

**EXTRAPOLITICS:
INDIAN DEMOCRACY AND THE POLITICAL OUTSIDE**

**International Workshop
Centre for Modern Indian Studies, University of Göttingen**

December 5-7, 2012
Convention Centre (Tageszentrum an der Sternwarte) , University of Göttingen

SCHEDULE

December 5

- 1:00-2:00 Introductions and lunch
- 2:00-3:15 **LINEAGES OF EXTRAPOLITICS**
- David Gilmartin, *The Enchanted Individual: The Political and the Apolitical in the Construction of the Modern Indian Voter*
 - Rupa Viswanath, *The Political Paradoxes of Selection: Depressed Classes and Representation in Colonial Madras*
- Discussant: Srirupa Roy**
- 3:15-4:30 **POLITICAL REPRESENTATION BEYOND VOICE AND CHOICE**
- Lisa Mitchell, *Political 'Arrival': Extrapolitical Referenda, Discretionary State Accommodation, and the Journey to Recognition*
 - Lisa Bjorkman, *'You Can't Buy a Vote': Cash and the Discourse of Corruption in a Mumbai Slum*
- Discussant: Rupa Viswanath**
- 4:30-4:45 Coffee Break
- 4:45-6:00 **ANTIPOLITICS AND THE INNOCENT CITIZEN**
- Zoya Hasan, *The Politics and AntiPolitics of Middle Class Activism in India*
 - Srirupa Roy, *The Politics of Civic Anger*
- Discussant: Sankaran Krishna**
- 6:00 on Reception

December 6

- 9:30-10:45 **THE "PROPERLY POLITICAL"**
- Subir Sinha, *The Properly Political and its Boundaries in India*
 - Nate Roberts, *An Anthropology of Representation: Electoral Mysticism and Pragmatic Religion*
- Discussant: David Gilmartin**
- 10:45-11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:00-12:15 **MIDDLE CLASSES AND SOCIO-POLITICAL EVISCERATIONS**
- Peter van der Veer, *Who Cares? Care Arrangements and Sanitation for the Poor*
 - Sankaran Krishna, *Mathematica Mystica: The Fixation on Number in Postcolonial India*
- Discussant: Patrick Eisenlohr (TBC)**
- 12:15-1:15 Lunch

- 1:15-2:30 **REGULATING INFORMALITY**
- Ravi Ahuja, *Demarcated Statism and Labour Regulation in India: Preliminary Explorations of a Transformation (c. 1937-1948)*
 - Sebastian Schwecke, *Debt in Benaras: Illicit Entrepreneurship in the Context of (Formal) Policy Failure*
- Discussant: Solomon Benjamin**

32:30-2:45 Coffee Break

- 2:45-4:15 **ELUSIVE POLITICS**
- Ajay Gandhi, *Frauds and Charlatans: Sincerity's Elusiveness in Delhi*
 - Lalit Vachani, *Stealthscapes: Transformations of Public Open Spaces in Mumbai*
- Discussant: Shalini Randeria**

6:00 on Dinner for workshop participants

December 7

- 9:30-10:45 **RELIGION AND THE PRODUCTION OF THE APOLITICAL**
- Pralay Kanungo, *Informal Hindutva*
 - Arafat Valiani, *Processions as Publics: Religious Ceremonials and Modes of Public Sphere Intervention in Colonial and Postcolonial India*
- Discussant: Jyotirmaya Sharma**

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

- 11:00-12:15 **COMMUNITY FICTIONS**
- Devika Bordia, *The Ethics of Duty: Panchayat Practices and the Making of Bhil Leaders in Rajasthan*
 - Rashmi Varma, *The Irreal Adivasi: The Extrapolitics of the Literary*
- Discussant: Amita Baviskar**

12:15-1:15 Lunch

- 1:15-2:30 **OUTSIDE POWER? RESISTANCE AND EXTRAPOLITICS**
- Uday Chandra, *The State, Popular Resistance and "Democracy" in the Forests of Eastern India*
 - Ritajyoti Bandopadhyay, *The Political Economy of India's Unique Identification Project: Possibilities of Resistance*
- Discussant: Nate Roberts**

2:30-2:45 Coffee Break

2:45-4:00 Conclusion