

## Two-Days Online Conference on

# 'Imperialism and Agrarian Transition in South Asia'

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in Collaboration with

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### KEYNOTE ADDRESS

**9:30am-10:30am** **ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES TO AGRARIAN ISSUES**  
 Prof. Pranjali Bandhu, South Asia Study Centre, Nilgiris

#### 10:30am-12:00pm **Session I: British Imperialism and Agrarian Transformations**

- Commercial Economy of British Colonialism and Replacement of Adivasi Women's Rights, Needs and Knowledge, *Saubhagya Laxmi Singh, Central University of Odisha*
- Limits to the Development of Capitalism in Agriculture, *Sahil Azad, Independent Researcher*
- Imperialism and Development of Agrarian Crisis in Punjab, *Kusum Lata; Christ (Deemed to be University), Ghaziabad; Jaskaran Singh, Ramgarhia College Phagwara (Punjab); Manabhanjan Meher, Central University of Punjab*

#### 1:00pm-2:30pm **Session II: Corporatisation and Contractualisation in Agriculture**

- Deciphering the Linkage Between Contract Farming and Capitalism in India Through the Lens of Class, *Sayonee Majumdar, Taki Government College, West Bengal*
- Corporatisation and Contractualisation in Agriculture Labor: Implications for Farm Workers and Rural Communities, *Prithvi Raj, Birla Global University, Odisha*
- Development and the Agrarian Transition in NE India: The Case of Oil Palm Plantations, *Akhum David Longkumer, University of Delhi*

#### 2:30pm-4:30pm **Session III: Class and 'Pre-Class' Dynamics in Agriculture**

- Changing Caste-Class Dynamics in Rajasthan's Agrarian Landscape, *Suraj Beri, Nagaland University Lumami*
- Farmers' Movement, Gender and Ecofeminism in the Shetkari Sanghatana (1970-90), *Vibha Arora, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi*
- Examining the Dichotomy of Musaha Women Labour in Agrarian Society of Bihar, *Priti Gupta, Jawaharlal Nehru University*
- Forest Social Formation and Limits of Epistemic Category of Peasant: Some Reflections from Central Rural Bastar, *Pushpam Kumar Jha, Jamia Millia Islamia*



#### 10:00am-11:30am **Session IV: Migration and Agriculture**

- Some Remarks about Agricultural Villages and Migration and Four Suggestions, *Mark Lindley, Independent Researcher*
- Interlocking Migration in Post Colonial India, *Akshit Raj, University of Delhi*
- Pattern of Occupational Diversification among Agricultural Households in Bundelkhand, Madhya Pradesh, *Dinesh Rajak, Jawaharlal Nehru University*

#### 11:30am-12:30pm **Session V: Credit System and Agrarian Crisis**

- Marks in Transition: Assessing the Role and Functions of the Shift from APMC to PACS in Bihar, *Navin Kumar, Jawaharlal Nehru University*
- Agriculture in Distress: A Special Case of Punjab, *Gurmeet Singh, Government College for Girls Ludhiana*

#### 1:30pm-3:00pm **Session VI: Land Alienation and Struggles**

- Some Dynamics of Land Alienation and Dispossession in India's North-East: From Pre-Independence to the Neoliberal Era, *Koumudi Mahanta, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi*
- Owning the Land: Significance of Tenancy Laws in Jharkhand, *Jaya Kumari, Christ (Deemed to be University), Ghaziabad*
- Radicalisation of the Poor Peasantry's Politics in Bangladesh, 1947-1971, *Farooque Chowdhury, Independent Researcher*

3:00pm-3:15pm

*"KRISHAK — a photographic series about peasant farmers at the rice harvest in West-Bengal"* by *Anja Bohnhof, German Artist*

### VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

**3:15pm-4:15pm** **ARRESTED TRANSFORMATION: DYNAMICS OF AGRARIAN CHANGE UNDER IMPERIALISM**  
 Prof. Kumar Sanjay Singh, Associate Professor, Department of History, Swami Shraddhanand College, University of Delhi

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DAY 2, 30 APRIL, 2024