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## CANNABIS POLICY IN INDIA AS A PART OF SOCIAL ASSEMBLAGE(S)

### ***Abstract:***

This presentation looks at the history and present of cannabis policy in India through a framework of policy assemblages and charts its possible futures. Policy documents often give the impression of being unchanging themselves, and of lacking the ability to cause change in social life once they age. However, the intermittent invocation of cannabis policy by both state and non-state institutions – to create or propagate discourses, or to capture or divert the public imagination – shows that when policies become part of assemblages through forced, temporary and unstable connections, they prompt movement and agitation in social life and act as conduits or reservoirs of power.

### ***The Speaker:***

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