

Tanweer Fazal
Minoritysm or Minority Rights: Interrogating Post-Sachar Strategies of Intervention

Bimol Akoijam
Governing the Others: Politics of Culture and Challenges of Citizenship

Lunch Break: 1:30 P.M To 2:30 P.M

Session – VII, 2:30 p.m – 3:30 p.m: Religion and Marginalities in Contemporary India

Chair: R.P. Mamgain, Director, Indian Institute of Dalit Studies

Speakers

Vinay Kumar Srivastava
Socio-economic Characteristics of Tribal Communities That Call Themselves Hindu

Navtej Purewal
Religion and Inequality in Punjab: Vicissitudes of Gender and Caste

Asghar Ali Engineer
Changing Contours of Muslim Marginality.

Tea Break: 3:30 to 3:45

Session – VIII: 3:45 – 5:30 p.m Religious values, Development and Public life
Chair: P.M. Kulkarni, CSRD, JNU

Speakers

Zara Ramsay and Tamsin Bradley
Religious Values and Development: Concepts and Practices

Martin Rew
Pro Poor? FBOs and Education in Maharashtra

Vinod Pavarala and Kanchan Kumar Malik
Social Constructions of Religiosity and Corruption in India



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19-20 April 2010
10:00 am – 5:30 pm

SSS–I, Committee Room, Jawaharlal Nehru University,
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**Plural Societies and Imperatives of Development:
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Date: 19-20 April, 2010

Venue: SSS-I, Committee Room, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

19th April, 2010: Session-I: 10:00 - 11:15 a.m: Inaugural Session

Chair: Sukhadeo Thorat, Chairman University Grants Commission

Introduction to the seminar: **Surinder S. Jodhka**

Introduction to the Research Programme: **Carole Rakodi**

Speakers

Dipankar Gupta: Religious Pluralities and Imperatives of Citizenship

Ghanshyam Shah: Religion and Civil Society

Tea Break 11:15 – 11:30 am

Session – II: 11:30 a.m-1:00 p.m: Marginalities, Religions and the Political Process

Chair: **Carole Rakodi**, University of Birmingham

Speakers

Gurpreet Mahajan

Religions, Democracy and Governance: Spaces for the Marginalized in Contemporary India

Padmaja Nair

The State and Madrasa Reforms: A Contested Agenda

Lunch Break 1:00 to 2:00 pm

Session III 2:00 to 3:20 pm: **Religious Minorities and the State**

Chair: Zoya Hassan, Centre for Political Studies, JNU

Speakers

Hilal Ahmed

Muslims and Affirmative Actions in Post-colonial India

Chandan Gowda

Culturing Policy: Affirmative Action and Religious Minorities

Kamala Sankaran

State, Laws and Religious Minorities in India

Session IV: 3:30 to 5:15 pm: Religion and Cultures of Development

Chair: Azra Razzak, Jamia Milia Islamia

Speakers

Joe Divine

Wellbeing and Religion: Questions of Values and Practices

Gurharpal Singh Darshan Tatla and Simon Charlene

Religious Trans-nationalism and Development

Day II: April 20th 2010

Session V: 10:00 to 11:30 am: **Religions and Social Movements of the Marginals**

Chair: Javed Alam, Chair, Indian Council of Social Science Research.

Speakers

Maninder Thakur

Mapping Neo-religious Movement in India

Nida Kirmani

Claiming Their Space: Muslim Women-led Networks and the Women's Movement in India

Surinder S. Jodhka

Ravidasis and the Neo-Buddhists: A Comparative Study of two Dalit Religious Movements.

Tea Break: 11:30 to 11: 45 am

Session VI : 11:45 am to 1:30 pm: **Minorities and Citizens**

Chair: Arthur van Diesen, DFID, New Delhi

Speakers

Dipankar Gupta

Seeking a 'New' Normal: Post-Conflict Coping Strategies in Ahmedabad and Mumbai



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The Book Release Function and Dinner

*Religion, Communities and Development
Changing Contours of Politics and Policy in India*
(eds. Gurpreet Mahajan, Surinder S. Jodhka)

**Launch of the Book Series on
Religion and Citizenship**

on

19th April 2010, 7:00 pm

Seminar Room no. II, India International Centre

Dinner

Rose Garden, India International Centre

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