

INEQUALITIES BOUND IN HISTORIES OF THE COLONIAL AND POSTCOLONIAL

A WORKSHOP ON KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

VENUE: LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE (LSE),
INTERNATIONAL INEQUALITIES INSTITUTE (III).

WORKSHOP DATES: Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st May 2024

ORGANIZERS: Shalini Grover (LSE, UK) and Nitin Varma (Humboldt University,
Berlin)

DAY ONE Monday 20th:

9-9.30: Registration, Tea and Coffee

Morning Session, 10.00-11.30am: *Setting the Themes*

Shalini Grover and Nitin Varma: backdrop and rationale behind the conference

Professor, Laura Bear, LSE, UK: Opening remarks

- 1) Presenter: Shalini Grover: Title of Paper/Talk: Forgotten Histories of Racialized Colonial Networks of Domestic-Care Workers

Discussants: Laura Bear and Nitin Varma

Noon Session, 11.30am-1pm: *Empire and Sexuality in South Asia:*

- 1) Presenter: Shriya Patnaik, Geneva Graduate Institute, Switzerland Title of Paper/Talk: Historical convergences in the late colonial and early nationalist response to the 'devadasi' question in India: policing temple-dancing in the Jagannath Temple of Puri, Odisha

Discussant: Ruchika Sharma, Mata Sundri College for Women, University of Delhi

- 2) Presenter: Jo Krishnakumar, SOAS, University of London, UK

Title of Paper/Talk: Identity, collectives, and festivals: celebrating Ambedkar Jayanti with sex workers in Miraj & Sangli, India

Discussant: Samita Sen, University of Cambridge, UK

Lunch at LSE for: 1-2:30pm

Empires beyond Colonial South Asia:

Afternoon Session, 2.30-4pm: *Individuals and Biographies*

1) Presenter: Sara Comechio, LSE, UK

Title of Paper/Talk: Inocência da câmara pires in the “Spanish” Civil War and African anti-colonial struggles: making the invisible visible and connecting struggles for liberation

Discussant: Nitin Varma, Humboldt University, Berlin

2) Presenter: Alyson Wharton, University of Lincoln, UK

Discussant: Nitin Varma, Humboldt University, Berlin

Title of Paper/Talk: Biographies to decolonise

Tea/Coffee Break, 4-4.30pm

Afternoon Session, 4.30pm: *Empire and Extraction:*

1) Presenter: Foluke Adetola Ojelabi, LSE, UK

Title of Paper/Talk: “The Sahel agrarian workforce: journey from extreme wealth to impoverishment, neglect, and deprivation” (Mike with co-authors).

Discussant: Rama, Salla Dieng, University of Edinburgh, Scotland

2) Presenter: Mike Savage, LSE, UK (to be scheduled only at 5pm)

Title of Paper/Talk: The racial wealth divide and the British imperial diaspora

Discussant: Kristin Surak, LSE, UK

DAY TWO, Tuesday 21st May 2024:

Tea/Coffee, 9.30am

Morning Session, 10.00-12 noon: *Empire, Conflict, Turmoil and Resistance*:

1) Thomas Chambers, Oxford Brookes University, UK

Title of Paper/Talk: Composite Nationalism and the 'Thrown-Togetherness' of Partition: Tales from a Muslim Mohalla

Discussant, Crispin Bates, University of Edinburgh, Scotland

2) Rohan Chopra, University of Oxford, UK

Title of Paper/Talk: "From empire to nation-states, from liminal to second-class: the making of frontier subjectivities in Madhesh"

Discussant: Jeevan Sharma, University of Edinburgh, Scotland

3) Poornima Paidipaty, Kings College, University of London, UK

Title of Paper/Talk: "Jal, Jungal, Jameen': Re-appropriating the anthropological archive through Komaram Bheem's movement against tribal land alienation in Telangana."

Discussant; Vanita Damodhar, University of Sussex, UK

Lunch at LSE: 12.00-1.30pm

Afternoon Session, 1.30-3pm: *Gender, Caste and Empire*:

1) Nirupam Hazra, Bankura University, West Bengal

Title of Paper/Talk: Dalit Identity: Caste, Coloniality and Bhadraklok Culture

Discussant: Sumeet Mhaskar, O.P. Jindal University, Delhi

2) Ridhi Sethi, B.R. Ambedkar University, Delhi

Title of Paper/Talk: "Gender, post-colonialism and education in India"

Discussant: Aardra Surendran, IIT Hyderabad

Afternoon Session, 3- 4.30pm: *Labour, Medicine and Empire*:

1) Bidisha Dhar, Tripura University, Tamil Nadu

Title of Paper/Talk: The artisans of Lucknow's embroidery industry: a fractured laboring force?

Discussant: Thomas Chambers, Oxford Brookes University, UK

2) Dishari Sarkar, University of Göttingen

Title of Paper/Talk: "Marginalized mind, marginalizing a mind: A decolonial feminist-neurodiverse study of the historical treatment of women's minds in colonial India."

Discussant: Awaiting confirmation

Tea/Coffee Break, 4.30 to 5pm

5pm, Summary and the way forward

End of Conference