

National Seminar
THE ENVIRONMENT AS META NARRATIVE
 Department of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics, University Of Delhi
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PROGRAMME

Thursday, 5th March 2020

09:30-10:00 AM	Registration
10:00-10:30 AM	Welcome and Concept Is Environment a Metanarrative of our Time? Sudha Vasan, University of Delhi
10:30-12:00 PM	Session I - Recognizing Environment and Culture Chair and Discussant: Asmita Kabra, Ambedkar University
	1. <i>Of Nepali People and Indian Peacocks: The Politics of Bio-cultural Recognition on the Himalayan Frontier</i> Suchismita Das, University of Chicago, USA (On Skype)
	2. <i>Constructing Majuli Island as a World Heritage Site: Ecology as Culture</i> Kh. Neil Young, University of Delhi
12:00-12:15 PM	Short Break (Tea/Coffee)
12:15-01:45 PM	Session II - Urban Entanglements Chair and Discussant: Amita Baviskar, Ashoka University
	3. <i>Burning crop residue: Entanglements of environmental pollution with agrarian life</i> Vineet Rathee, McGill University, Quebec, Canada
	4. <i>The Environment as Disingenuous Trope – Tracing Contemporary Plastic Waste Discourse and Policy in India.</i> Kaveri Gill, Shiv Nadar University
01:45-02:30 PM	Lunch
02:30-04:00 PM	Session III - Institutionalizing the Environmental Narrative Chair and Discussant: Yasmeen Arif, University of Delhi
	5. <i>Bureaucratic epistemes and regulatory disputes: Genetically Modified (GM) crops between science and legal-administration</i> Aniket Aga, Ashoka University
	6. <i>The rhizomatic life of a metanarrative: Cultivating knowledge practices in an arid environment (Rajasthan, India)</i> Rita Brara, IEG/Ashoka University
04:00-04:15 PM	Short Break (Tea/ Coffee)
04:15-05:00 PM	Session IV - Remaking Nature Chair and Discussant: Suresh Babu, Ambedkar University
	7. <i>Designing Forests in the Anthropocene: Rewilding efforts in the urban interstices</i> Maya Ratnam, Ahmedabad University

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09:30-11:00 AM	Session V - Working Peoples Environments Chair and Discussant: Preeti Sampat, Ambedkar University
	8. <i>Chhattisgarh Mukti Morcha's Green Imaginations: Exploring Environmental Narratives in Central India's Mines and Factories</i> Radhika Krishnan, International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Hyderabad
	9. <i>Environment as Land: Understanding anti-displacement politics in Jharkhand</i> Vasundhara Jairath, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati
11:00-11:15 AM	Short Break (Tea/Coffee)
11:15-12:00 PM	Session VI - Development/Vikas or Environment/Vatavaran Chair and Discussant: Savyasaachi, Jamia Millia Islamia University
	10. <i>Thinking through the ideal of vatavaran in a post industrialised age: the case of Balbir Singh's River preservation movement in modern day Punjab</i> Amit Chaturvedi, Himachal Pradesh National Law University
12:00-01:30 PM	Session VII - Narrativising Resource Struggles Chair and Discussant: Nandini Sundar, University of Delhi
	11. <i>Counter Narratives of Resource Use and Transformation of Hinterland Spaces: A Study of Kakinada Coast in South India</i> Purendra Prasad, University of Hyderabad
	12. <i>Environment and (or) Development: Competing Narratives from Uttara Kannada District, Karnataka</i> Manisha Rao, University of Mumbai
01:30-02:30 PM	Lunch
02:30-03:15 PM	Session VIII - Wording and Visualizing the Great Derangement Chair and Discussant: Dev Pathak, South Asian University
	13. <i>Environmental Apocalypses, Cosmic Time and Super hero Comics</i> Roma Chatterji, University of Delhi
03:15-04:45 PM	Session IX - Institutionalising the Environmental Narrative Chair and Discussant: Sharib Zeya, University of Delhi
	14. <i>Seeing like a State: Constructing the Environment in the Judicial</i> Nandan Nawn and Sashikant Yadav, TERI School of Advanced Studies, New Delhi
	15. <i>We are all Environmentalists: Framing life in the National Green Tribunal</i> Sudha Vasan, University of Delhi
04:45-05:30 PM	Vote of Thanks and High Tea

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