



**Annual Report  
2018-19**

**Department of Sociology  
University of Delhi  
Delhi**

## PREFACE

The report covers the period, July 20, 2018 - July 20, 2019. This marks the sixtieth year of the Department, and its fiftieth 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 program 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 program. 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.

**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, Reprinted in 2018).

**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 (JNU), 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.

**Roma Chatterji**, M.A. (Delhi), M.Phil. (Hyderabad), Ph.D. (Delhi), is Professor and Head of the Department of 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 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 Palriwala**, M.A. (J.N.U.), M.Phil., Ph.D. (Delhi), is Professor of Sociology. Her current research interests are in the broad area of gender relations, covering care and emotion, welfare/social policy and citizenship, kinship and marriage, women and work, and women's movements and feminist politics, with an orientation to 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). Prof. Patel retired from service in January 2017.

**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 *The Burning Forest: India's War in Bastar* (2016), *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).

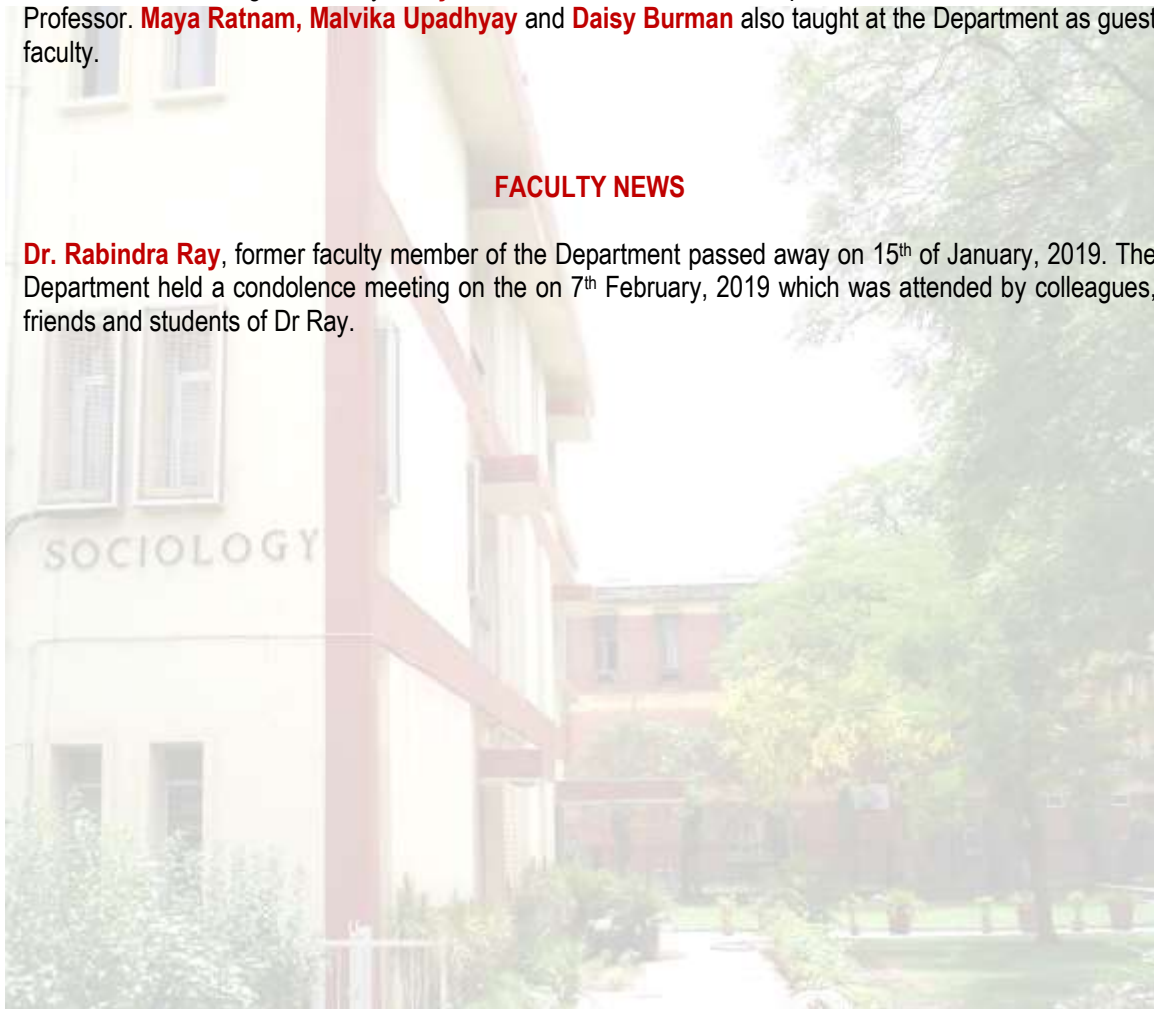
**Meenakshi Thapan**, M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D. (Delhi), is Professor of Sociology and Director of Delhi School of Economics (since March 2018). She is also the Co-ordinator, D.S. Kothari Centre for Science, Ethics and Education, University of Delhi and has been Provost, International Students' House for Women (until February 2018), 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.

In addition to the regular faculty, **Divya Janarthanan** served the Department as an ad hoc Assistant Professor. **Maya Ratnam**, **Malvika Upadhyay** and **Daisy Burman** also taught at the Department as guest faculty.

### FACULTY NEWS

**Dr. Rabindra Ray**, former faculty member of the Department passed away on 15<sup>th</sup> of January, 2019. The Department held a condolence meeting on the on 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 which was attended by colleagues, friends and students of Dr Ray.



## OFFICE STAFF (11/0/19)

Section Officer	Ashok Kumar
Stenographer	Raman Sethi
Assistant	Mr. Sanjay Kumar
Junior Assistant	Ms. Kiran Dhamija
Junior Assistant	Mr. Dharam Singh (On Contract)
Junior Assistant	Ms. Rakhi Chauhan (On contract)
Office Attendant	Mr. Diwakar Singh (On contract)
Office Attendant	Ms. Kiran Kashyap (On contract)
Office Attendant	Ms. Ram Avtar Gupta (On contract)
Safai Karamchari	Ms. Sona
Safai Karamchari	Shish Ram (Part time)
Safai Karamchari	Raja (On contract)
Mali	Mr. Devender Singh (On contract)
Farash	Mr. Rajesh



## TEACHING PROGRAM

### M.A. Examination Results (Batch of 2017-2019)

Number of students who appeared:	71
Number of students who obtained 1 <sup>st</sup> Division:	17
Number of students who obtained 2 <sup>nd</sup> Division:	38
Number of students who obtained 3 <sup>rd</sup> Division:	06
Others:	10

### M. PHIL. PROGRAM

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 2018-19

S.No.	Name of the Student	Topic	Name of Supervisor
1.	Shipra	Outsourced service work in Indian society: A case of Customer Relationship Management.	Shashi Bhushan Singh
2.	Krishan Takhar	Contesting Western Universalism, Three Visions: Walter Mignolo, Dipesh Chakrabarty and World Anthropologies Project	Satish Deshpande
3.	Elena Heisnam	Vigilantism and the State in Manipur	Nandini Sundar
4.	Burhan-UI-Haq Qurashi	A Study of Dialectical Method	Nandini Sundar
5.	Rajat Kumar	Conceptualising the Politics of the Urban Poor.	Rajni Palriwala
6.	Ramandeep	Technological changes in Agriculture : A sociological study.	Abhijit Dasgupta
7.	Ashima Mittal	Tracing Biomedical Assemblages: A case study for Clinical trails in India.	Rajni Palriwala
8.	Mitali Trivedi	Playing by the Rules?: A Sociological Engagement with PinkiPraminik's case.	Janaki Abraham
9.	Iftikhar Hussain	Neoliberalism and the politics of fear	Sunil Babu C.T.
10.	Debadrita Saha	Satire and Social Media: A Sociological Analysis	Sudha Vasani
11.	Bhawna Pawar	Caste Politics: A study of Jats Demand for reservation	Shashi Bhushan



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12.	Aishwarya Padmaraj	Writing the Animal : Reflections on Multispecies Ethnography	Sudha Vasan
13.	Mustafiz Ul Hasan	Ordinary Lives of Indian Secularism.	Vikramendra Kumar
14.	Rajpal Das	Tribes and Ashram Schools: A Genealogical Inquiry	Sunil Babu C.T.
15.	Remya Ann Mathew	Childhood: Through the Lens of Risk And Surveillance.	Anuja Agrawal
16.	Gailianglung Panmei	Christianity and Conversion: Satanism in Nagaland.	Anuja Agrawal
17.	Shantanu Vidur Nevrekar	Politics of Governmental Interventions: Colonial and Postcolonial Assemblages of Food Provisioning in India	Rajni Palriwala
18.	Tejaswi Chhatwal	Adjudating Atrocity: Reflections on Judicial discourse of caste violence in India	Satish Deshpande
19.	Rameez T	Social Anthropology and the Ethics of the ordinary.	Satish Deshpande
20.	Srishty Anand	Understanding the 'Urban' through 'break-down' of Infrastructure: The Piped Water System in Delhi	Yasmeen Arif
21.	Azeem Ahmed	Dalit Among Muslims: A study of Discrimination, Exclusion and Identity	Satish Deshpande
22.	Samudra Sankha Gogoi	Everyday in the Information Age	Kamei Aphun
23.	Riya Ray	'Beauty' in India : A Sociological Understanding	Janaki Abraham
24.	Aarushie Sharma	Kinship, Memory and Everyday Objects.	Rajni Palriwala
25.	Naincy	Rethinking Farmer Suicides in India.	Abhijit Dasgupta
26.	Nomaan Hasan	Senses of Sovereignty	Nandini Sundar
27.	Navjit Kaur	Decomposing Money(s): Glancing at the economy through financial derivatives	Yasmeen Arif

## PH.D. PROGRAM

<b>Ph.D. Theses Awarded during 2018-2019</b>			
S.No.	Name of the Student	Thesis Title	Supervisor
1.	Amit Chaturvedi	A Comparative study of Two Socio-Cultural Organisations in Uttar Pradesh.	Roma Chatterji
2.	Rubani Yumkhaibam	Queer Womanhood: An Ethnography of Manipuri Nupi Sabis/Nupi Maanbis.	Anuja Agarwal
3.	Anshu singh	A Minority Institute of Higher Education, Muslim Identity and Urban Space: A case study of Jamia Millia Islamia.	Meenakshi Thapan
4.	Gowhar Ashraf Fazili	“Political Subjectivity in Kashmir: An Ethnographic Exploration”	Nandini Sundar
5.	Sarbani Sharma	Everyday Understandings of Azadi in Kashmir.	Nandini Sundar
6.	Vasundhara Bhojvaid	Following Black Carbon	Yasmeen Arif
7.	Malini Mittal	Work, Mobility and Changing Family Relations: A Study of a Section of south asian pink collar workers in Kuwait	Meenakshi Thapan
<b>Ph.D. Theses (Submitted during 2018-2019)</b>			
S.No.	Name of the Student	Thesis Title	Supervisor
1.	Sharib Zeya	Land and Social Interaction in Rural Bihar: A Sociological Exploration”	Yasmeen Arif
2.	Chayanika Pal	Beauty Parlours: A Sociological Study of ‘Beauty Work’ in India.	Anuja Agrawal
3.	Saba Firdaus	Women's Labour in the Household: Ethnography of Domestic Space.	Anuja Agrawal
4.	Tila Kumar	Koshal Movement in Western Odisha: A Sociological Analysis.	Abhijit Dasgupta
5.	Utkarsh Kumar	Negotiating social boundaries through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)	Nandini Sundar
6.	Siddhi Bhandari	Photographers and Photography: A Sociological Study’	Janaki Abraham
7.	Nikita Kaul	Crafts and Forest: Understanding the relation through the vicissitudes of power	Sudha Vasan
<b>Students working on their Ph. D theses during 2018-19</b>			
S.No.	Name	Topic	Supervisor
1.	G. Suguna	Marriage practices among the Arunthathiyar Caste in Tamilnadu: A Sociological Study	Anuja Agrawal
2.	Khushboo Jain	A Sociological Study of Street Children and Youth in Delhi	Janaki Abraham

3.	Vijay Bahadur	Life after Bail of Children in Juvenile Justice System and Interventions by the State: A Case Study of Delhi	Janaki Abraham
4.	Mohammad Iqbal	Competing Tribal Identities: Hegemonies and Counter- Hegemonies	Kamei Aphun
5.	Aaradhana Jhunjhunwala	The Urban, Everyday Life of a River	Yasmeen Arif
6.	Kim Joo-Hee	Food and Eating Practices: Embodied Ethnicity among Settled Migrants in Delhi	Meenakshi Thapan
7.	Yaduvendra Pratap Singh	The Changing Status of a Scheduled Caste: A Sociological Study of Jatavs of City of Meerut.	Janaki Abraham
8.	Md. Jefra V.P.	Everyday Life Rhythms and Urban Social Space: A Study of Valiyangadi, Calicut, Since the 14th Century	Radhika Chopra
9.	K.S. Hakim	From Abstract to Concrete: A Historical Sociology of Parliamentary Communism in Kerala	Rajni Palriwala
10.	Arnav Das Sharma	Ravidassia: Cultural Hybridity, Religious Practice and Community	Radhika Chopra
11.	Afeeda KT	Religion and Body: Embodied Nature of Sacred Pain	Radhika Chopra
12.	Priti Laishram	Rethinking Resistance: A Sociological study of Everyday Life in Manipur	Kamei Aphun
13.	Anupama Ramakrishnan	Ethnography of migrants in the andaman islands	Sudha Vasana
14.	Saumya Malviya	Role of Metaphors in the Constitution of Mathematical Knowledge: An Ethnographic Exploration	Roma Chatterji
15.	W S Machutmi	Tribes and the Notion of Land: Changes in the Agrarian Structure and Social Relations among the Tangkhul Nagas	Kamei Aphun
16.	Soumodip Sinha	Middle Class Youth and the 'Field (s)' of Political Assertion: A Sociological Study of Urban India	Satish Deshpande
17.	Haider Ali Askary	People, Politics and Ideology: Study of the Changing Aspects in Ladakh	Sudha Vasana
18.	Kh. Neil Young	Political Ecology of Flood in Majuli Island, Assam	Sudha Vasana
19.	Devika Mittal	'Secular' School Culture: A Study of Two Schools in Delhi	Meenakshi Thapan
20.	Nargis Vasundhara	Female Domestic Workers in India- Reproduction of Gendered Labour in Urban Homes	Radhika Chopra
21.	Bhavneet Kaur	Gendered Narrative Experiences of Memory and Resistance in Indian Administered Kashmir"	Yasmeen Arif

22.	Yang Haonan	Social Capital and Public Welfare in West China	Abhijit Dasgupta
23.	Prama Mukhopadhyay	The Fisherman of the Forest: A Socio-Anthropological Study of the Landscape of the Deltaic Sundarbans in Bengal.	Abhijit Dasgupta
24.	Amrita Middey	A Sociological Study of 'Jatra' of Bengal	Anuja Agrawal
25.	Sadiqali T.	Educated Unemployed and their Families: A Sociological Study	Anuja Agrawal
26.	Madhulika Sonkar	Changing aspirations and challenges for Muslim girls' Education: An Ethnography of Girls' Schools in the Walled City	Meenakshi Thapan,
27.	Kamalpreet Singh Gill	Oral History, Folklore and Gender: Studying Family History in Punjab	Radhika Chopra
28.	Seema Mahi	Dynamics of Dalit Identity and social changes: A Case Study of Dera Sant Sarwan Dass Ballan, Jalandhar, Punjab	Radhika Chopra
29.	Virien Chopra	How do Comics Communicate: Analysing Semantic Formations in Comics	Radhika Chopra
30.	Shivani Katara	Profile, Awareness, Barriers Regarding Reproductive Health & Family Planning among Married Muslim Women : An Ethnographic Study in an Urban Setting	Rajni Palriwala
31.	Priti Chandra	Understanding Reproductive Health Services in the Realm of Body Politics and Caste in Uttar Pradesh	Rajni Palriwala
32.	Akriti Bhatia	Understanding Urban Informality and Exclusion: A Sociological study	Rajni Palriwala,
33.	Ojaswita Sharma	Deusi and Bhailo Songs: Performative Arts and Beyond	Roma Chatterji
34.	Neerab Raj Gupta	Understanding Disability Identity and the Role of Academic Researches in India.	Satish Deshpande
35.	Priya Bharti Churiyana	Changes and Challenges of Scheduled Caste Girls in Access to School Education-A Sociological Study of North West Delhi	Satish Deshpande
36.	Antora Borah	The Assam Nagaland foothill border: a study of migration, Identity and Development among the Sema Nagas and "Immigrant Bangladeshi".	Shashi Bhushan Singh
37.	Lenpu Rangla Khouchung	The Politics and Dynamics of Clan Formation among Kharam Tribe.	Shashi Bhushan Singh
38.	Ayushi Rawat	Researching Children Experiences in Kashmir: Perspectives on Conflict and Resistance	Tulsi Patel/ Vikramendra Kumar
39.	Jyoti Saini	Gender Aspect of Infertility in India.	Tulsi Patel/ Abhijit Dasgupta
40.	Yang Haonan	Social Capital and Public Welfare in West China	Abhijit Dasgupta

41.	Prama Mukhopadhyay	The Fisherman of the Forest: A Socio-Anthropological Study of the Landscape of the Deltaic Sundarbans in Bengal.	Abhijit Dasgupta
42.	Tathagato Ganguly	Decolonization is Not a Metaphor: Politics of Recognition and Contemporary Capitalism in Latin America	Nandini Sundar
43.	Nivedita Ghosh	A Sociology of Documentary Filmmaking	Abhijit Dasgupta
44.	Mohammad Sajjad Hussain	Platform Economy and Labour: A Sociological Study with Reference to Delivery Boys	Nandini Sundar
45.	Ancy Thomas	Colour As A Form of Embellishment: A Sociological Study of Painted Photography in India	Roma Chatterji
46.	Abir Misra	An Enquiry into the Structure and Process of Fan Activity	Anuja Agrawal
47.	Atiya Gopinath	The Resurgence of Cow Protection in Contemporary North India: Politics, Religion and Economy	Rajni Palriwala
48.	Meghna Bohidar	The Performances of Reel and Real Life: Exploring 'Love' in Public Spaces.	Rajni Palriwala
49.	Ishaque	The Idea of an 'Authenticated Islam': Mappila Muslim Traditions in Nadapuram, Kerala.	Vikramendra Kumar
50.	Guangchunliu Gangmei	Indigeneity, Land, and Identity: A Sociological Study of Rongmei tribes in Manipur	Kamei Aphun
51.	Fahad Hashmi	The Politics and Piety of Ahl-i Hadith Jamaat in India: Continuities and Transformations	Nandini Sundar
52.	Haruna Watabe	Emerging Tourism Industry in Nagaland: Exploring Between 'Exotic' Culture and Tourism.	Kamei Aphun
53.	Syeda Asia	Rethinking Inter-Organizational Relations: A Sociological Study of Consortia	Roma Chatterji
54.	Shamyeeta Ghosh	Producing the Land of Maharajas: A Sociological study of Tourist Sites and Touristic Practices in Contemporary Rajasthan	Vikramendra Kumar
55.	Sandeepan Das	Tea Plantation Workers in a Changing Economy: The Case of North Bengal	Abhijit Dasgupta
56.	Shweta Rani	Living with mosquito: Entanglement and the politics of life	Yasmeen Arif
57.	Fancy Jamatia	The Politics of Identity Construction in School Curriculum: A Study of Schools in Gomati District, Tripura	Vikramendra Kumar
58.	Sampurna Das	Drifting with the River: Understanding the chars of Assam	Sudha Vasani
59.	Rajat Kumar	Sociology of Urban Agriculture: A Case Study	Sudha Vasani

60.	Sarita Kumari	Untouchables as custodian of salvation: a study of Dom's in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	Sunil Babu
61.	Remya Ann Mathew	Digital Childhoods in the Urban Indian Scenario with reference to Delhi-NCR	Anuja Agrawal
62.	Gailianglung Panmei	Negotiating Indigeneity: Politics, Identity and Culture in the context of Assertion for Tribe Recognition	Satish Deshpande
63.	Waseem Aseem Akber Baba	Social Construction of Tuberculosis: A Study of the Relation between Clinic and wider Social Context.	Roma Chatterji
64.	Kadambari	Spaces of Paid-Sexual Pleasure: Relationship between Sex Work, Spaces and Sexual Pleasure	Gitika De (Hindu College)
65.	Azeem Ahmed	Case Identity among the Muslims in North India	Satish Deshpande
66.	Raman Deep	Dalits in Contemporary India: Valmikis of Haryana and Delhi	Sunil Babu
67.	Mohammad Saad	Instrumental role of Social Media in Ideological Dissemination and Indoctrination by Radical Groups	Sunil Babu
68.	Rameez T	Social Life of the Digital: An Ethnography of Digital Shopping	Satish Deshpande



## FELLOWSHIPS/ SCHOLARSHIPS/ PRIZES

### M.A.

Kunda Datar Gold Medal	Veena Dua Memorial Scholarship	Shri Shiv Lal Sawhney Scholarship (M.A. Previous)	Krishna Raj Scholarship
TBA	TBA	Shambhavi Gupta Madhuparna Sen Simran Gupta Suvarna Bhatnagar Ankita Arya	Amshuman Dasarathy Kundan Sen Rebecca Rose Varghese Mounica Sreesai Tanuj Luthra Nishaant Kapoor Vipul Bokolia Soham Das Trishita Shandilya

### 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)
Abir Misra	Fancy Jamatia Sampurna Das Rajat Kumar Remya Ann Mathew Kadambari Waseem Akbar Baba Kharia Azeem Ahmed Raman Deep	Kannika Sersia Srijan Butola Kanchan Biswas Ayushi Kiran	Sarita Kumari Gailianglung Panmei	Sadaf Nazar Wani Anupama Bhardwaj Mohit Srivastava Sargam Sharma Prakriti Aprajita Yumnam Hemochandra Singh Yashasvi Chaurasia Suanmuanlian Tonsing

## 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 2018-19.

1.	Satish Deshpande, Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi	The Curious Conceptual Career of the 'vote bank'	7th September, 2018
2.	Roma Chatterji, Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi	Super Hero Comics and Vernacular Culture	14th September, 2018
3.	Dietrich Reetz , Professor of Sociology, PI, Berlin Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies, Freie Universität Berlin	Between Knowledge, activism and the global market: international students at Islamic madrasas and the International Islamic University in Pakistan and India	28th September, 2018
4.	Sanjay Srivastava, Professor of Sociology, Institute of Economic Growth, University Enclave, North Campus, University of Delhi	Cut from another cloth: An ethnography of satellite mapping at the margins of the city	05th October, 2018
5.	Amit Chaturvedi, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla.	Telling Lives: The case of Socio-cultural Organisations in Uttar Pradesh	12th October, 2018.
6.	Radhika Chopra, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi.	Bazaar Divinity: The Shrine Bazaars of Amritsar	26th October, 2018
7.	Dolly Kikon, senior lecturer, School of Social and Political Sciences, University of Melbourne.	Carbon fantasies and aspirations along the foothills of Assam and Nagaland	2nd November, 2018
8.	Farhana Ibrahim, Associate Professor of Sociology, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.	Remembering 1971 in Gujarat: Citizenship and (in)security across civil-military terrains'	16th November, 2018.
9.	Ujjwal Kumar Singh, Professor of Political Science, University of Delhi, Delhi.	Rajneetik Kaidi, Raj Kaidi and the Politics of Political Prisonerhood	4th January, 2019



10.	Yasmeen Arif, Associate Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi, Delhi	Life in a Suicide Note, And Against Identity in Politics	11th January, 2019
11.	Babu C.T. Sunil, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi, Delhi	Replacing Arabimalayalam and illiterating the literates: Public Sphere and Mappila Women during the emergence of Kerala Feudal Modernity	8th February, 2019.
12.	Yael Berda, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Jerusalem	The file and the checkpoint: How bureaucracy made suspicious citizenship	15th February, 2019.
13.	Oishik Sircar, Assistant Professor, Jindal Global Law School, O.P. Jindal Global University '	Bollywood's Law: Cinema, Justice and the Gujarat 2002 Mass Violence	22nd February, 2019.
14.	Ishita Dey, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, South Asian University, Delhi and Mohammad Sayeed, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Indraprastha College for Women, University of Delhi	Smell and the city : Towards an ethnography of 'nose'	15th March, 2019.
15.	Kapil Raj, Research Professor of history of science at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris and currently visiting professor in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences of Shiv Nadar University	Go-Betweens in the Social Sciences, Humanities, and Science Studies'	29th March, 2019.
16.	Savyasaachi, Professor of Sociology, Jamia Millia Islamia University, Delhi	Disciples of the Word	12 <sup>th</sup> April, 2018

## PRE-Ph.D. SUBMISSION SEMINARS

As part of the Ph.D. Program, the following research scholars gave a Pre-Submission Seminar in the year 2018-2019

S. No.	Students Name
1.	Saba Firdaus
2.	Sharib Zeya
3.	Chayanika Pal
4.	Utkarsh Kumar
5.	Siddhi Bhandari
6.	Tila Kumar
7.	Khushboo Jain
8.	Jyoti Saini
9.	Nivedita Ghosh
10.	Nikita Kaul
11.	Sebanti Chatterjee
12.	Vijay Bahadur

## WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

A **SEMINAR FOR M.Phil. SCHOLARS** was held on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2018. This seminar enabled M.Phil students submitting their dissertations to present their work in the Department. 6 M.Phil research scholars made presentations in the Seminar.

A workshop on **TALKING CONSENT TALKING SEXUAL HARASSMENT** was held in the Department on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October, 2018. Dr Vineeta Chandra from the Department of English, Ramjas College conducted the workshop which was open to faculty, students and staff.

The Department organized a **RESEARCH SCHOLARS' WORKSHOP** on Feb 28-March 1, 2019, offering a forum for Ph.D. and M. Phil Scholars of the Department of Sociology to share their ongoing work and emerging projects. 2 Ph.D. Scholars and 9 M.Phil. Scholars presented their research at the workshop.



## **VISITING FELLOWS**

The Department has an active Visiting Fellows Program for hosting faculties from other institutions in India and abroad. Under this program, 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).

Due to lack of funds, no Visiting Fellows could be invited to the Department during the academic year 2018-19.



## FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS

### AWARDS

**Yasmeen Arif** was awarded the **Partnership Collaboration Award from the India Development Fund**. University of Sydney -University of Delhi. June 2018 - Oct19.

### RESEARCH PROJECTS

#### **Janaki Abraham**

The transformation of social landscapes in towns in India: The case of Bikaner, Rajasthan. Research project being carried out as Fellow, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi May 2019 onwards.

#### **Radhika Chopra**

Principal Investigator University of Delhi and University of Edinburgh Project "From the Margins: Low Income Migrants Access to Basic Services and Provisions: Jullundur and Guwahati" ESRC-ICSSR Collaborative Research Program on Urban Transformations in India.

Principle Investigator, University of Bergen and University of Delhi Project "Indian cosmopolitan alternatives: Ritual intersections and the proscription of religious offense." 2014-2019.

#### **Rajni Palriwala**

*Single parents, care, welfare, and state systems*, based at Leiden University, Netherlands (This project is going on for over 20 years)

*Moralising Misfortune: A Comparative Anthropology of Commercial Insurance*, based at Leiden University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology, funded by the European Research Council, collaborating with Dr. Erik Baehre.

*Minor Cosmopolitanisms*. International RTG of University of Potsdam, Frei University, Berlin, and Humboldt University with University of New South Wales, Macquarie University, University of Cape Town, University of Pretoria, York University, Duke University and IFLU.

#### **Meenakshi Thapan**

Continued to work as Co-ordinator and mentor on the on-line distance learning project on a Teacher Enrichment programme at the Rishi Valley Education Centre, AP, for elementary school teachers in the country. At the end of September 2019, the first year modules will be ready for implementation.

## WORKSHOPS ORGANISED BY FACULTY MEMBERS

### Meenakshi Thapan

Co-organised a panel on **Education and Transformation in Contemporary India** at the 25th meeting of the European Association of South Asian Studies, July 24-27, 2018 at Paris, France.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Janaki Abraham

2019. (Co- Editor) *Critical Themes in Indian Sociology* (50th Year of Contributions to Indian Sociology). New Delhi: Sage Publications. (Co-edited with Sanjay Srivastava and Yasmeen Arif).

2019. 'Changing Contours of Legitimacy in Neighbourhoods: Reflections from a Town in North Kerala' in Italo Pardo and Giuliana Prato (eds). *Legitimacy: Ethnographic and Theoretical Insights*. Switzerland: Palgrave Macmillan, pp.125-143.

### Anuja Agrawal

2018. 'Gender Questions at the Margins: The Case of Nomadic and DNT Communities' *Antyajaa: Indian Journal of Women and Social Change*, 3(2), 147-62.

2019. 'Revisiting the Marxist approach to sex work' in Ravi Kumar (ed.) *Left Politics in South Asia: Reframing the Agenda*, pp. 154-73, Delhi: Aakar Books.

### Yasmeen Arif

2019. *Critical Themes in Indian Sociology* (50th Year of Contributions to Indian Sociology). New Delhi: Sage Publications. (Co-edited with Sanjay Srivastava and Janaki Abraham).

### Roma Chatterji

2018. 'Forward: Towards a Sociology from "Unexpected Places" and a Sociology of Possibilities in South Asia' in R. Kumar, D.N. Pathak and S. Perera (eds). *Sociology and Social Anthropology in South Asia: Histories and Practices*. Delhi: Orient Blackswan.

2019. 'The Folk and the Making of an Indian Aesthetic' in Sanjay Srivastava, Yasmeen Arif and Janaki Abraham (eds.) *Critical Themes in Indian Sociology*. Delhi: Sage.

### Radhika Chopra

2018. *Amritsar 1984: A City Remembers*. London, New York, Lanham. Lexington Books/Rowman and Littlefield.

2018 'Apana-Paraya: The Making of a Migrant Neighbourhood' in Yogesh Snehi and Lallan S. Baghel (eds.) *Modernity and the Changing Social Fabric of Punjab and Haryana*. Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, pp. 299-323.

### Satish Deshpande

2019. *Sectarian Violence in India: Hindu-Muslim Conflict, 1966-2015*. Hyderabad & Delhi: Orient Blackswan. (Co-edited with Sanjay Palshikar).

2018. 'Anthropology in India'. *The International Encyclopedia of Anthropology*. DOI: 10.1002/9781118924396.wbiea2355.

2018. 'M.N. Srinivas'. *The International Encyclopedia of Anthropology*. DOI: 10.1002/9781118924396.wbiea2218

2018. 'Shiksha: Sankat, Chunautiyan aur Avsar'. *Pratiman: Samay, Samaj, Sanskriti*, 6(11), 117-153. (Co-authored with Batra, P., Kothari, A., Kumar, S., Jain, N. & Chandra, K.).

2018. 'Exclusion in Indian higher education today' in Centre for Equity Studies (ed.) *India Exclusion Report 2018* New Delhi: Yoda Press, pp.191-218.

2019. 'Introduction: The Social Sciences and the Economic and Political Weekly on Hindu-Muslim conflict' in Palshikar, S. & Deshpande, S. (Eds.), *Sectarian Violence in India: Hindu-Muslim Conflict, 1966-2015*. Hyderabad & Delhi: Orient Blackswan, pp.1-24.

### **Rajni Palriwala**

2019. 'Gendering Sociology, a Sociology of Gender or Studying Women?: Some Reflections' in Sanjay Srivastava, Yasmeen Arif and Janaki Abraham (eds.) *Critical Themes in Indian Sociology*. New Delhi: Sage.

2018. 'Family Policy in India: Contradictions, Continuities and Change', In Guöny Björk Eydal and Tine Rostgaard (eds.) *Handbook of Family Policy*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar. (Co-authored with N. Neetha).

### **Nandini Sundar**

2019. 'The Deployment of Resentment in Counterinsurgency: The Case of Chhattisgarh' in Amelie Blom and Stephanie Tawa Lama-Rewal (eds.) *Emotions, Mobilisations and South Asian Politics*. London: Routledge India.

2019. 'Hindutva Incorporation and Socio-Economic Exclusion: The Adivasi Dilemma' in Angana P. Chatterji, Thomas Blom Hansen and Christophe Jaffrelot (eds.) *Majoritarian State: How Hindu Nationalism is Changing India*. London: Hurst and Company, pp. 249-257.

### **Sudha Vasan.**

2018. 'Consuming the Tiger: Experiencing Neoliberal Nature' *Conservation and Society* 16 (4), 481-492.

2018. 'Ecological Crisis and the Logic of Capital' *Sociological Bulletin* 67 (3), 275-289.

2018 'Review of Environment and Development' *Economic and Political Weekly* 53 (41), 50-51 (Co-edited with Nandan Nawn and Ashish Kothari).

2018. 'Situating Agroecology in the Environment-Development Nexus' *Economic and Political Weekly* 53 (41), 50-51 (Co-authored with Nandan Nawn and Ashish Kothari)

## **FACULTY PRESENTATIONS IN CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS & SEMINARS**

### **Janaki Abraham**

'Smart for all? A View of Urban Futures from the Margins'. Presented at an International Conference on Urban Inequalities: Ethnographic Insights at the University of the Peloponnese, Corinth, Greece, 20-22 June 2019.

'Understanding the Intersection of Caste, Class and Gender'. Lecture delivered for B.L.Ed students. Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi, April 2019.

'Power and Purity: Some Reflections on Gender, Caste and Kinship'. Public Lecture, University of Hyderabad, March 2019.

'Queering Marriage and the Family in India'. Lectures delivered for BA students at the University of Hyderabad, March 2019

'Family Photographs'. Participant in Round table discussion, School of Arts and Aesthetics, JNU, 22 February, 2019.

'Visualising Kinship'. Lecture delivered at the ICSSR Research Methodology Course on 'Participatory Digital Methodologies and Ethnographic Filmmaking', Department of Anthropology, Delhi University, Delhi, 24th January 2019.

'Turning a Feminist Eye on Gender, Caste and Kinship'. Plenary Speaker, Indian Sociological Association Conference, Mysore, 26-29 December, 2018.

'Gendering the Indian Smart City: Contexts, Challenges and Future Directions' Speaker at a Roundtable Discussion in Workshop on Gendering the Smart Safe City, 13 December, 2018.

'Caste and Gender' Lecture delivered to College Teachers at Faculty Development Programme at Hansraj College Faculty Development Centre, University of Delhi. 29th November, 2018.

### **Anuja Agrawal**

'Arya Samaj Marriage in Indian Courts'. Paper presented at the Conference on 'New Directions, New Voices in Family Law in India', jointly organized by National Law School of India University (NLSIU), Melbourne Law School (MLS), The University of Melbourne and the Faculty of Law, University of Oxford held on 5-6 July 2019, NLSIU in Bangalore, India.

### **Yasmeen Arif**

'Life in A Suicide Note, For a Politics against Identity'. Sociological Research Colloquium, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi. 11 January, 2019.

'The Hierarchies of Knowing Life: The Event of a Suicide Note'. Presentation at Workshop on Egalitarianism, Hierarchy and Global Intellectual Labour beyond the West. University of Bergen - NIAS. Bengaluru. 19- 21 September, 2018.

### **Roma Chatterji**

Panel Discussion on 'Living and Dying. Meanings in Maithil Folklore'. By Dev Nath Pathak. Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019.

'Myths, Similies and Memory Traces. Images of Abduction in the Ramayan Universe'. Lecture delivered at Utopia: Sociology Festival, Miranda House, 8 February 2019.

'9/11 and Folk Art' & 'From Comic Book to Folk Performance'. Two lectures delivered at Research Methodology Workshop on Participatory Digital Methodologies and Ethnographic Filmmaking. Department of Anthropology, Delhi University, 14-24 January 2019.

'From Comic Book to Folk Performance'. Presented at Workshop on Graphic Storytelling in India organized by Kiran Nadar Museum of Art and Ambedkar University, Delhi 22-24 November 2018.

'Superhero Comics and Vernacular Culture'. Presented at Sociological Research Colloquium, Department of Sociology, Delhi University, 14 September 2018.

'Superhero Comics and Vernacular Culture'. Presented at Creative Theory Colloquium. IIC, Delhi 5-6 September 2018.

### **Radhika Chopra**



'Ziddi Munde- Pig Headed Boys: On the Migration of Men'. Presentation at the Workshop, Centre for Global Public Health and the Global Policy Institute, Queen Mary University (London), International Organisation on Migration (IOM), UN University- Institute of Global Health & MHADRI network. Kathmandu, Nepal. 25 April, 2019.

### **Satish Deshpande**

'Bhartiya Bhashaon Mein Samaj Shastra: Bham, Sambhavanaen, Chunautiyan'. Lecture Delivered at Department of Sociology, Lucknow University, 20 May, 2019.

'Language, Knowledge Production and Social-Cultural Capital: History and Contemporary Reality'. Panelist, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, Delhi, 25-26 March 2019.

'Higher Education and the Future of Inequality'. Lecture Delivered at Zakir Hussain Centre for Educational Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 25 March 2019.

'Two Lectures on Caste as Discrimination'. Lecture Delivered for Water Science & Policy Program, Shiv Nadar University, Dadri, Gautam Buddha Nagar, 15 March 2019.

'The Mahatma as Mortal: Mohandas Gandhi and his Struggles with Caste'. Lecture Delivered for Gandhi Study Circle, Gargi College, University of Delhi, 7 March 2019.

'Methodology as Persuasion'. Lecture Delivered at Department of Political Science and Delhi University Human Resource Development Centre, Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi, 5 March 2019.

'Development & Democracy in South Asia'. Panelist. South Asian University, Delhi, 22 February 2019.

'Four Moments in the Career of Caste'. Lecture Delivered at Department of Humanities & Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai, 2 February 2019.

'Higher Education and the Future of Inequality in India'. Paper presented at Conference on Inclusive Development in South Asia, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Tokyo, 15 December 2018.

'The Decisive Decade: Ambedkar, Gandhi and Caste in the 1930s'. Delivered as part of the Public Lecture Series Commemorating 150 Years of Gandhi, Safdar Hashmi Memorial Trust (SAHMAT), India Habitat Centre, Delhi, 8 December 2018.

'Meritocracy in China and India'. Panelist. Harvard University Center for Chinese Studies and South Asia Institute, IIC, Delhi, 28 November 2018.

'The Idea of Karnataka'. Panelist, Karnataka Rajyotsava Celebration, Kannada Studies Chair, School of Languages, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 27 November 2018.

'Caste Inequality'. Two Lectures for Economists at Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Economics, Mumbai, 15-16 October 2018.

'Remembering Gandhi's Martyrdom in a Time of Normalised Communalism'. Delivered as part of Rakta Sakshyam Public Lecture Series on the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Mahatma Gandhi, Kerala Sahitya Akademi. Payyanur, Kerala, 30 September 2018.

'Reservation, Gleichstellung and Women's Rights: Indo-German Comparisons'. Lecture for German Exchange Programme, Department of Adult Continuing Education and Extension, University of Delhi, 14 September 2018.

'The Curious Conceptual Career of the Vote Bank'. Presented at Friday Research Colloquium, Department of Sociology, University of Delhi, 7 September 2018.

'The Question of Language in Higher Education'. Lecture delivered at Central Institute of Education, Delhi University, 5 September 2018.

'Moral Luck and the Ethics of identity'. Presented at Department of Philosophy, University of Delhi, 31 August 2018.

'Digital Rumour in the age of Alternative Facts'. Presentation at 8<sup>th</sup> Anjan Ghosh Memorial Conference on Politics, Rumour and the Media, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata, 21 July 2018.

'Aakhir Vishwavidyalay Kyon? Teen Sadiyon ke Pratipadak Tark'. Delivered as the First Vinay Kumar Kanth Memorial Lecture, East-West Society, Patna, 20 July 2018.

### **Rajni Palriwala**

'Negotiating Money and Social Networks: Provisioning Care in Contemporary India'. Paper presented at the International Conference on Moralising Misfortune: Anthropological Perspectives on Finance, Care and Morality. Organised by the Institute of Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology, Leiden University, 4 July 2019.

'Women, caste and communalism.' A Workshop conducted for survivors of domestic violence, organized by Jagori, Delhi, 6 April 2019.

'Gendering Displacements: Women's Place making in Modernity'. Invited lecture at a seminar on the retirement of Prof. Sobha Nair at the University of Kerala, Trivandrum, 22 March 2019.

'Socialities of Care and Labour: Migration, Gender, and Agency'. Keynote address at the conference on Care, Migration, Gender – Ambivalent Interdependencies, Humboldt University, Berlin, 30 January-1 February, 2019.

### **Nandini Sundar**

Panelist in Book Release Discussion on Rohit De's People's History of the Indian Constitution', India International Centre, 10 January, 2019.

'Violence, Militarism and the Law'. Keynote Address, National Seminar on Rethinking Development and Displacement in India, Department of Sociology, KTHM College, Nasik, 24 January, 2019.

Panelist, 'Role of Civil Society Organizations in shaping Public Policy and Discourse'. Girish Sant Memorial Event, Prayaas, Pune, 9 February, 2019.

'Adivasis in the Indian Legal System'. Talk at Faculty of Law, University of Delhi, 15th February, 2019.

'Sociological Engagements with State, Society and Academia'. Keynote Address at Sociology Conference, Malayalam University, Thiru, 27 February, 2019.

Discussant, Book on Deviance, University of Nicosia, Cyprus, 2-3 March, 2019.

Panelist, Assembly, Critique & Praxis 13/13, Columbia Centre for Contemporary Critical Thought, Columbia University, New York, 27 March 2019.

M.N Tandon Memorial Lecture, Agra, 6 April 2019.

'Constitution', Talk at Seagull Foundation, Calcutta, 26-28 July, 2019.

### **Sudha Vasani**

'The Work of Making Nature'. Keynote Address at Entangled Natures, Conference organized by School of Human Ecology, Ambedkar University, Delhi, 15 February 2019.

'Standpoints of Environmentalism: The Eco-centric, Anthropocentric and Metabolic'. Presentation at ICSSR Sponsored National Seminar on Environmental Crisis, Ethics and Social Justice: A Critical Perspective held at Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi, Delhi, 5 April 2019

'Gender and Patriarchy' & 'History of Women's Movements in India'. Two lectures delivered at Capacity Building for Partners Meet organized by Terre des Homme Germany, India at Udaipur, Rajasthan, 25 April 2019.

## MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

### Janaki Abraham

Life member of the Indian Sociological Association

Life Member of the Indian Association of Women's Studies

Member, International Urban Symposium

Member of the Editorial Advisory Committee of the Indian Sociological Society's E-Journal, *Explorations*

Member Scientific Board of *Urbanities: Journal of Urban Ethnography*

Member, Board of Studies, School of Undergraduate Studies, Ambedkar University Delhi

### Anuja Agrawal

Advisor for Partners for Law in Development, Delhi

Life member of the Indian Sociological Association

Life Member of the Indian Association of Women's Studies

### Yasmeen Arif

Member, Scientific Committee. The Humanitarian Encyclopedia Project. CERAH, The Graduate Institute, Geneva and the University of Geneva, Switzerland

### Sunil Babu C.T.

Life member, Indian Sociological Society

Life member, Kerala Sociological Society

### Roma Chatterji

Life Member, Indian Sociological Association

Secretary, Institute of Socio-Economic Research in Development and Democracy

Member, Advisory Committee of Kala Nidhi Reference Library, IGNC

Member, Board of Studies, Centre for Media Studies, JNU Secretary, Institute of Socio-Economic Research in Development and Democracy

Member, Editorial Board, *Society and Culture in South Asia*,

Member, Editorial Board, *Journal of Indian Folkloristics*

Member, Editorial Board, *Theoria and Praxis*

Member, Editorial Board, *Indian Journal of Adivasi and Indigeneity Studies*

Corresponding editor *Medical Anthropologist Quarterly*

Consultant, Dharicha, Website on folk culture of Bengal

External Member, Advisory Committee, Department of Sociology, JNU

Member, International Advisory Board of Thinking from Elsewhere. Book Series by Fordham University Press, New York

Member, Board of Studies, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Amity University

### **Radhika Chopra**

Member, National Selection Committee, 2018-2019 Fulbright-Nehru Doctoral Research Fellowships

Member, National Selection Committee, 2019-2020, Fulbright-Nehru Student Research Awards

Life Member, CWDS

### **Satish Deshpande**

Life member of the Indian Sociological Society

Member, Editorial Board, *International Sociology*

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

Member, Editorial Board, *Pratiman*

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

### **Rajni Palriwala**

Life Member, Indian Sociological Society,

Life Member, Indian Association of Women's Studies

Life Member, Centre for Women's Development Studies, New Delhi

Member, Technical Advisory Committee, Social Science Division, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata

Member, Board of the School of Social Sciences, University of Hyderabad

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

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

Member, Editorial Board, *Women's Equality*

### **Nandini Sundar**

Member, Editorial Board, *Cambridge Journal of Anthropology*, January 2018 onwards

Member, Editorial Board, *INSEE*, 2017 onwards

Member, Editorial Board, *Sociological Bulletin*, 2016-20

Member, Editorial Board, *Anthropological Theory*

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

### **Sudha Vasan**

Life Member, Indian Sociological Society

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

Book Reviews Editor, *Conservation and Society*, 2007 onwards

Co-editor, Review of Environment and Development, *Economic and Political Weekly*

## VISITS TO OTHER INSTITUTIONS

### **Janaki Abraham**

UGC SAP Visiting fellow at the Sociology Department, University of Hyderabad. 4-8 March 2019.

### **Rajni Palriwala**

Visiting Researcher, at Leiden University, Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Cultural Anthropology and Development Sociology, June-July 2019, collaborating in the project on Moralising Misfortune: A Comparative Anthropology of Commercial Insurance, funded by the European Research Council. Affiliated to the International Institute of Asian Studies, Leiden during this period.

### **Meenakshi Thapan**

Visiting Fellow, Faculty of Arts and Letters, Waseda University, Tokyo from 10-24 June 2019 (Worked in collaboration with Prof Akiko Kunihiro, Faculty of Arts and Letters, Waseda University, towards publication of a joint edited volume and on the organization of an international conference in 2020).

