
Number of students who obtained 3rd Division:	03
Others:	23

M. PHIL. PROGRAMME

The Department introduced a one-year M. Phil. course in July 1976 to replace the M. Litt. course under which 26 students were awarded degrees between 1966 and 1976. Since then more than 350 students have been awarded the M. Phil. degree.

M.Phil. degrees awarded during the year 2015-16			
S.No.	Name of the Student	Topic	Name of Supervisor
1	Aakriti Kohli	Formations of Martial Masculinity – With Special Reference to Punjab	Radhika Chopra
2	Zeba Siddiqui	Reading Medicalisation through Narratives.	Tulsi Patel
3	Jayprakash Sharma	Development and Discontent: Relevance of Polanyi's Double Movement in Chhattisgarh.	Kamei Aphun
4	Arunoday Majumder	Social Composition and Media Representation: An Examination of the Anti-Corruption Agitation in New Delhi.	Kamei Aphun
5	Sonia Kumari	Childhood and Children's Literature	Meenakshi Thapan
6	Sadiqali. T	In Search for a Safe Zone: Educated Unemployed and the Middle Classes.	Anuja Agrawal
7	Trishna Senapaty	Pain and Violence: Movements from the body to Speech.	Deepak Mehta
8	Amrita Middey	Alternative Sexualities and Family in Hindu Religion and Popular Culture in India: A Preliminary Exploration.	Anuja Agrawal
9	Rohini Ram Mohan	Family Courts in India: Processes, Practices and Experiences.	Anuja Agrawal

10	Swati Dogra	Paid Domestic Workers: Mobilisation & Regulation.	Janaki Abraham
11	Madhulika Sonkar	Recasting <i>Dars-E-Nizami for the 'Ideal Woman'</i> : An Inquiry into Curriculum Development in Educational Institutions for Muslim Women.	Meenakshi Thapan
12	Raghav Pasricha	Visuality and Framing: A Sociological Excursus.	Rita Brara
13	Amit Ranjan Verma	Unorganised Sector in India: A Sociological Study.	Ilito H. Achumi
14	Bhawna	Surrogacy and Motherhood.	Janaki Abraham
15	Siddiqi Usman Jawed Zohra	Land, State and Capitalism in India.	Rajni Palriwala
16	Shahrukh Alam	Exploring links between Governmentality and Violence through Practices of Policymaking.	Rajni Palriwala
17	Antasa Vairagya	Public opinion on climate change: A comparative study	Rita Brara
18	Kasturi Hazarika	Narrative Approach to Conflict Resolution: The Case of Assam	Kamei Aphun
19	Suraj Gogoi	Migration, wet rice cultivation and monastic practices: Understanding mobility and wet-rice agricultural practices of the Tai-Khamtis of Lohit and Namsai Districts of Arunachal Pradesh.	Kamei Aphun
M.Phil. Dissertations submitted in the period 2015-16			
S.No.	Name of the Student	Topic	Name of Supervisor
1	Varun Patil	A Sociological Reflection on the Contradictions of Actually Existing Democracies.	Rajni Palriwala
2	Meghnad Sahu	Informal Sector: A Sociological Study of Brick Kiln Workers.	Charu Sawhney

PH.D. PROGRAMME

Ph.D. Theses submitted during 2015-2016 viva voce has been held (degree awaited)			
S.No.	Name of the Student	Thesis Title	Supervisor
1	Rokhsar D. Vakharia	A Sociological Investigation of the Film Studio: Images, Networks and the System of Production.	Deepak Mehta
2	Geetika Bapna	Contemporary Meanings of Marriage	Satish Deshpande
3	S Manikho Kohusii	Christianity and Tribal Identity: A Sociological Study of the Mao Nagas in Manipur.	Abhijit Dasgupta
4	Ishita Dey	Production, Caste and Ritual in the "Bengali" Sweet Industry	Rajni Palriwala
5	Subhadeepta Ray	Recast(e)ing Science: A Sociological Study of Research Practices in Genetics.	Rajni Palriwala
6	Younes Saramifar	An Analysis of the Relations between First World Discourses and Resistance Movements.	Deepak Mehta
7	Pranta Pratik Patnaik	Television and Socio-Cultural Identity: An Ethnographic Study in Orissa	Satish Deshpande
Ph.D. Thesis submitted during 2015-2016 (awaiting viva)			
1	Soibam HariPriya	Sacred Space, Contestation and Rituals of Remembrance	Radhika Chopra
Ph.D. Theses submitted during 2015-2016			
S.No.	Name of the Student	Thesis Title	Supervisor
1	Subhashim Goswami	The making of Ethnographic Objects	Yasmeen Arif
2	Vasundhara Jairath	Indigeneity as Assertion: Understanding Social Movements.	Sudha Vasani
3	Ajaz Ahmad Gilani	Delay in Justice: A Sociological Study Under Trial Prisoners in Jammu and Kashmir with Special Reference to Central Jail, Srinagar	Kamei Aphun
4	Bhavna Kataria	New Title: Gender and Work: A study of Clerks in Government Offices.	Rita Brara

5	Samuel L Chuauungo	Religio-Cultural Hybridities: Revisiting the Christian Trajectory among the Mizos'.	Rita Brara
6	Divya Priyadarshini	A Study of Displacement of Slum Dwellers in the Delhi Region.	Rita Brara
7	Pooja Bhalla	Implementation of New Textbooks: A Study of the Changing Scenario at Primary Level Classrooms in Some Selected Schools of Delhi	Meenakshi Thapan
8	Nidhitha Sreekumar	How Social is Corporate Social Responsibility?' - A Sociological Analysis of CSR	Yasmeen Arif
9	Anurita Saini	Rethinking Family: A Study of Lone Parent Families in an Urban Setting.	Meenakshi Thapan
10	Rekha Konsam	Cultural Contestation and Public Space within the Lai Haraoba in Manipur.	Roma Chatterji
11	Malini Mittal	Work, Mobility and Changing Family Relations: A Study of a section of south Asian pink collar migrant mothers in the Arab region	Meenakshi Thapan
12	Mohammad Sayeed	Citizenship, Community and Urban Spaces: A Case Study	Yasmeen Arif

Students working on their Ph. D theses during 2015-16

S.No.	Name	Topic	Supervisor
1	Akshay Kr. Choudhary	Dowry Among the Maithil Brahamins: Aspects of Change and Continuity.	Rajni Palriwala
2	K.M. Ziyauddin	Perceptions of Illness and Health among Dalits in Bokaro.	Tulsi Patel
3	Pranta Pratik Patnaik	Television and Socio-Cultural Identity: An Ethnographic Study in Orissa	Satish Deshpande
4	Amit Chaturvedi	A Comparative Study of Two Socio-Cultural Organisations in Uttar Pradesh.	Roma Chatterji
5	Gowhar Ashraf Fazili	The Sociology of Humiliation in Kashmir.	Nandini Sundar
6	Apao Bunii	Changing Land Relations in Tribal Society: A Study of the Poumai Naga Tribe in Manipur.	Virginus Xaxa
7	Saswata Ghosh	Understanding the Trajectory of Violence in Post – Naxalite Bengal.	Nandini Sundar
8	Minati Kumari Dash	Ideology in Social Movements: A Study of the Anti-mining Movement in Kashipur, Rayagada, Orissa.	Nandini Sundar
9	Reshma Radhakrishnan	The Formation (s) of a Political Subject: An Ethnography of Feminist Movements (s) in Kerala.	Rajni Palriwala

10	Nirdosh Kumar	Changing Socio-Economic Life Of Peasants in U.P. With Special Reference to The Process of Depeasantization.	Tulsi Patel
11	Seram Rojesh Kumar	The Political Economy of Manipur from 1949-2010: A Sociological Study.	Nandini Sundar
12	Garima Yadav	Pregnancy and Childbirth : Issues of Choice, Control and Woman's Body	Tulsi Patel
13	Prasanjeet A. Tribhuvan	The Social Life of Marijuana: A case study of Kullu Valley	Sudha Vasani
14	Jyoti	Social Advertising and Health:- A Sociological Study of Public Service Campaigns/Programmes for Rural India.	Roma Chatterji
15	Rubani Yumkhaibam	Queer Womanhood: An Ethnography of Manipuri Nupi Sabis	Anuja Agarwal
16	Anupriya	The Production of Gender in Everyday Life at School.	Janaki Abraham
17	Chandana Anusha	Investigating the Forest Rights Act (2006) of India; A Sociological Study.	Rita Brara
18	Manjari Bhardwaj	Honour and Love Marriages: A Sociological Study.	Tulsi Patel
19	Sarbani Sharma	Everyday Understandings of Azadi in Kashmir.	Nandini Sundar
20	Anshu Singh	Minority Institute of Higher Education, Muslim Identity and Urban Space: Case Study of Jamia Millia Islamia.	Meenakshi Thapan
21	Vasundhara Bhojvaid	Following Black Carbon	Yasmeen Arif
22	Aheli Chowdhury	Social Movements Post 1990s in India: Sociological Analysis of Changing Modes of Political Mobilisation.	Satish Deshpande
23	Utkarsh Kumar	Negotiating social boundaries through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)	Nandini Sundar
24	Siddhi Bhandari	Photographers and Photography: A Sociological Study'	Janaki Abraham
25	Chayanika Pal	Beauty Parlours: A Sociological Study of 'Beauty Work' in India.	Anuja Agrawal
26	G. Suguna	Marriage practices among the Arunthathiyar Caste in Tamilnadu: A Sociological Study	Anuja Agrawal
27	Khushboo Jain	A Sociological Study of Street Children and Youth in Delhi	Janaki Abraham
28	Vijay Bahadur	Life after Bail of Children in Juvenile Justice System and Interventions by the State: A case study of Delhi	Janaki Abraham
29	Mohammad Iqbal	Competing Tribal Identities: Hegemonies and Counter- Hegemonies	Meena Radhakrishna
30	Aaradhana Jhunjhunwala	The Urban, Everyday Life of a River	Yasmeen Arif

31	Saba Firdaus	Women's Labour in the Household: Ethnography of Domestic Space.	Meena Radhakrishna
32	Nikita Kaul	Crafts and Forest: Understanding the relation through the vicissitudes of power	Sudha Vasani
33	Rajwant Kaur	Sikhism and the Caste Question in Contemporary Punjab	Radhika Chopra
34	Syed Saqib Abbas	Science, Innovation and the Modern University Situating Science in its Social Context.	Radhika Chopra
35	Sharib Zeya	Land and Social Interaction in Rural Bihar: A Sociological Exploration'	Yasmeen Arif
36	Nandini Hebbar N	Understanding Caste, Gender and Sexuality: A Study of Youth in South India.	Janaki Abraham
37	Sebanti Chatterjee	Western Classical Music in Goa and Shillong: Exploring the Indigenous	Roma Chatterji
38	Kim Joo-Hee	Food and Eating Practices: Embodied Ethnicity among Settled Migrants in Delhi	Meenakshi Thapan
39	Yaduvendra Pratap Singh	The Changing Status of a Scheduled caste: A Sociological Study of Jatavs of City of Meerut.	Janaki Abraham
40	Md. Jefra V.P.	Everyday Life Rhythms and Urban Social Space: A Study of Valiyangadi, Calicut, Since the 14th Century	Radhika Chopra
41	K.S. Hakim	From Abstract to Concrete: A historical Sociology of Parliamentary Communism in Kerala	Rajni Palriwala
42	Arnav Das Sharma	Ravidassia: Cultural Hybridity, Religious Practice and Community	Radhika Chopra
42	Afeeda KT	Religion and Body: Embodied Nature of Sacred Pain	Radhika Chopra
43	Priti Laishram	Rethinking resistance: A Sociological study of Everyday Life in Manipur	Kamei Aphun
44	Anupama Ramakrishnan	Ethnography of migrants in the andaman islands	Sudha Vasani
45	Saumya Malviya	Role of Metaphors in the Constitution of Mathematical Knowledge: An Ethnographic Exploration	Roma Chatterji
46	W S Machutmi	Tribes and the Notion of Land: Changes in the Agrarian Structure and Social Relations among the Tangkhul Nagas	Kamei Aphun
47	Soumodip Sinha	Middle Class Youth and the 'Field (s)' of Political Assertion: A Sociological Study of Urban India	Satish Deshpande
48	Haider Ali Askary	People, Politics and Ideology: Study of the Changing Aspects in Ladakh	Sudha Vasani
49	Kh. Neil Young	Political Ecology of Flood in Majuli Island, Assam	Sudha Vasani

50	Nargis Vasundhara	Female Domestic Workers in India- Reproduction of Gendered Labour in Urban Homes	Radhika Chopra
51	Bhavneet Kaur	Gendered Narrative Experiences of Memory and Resistance in Indian Administered Kashmir"	Yasmeen Arif
52	Tila Kumar	Koshal Movement in Western Odisha: A Sociological Analysis.	Abhijit Dasgupta
53	Yang Haonan	Social Capital and Public Welfare in West China	Abhijit Dasgupta
54	Prama Mukhopadhyay	The fisherman of the forest: A socio- anthropological study of the landscape of the deltaic Sundarbans in Bengal.	Abhijit Dasgupta
	Amrita Middey	A sociological study of 'Jatra' of Bengal	Anuja Agrawal
55	Sadiqali T.	Educated Unemployed and their Families: A Sociological Study	Anuja Agrawal
56	Devika Mittal	'Secular' School Culture: A Study of Two Schools in Delhi	Meenakshi Thapan
57	Madhulika Sonkar	Changing aspirations and challenges for Muslim girls' Education: An Ethnography of girls' schools in the Walled City	Meenakshi Thapan,
58	Kamalpreet Singh Gill	Oral History, Folkore and Gender: Studying Family History in Punjab	Radhika Chopra
59	Seema Mahi	Dynamics of Dalit Identity and social changes: A case Study of Dera Sant Sarwan Dass Ballan, Jalandhar, Punjab	Radhika Chopra
60	Virien Chopra	How do comics communicate: Analysing semantic formations in Comics	Radhika Chopra
61	Shivani Katara	Profile, awareness, barriers regarding reproductive health & family planning among married Muslim women : An ethnographic study in an Urban setting	Rajni Palriwala
62	Priti Chandra	Understanding reproductive health services in the realm of body politics and caste in Uttar Pradesh	Rajni Palriwala
63	Akriti Bhatia	Understanding urban informality and Exclusion: A Sociological study	Rajni Palriwala,
64	Ojaswita Sharma	Deusi and Bhailo Songs: Performative Arts and Beyond	Roma Chatterjee
65	Neerab Raj Gupta	Understanding Disability identity and the role of Academic Researches in India.	Satish Deshpande
66	Priya Bharti Churiyana	Changes and challenges of scheduled caste girls in access to school education- A agaland cal study of north west delhi	Satish Deshpande
67	Antora Borah	The Assam Nagaland foothill border: a study of migration, Identity and Development among the Sema Nagas and "Immigrant Bangladeshi".	Shashi Bhushan Singh

68	Lenpu Rangla Khouchung	The politics and Dynamics of clan formation among kharam tribe.	Shashi Bhushan Singh
69	Ayushi Rawat	Researching Children Experiences in Kashmir: Perspectives on Conflict and Resistance	Tulsi Patel/ Vikramendra Kumar
70	Jyoti Saini	Gender aspect of Infertility in India.	Tulsi Patel/ Abhijit Dasgupta



FELLOWSHIPS/ SCHOLARSHIPS/ PRIZES

M.A.

Kunda Datar Gold Medal	M.S.A. Rao Memorial Merit Book Grant	Veena Dua Memorial Scholarship	Shri Shiv Lal Sawhney Scholarship (M.A. Previous)	P.G. Indira Gandhi Scholarship For Single Girl Child
Angelina Chumah	Jagat Sohail Navjit Kaur	Meghna Joshi	Bharat Suri Riya Sharma Navdeep Kaur	Dakshita Kant

M.Phil and Ph.D.

UGC-SRF (Ph.D.)	UGC-JRF (Ph.D.)	UGC-JRF (M.Phil)	Non-Net (Ph.D.)	Non-Net (M.Phil)
K.S. Hakim Anupama Ramakrishnan Chayanika Pal Sharib Zeya Muhammed Jefra V.P Vasundhra Jairath Prasenjit Tribhuvan (<i>ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship</i>)	Sadiqali, T Jyoti Samuel L. Chuaungo Nidhita Sreekumar Divya Priyadarshini Nargis Vashundhara Garima Yadav Vijay Bahadur Bhawna Kataria Mohammad Sayeed Haider Ali Askary Akriti Bhatia Shivani Katara Priti Chandra (<i>RG research fellowship</i>) Madhulika Sonkar (<i>RG research fellowship</i>)	Sweta Rani Abir Mishra Farya Yasmin Aarushi Sharma Rajat Kumar Bikashita Saikia Burhan Ul-Haq Qureshi Anirudh V Raghavan Seema Mahi Shivangi Katara Aastha Tyagi	Saba Firdaus W.S. Machutmi Sebanti Chatterji Devika Mittal Siddhi Bhandari Kamalpreet Singh Gill Nikita Kaul	Thomas Monterio Thanzeel Nazer V Mili Das Sandeepan Das Virendra Kumar Rinsophy Chamroy Thamineile Pame Aastha Tyagi Angeline Chamuah Mitali Trivedi Neha Lal S. Bharat Tanya Singh Bembem Phanjoubam Laikhuram Premjit Singh Md. Hefajuddin Olly Mohanta Madulika Sonkar Ancy Thomas

SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM

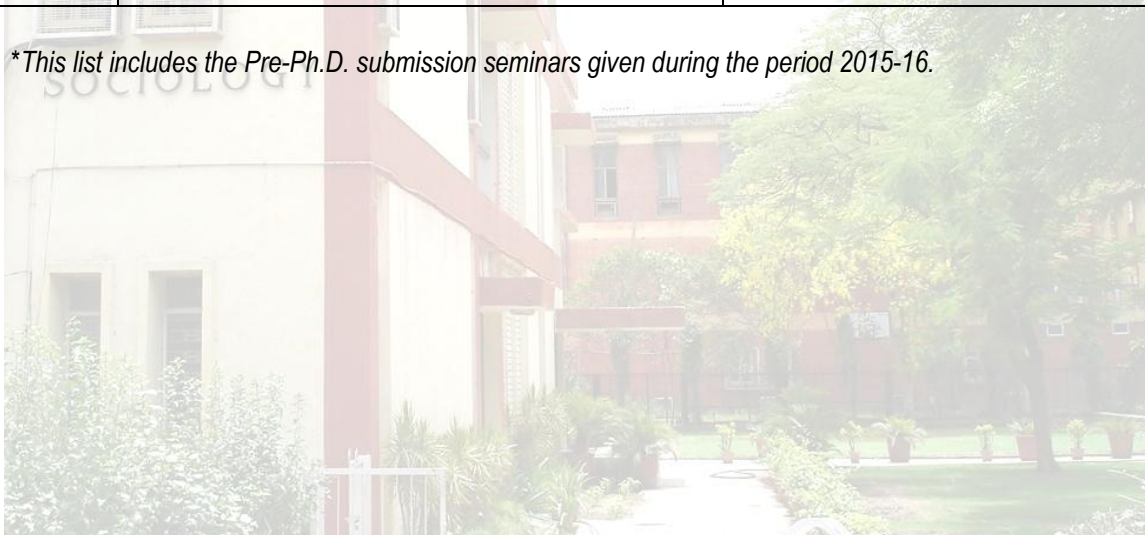
The Sociological Research Colloquium of the Department has been holding seminars every Friday since its inception in 1959. Faculty members, research students and visiting scholars from within the country and abroad present their work at the colloquium. The following presentations were made during 2015-16.

1.	Dr.PreetiSampat Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi	The Land Impasse: Infrastructure, Resistance and Rent
2.	Dr.IndivarKamtekar Associate Professor, Centre for Historical Studies, JNU, New Delhi	Beyond Independence and Partition: A Lost History of the 1940s
3.	Ms. BhavnaKataria Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar).	Exploring the work-life of Clerks: Gender Neutral and Gendered Domains
4.	Dr.Vikram Singh Thakur Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Studies, Ambedkar University, Delhi	Examining Post-colonial Hybridity in the Popular Shakespeare Productions of Parsi Theatre in Colonial India
5.	Ms. DivyaPriyadarshini Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. pre-submission seminar)	Slum Displacement Policies in Delhi: An Analysis
6.	Ms. Malini Mittal Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	South Asian Pink Collar Workers in Kuwait: The Dinar Decoy
7.	Mr. Samuel L Chuaungo Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	Mizos and Christianity: A Genealogy
8.	Prof.Rosalva Aída Hernández Castillo Professor and Senior Researcher at CIESAS, The Center for Research and Advanced Studies in Social Anthropology, Mexico City	Indigeneity and Political Mobilization: Reflections from Latin America
9.	Mr. Mohammad Sayeed Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	Citizenship, Community and Urban Spaces

10.	Prof. Veena Das Krieger-Eisenhower Professor of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins University	Mental Illness and Normalizing Power: Foucault in the Slums of Delhi
11.	Dr. Elizabeth Hill Senior Lecturer, Department of Political Economy, University of Sydney	Unfinished Business: The Politics of Work and Family Policy in Australia 2000-2015
12.	Shaunak Sen Filmmaker, Video artist and Scholar, Delhi	Cities of Sleep
13.	Ms. RubaniHaque Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	Queer Womanhood: An Ethnography of NupiSabis of Manipur
14.	Ms. Pooja Bhalla Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	Implementation of New Textbooks: A Study of the Changing Scenario at Primary Level Classrooms in Some Selected Schools of Delhi
15.	Mr. Prasenjeet A. Tribhuvan Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	The Social Life of Marijuana: Case Study of the Kullu Valley in Himachal Pradesh
16.	Ms. Anurita Saini Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	Rethinking family-A Study of Lone Parent families in an Urban Setting
17.	Dr. Francis Cody Associate Professor, Anthropology and Asian Institute, University of Toronto	Between the Law and the Street: Political Publicity in Tamil News Media
18.	Mr. Nirdosh Kumar Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	The Changing Socio-Economic Life of Peasants in UP with Special Reference to the process of Depeasantization
19.	Ms. Garima Yadav Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	Pregnancy and childbirth: Issues of choice, control and woman's body
20.	Prof. R. Indira Retired Professor, University of Mysore	Negotiating with Development: A Community at the Intersections of Acceptance and Resistance
21.	Ms.Nidhitha Sreekumar Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	How social is Corporate Social Responsibility? - A Sociological Analysis of CSR

22.	Prof. Roma Chatterji Department of Sociology, University of Delhi	From Comic Book to Patua Performance
23.	Madhura Lohokare Visiting Faculty, Shiv Nadar University and Research Scholar, Syracuse University	Galli bola chi election” (Election of the narrow lanes and alleyways): Electoral politics, masculinity and place-making in Pune
24.	Dr.Rupal Oza Associate Professor, Department of Women and Gender Studies, Hunter College, CUNY	What is a drone? Ethics, Technology and Geography
25.	Ari Sitas Professor, Department of Sociology University of Cape Town	Between the Canon and Cannon – Three Reasons why we Sociologists should unlearn before we Teach
26.	Vasundhara Bhojvaid Research Student, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi (Ph.D. Pre-submission seminar)	A Sociological Study of the Emergence of a Climate Change Agent: The Case of Black Carbon
27.	Charu Sawhney Research Associate, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi	Internally Displaced Kashmiri Hindus: Access to Cultural Capital and Resettlement

**This list includes the Pre-Ph.D. submission seminars given during the period 2015-16.*



WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

The following public lectures and workshops were held during 2015-16

Prof. D.S. Kothari Memorial Lecture

A Public lecture “What Does Ordinary Ethics Look Like? Re- imagining Everyday Life” by Prof. Veena Das was chaired and organized by Meenakshi Thapan in collaboration with the Delhi School of Economics and was held on 29 July, 2015, at the Vivekananda Hall, Delhi School of Economics.

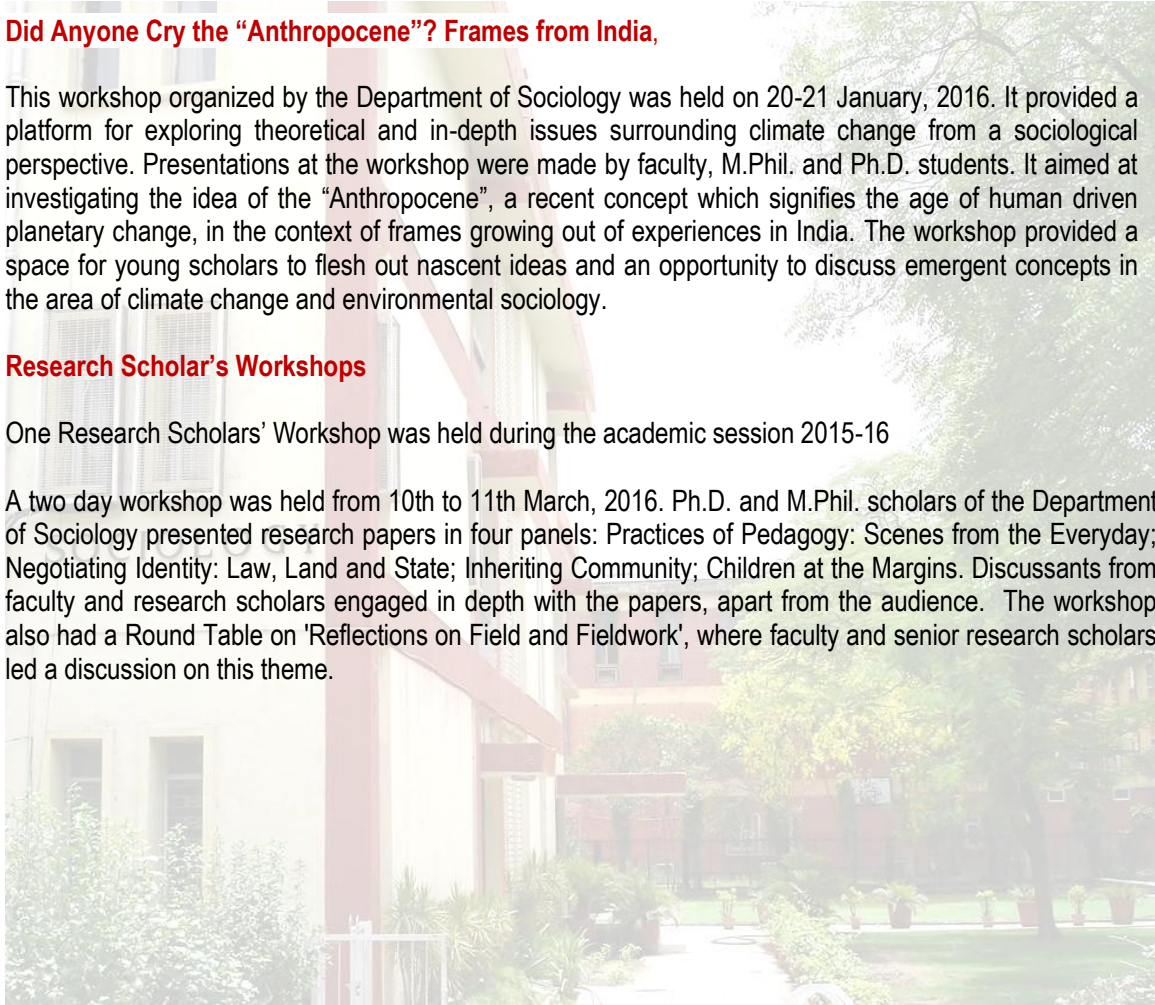
Did Anyone Cry the “Anthropocene”? Frames from India,

This workshop organized by the Department of Sociology was held on 20-21 January, 2016. It provided a platform for exploring theoretical and in-depth issues surrounding climate change from a sociological perspective. Presentations at the workshop were made by faculty, M.Phil. and Ph.D. students. It aimed at investigating the idea of the “Anthropocene”, a recent concept which signifies the age of human driven planetary change, in the context of frames growing out of experiences in India. The workshop provided a space for young scholars to flesh out nascent ideas and an opportunity to discuss emergent concepts in the area of climate change and environmental sociology.

Research Scholar’s Workshops

One Research Scholars’ Workshop was held during the academic session 2015-16

A two day workshop was held from 10th to 11th March, 2016. Ph.D. and M.Phil. scholars of the Department of Sociology presented research papers in four panels: Practices of Pedagogy: Scenes from the Everyday; Negotiating Identity: Law, Land and State; Inheriting Community; Children at the Margins. Discussants from faculty and research scholars engaged in depth with the papers, apart from the audience. The workshop also had a Round Table on 'Reflections on Field and Fieldwork', where faculty and senior research scholars led a discussion on this theme.



VISITING FELLOWS

The Department has an active Visiting Fellows Programme for hosting faculties from other institutions in India and abroad. Under this programme, Visiting Fellows generally spend a period of two weeks at the Department during which they give a few lectures to M.A. or M.Phil. Students, and make a presentation at the Sociological Research Colloquium (SRC).

The following Fellows visited the Department of Sociology in the academic session 2015-16. Their respective activities and presentations at the Sociological Research Colloquium are listed separately.

Dr. Elizabeth Hill

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, The University of Sydney, NSW.

Period of visit: 17th January–23rd January, 2016

Areas of Interest: Women and Employment in India and Australia in particular Women's Unions and Interface between Paid Work and Care

Dr. Shoma Choudhury Lahiri,

Department of Sociology, St. Xavier's College, Kolkata.

Period of visit: 21st January-30th January, 2016

Areas of Interest: Science Movements, Sustainable Development

Prof. R. Indira

Mysore University.

Period of visit: 20th February- 1st March, 2016

Areas of Interest: Gender and Development

Dr. Chandani Liyanage

Department of Sociology, Faculty of Arts, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Period of visit: 20th March- 30th March, 2016

Areas of Interest: Health Care, Well-being



FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Rita Brara was a Carson Fellow at the Rachel Carson Center for the Study of Environment and Society at Munich, Germany for three summer months.

Nandini Sundar was awarded the Ester Boserup Prize of 2016. In connection with the ceremony, Professor Sundar will give a public lecture on: 27 May 2016 in Copenhagen.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Anuja Agrawal is working on a research project on 'Arya Samaj and Marriage'.

Kamei Aphun is involved in the ICSSR sponsored major research project on 'State, Ethnicity and Development: A Study of Ethnic Assertions, Conflicts and Movements in North East India.'

Rita Brara is working on a Project titled the "National Green Tribunal: Socio-Legal Perspectives" that is supported by the ICSSR.

Roma Chatterji is engaged in a project titled 'Words and Images: Folk Art and the Narrative Imagination' funded by the India Foundation for the Arts.

Radhika Chopra is P.I., University of Delhi and University of Bergen Research Project: 'Indian Cosmopolitan Alternatives: Ritual Intersections and the Proscription of Religious Offense'.

Abhijit Dasgupta is working on the ICSSR Project on 'Muslim Outcastes in Bengal'.

Rajni Palriwala is working on 'Transformations in Everyday Life and Gender: Life Histories of elder women in India'. This is in collaboration with Kyoto University, Miyagi-Gakuin University, Sendai, Niigata International University, Niigata, and Shibaura Institute of Technology, Tokyo. She is a member of the Technical Advisory Committee of a project on 'Violence against women and girls as an unintended outcome of women's economic empowerment: Understanding new gender dynamics within the domestic, public and work spaces', undertaken by the University of Portsmouth, IMC, and ICRW. She is a member of the International Research School (RTG) on 'Minor Cosmopolitanisms', which is a collaboration of the University of Potsdam, Freie Universität, Berlin, and Humboldt University, Berlin, with the University of New South Wales, Macquarie University, University of Cape Town, University of Pretoria, York University, Duke University, Delhi University and IFLU.

Tulsi Patel was the Team leader for a research exchange programme with the University of Göttingen, Germany: Contested avenues of assisted reproductive technologies: A study of transnational transfers and cross-cultural practices (UGC-DAAD 2014-2016) and she visited the University of Göttingen, Germany in Nov-Dec, 2015.

She is engaged in a project titled 'Issues in Transnational Surrogacy: Comparing India and Germany' with Prof. Schicktaanz, University of Göttingen, Germany.

Preeti Sampat is engaged in a project titled 'Between Stagnation and Growth: The Historical Evolution of Infrastructure, Urbanization and Land Acquisition Policy in India'

Meenakshi Thapan is working on a project entitled 'Educating India'. Fieldwork has been conducted in schools in Delhi, Pudducherry, Dharamshala, Bangalore, and Andhra Pradesh.

Sudha Vasan is working on a project on 'Socio-ecological Transformation of Mountain Societies: Revisiting the field in Western Himalaya.'

PUBLICATIONS

Anuja Agrawal

"Witch-hunting' in India?:Do We Need Special Laws?" (with Madhu Mehra) *Economic & Political Weekly*, March 26, 2016, 51(13): 51-57.

"Gender Contests in the Delhi Metro: Implications of Reservation of a Coach for Women" (with Aarushi Sharma), *Indian Journal of Gender Studies*, October 2015 (22:3).

"Criminal Neglect: Has the Status of Denotified Tribes in India Changed Significantly Post-independence?" *Himal*, 13 January 2016.

"Who Gets Caught – From Death Row Convicts to 'Criminals by Birth'", in *Kafila*, August 1, 2015.

"Suicide of a 'Criminal' or Murder of the Stigmatized?" in *Kafila*, June 16, 2015.

Kamei Aphun

(editor) *Indomitable Spirit: Rani Gaidinliu (1905-1993)*, New Delhi: ZWAD, 2016.

"Mapping Identity and Ethnic Assertion in North East India: The Case of the Zeliangrong Nagas", in Kamei Aphun (ed.) *Indomitable Spirit: Rani Gaidinliu (1905-1993)*, New Delhi: ZWAD, 2016.

Challenges of Development in North East India: Issues and concerns, New Delhi: Vidyanilyam Prakashan, 2015.

North East India Today: Some Reflections, New Delhi: Vidyanilyam Prakashan, 2015.

Rita Brara

"Animal Rights vs Bullfights: The Horns of an Indian Dilemma." *Environment & Society Portal*, *Arcadia* Spring 2016, no. 5. Rachel Carson Center for Environment and Society. <http://www.environmentandsociety.org/node/7426>.

Roma Chatterji

"The Experience of Death in a Dutch Nursing Home. On Touching the Other." In Veena Das and Clara Han eds. *Living and Dying in the Contemporary World*. Berkeley, University of California Press, 2016.

"Repetition, Improvisation, Tradition. Deleuzean Themes in the Folk Art of Bengal." *Cultural Analysis* 15 (1), 2016.

Speaking with Pictures. Folk Art and the Narrative Imagination in India reprinted in 2016.

Radhika Chopra

“1984- Disinterred Memories”, *Sikh Formations: Religion, Culture, Theory*, Special Issue, 1984, 2015, pp. 1-10

“Commemorating Hurt: Memorializing Operation Bluestar”, in Rina Ramdeve et al (eds) *Sentiment, Politics, Censorship: The State of Hurt*, Sage: New Delhi, 2016, pp 86-109.

“Ziddi Munde: Political Asylum, Transnational Movement and the Migrations of Men”, in S Irudaya Rajan, V J Varghese and Aswini Kumar Nanda (eds) *Migrations, Mobility and Multiple Affiliations: Punjabis in a Transnational World*, Cambridge and New Delhi, Cambridge University Press, 2015, pp. 133-155.

“Habitus of Trust: Servitude in Colonial India”, in Vigdis Broch-Due and Margit Ystanes (eds) *Trusting and its Tribulations*, New York and Oxford: Berghahn Books, 2016.

Abhijit Dasgupta

Displacement and Exile: The State-Refugee Relations in India, New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2016.

Deshpande, Satish

“Weak Students and Elite Institutions: The Challenges of Democratisation in the Indian University”, in *India International Centre Quarterly*, Special Issue: *Education at the Crossroads*, Winter 2015—Spring 2016, pp.131-42.

“The Public University after Rohith-Kanhaiya”, in *Economic and Political Weekly*, 12 March, 2016, 51(11): 32-34.

“Loksabha Chunar ke Baad Dedh Saal ka Jayaza”, (with Aditya Nigam, Peter DeSouza, Sanjay Kumar and Hilal Ahmed), in *Pratiman: Samay, Samaj, Sanskriti*, July—December 2015, 3(2): 345-71.

Tulsi Patel

“Reproductive Ethics in Commercial Surrogacy: Decision Making in IVF Clinics in New Delhi,” (With Tenderup, M, Reddy, S and Nielsen, BB.) *India, Journal of Bioethical Inquiry*, 2015.

“There are many Eggs in my Basket: Medical Markets and Commodified Bodies,” (With Sunita Reddy) *Global Bioethics*, pp 1-15. 2015

Rajni Palriwala

“Rationality, Instrumentality, and the Affective: Crossings and Blurrings in Relations of Care and Intimacy” *Korean Journal of Sociology*, 49(3), 2015.

“Acts of Omission and Acts of Commission: The Adverse Juvenile Sex Ratio and the Indian State” In Ravinder Kaur (ed.) *Too Many Men, Too Few Women: Social Consequences of Gender Imbalance in India and China*. Delhi: Orient Blackswan, 2016.

Preeti Sampat

“The Goan Impasse: Land Rights and Resistance to SEZs in Goa.” *Journal of Peasant Studies*. 42(3), 2015.

Charu Sawhney

“Displacement and Cultural Change: The Case of Kashmiri Hindus.” *The Eastern Anthropologist*, January-March 2015, 68(1).

Meenakshi Thapan

“Being 'Single' and Alone: Tibetan Youth in Exile in India,” *Society and Culture in South Asia*. 2016, 2(2):161–181

“Women’s Mobility and Migration. An exploratory study of Muslim women migrants in Jamia Nagar”, Delhi, (with Anshu Singh and Nidhitha Sreekumar) in Deepak K. Mishra (ed.) *Internal Migration in Contemporary India*. Sage Publication. 2016, 47-70.

“Foreword”, *War, Memory and Travel* in Sasanka Perera. *Warzone Tourism in Sri Lanka. Tales from Darker Places in Paradise*. Sage Publications. 2016.

Sudha Vasan

“Shifting the terrain of struggle: Critically evaluating the Forest Rights Act.” in Meena Radhakrishna (ed.) *First Citizens: Studies on Tribals, Adivasis and Indigenous Peoples in India*. Oxford University Press, Delhi.2016.

“Consuming the Tiger: Experiencing Neoliberal Nature” in Manisha Rao (ed.) *Reframing the Environment: Resources, Risk and Resistance in Neoliberal India*. Conference Proceedings, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai. 2016.Pages 23-30

FACULTY PRESENTATIONS IN CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS

Janaki Abraham

“Framing the house: photographs of family, gods and heroes in domestic spaces in North Kerala”, India was presented at a workshop titled Visualising Kin: representing kinship and the family in contemporary Asia. Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark. May 2016

“Matriliny did not transform into patriliney! : Understanding Processes of Change in Property and Kinship among the Thiyayas in North Kerala” presented at South Asian University. March 2016.

“Veiling and the Production of Gender and Space in a Town in North India” presented at “Nazariya 2016” The Annual Festival of Parivartan, Gender Forum, Kirori Mal College. March 2016.

“The Social Production of Domestic Spaces in North Kerala” was presented as part of a talk series titled “Architecture and Society” at the Indian Habitat Centre, New Delhi. November 2015.

Anuja Agrawal

Delivered a lecture on “Social Construction of Gender” at WSDC University of Delhi on 21st January, 2016

Delivered a lecture on “Family and Kinship” WSDC University of Delhi on 5th April, 2016.

Gave a Lecture on “Situating the Law on Sex Work in India” at the Ambedkar University, Delhi, on 18th November, 2015.

Presentation at the Roundtable Discussion on “Contemporary Practices of Witch Hunting: A Report on Social Trends and the Interface with Law” along with Madhu Mehra at CSLG, JNU, 28 August, 2015.

Invited speaker at the DNT/NT conference organized by the All India Denotified and Nomadic Tribes Welfare Sangh, 25th July 2015.

Kamei Aphun

Delivered Valedictory Address on “State, Ethnicity and Nationalism”, at the National Seminar on “State, Society and Nationalism: Relevance of Rani Gaidinliu in the Contemporary Society”, Ministry of Culture, Government of India, 23 January 2016.

Presented “Of Lesser Known Fighter: Identity Movement and Politics of ethnic assertion in the North East India at the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi on 4th February 2016.

Panelist, “The Controversial Three Bills of Manipur”, Organized by Manipur Tribals Forum Delhi (MTFD), 13th May 2016, New Delhi: 5 Balwant Rai Mehta Lane.

Special Lecture delivered on “India and the North East Today: Question of Integration and Accommodation”, Conference Hall, KMC Annual Festival, Delhi University, 16th April 2016.

Plenary Discussion on, “In the Centre of Peripheries: The Case of the Manipur Tribals”, at the National Seminar on “Tribals and Constitutional Safeguards: The Question of Land-Rights in India”, on 31st March 2016, CSSS/SSS, JNU, New Delhi.

Co-Convener of the National Seminar “Tribals and Constitutional Safeguards: The Question of Land-Rights in India”, on 31st March 2016, CSSS/SSS, JNU, New Delhi. He also Chaired a session on “Tribal Movement for Constitutional Safeguards: The Case of Manipur”, at the National seminar at this seminar.

Yasmeen Arif

Presented “Thinking World Anthropologies with Derrida”. Invited Executive Roundtable titled “Between World Anthropologies and World Anthropology: towards a reflexive critique of the mediation processes” organized by the Transnational Relations and Collaborations Sub-Committee of the AAA with the sponsorship of the World Council of Anthropological Associations (WCAA). Denver, USA in November 2015.

Rita Brara

Discussant at the “The Justice Project: Seminar Series” in collaboration with Aakar, South Asian University and People’s SAARC held at the India International Centre, New Delhi on 6 August 2015.

Lectured on “Ecological Resilience” at TISS, Hyderabad on October 1 2015.

Lectured on “The Remaking of Village Commons” at TISS, Hyderabad on October 3 2015.

Read a paper titled "Judging Judgments: The National Green Tribunal, India" at Faculty Seminar on Oct. 11 at New York University, Abu Dhabi Campus, Abu Dhabi 2015.

Lectured on "Climate Change: Perspectives from India" on Oct 12 at New York University, Abu Dhabi Campus, Abu Dhabi, 2015.

Presented a paper titled "What Might We Mean by the Anthropocene: Perspectives from India" on 20 January at the Workshop on "Did Anyone Cry Anthropocene? Frames from India" held at the Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics 2016.

Read a paper titled "Myth and Meaning in Malerkotla, Punjab" at the Lady Shriram College, New Delhi on 18 March 2016.

Read a paper titled "MN Srinivas: Metaphor and Writing" at the MN Srinivas Centenary Seminar held at the Department of Sociology on 26 February 2016.

Read a paper titled "Visualizing Kinship: Documenting Genealogical Practices from Punjab" at a Workshop on "Visualizing Kinship" held at Aarhus University on 20 May 2016.

Read a paper (video presentation) titled "Courting Nature: Advances in Indian Jurisprudence" at the Workshop on "Rights of Nature" held at the Rachel Carson Centre for Environment and Society on July 20 2016.

Roma Chatterji

Presented "On Art, Artists and Social Sciences. A Conversation with Venka Puroshothaman and Roma Chatterji." Rickshaw, Department. of Sociology, South Asian University, Delhi, August 20, 2015.

Presented "Comic Gags and the Mahabharata War." Utopia 2015: Understanding the Social. Department of Sociology, Maranda House, Delhi University, September 10, 2015.

Presented "From Comic Book to Chitrakar Performance: A case of Intermedial Inscription." At Roland Barthes: Today, Here. IIT, Delhi and Institut Francais en Inde, December 11-12, 2015 and at the Sociological Research Colloquim, Delhi university, 18th March 2016.

Panelist at discussion of Amitesh Mukhopadhyay 2016 "Living with Disasters: Communities and Disasters in the Indian Sundarbans", Oxford Book Store, Kolkata on 6th April 2016

Special lecture on "9/11 and the Chitrakars of Bengal", St. Xaviers College, Kolkata, 6th April, 2016.

Presented "Manasa on the Modern Stage" at international conference on "Religious Pluralism" at the Centre of Religion and Society, Kolkata, organized by the Departments of Sociology Jadavpur University and the University of Lancaster, 7-9. 4. 2016.

Presented "Voice, Narrative and Experience. Thinking about the Margins." In a panel on Theory, Narratives and Ethnography: Exploring the Dialectics at Ethnography of the Marginalized: A Critical Inquiry, organized by the Centre for the Study of Discrimination and Exclusion, JNU, Delhi, 27-28, April, 2016.

Radhika Chopra

Public Lecture titled "Our Homes, Their Lives: Colonial Roots of Contemporary Servitude in India", Aarhus University, Denmark, 2 May, 2016.

Presented "Kinship in Shadows", Workshop, *Visualising Kin: Representing Kinship and Family in Contemporary Asia*, CISCA, Department of Global Studies, Aarhus University, Denmark, 20 May, 2016.

Presented “Shopkeepers of Shrine Bazaars”, at a Workshop in ISS, Guwahati, January, 2016.

Presented “Seeing off the Dead: Post-mortem Photographs in the Durbar Sahib,” School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, 2015

Abhijit Dasgupta

Delivered lecture on “Sociology at the Delhi School of Economics” at the Sociology Department of Miranda House, University of Delhi on September 23, 2015.

Delivered lectures on “Caste and Affirmative Action” and “Agrarian Crises”..at the Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussourie on November 16, 2015.

Satish Deshpande

Invited lecture: “Caste in India”, at Advanced Graduate Workshop on Globalization and Development, Azim Premji University, Bengaluru. 05 July, 2016.

Invited Lecture: “The Politics, Ethics and Economics of Reservation”, Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie. Indian Administrative Service Professional Course, Phase I., 13 May, 2016.

Panelist at Symposium on “The Future of the Public University”, in the Conference *Divergences*, Janaki Devi Mahavidyalaya 02 April, 2016.

Panelist for the session on Higher Education, on Workshop on *Private Sector Participation in Public Services*, Centre for Social Development, New Delhi, 30 March, 2016.

Panelist, at Seminar: on *India @ 67*. Political Science Department, Satyawati College, 29 March, 2016.

Keynote address: “Samajik Sidhant ke Nazariye se Asmita-moolak Vimarsh”, Satyawati College, Hindi Dept Seminar: *Hindi Bhasha aur sahitya mein Asmita-moolak Vimarsh*. 21 March, 2016.

Presentation: “Jan, Rashtra aur Jantantra”, Zakir Hussain College, Political Science Dept Seminar: *Nationalism Today*. 19 March, 2016.

Invited lecture: “How Institutions Discriminate”, Ambedkar-Phule-Periyar Association, National Law University, Delhi. 16 March, 2016.

Invited lecture: “Vishwadrishhti, Vishwavidyalaya aur Rashtra”, JNU Teachers' Association, *Teach-In*, 12 March, 2016.

Presentation: “‘Weak’ students and ‘Elite’ institutions: The Challenges of Democratizing Higher Education in India”, International Seminar: *Pathways for Change: Public Universities and Higher Education in India*, National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA), New Delhi, 04 March, 2016.

Panelist, *ArthUllas*. Symposium on “Economic & Political Aspects of Reservation”, Indraprastha College, Economics Dept Festival 03 March, 2016.

Four Public Lectures at Goa University (1, 8, 15, & 19 Feb Lecture Series: *Caste Today: Ideals and Realities*). Goa University, Dayanand Bandodkar Chair in Political Economy under the Visiting Research Professors Programme. (Talks on “Caste, Higher Education and the Future of Indian Democracy” at Government College, Qepem (6 Feb); MES College, Vasco da Gama (9 Feb); Chowgule College, Margao (16 Feb); Talk on “Caste and Democratic Politics” at Dept of Sociology, Goa University, 11 February, 2016).

Presentation: “Being Human in a Time of Aggressive Majoritarianism”, International Conference: *Being Christian in India Today* Student Christian Movement of India (SCMI), Bengaluru. 19 January, 2016.

Panelist, *Pratiman* Symposium on “Developing Political Situation”. Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), Delhi. 06 January, 2016.

Panelist, 4th Network on Rural & Agrarian Studies (NRAS) Conference, G.B. Pant Institute, Allahabad. 18-20 December, 2015 .

Panelist, Symposium on *The Future of Higher Education in India*. Xth Winter School, Dept of Economics, Delhi School of Economics. 15 December, 2015.

Invited Annual Lecture: “Jati, Jan aur Jantantra”, Tarksheel Society, Ludhiana, Punjab. 14 November, 2015.

Lecture: “Caste, ‘the people’ and Democracy”, Maharshi Valmiki Jayanti, Maharshi Valmiki College of Education, Delhi University. 09 November, 2015.

Panelist, Symposium on *Debating Reservation La Politique*, Dept of Political Science, Kirori Mal College, Delhi University. 29 October, 2015.

Presentation: “The Labour of Othering familiar Others”, Seminar on *Xenophobia and Social Integration*. Princeton University, Princeton Institute for International & Regional Studies (PIIRS01-2) October, 2015.

Thomas Memorial Lecture: “What should we mean by Communalism?” Ecumenical Christian Centre, Whitefield, Bengaluru, 08 August, 2015.

Invited speaker, Symposium on: *Modernity of Caste*. Department of Sociology, University of Hyderabad. 27 July, 2015.

Rajni Palriwala

Invited Lecture “Gendering the social Sciences: Methodological Queries and Practices” at a workshop on *Feminist Methodology* at Khwaja Moinuddin Chisthi Urdu, Arabi-Farsi University, Lucknow, March 2016.

“Marriage, Gender and Caste: The Frames of Exogamy and Endogamy”. Inaugural Lecture in the *Mukta Salve Lecture Series 2016*, KSP Women's Studies Centre, Pune University, February 2016.

Tulsi Patel

Valedictory address, National Seminar on, “Social Ecology and Environment Movements in India”, University of Lucknow, Lucknow, 13-14 October, 2015.

Presentation on “No one can stop me from having children: Moral and Legal Issues in IVF and Family Making,” at International Expert Workshop on Contested Avenues of Kinship: Global Norms and Local Practices of Reproductive Medicine” Department of Medical Ethics and History of Medicine, University of Gottingen, Germany on December 8, 2015.

Presentation on “Women's Autonomy, Agency and the Two Child Policy: Dilemma of Political Representation”, workshop at CeMIS, University of Gottingen, December 14, 2015.

Charu Sawhney

Presentation on “Internally Displaced Kashmiri Hindus: Access to Cultural Capital and Resettlement” at the Sociological Research Colloquium, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi, 29th April, 2016.

Lecture on “Social Inequality and Forms of Social Stratification” at Jesus and Mary College, organized by BA Programme, 20th August, 2015.

Nandini Sundar

“The deployment of resentment in counterinsurgency”, paper presented at Emopolis conference, Paris, 7-8 February 2016.

Took part in panel on Nationalism, Maraa, Bangalore, 27 March, 2016.

Panel on “Laws and Tribal Land Rights in India”, Seminar on Tribals and Constitutional Safeguards: The Question of Land-Rights in India, JNU, 30 March, 2016.

Participated in British Council Conference on Higher Education, Going Global, Cape Town, South Africa, 3-5 May, 2016.

Ester Boserup Prize Lecture, “Security or Development?” University of Copenhagen, 27 May 2016.

Participated in panel discussion on Brexit: Political Rhetoric and Ground Reality, India International Centre, New Delhi, July 9, 2016.

Meenakshi Thapan

Moderator and Panelist at the first World Conference on *Multi-Grade Multi-Level Methodologies and their Global Significance. International Discourses* on MGML Dissemination organized by I.I.T., Chennai, 17-19 February, 2016.

Invited Lecture on “Ethnography and Schooling” at the ICSSR sponsored “Research Methodology Programme for Ph.D. Scholars in Social Sciences” from 8-17 February, 2016, at the Dept. of Education (Vinaya Bhavan), Visvabharati, Shantiniketan, West Bengal

Invited Lecture on “Understanding Ethnography and Schooling” at the National Seminar-cum-Workshop on Management of Qualitative Data and Techniques at the Faculty of Education, Jamia Millia Islamia on 25 July, 2015.

Invited Lecture on the ‘India-EU Study Centre Programme, University of Delhi’, at the Workshop on Erasmus, Jean Monnet and Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (organized by the EU Delegation in India) on October 26, 2015 in New Delhi.

Sudha Vasan

Panelist on Environment, Politics and Development in UGC National Seminar on Environment in Sociology: Emerging Trends, 7th and 8th April 2016. Department of Sociology, Jesus and Mary College, Delhi.

Presentation on “Laws and Tribals’ Land Rights in India” and Panelist in seminar on “Tribals and Constitutional Safeguards: The Question of Land-Rights in India”, organised by the Centre for the Study of Social Systems, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi, 31st March 2016.

Invited speaker, Session on ‘Environmental Sustainability, Social Well-being and Economic Growth’ in the National Seminar on “Emerging Economics and Challenges to Sustainability towards Developing Nations” Sri Aurobindo College, Delhi. 29th and 30th March, 2016

Resource Person and paper presented on “Environment and Indigeneity: Some theoretical and conceptual issues”. at National Seminar on Environment and Society: The Context of North-East India, organized by North Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya, 14-15 March 2016.

Paper titled “Consuming the Tiger: Experiencing Neoliberal Nature”. presented at National Conference on Reframing the Environment: Resources, Risk & Resistance in Neoliberal India, organized by Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai, Mumbai, 21st& 22nd January, 2016.

Resource Person and presentation on “Political Ecology and Ethnography” at Indian Society for Ecological Economics (INSEE) Capacity Building Workshop on Ecology, Society and Development in Northeast India at Rajiv Gandhi University, Doimikh, Arunachal Pradesh, 21-24 September, 2015.

Plenary lecture “Moving Mountains: migration, rurality and social ecology” at SCCS, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, 10 September, 2015.

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Janaki Abraham

Life member of the Indian Sociological Association.

Life Member of the Indian Association of Women’s Studies.

Book Reviews Editor for *Contributions to Indian Sociology*.

Anuja Agrawal

Advisor for Partners for Law in Development, Delhi.

Yasmeen Arif

Member, American Anthropological Association

Book Reviews Editor, *Contributions to Indian Sociology*

Roma Chatterji

Cancellors’ Nominee for selection committees for departments of sociology at Kalyani and Vidyasagar University, West Bengal.

Member of Editorial Boards of *Culture and Society in South Asia*, *Journal of Indian Folkloristics*, *Theoria and Praxis*, *Indian Journal of Adivasi and Indigeneity Studies* Corresponding editor *Medical Anthropologist Quarterly*.

Member Advisory Committee of Kalanidhi Research Library, Indira Gandhi national centre for the Arts.

Subject expert for CBCS syllabus IGNOU.

Secretary and life member of Institute of Socio-Economic Research on Development and Democracy.

Life member of the Indian Sociological Association.

Radhika Chopra

Member, CWDS, New Delhi

Editorial Collective , *Sikh Formations: Religion, Culture, Theory*, Routledge/Taylor and Francis.

Editorial Board, *Culture Society and Masculinities*, Men's Studies Press.

Abhijit Dasgupta

Expert of the Assessment Board of the Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi.

Member, ICSSR Committee on Fellowships.

Member, Advisory Committee, Gobind Pant Institute of Himalayan Environment & Development, Almora, Uttarakhand.

Member, Academic Committee, Lok Nayak Jayprakash Narayan National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science, Rohini, Delhi.

Member, Academic Committee, Centre for the Study of Discrimination & Exclusion of the School, J.N.U., New Delhi.

Member, Academic Committee, Department of Sociology of Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.

Satish Deshpande

Member, Editorial Board, *International Sociology*

Member, Editorial Board, *South African Review of Sociology*

Member, Editorial Board, *Pratiman*

Member, Editorial Board, *Samajik*

Member, Editorial Board, *History and Sociology of South Asia*

Life member of the Indian Sociological Society

Rajni Palriwala

Life Member, Indian Sociological Society.

Life Member, Indian Association of Women's Studies.

Member, Editorial Board, *Sociological Inquiry*.

Member, Editorial Board, *Women's Equality*.

Member, Executive Committee, Centre for Women's Development Studies, New Delhi.

Member, Executive Committee, Indian School of Women's Development and Studies.

Tulsi Patel

Member, Central Ethics Committee, Public Health Foundation of India, New Delhi.

Member, Faculty Review Committee, Public Health Foundation of India, New Delhi.

Member, Faculty Research Committee, Public Health Foundation of India, New Delhi.

Member, State Appropriate Authority for PCPNDT (for Delhi).

Member (Renominated second time), State Advisory Committee, PCPNDT (for Delhi from 2014).

Member, Expert Committee on Tagore National Scholarship/Fellowship for Cultural Research, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Govt. of India.

Member, Governing Board, Agro-Economic Research Centre, University of Delhi, Delhi

Life member, Indian Association for Women's Studies, New Delhi.

Life Member, Indian Sociological Society, New Delhi.

Nandini Sundar

Member, UGC SAP Advisory Committee, Department of Tribal Studies, Kannada University Hampi, 2015-16.

School Board Member, School for the Study of Culture, Central University of Jharkhand, 2016

Member, Advisory Committee of the Northern Regional Centre, Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), 2015-17.

Member, Academic Council, Hyderabad Central University, 2015-17.

Member, Governing Board, The Doon School, 2014-17.

Visitors Nominee for School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2012-2015.

Visitors Nominee for Sociology, Tejpur University, 2012-15.

Member, Editorial Board, *Contributions to Indian Sociology*, 2012 onwards.

Member, Editorial Board, *American Anthropologist*, 2012 onwards.

Member, Editorial Board, *Anthropological Theory*.

Member, Editorial Board, *Sociological Bulletin*.

Jury Member, Infosys Science Foundation Prize in Social Sciences, 2015.

Meenakshi Thapan

Co-ordinator, D.S. Kothari Centre for Science, Ethics and Education, University of Delhi in 2012.

Series Editor for *Sociology and Social Anthropology of Education in South Asia*. SAGE Publications, 2015-2019.

Trustee, Governing Body, Krishnamurti Foundation (India) since 2012.

Vice Chancellor's Nominee, Governing Body, Zakir Hussain College, Kalindi College, Non-Collegiate Board for Women's Education, University of Delhi (2013-2015).

Vice Chancellor's Nominee, Board of Research Studies, Faculty of Arts and Music, University of Delhi (2013 onwards).

Member, Special Committee, Centre for the Study of Law and Governance, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (2013 onwards).

Member, International Editorial Board, *Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies*

Member, Editorial Board, *Diaspora, Indigenous, and Minority Education*

Associate Member, Advisory Board, *Body and Society*

Life Member, *Indian Sociological Society*, New Delhi.

Shashi Bhushan Singh

Convener (2015-2018), "Course Committee of Sociology", Central Board of Secondary Education.

Sudha Vasani

Member, Board of Studies, School of Human Ecology, Ambedkar University, Delhi.

Book Reviews Editor, *Conservation and Society*.

Life Member, Indian Sociological Society.

Member, International Association for Ladakh Studies.

VISITS TO OTHER INSTITUTIONS

Janaki Abraham visited Aarhus University, Denmark for three months, 22nd April – 18th July, 2016. She received a scholarship given by the Erasmus Mundus Programme (IBIES) for Staff Mobility.

Radhika Chopra was India Studies Chair, Aarhus University, Denmark, March-June, 2016. She visited Department of Anthropology, Oslo University, Norway in May 2016. She also visited TISS, Guwahati, January, 2016 and SOAS, University of London, July 2015.

Abhijit Dasgupta visited Ethnological Institute, Munich University, Munich, Germany in July 2015 under the UGC exchange programme.

Satish Deshpande visited Goa University as the Dayanand Bandodkar Chair in Political Economy which is part of the Visiting Research Professors' Programme from 1st to 21st February, 2016.

Tulsi Patel visited, University of Göttingen, Germany, December 2015.