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Director's Note

The Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (CSSSC) was founded on 1st February 1973 and soon gained national and international recognition as a premier research institution of the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). Over the past four decades, the institution has kept going its reputation as a key centre in the promotion and advancement of research and teaching in the humanities and different social sciences disciplines. Over the years, the disciplines and areas of research represented at the CSSSC have significantly diversified to include cultural studies, gender studies, performance studies, development and environmental studies, alongside its continuing older strengths in the fields of history, politics and economics. The institution's profile has been shaped both by the individual academic work of its faculty, and by its different collective and collaborative programmes - like running conferences, workshops and training programmes; hosting a weekly seminar series by its own faculty and by visiting scholars; organising documentary film screenings; conducting a full-time M.Phil. and Ph.D. programme; undertaking documentation and digitization of rare, endangered material in private and institutional collections; expanding its historical and cultural archives of textual and visual records; and conducting several social and economic surveys and public policy projects.

The most important development of this year has been the recruitment of faculty across different disciplines, following a rigorous selection process that involved ten days of seminar presentations in November 2015 by shortlisted candidates before different subject-based selection committees. Against this process of open advertisement and selection, we had the following faculty members moving to higher or permanent positions – Dr. Manas Ray became Professor in Cultural Studies; Dr. Anirban Das became Associate Professor in Cultural Studies; Dr. Priya Sangameswaran became Associate Professor in Development Studies; Dr. Rajarshi Ghosh became an Assistant Professor (permanent) in History; and Dr. Trina Nileena Banerjee became Assistant Professor (permanent) in Cultural Studies. Dr. Kiran Keshavamurthy, Assistant Professor in Cultural Studies, and Dr. Rittwik Chatterjee Assistant Professor in Economics, were given fresh three-year tenures beginning 2016. The two new faculty members who have taken up their appointments are

Dr. Maidul Islam, who was offered a permanent position as Assistant Professor in Political Science, and Dr. Debduitta Chowdhury, who was offered a three year tenure as Assistant Professor in Gender Studies.

This has also been a year when we have lost some existing and potential members of faculty. Dr. Dwaipayan Bhattacharyya, Associate Professor in Political Science, moved to a position of Professor in the Centre for Political Studies at JNU in July 2015. Dr. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay, who was offered a permanent position as Assistant Professor in History, did not take up the offer and moved to a faculty position at ISER, Mohali, in March 2016. Unfortunately, none of the three sociologists in the panel of selected candidates - Dr. Sukanya Sarbadhikary, Dr. Malini Sur and Dr. Upal Chakrabarti - took up the permanent or three-year appointments that were offered to them. Dr. Chinmoyee Mallick, who was offered a three-year appointment as Assistant Professor in Geography, could not take up the offer because she failed to get lien from her present college job. So, our institution continues to grapple with the absence of faculty in the key fields of sociology, social anthropology and geography. However, despite this lacuna, these disciplines continue to find a place in the interdisciplinary research, teaching and seminars conducted at the CSSSC.

In July 2015, Professor Sugata Marjit, RBI Professor of Industrial Economics, was appointed interim Vice-Chancellor of Calcutta University, and was granted lien to take up this prestigious post. Professor Marjit, however, remained closely involved with activities of the CSSSC throughout this period, and continued to oversee the work of the Reserve Bank of India endowment and the Centre for Training and Research in Public Finance and Policy (CTRPFP) at the CSSSC. He also served on the Board of Governors of the CSSSC in his new capacity as Vice-Chancellor of Calcutta University. We are also very happy to have two retired Professors in Economics and Sociology, Professor Ramprasad Sengupta from the Economics faculty of JNU, and Professor Kalyan Mandal from IIM, Kolkata, affiliated with the CSSSC on senior ICSSR Fellowships for two years, from 2016 to 2018. During this year, the Director secured the approval of the Board of Governors for renewing the system of granting extensions of tenure to retiring faculty on a case-to-case basis, on the grounds of the institutional need to retain some of its senior faculty. Following a process of review of his application for extension by two external experts, Professor Manas Ray, who retired on 31 January 2016, was granted a year's extension of service.

Another critical development of the year was the preparation of a Reservation Roster against the 26 ICSSR-sanctioned faculty positions at the CSSSC. At a special Board of Governor's meeting, convened on 4 January 2016, this Reservation Roster for faculty positions was presented to the Board for its approval, and a decision was taken towards a phased implementation of this Roster. Five faculty positions— one Professor, one Associate Professor, and three Assistant Professors – have been placed under reservation in the first phase of implementation of the Roster, with a decision taken to advertise these positions and proceed with recruitments over 2016. The CSSSC had already introduced the reservation quotas in the intake of its M.Phil. and Ph.D. students from the time in 2009 when these programmes came to be formally affiliated with the Faculty of Arts, Jadavpur University. The preparation of a Reservation Roster for its administrative staff is in the process of preparation. This will ensure the rules of reservation are in place at all levels within the institution.

The M.Phil. in Social Sciences programme and the Ph.D. programme of the CSSSC, both of which have been affiliated to the Faculty of Arts, Jadavpur University, since 2009 have been growing from strength to strength. Drawing students from all over the country, the M.Phil. programme has become one of the country's most successful interdisciplinary programmes in training students for high-quality research in the humanities and social sciences. Under an exchange programme with the Centre for Modern Indian Studies (CeMIS), University of Gottingen, Germany, we have hosted some of their students for a semester within our M.Phil. programme, and have sent some of our Ph.D. students to spend a term in Germany. In recent years, many of our M.Phil. students have moved to fully-funded Ph.D. research in the best universities in the USA and UK, and our Ph.D. students have found good post-doctoral and faculty positions in India and abroad.

The CSSSC's two new flagship units that have been set up with funding from the two separate Ministries of Finance and Culture of the Government of India are both flourishing. The first of these – the Centre for Research in Public Finance and Policy (CTRPFP) that was set up within the CSSSC with a generous endowment from the Ministry of Finance during 2011-2012, continued its seminars and workshops, and recruited two Assistant Professors and a Post-doctoral Fellow in Economics to add to the faculty strength of the institution. An earlier Reserve Bank of India endowment also continues to

greatly benefit the institution, by supporting a Chair and research positions in Economics. The second of these units is the Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre (JBMRC), that has been set up under a Ministry of Culture, Government of India, funded scheme, in the renovated old precinct of the CSSSC at 10 Lake Terrace. This was the home of the famous historian Jadunath Sarkar from 1936 till his death in 1958, and also the first home of the CSSSC from 1973 to 2000. The renovated building will now house the institution's digital, textual and visual archives, the vernacular language library of books, periodicals and newspapers and the scholar collections, and will showcase its resources through archival displays and temporary and permanent exhibitions. Serving as the city office of the CSSSC, the JBMRC will also offer a fresh venue in the heart of the city for workshops, conferences, lectures, exhibitions and teaching programmes. Following the formal inauguration of the JBMRC on 1st February, 2015, the ground floor auditorium has been the venue of several talks and seminars over the year, as the Jadunath Sarkar gallery has also been placed on permanent display. The plans are to have all the functions and facilities of this venue in place by 2017.

The long-time strength of the CSSSC has been its Library and its Archives of digitized texts and images. This year saw the retirement of our Librarian, Siddhartha Shankar Ray, on 31 August 2016. We record our sincere thanks to Mr. Ray for steering our Library through its transfer to the CSSSC's Patuli campus in 2000 and then through its severe financial constraints, while continuing to build its donated collections and its internal infrastructure. We also extend a warm welcome to our new Librarian, Sanchita Bhattacharyya, who was appointed to this post through an open selection on 2 November 2016. Under the Endangered Archives scheme of the British Library, UK, the CSSSC's well-trained archival personnel have continued to conduct invaluable documentation projects covering decaying print and manuscript resources in several district libraries of the state. The CSSSC's library and archives also continues to receive donations of a large body of books, journals, papers and photographs from the family collections of several eminent scholars. This has enabled the building up of unique repository of material on the history of 20th century Indian scholarship across the social sciences, humanities and cultural disciplines. What our Library and Archives would immensely benefit from is an augmentation of ICSSR funds under its Plan head, without which the CSSSC

today finds it increasingly difficult to maintain and augment its international journal subscriptions and its purchase of books published in India and abroad, and to keep going its archival activities of documentation and digitisation of rare collections. With the retirement of many members of the library staff, there is also an urgent necessity to recruit new trained personnel against the vacant positions – which the institution is hoping to undertake over 2016-2017.

The even greater need for the institution, today, is to actively seek other sources of funding and build a stable corpus fund, not just to support the Library and Archives, but also to bring in new specialized staff and researchers, develop a Visiting Faculty programme, and keep up an active programme of seminars, conferences, workshops and exhibitions. The CSSSC's highly successful and nationally reputed Cultural Studies Workshop, which has been running for two decades, has had to be suspended for want of funds. The Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre will need to search out and secure its own pool of funds to build its staff and programmes, none of which are budgeted for within the ICSSR's regular annual grants to the institution. Last, but not least of all, the CSSSC is urgently awaiting a one-time campus renovation and maintenance grant from both the ICSSR and the state government to carry out a full-scale scheme of repair of its building at Baishnabghata Patuli. This initiative of the raising of funds will have to feature as one of the prime concerns of the institution in the coming year.

(Tapati Guha-Thakurta)

CSSSC – Board of Governors

Members

Prof. Amitava Bose	Chairman
Prof. Tapati Guha-Thakurta	Vice-Chairman and Director, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta
Dr. G. S. Saun	Member Secretary, Indian Council of Social Science Research
Dr. Paula Banerjee	Department of South and Southeast Asian Studies University of Calcutta / Representative of UGC
Prof. Swapan Kumar Chakravorty	Kabiguru Rabindranath Tagore Distinguished Professor of Humanities (Literary & Cultural Studies), Presidency University / Representative of the Government of West Bengal
Prof. Suranjan Das	Vice-Chancellor, University of Calcutta
Prof. Gopalchandra Misra	Vice-Chancellor, University of Gour Banga
Prof. Jyotsna Jalan	Professor of Economics, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta / Member
Prof. Sugata Marjit	RBI Chair Professor in Economics, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta / Member

Prof. Manabi Majumdar	Professor of Political Science, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta / Member
Prof. Lakshmi Subramanian	Dean, Academic Affairs and Professor of History, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta / Invitee Member

Secretary to the Board of Governors

Dr. Debarshi Sen	Registrar
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CSSSC – Faculty Members

Tapati Guha-Thakurta	Director, Professor, History
Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	Assistant Professor, History
Trina Nileena Banerjee	Assistant Professor, Cultural Studies
Rimli Bhattacharya	Professor, Gender Studies
Rittwik Chatterjee	Assistant Professor, Economics
Sudipto Chatterjee	Professor, Cultural Studies
Rosinka Chaudhuri	Professor, Cultural Studies
Anirban Das	Assistant Professor, Cultural Studies
Pranab Kumar Das	Associate Professor, Economics
Prachi Deshpande	Associate Professor, History
Rajarshi Ghose	Assistant Professor, History
Jyotsna Jalan	Professor, Economics
Saibal Kar	Associate Professor, Economics
Kiran Keshavamurthy	Assistant Professor, Cultural Studies
Manabi Majumdar	Professor, Political Science
Indrajit Mallick	Associate Professor, Economics

Sugata Marjit	RBI Chair Professor, Economics
Tushar Kanti Nandi	CTRPFP Assistant Professor, Economics
Manas Ray	Associate Professor, Cultural Studies
Priya Sangameswaran	Assistant Professor, Development Studies
Sattwik Santra	CTRPFP Assistant Professor, Economics
Lakshmi Subramanian	Professor, History
Honorary Professor at the Centre	
Professor Gautam Bhadra	
Professor Partha Chatterjee	

CSSSC – Administrative Staff - 2015-16

General Administration

Dr. Debarshi Sen	Registrar
Debdulal Banik	
Shikha Chakraborty	
Biswa Nath Nag	[Retired in May 2016]
Sajal Kumar Das	
Ranjana Dasgupta	
Kavita Bhowal	
Sreeparna Das	
Ivy Chanda	
Sajal Bhattacharjee	
Dilip Saha	
Ashim Patra	
Subrata Jana	

Library

Siddhartha Shankar Ray – Librarian [Retired in August 2015]
Soumitra Chatterjee [Retired in November 2015]
Sanchita Bhattacharyya
Jayati Nayak
Anupam Chattopadhyay
Jayeeta Majumdar
Tapash Pal
Ram Krishna Dutta
Pintu Sarkar
Chandan Chakraborty

Archives

Abhijit Bhattacharya – Documentation Officer
Kamalika Mukherjee

Accounts

Ashish Sarkar [Retired in December 2015]
Surajit Bose
Maitreyi Ghosh
Nitai Kanti Pattanayak
Sukanta Mirdha

Computer

Debojyoti Das

Research Projects at the CSSSC (Funded by External Agencies)

The CSSSC has undertaken several academic research projects. Some of these are intended to augment the holdings in its archives and to organize academic events around these holdings and promote research. It also undertakes survey-based projects and training workshops with a view to developing research capacities. The inter-disciplinary character of the Centre and its faculty has meant that its intervention has been recognized as crucial in developing resources and facilitating research.

Completed Research Projects

1. *Archives of Movement*. In collaboration with the Technical University, Berlin, this is a short term research network initiative coordinated by Prof. Lakshmi Subramanian. The initiative included a joint seminar on 6 and 7 November 2015 and sharing of web resources.
2. *Cultures of Violence*. Cultural Studies Workshop organized by the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (CSSSC). In March 2016, Prof. Manas Ray coordinated a ten day pedagogic workshop funded by Indian Council for Social Sciences Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, and its Eastern Regional Centre (ERC).
3. *Knowledge, Attitude and Practices of Voters in Howrah*. Dr. Tushar K Nandi coordinated the project. The Election Commission of India, Govt. of India, funded it.

On-Going Research Projects

1. Santipur and its neighbourhood: text and images from pre and early modern times: The Endangered Archive Programme (EAP781) is moving ahead as expected. Abhijit Bhattacharya and Dr. Rajarshi Ghose are Investigators of the project. The team consists of Tapan Paul, responsible for technology implementation, Mr. Pradip Mandal, Curator of the Rabindra Bhavan, Visva Bharati, as consultant conservationist, and Mr. Deepro Chakraborty as consultant cataloguer. Jayeeta Mazumder and Kamalika Mukherjee are, as always, actively engaged in the project both within the office and at the

project location. During the year, the project team has completed digitization of manuscripts and printed books from Bangiya Puran Parishad, Santipur, Nadia; Municipal records from the Santipur Municipality; printed books from the Santipur Brahmo Samaj; printed books and manuscripts from the Krittibas Memorial Museum and Library, Phulia, Nadia, and has copied the paintings and photographs of Lalit Mohan Sen from the private collection of Prabartak Sen.

2. Impact of participatory Theatre on Socio-Economic Issues. Chief coordinator of the project is Prof. Jyotsna Jalan. Papers that are in the process of completion:
 - “Empowering Women: An evaluation of a socio-cultural intervention in South 24 Parganas” (jointly with Karla Hoff, The World Bank and Sattwik Satra, CTRPFP).
 - “Impact of Reservations for Women of GP seats on Women’s Issues (jointly with Karla Hoff, The World Bank).
 - Indian Public Finance and Policy Research 2016: Fiscal Issues and Macroeconomy (forthcoming 2016) edt. Jyotsna Jalan, Sugata Marjit & Sattwik Satra.
3. District Development Report of Howrah. Dr. Saibal Kar and Dr. Tushar Nandi are joint coordinators. It involves preparation of the first Development Report for the District of Howrah. It includes chapters on industrialization, social sector development, agricultural prospects, migration, health, etc. The Planning Board, Govt. of West Bengal, funds this project.
4. Taxes, Public Expenditure and Growth. Dr. Saibal Kar and Dr. Mausumi Kar of Women’s Christian College are joint coordinators. The project is funded by SANEI XVIth Round, Kathmandu. The project involves measuring the impact of public expenditure on economic growth. The role of various taxation schemes is discussed in detail.
5. MICAS – MP - Prof. Lakshmi Subramanian is coordinating this Indo-German project, especially the module on the Archives of the Political. So far this has involved maintaining close communications with the Max Weber Stiftung office in Delhi to enable some funding for digitization of

the Kolkata Improvement Trust material. Planning a workshop around the theme of the city and the archive in December 2016 and to consider participation in the main phase of the project, application for which begins in middle of 2016.

6. Prof. Lakshmi Subramanian is facilitating the identification, collection and cataloguing of music and performance related material (Calcutta based) for the JBMRC.
7. Indo-Danish research initiative on Serampore. Prof. Lakshmi Subramanian is co-convening this project with support from a network grant. It has so far focused on preparatory meetings for future research collaboration.
8. Second Cities in the Circuits of Empire: Calcutta, Glasgow, and the Nineteenth-Century Legacy of the Scottish Enlightenment. Prof. Rosinka Chaudhuri coordinated this programme. The British Academy funded 'International Partnership and Mobility Scheme' Grant to the Department of the School of Critical Studies / English, University of Glasgow, in partnership with the CSSSC, is on-going and in its last of the three years, finishing in 2017. A conference was organised at the CSSSC with scholars from Pune, Delhi, Calcutta and the UK, India, Canada and Australia on the 9th of February, 2016. The conference was funded by the ICSSR for the national participants, and the British Academy and the University of Toronto for the international scholars in collaboration with Presidency University, where the second day of the conference was organised. The third and last conference is scheduled to take place in Glasgow in May 2017. A projected volume has already been submitted to various publishers in the UK and India.
9. Oral History Project. Professor Rosinka Chaudhuri is co-ordinating this project. The aim of this project is to compile a history of the CSSSC by interviewing former members of the institution on video. This video footage will then be professionally transcribed and eventually published in a volume. The editorial work for the volume will be done by commissioning somebody who has considerable experience in the field. To this end, ICSSR-ERC has sanctioned a grant of Rs 1,50,000 and a committee was set up under the Archives Committee titled the Oral History Project,

coordinated by Prof Rosinka Chaudhuri. Work on this project started in 2013. The interviews completed so far are as follows: Ashok Sen, Nripen Bandyopadhyay, Gautam Bhadra, Nirmala Banerjee, Saugata Mukherjee, Dipesh Chakrabarty, Arun Ghosh, Shobhanlal Datta Gupta, Partha Chatterjee. Four students or former students of the CSSSC have been commissioned to produce transcripts from the cds of the interviews. A guide towards the writing of a style sheet for transcripts in Bengali was then produced collectively with the help of Indira Chowdhury of the Centre for Public History, Srishti Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Bangalore. All four transcripts have now been submitted and will be vetted for quality purposes by the committee, following which the rest of the interviews will be transcribed. Once the transcription work is done, a decision will be taken regarding translation of the material into English.

New Research Initiatives / Projects

CSE–CSSSC Initiative on Capital Market Research. The Calcutta Stock Exchange awarded an annual grant under investor protection fund for conducting research on investment behaviour of common investors in the capital market in West Bengal and other states in the eastern region. The agreement aims to continue the research study on a long-term basis. Dr. Pranab Kumar Das, Associate Professor of Economics, CSSSC is currently coordinating the project.

Academic Activities of Faculty Members

Much of the vitality of the Centre's academic life is supported and sustained by the research of its faculty members. This has been a distinguishing feature of the Centre's academic life since its inception and has been instrumental in its exceptional inputs to the various disciplines it represents. The Centre runs a regular faculty series seminar and reading group that encourages lively and periodic intellectual exchanges among faculty members. It encourages faculty members to collaborate with other institutions in India and overseas to organize joint seminars and workshops. It allows faculty to share their research interests and expertise and undertake teaching and supervision in other institutions in India and overseas. Additionally, the faculty assumes important administrative responsibilities in connection with academic programmes and research activities in the Centre.

The following section details the current research and teaching activities as well as individual research projects and administrative responsibilities undertaken by the faculty. Details of research interest and academic publications of the CSSSC's faculty, including those of recently appointed faculty members, may also be found at the CSSSC's website.

Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay (Assistant Professor, History)

On-going Research

- A book on the social history of acceleration in Calcutta in the aftermath of the asphalt/concrete revolution has been accepted by Cambridge University Press in 2014. The submission deadline was 31 March, 2015. Due to some unavoidable circumstances, the project is behind schedule; however, as I have been able to show considerable progress in the project in the last one year, the CUP has extended the contract period.
- A book project on a history of tenancy in Calcutta is currently under formulation. The CIT project (mentioned in the previous section and in the subsequent section) is a part of this long-term engagement with the real estate archives of the city. Using the colonial official and aesthetic dilemma over the characteristics of the settlement in Calcutta (for instance, whether Calcutta was to be called a cluster of villages, or a town, or a city) until the dawn of the 20th century as the starting point, the project conceptualizes

Calcutta (the zamindari of the Company) as a field of experimentation of a number of property settlements that considerably influenced subsequent land and revenue settlement policies and measurement practices in rural Bengal. In other words, in this project the hypothesis is that it is possible to trace the ‘urban roots’ of rural land & revenue settlements in colonial Bengal. This project also seeks to make a systematic documentation of the structures of caste and ethnic holdings of landed property and commercial establishments in Calcutta between early 1800s and the mid-1970s.

- Joint essay, “Caste and the Frontiers of Postcolonial Accumulation”, (with R. Samaddar) to appear in Iman Mitra, Ranabir Samaddar and Samita Sen (eds), *Accumulation in Postcolonial Capitalism*, Springer, 2016.
- Essay: “The Street in Motion: Asphalt Paving in Calcutta, 1900s-1940s”, communicated to *Urban History*

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. Organized a two-day workshop in March (9-10 March) 2016 in which the members of the Democracy group of the ICAS-MP discussed their papers.

Teaching Assignments

M.Phil. 2015-17 at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta.

Semester I: Three lectures in Vocabulary of Social Sciences and five lectures in Modernity and Making of the Social.

Semester II: Six lectures in Envisioning the City, and (partly) coordinated the module Envisioning the City.

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Ritam Sengupta (2013) – “Electricity Infrastructures in Colonial and Postcolonial India: 1850 to Present”.
2. Rupsa Ray (2013) – “Making of the Labour in the Perspective of the Politics of Capital”.
3. Amit Bindal (2014) co-supervising with Prachi Deshpande on law and its other.

M. Phil.

2013-15

1. Soumita Mazumder - the history of clubs in colonial Calcutta.

2014-16

2. Pintu Das (co-supervising with PriyaSangameswaran) - the politics of aid in post-Aila Sundarbans.

3. Udaybhanu - the political economy of lift-irrigation technology in Telangana.

4. Biboswan Bose (co-supervising with Anirban Das) - research on early revolutionary terror in Bengal, with a specific focus on the revolutionaries' negotiation with death and demise.

Administrative Responsibility

Archive Committee

Library Committee

Publications

Articles in Books

1. "The Street Vendors Act and Pedestrianism in India: A Reading of the Politics of the Calcutta Hawker Sangram Committee", in Kristina Graaff and Noa Ha (eds), *Street Vending in the Neoliberal City: A Global Perspective on the Practices and Politics of a Marginalized Economy*, New York, Berghahn, 2015.

Journal Articles

2. "Institutionalising Informality: The Hawkers' Question in Calcutta" *Modern Asian Studies*, 50 (2), 2016.

3. "Counter-Pedestrianism", *Seminar*, 674, October, 2015.

Reviews/Others

"Bourgeois Sociality in Colonial South Asia: A Review of Benjamin Cohen's *In the Club: Associational Life in Colonial South Asia*", *The Book Review*, XL, II, February, 2016.

Trina Nileena Banerjee (Assistant Professor, Cultural Studies)

Completed Research

The following essays have been completed and submitted for publication:

- “Making the Sacred Public: Women, Performance and Protest in Contemporary Manipur”, in *Rethinking the Secular: Performance, Religion, and the Public Sphere*, Ed. Jisha Menon (Stanford University) and Milija Yuhovic (Warwick University). To be published by Palgrave, UK.
- “Dangerous Play’ - Masculinity and Punishment in Anurag Kashyap’s No Smoking: Exploring Spectacles of Sexuality and Surveillance in Modern India”, in *Explode Softly: Sexualities and Contemporary Indian Visual Cultures in India* (Ed: Brinda Bose and Shilpa Phadke, Seagull Books).
- “New Masculinities and Authoritarian Aesthetics in Contemporary Bombay Cinema” for a volume titled *Familiarizing the Unfamiliar: Sexuality, Abjection and Queer Existence in Contemporary India*, edited by Pushpesh Kumar and Rukmini Sen. To be published by Routledge, India.

On-going Research

- Working on a paper on scenography in Bengali theatre for the occasional paper series of the Archives in CSSSC. The paper is tentatively titled “The Art of Staging: Spectacle, Realism and the Visual Arts on the Calcutta Proscenium”.
- An essay on sexual violence for the forthcoming issue of Seminar, ed. Manas Ray.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. Presented a paper titled “The Art of Staging: Spectacle, Realism and the Idea of the ‘Minimal’ in Left Theatre Aesthetics in Calcutta” at the International Federation of Theatre Research’s Annual conference held at the University of Hyderabad in July, 2015.
2. Chaired a session titled “Performing Femininities and Masculinities” at the National Queer Conference 2015, organised by Sappho for Equality and held at Jadavpur University, Calcutta between 11th and 13th September, 2015.
3. Delivered the Keynote Address at the 8th Annual Debrupa Bal Memorial

National Students' Seminar on "Literary Studies and Performance: Indian Context" held on the 29 of September 2015 at Vivekananda Hall, Suvarna Jayanti Bhavana, Jadavpur University.

4. Speaker at workshop on gender and education organised by Ebong Alap and Nirantar Trust for district school teachers from 16th -19th January 2016, on the subject of "Masculinity in Contemporary Political Discourse".

5. Speaker and respondent at the Cultural Studies Workshop on "Cultures of Violence" held at CSSSC in March, 2016.

6. Was invited to introduce films on state and sexual violence at the Kolkata People's Film Festival held in January, 2016.

7. Chaired a session at the Annual SC/ST workshop at CSSSC held in March 2016

Teaching Assignments / Visiting Appointments

- Five classes on 'Theatre and Performance' for the Foundation Course at FTII, Pune (August, 2016).

- Twelve classes on 'World Theatre' at the National School of Drama Northeastern Regional Centre, Sikkim (February, 2016).

- Was invited to lecture on "Text and Presence: The Question of Liveness in Performance" at a Refresher Course on Performance Studies organised by the Department of Comparative Literature, Jadavpur University on the 29th of August, 2015.

Research Supervision [M.Phil. and Ph.D.]

Ph.D.

1. Arijita Mukhopadhyay – "Kolkatar Rangamanche Narider Bhumika, Abosthan O Abhiprayan: Ashir Doshok Theke Samprotik Kal"

2. Mahaprajna Nayak - " Translating the self into the rhetoric of collective: understanding the Indian internet social. "

3. Rimpa Das – "Gendered Informality: Life, Work and the Politics of Livelihood in Kolkata's Street Economy"

4. Arpita Ghosh – "Online Television Fandom in Contemporary India"

M.Phil.

1. Sohini Dutta – “Gender, Caste and the History of Education: A Critique of Contemporary Debates”
2. Anurupa Bhowmick – “The ‘Hashtag’ Intervention to Violence against Women in India: An Archive of neo-solidarities post December 16, 2012”

Administrative Responsibility

Seminar Committee

Archive Committee

COGSASH

Cultural Studies Workshop Committee

Publications

Articles in Books

1. Kanhailal’s ‘Draupadi’ (2000): Resilience at the Edge of Reason’ in *Theatre of the Earth: Clarifying the Trajectory by Kanhailal Heisnam*. (Calcutta: Seagull Books, 2016).

Reviews/Other

1. Review of Eastern Quarterly’s issue titled “Gender in Meitei Society”, Volume 8, Issue 1 & 2, Spring-Monsoon 2012 to be published as “Feminist Research on Manipur: Thinking Old Questions Anew” published in the current issue of Eastern Quarterly (ISSN 0975-4962) in Summer 2015.
2. Reviews of two books on the North East published in the Sage journal called Social Change in April-May 2015. The two books are: Prasenjit Biswas and C. Joshua Thomas, eds. Construction of Evil in North East India: Myth, Narrative and Discourse. New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2012. ISBN: 978-81-321-0945-7 (HB) and Margaret Ch. Zama, ed. Emerging Literatures from Northeast India: The Dynamics of Culture Society and Identity. New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2013. ISBN: 978-81-321-1043-9.
3. Review of the book titled *Ashapurna Devi and Feminist Consciousness in Bengal: A Bio-critical Reading*, by Dipannita Datta (Oxford University Press, 2014) for The Book Review [Volume XXXIX No. 7 - JULY 2015].

4. 'Heisnam Kanhailal-er "Draupadi" O Samakalin Rajnoitik Performance' for the Cinema of Resistance collection in January 2016.

5. Essay "Our Time, Their Time: Witnessing the 'Nation', Calibrating 'Freedom'" published in the web magazine Eyezine, in April 2016.

6. Pourusher Poribortonshil Swarup" in Bengali journal *Alochona Chakra*, edited by Samrat Sengupta (Calcutta, 2015).

7. A review of the book *Gender Space and Creative Imagination: The Poetics and Politics of Women's Writing in India*, by Rekha, for The Book Review, New Delhi. (Published July 2015).

Rimli Bhattacharya (Professor, Gender Studies)

Completed Research

- Worked with artist Vivan Sundaram and other collaborators on a performance project around art and life of painter sculptor, Ramkinkar Baij. Presented as '409 Ramkinkars', a cross-genre installation and performance work at the Indira Gandhi Centre for the National Arts, Delhi, from March 24 - April 2, 2015.

- Completed writing a book on gender and performance (focusing on the 19th and early 20th century public theatre in Bengal and elsewhere). The manuscript is currently under review.

- Completed the bulk of research on Rabindranath Tagore and performance praxis in Santiniketan-Sriniketan and currently finalizing the manuscript for publication.

- Completed and submitted "Speaking of Food: apple, ice-cream, posto, pesta, roti . . ." forthcoming in *Contemporary Trends in Language Teaching*, Ramakant Agnihotri, et al, eds. Delhi, Orient BlackSwan.

On-going Research

- Natural history and technology in children's periodicals at the CSSSC archives
 - have been working on children's periodicals in Bangla (*Sandesb, Mukul, Sakha*) at the CSSSC archives. My particular focus has been narratives of natural history and technology meant for a juvenile audience in *Sandesb*. I have conceptualised this research as a 3-part monograph. Have completed Part I of this project in 2014.

- A paper based on archival research through this year (both at the CSSSC archives and at the Sadharan Brahma Samaj Library), 'Child marriage and submarines in *Sakha* and *Sandesb*: Tones and half tones in magazines for children', was worked on and completed.

- During the stay in Nantes, France (October-November 2015), research on 'the Great War' in literature & visual arts for children and pedagogic practices in France for the first two decades of the 20th century was conducted.

- Working on Part II of this project for a General Seminar at the CSSSC, and after suitable revisions, to submit it for publication as an Occasional paper in the CSSSC Archive Series.

- Currently, I would like to continue working in the CSSSC archives as and when I manage to visit Calcutta, and complete Part III of this project (and finalise the monograph) by mid-2017.

- The following books are being worked on for publication:

1. The Trade Routes of Theatre, 1870s-1920s (completed book length manuscript invited by Palgrave-Macmillan for review)
2. *The Dancing Poet: Rabindranath Tagore and modernity in performance* (monograph with archival photographs forthcoming from Tulika Books)
3. Translation of Bibhutibhusan Bandyopadhyay's *Ichhamati*. Delhi, Rupa (2016).

Seminars, workshops, conferences

1. "The pulse of violence: A long view of nature, technology and subjectivities", at Childhoods in India: Traditions, Trends and Transformations 3-day Symposium, 19-21 November 2015, Azim Premji University, Bangalore. [by invitation]

2. "Man, machine and trajectories of violence: WWI in image and texts for young people" at India and WWI: Across Generations Conference, 6-7 November 2015, Shiv Nadar University & United Service Institution of India, Delhi. [by invitation]

3. "Subject: Lotuses and Fires: 'Scenic Illusions' on the nineteenth century imperial stage", Faculty Seminar, 8 April 2015, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences Calcutta.

4. 'Child marriage and submarines in Sakha and Sandesh: Tones and half tones in magazines for children' was presented at Azim Premji University, Bangalore on 11 September 2014.

Teaching Assignment

2015 - M.Phil. Seminar: Theorising Performance [Lecture with film analysis]

External academic assignments

Invited member to editorial advisory board for a new book series, "New Directions in Comparative and International Education," to be published by Bloomsbury Academic Publishing.

Research Supervision

Ph.D. supervision at University of Delhi

1. Prachee Dewri - "Bishnuprasad Rava: A Study in Revolutionary Aesthetics"
2. Garima Rai – "Interrogating Migrant Subjectivity in Indian Nepali Writing from Darjeeling (1950s-1980s)"

Administrative Responsibility

Archives Committee, CSSSC.

Publications

Articles in Books

"Realizing the Body in Movement: Gestures of Freedom in the Dance Aesthetics of Rabindranath Tagore and Kumar Shahani" in *The Bloomsbury Research Handbook of Indian Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Art*, Arindam Chakrabarti, ed. London: Bloomsbury Academy, 2016, pp. 249-268.

Journal article

"Opening up the utsav: Rabindranath Tagore and choreographies of participation", *Jadavpur Journal of Comparative Literature*, Nos. 51-52, 2014-2016, pp. 9-38.

Rittwik Chatterjee (Assistant Professor, Economics)

Completed Research

- Auctioning CO2 Emission Permit in an Oligopolistic Industry – This paper

makes an attempt to solve two potential problems that a social planner is likely to face viz. when to auction emission permits and how much. We show that the currently practiced mechanism, auctioning predetermined level of emission permits, is ex-post inefficient. Finally, we design an auction which efficiently allocates the emission permits ex-post.

On-going Research

- Competing in foreign market and R&D decision – In duopoly markets firms often try to gain an advantage over their rivals by investing in R&D. This paper makes an attempt to study R&D incentives of duopoly firms under different information structures when the R&D efforts result in lowering of marginal cost for the concerned firms. The results identify parametric conditions for R&D decisions under various information structures.

- Co-operative R&D and diffusion – This paper makes an attempt to study the effect of diffusion on R&D. A firm, who has partial information about her rival's type (the diffusion parameter), is deciding to invest in a cost reducing R&D, in a two stage game. The results show that, as the uncertainty about the type of the rivals rises, investing in R&D becomes more risky under incomplete information.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. “Competition and Auctioning of Licenses” presented on 22 December 2015, in XXVth Annual Conference on Contemporary Issues in Development Economics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata.

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC

Mathematical Economics (Ph.D. course-work in CSSSC)

Administrative Responsibility

Computer committee

Library committee

MPhil sub-committee

COGSASH committee

Publications

Journal Articles

1. “Collaborative Research and Rate of Interests” (with Srobonti Chattopadhyay) (2015), in *Studies in Microeconomics*, Vol.3 No.2 pp.140-157, doi:10.1177/2321022215588871.
2. “Ek-kalin o parjayakramik nilam theke bikray labdha ayer tulona” (with Srobonti Chattopadhyay) (2015), *Arthabhisleshon*, Vol.3 Issue.1 pp.43-52.

Reviews/Others

Essay titled “Coal Auctions in India” (with Srobonti Chattopadhyay) (2015), *Geography and You*.

Sudipto Chatterjee (Professor, Cultural Studies)

Completed Research

The following essays have been completed and submitted for publication:

- “Ajitésh-Kaku”, Bengali article on theatre personality, Ajitesh Banerjee, forthcoming in a memorial anthology, 2017.
- “Shree Sombhu Mitra: Ek Ékalabyér Duralabhya” Bengali article on theatre personality, Shombhu Mitra, forthcoming in the *Journal of Pashchim Banga Natya Akademi*, 2016.

The following essays have been completed and published:

- “Duniyadar Thiyétar”, Bengali article on world theatre experience in 25th Anniversary Anthology of *Natya Anan*, 2016.
- “Sacrificing Bisarjan: Translation & Tagore’s Problem of/with Aesthetic Portability” in *Tagore: The World as His Nest* (eds Subhoranjan Dasgupta and Sangeeta Dutta), Institute of Development Studies Kolkata & Jadavpur University Press, 2015.
- “Jai Sékhaané Moner Maanush Jékhaané”, an article on the central search of Baul-Phokir hermeneutic practice, in a commemorative volume for the Baul Utsav organised by *Anagrasar Kalyan Kendra*, Government of West Bengal, July 2015.
- “Lalon Bhéror Din Giyaachhé”, on the twentieth century and contemporary reception of and politics around Lalon Phokir, *Anushtup*, May 2015.

- “Pandabani: Ek Ananya Dhaaraay Mahabharateeya Naari”, Bengali article on women in the Chhattisgarhi folk performance genre of Pandavani, in *Mahabharatē Naaree, Ebong Aamraa*, January 2015.

Ongoing Research

Book Projects

- Man of the Heart: Discursive Body, Embodied Archive (working title), print output of The Man of the Heart Project.

- Ratan Thiyam: An Artistic Life (working title), a commissioned book from Oxford University Press (India), forthcoming 2017.

Playwriting

- Global Ati Subodh Balok, work-in-progress.

- Alamba/Fulcrum [full-length play in Bengali], work-in-progress.

- Ulgulan [a research-based performance project on the life and times of Birsa Munda, the millenarian political leader of Chhotanagpur in the nineteenth century], work-in-progress.

- Khodai/Chisel [full-length on the life of Camille Claudel, two versions in Bengali & English], work-in-progress.

- Othello’s Occupation [full-length in English & Bengali], work-in-progress.

Theatre Directing

- Aagshuddhi [Bengali adaptation of The Crucible by Arthur Miller], a Spectactors production, Kolkata 2016 and ongoing.

- Rajar Mrityu [Bengali translation of Death of Yazdgerd by Bahram Beyzaie], a Spectactors production, Kolkata 2014 and ongoing.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. “When Song Becomes ‘Text’”, a paper on the problem of textual versus oral transmission of hermeneutic discourse in the performance of Lalon Phokir’s songs, at the International Federation for Theatre Research Conference, University of Hyderabad, July 2015.

2. “To be Oneself on a Basis of Gold?: Imagining Peer Gynt in Bengali”, paper presented at the Peer Gynt Cycle Conference, University of Hyderabad, February 2015.

Lectures

3. Lecture at the Department of Psychology, Calcutta University, September -- 2016.
4. Several Lectures at UGC Staff College, Calcutta University, 2015-16.
5. Several Lectures at Presidency University, Calcutta, 2015-16.
6. Lecture at seminar series on Bengali culture (organized by 21st Century Academics) at Calcutta University, April 2016.
7. Keynote Address at symposium on Digital Documentation of Oral Culture at Vidyasagar University, Medinipur, March 2016.
8. Theatre Pedagogy classes at the National School of Drama Outreach Workshop in Kolkata, January- February 2016
9. Delegate and Director of Bahram Beyzaie's Rajar Mrityu at 18th Bharat Rang Mahotsav (of the National School of Drama), New Delhi, February 2016.
10. Speaker at the 'Meet the Director' Event (as director of Rajar Mrityu) at 18th Bharat Rang Mahotsav (of the National School of Drama), New Delhi, February 2016.
11. Theatre Pedagogy Workshop at the National School of Drama Camp, Gangtok, Sikkim, December 2015.
12. Lecture on Indian Theatre of Roots at Women's College, March 2015.
13. Annadashankar Roy Memorial Lecture on Lalon Phokir, Paschim Banga Bangla Akademi, April 2015.

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Turna Das — working on 6 biographies of 19th and 20th century theatre-makers in Bengal, 2nd year
2. Monikinkini Basu — working on the depiction of the male body in 'Bollywood' cinema, 2nd year
3. Suchetana Chanda — working on depiction, agency and presence of children in children's theatre, 2nd year

4. Rajiv Roy — working on the religious thinking of Rabindranath Tagore and TS Eliot on a comparative scale, 2nd year

5. Atanu Sarkar — working on the drama of Samuel Beckett, 1st year

M.Phil.

1. Sinjini Sircar — successfully completed her MPhil degree in 2015

Administrative Responsibilities

2014- Present: Member of PhD Admissions Committee, CSSSC

2016: Member of Committee for Cultural Studies Workshop, CSSSC

Rosinka Chaudhuri (Professor, Cultural Studies)

On-going Research Projects funded by external agency

Second Cities in the Circuits of Empire: Calcutta, Glasgow, and the Nineteenth-Century Legacy of the Scottish Enlightenment. The British Academy funded an ‘International Partnership and Mobility Scheme’ Grant to the Department of the School of Critical Studies / English, University of Glasgow, in partnership with the CSSSC. This project is on-going and in its last of the three years, finishing in 2017. For the second year, a conference was organised at the CSSSC with scholars from Pune, Delhi, Calcutta and the UK, India, Canada and Australia on the 9th of February, 2016. The conference was funded by the ICSSR for the national participants, and the British Academy and the University of Toronto for the international scholars. The conference was conducted in collaboration with Presidency University, where the second day of the conference was organised. The third and last conference is scheduled to take place in Glasgow in May 2017. A projected volume has already been submitted to various publishers in the UK and India.

Completed Research

- Completed A History of Indian Poetry in English which has been edited and published by Cambridge University Press, New York, in March 2016. The book consists of 27 chapters commissioned from individual contributors that have had to be edited and an Introduction and a chapter to the volume that was written for the purpose. The introduction is titled: ‘Introduction to The History of Indian Poetry in English’ and the chapter is titled ‘Rabindranath translated to Tagore: Gitanjali Song Offerings, 1912’.

- Completed the editing and submission of *An Acre of Green Grass* and other English Writing of Buddhadeva Bose to Oxford University Press, New Delhi. The book is now being processed for publication.
- Completed researching and writing a paper on 'De-professionalization in Adorno and Tagore'.

Ongoing Research

Research on the book on Young Bengal has continued.

Seminars/Workshops/Conferences

1. International Conference titled *Second Cities in the Circuits of Empire: Calcutta, Glasgow* at Glasgow in May 2015; this was the first of the on-going conferences on this theme.
2. International Conference titled *The Scotland-India Continuum of Ideas: Tagore and His Circle* (UGC-UKIERI Initiative) at Rabindra Bhavana, Visva-Bharati University, on 29 June 2015.
3. Presented a paper titled "Only what does not fit in can be true": De-professionalization and Academia in relation to Adorno and 'Tagore' at a symposium organised by the University of East Anglia at the India International Centre, Delhi, on 7-8 January, 2016.
4. Organised and co-ordinated the second International Conference titled *Second Cities in the Circuits of Empire: Calcutta, Glasgow* at the CSSSC and Presidency University in February 2016.

External Teaching or Academic Assignments

Nominations

Invited by Yale University to nominate two deserving poets writing in English from India for consideration for the Donald Windham-Sandy M. Campbell Literature Prizes at Yale University. Prize winners receive \$165,000 USD to support their writing. As a nominator in the poetry category for the 2017 prize selection process, considerable research into the subject area was conducted and two nomination letters of recommendation were submitted: one for an author whose work has exhibited outstanding promise and the other for the author of a body of work.

Manuscript Review

Report on article titled 'Baudelaire through Bengali eyes: Toru Dutt's translations from Les Fleurs du Mal' for Comparative Critical Studies, University of Wolverhampton, sent on 27.4.15

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Madhumita Saha - "Negotiating Shakespeare in Nineteenth-Century Bengal"
2. Arikta Chatterjee - "History of Bible Translation in Bengali: 1800-the Present"
3. Saswati Saha - "Translation and the Reading Public in late Nineteenth-Century Bengal"
4. Chiranjit Ojha - "Time to Change: A Study of the Vision and Ambition of Indian Poetry in English in the Long 1970's"
5. Sanghita Sanyal - "Reading the Songs of Rabindranath Tagore: Gender, Text and Performance"
6. Rita Chatterjee - "Travel Narratives by Englishwomen visiting India in the Nineteenth Century: the search for the subject"
7. Arghya Ganguly - "David Foster Wallace's Funhouse called Loneliness"
8. Suprodipta Mandal - "Representation of the Marginal Voice and the Other and the Evolution of Bengali Detective Fiction: A Study of Select Works"

M.Phil.

Arghya Ganguly has successfully cleared his M.Phil. viva and been awarded the degree for his dissertation: 'Raging Bull: The Concept of "A Life"'

Administrative Responsibility

Co-convenor of the Seminar Committee.

Convenor of the Publications Committee.

Member of Campus Committee

Member of Cultural Studies Workshop Committee

Member of Jadunath Bhavan Resource Centre Committee

Publications

Books

Ed. *A History of Indian Poetry in English* (New York: Cambridge University Press, March 2016)

Articles in Books

“The Rustle of Language” in Sangeeta Datta and Subhoranjan Dasgupta ed. *Tagore: The World as His Nest* (Kolkata: Jadavpur University Press, 2016) pp.136-146.

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC

Coordinated and taught ‘Cultures of Postcoloniality’ and ‘Introduction to Modern Social Thought’.

Co-taught ‘Readings in Philosophy’ and ‘Research Methods in the Social Sciences’.

Anirban Das (Assistant Professor, Cultural Studies)

Completed Research

The following articles have been completed and submitted for publication. The volumes are to be published within 2016 –

- “Notes Toward A Gathering: Sciences and Methodologies”. Submitted as an invited essay for a book to be published from the proceeds of the conference on *Following Forked Paths: Discussions on the Narrative* by the Department of Comparative Literature, Jadavpur University.

- “Of Identities and Other Desires: Thinking Sexualities through Bangla Fiction”. Submitted as an invited essay for a volume to be edited by Sanjay Srivastava and Rajeev Kumarakondoth by the IAS, Shimla.

- “The Poet and the City: The Many Ways of Gendering the Modern”. Submitted the paper as an invited essay for a book on *Gender and Modernity*, edited by Amitabha Chatterjee to be published by Orient Blackswan.

Ongoing Research

- “Sexual Difference in Literary Historiography: Writing the Nation in “My

Life”” was submitted to *Philosophia: A Journal of Feminist Continental Philosophy*. The peer reviews are favourable and now working on the revised version.

- Currently working on a co-edited book on *Feminist Inscriptions: Response beyond Reaction* prepared from the proceedings of the conference in 2013. The proposal has been accepted by the State University of New York Press. The manuscript is about to be submitted.

- Working towards finishing a book on abortion and feminist ethics. Two of the intended chapters have already been published in edited volumes. Currently writing a chapter on the biopolitical processes at work in the construction of the fetus and on the general import on feminist ethics.

- Working on a book on science and scientism in the postcolonial context. This will have already published and a large amount of new writing. Some of these have already been presented in conferences and are now in the process of writing in the form of papers.

- Preparing the second edition of *Banglay Binirman/Abinirman* (2007). The book was reprinted in 2008 and been out of print for a few years.

- “Embodied Knowledges: An Intimate Critique of Positional Objectivity and Standpoint”. This paper tries to clear the epistemological ground for my notion of embodied knowledges with critical engagement with the notion of ‘positional objectivity’ (posited by Amartya Sen) on the one hand and with that of ‘situated knowledge’ (a feminist epistemological position) on the other.

- “Unhinging the State and the Nation: (Im)Possibilities” – a paper.

- “The Many Ways of Thinking the ‘Non-Human’” – a paper.

- “The Science Question in Poststructuralism: Ethics and Politics of the Real” – a paper.

Seminars/Workshops/Conferences

1. Lectures for a Research Methodology course for PhD students in Social Science at the Ranchi University on 24 April 2015.

2. Lecture on Ethics of Euthanasia organized by Sebok Trust at Jibanananda Sabhaghar, Kolkata on 16 May 2015.

3. Presented a paper and chaired a session in the international conference on Deleuze Studies in Asia organized by the Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, Manipal University at Manipal from 5 June to 7 June, 2015.
4. Keynote address in the national conference on Knowledge, Affect, Power: Feminism in Social Justice Discourse and Practice organized by the St. Xavier's College, Ahmedabad from 4 September to 5 September, 2015.
5. Lectures in a Seven-Day Interdisciplinary Research Methodology Workshop on Women's Studies held at Lady Brabourne College in collaboration with Sachetana and the School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University, from 3 to 10 October 2015.
6. A paper on "Feminism and the Politics of Embodiment: The Derridean Intervention" at a seminar on Embodied Cognition and Realism, organized by The Centre for Advanced Study, Department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University on 19 December 2015.
7. Lecture on "Materialism(s): Marx and Beyond" organized by Historical Materialists at the Jadavpur University on 11 February 2015.
8. Lecture on "Lekhar Kaaj: Real Virtual Tanaporen" in the 2nd lecture series organized by Trityo Porisor in Kolkata on 18 February 2015.
9. Morning Lecture on "Representing Violence" and discussing a paper in the Cultural Studies Workshop at Kolkata organized by CSSSC from 12 to 21 March 2016.

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC

Teaching the following modules in the MPhil in Social Sciences course at the CSSSC –

Readings in Philosophy: Texts, Concepts, Contexts (Instructor and Coordinator)

Situating Science: Transactions across Disciplines (Instructor and Coordinator)

Feminism and the Social Sciences

Biopolitics, Ethics and Subjectivation

Research Methods in Social Sciences

The Subject and the Body: A Feminist Approach

External Teaching or Academic Assignments

1. Visiting Faculty, MPhil Program, School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University.
2. Visiting Faculty, MPhil Program, Women's Studies Resource Centre, University of Calcutta.
3. Visiting Faculty, MA, Sociology, West Bengal State University, Barasat.

Manuscript Reviews

Reviewed articles for the Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research and Sanglap: Journal of Literary and Cultural Inquiry.

Research Supervision

Post-Doctorate

Currently co-supervising the work of Dr. Supriya Samanta, Dr. Radhakrishnan Postdoctoral Fellow of UGC, – “Is Masculinity Threatened in India: A Psycho-Ethical Study of Rape”.

Ph.D.

1. Hardik Brata Biswas – “Spatializing the Visual: Re-locating Women's Photographs in Bengal, 1880s-1970s”. He is a recipient of the SRTT Fellowship in PhD for Women's Studies at the School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University. He is also a recipient of the SEPHIS Fellowship in the History of Sexualities and Modernities in the Global South, 2008-2009 – submitted, awaiting viva.
2. Susmita Ghosh – “Stylizing Masculinity Anew: An Analysis of New Hindi Cinema”. She has submitted in March 2015 and is awaiting viva.
3. Samrat Sengupta – “Performing Revolution: Ethics of Post Colonial Resistance in Bengal Narrative”.
4. Partha Sarathi Mondal – “Body, Subjectivity and Mental Distress”.
5. Rajlaxmi Ghosh – “Textuality and Sexual Difference: Reading as Writing”.
6. Saayan Chattopadhyay – “Recasting Men: The Discursive Construction of the Bhadraklok in Post Independence Bengali Newspaper”.

7. Senjuti Dutta – “Feminization of Space: Reading Bengali Cinematic Melodrama”.

8. Arunima Chakraborty – “Exploring the “Great Outdoors”: A Study of Speculative Materialism/ Realism”.

M.Phil.

The following M Phil students have completed dissertations in 2015.

1. Debraj Dasgupta – “Bangalitwa, Bishuddhata, Adhunikata: Kamalkumar Majumdarer Sahityashaili” (CSSSC).

2. Drishadwati Bargi – “The Embodiment of Caste: Dalit Bodies, Bhadrakok Imaginations” (WSJU).

3. Sanmit Chatterjee – “Bostu Shorirer Khnoj: Continental Dorshoner Prekkhite” (WSJU).

Currently supervising the M Phil dissertations of the following students:

1. Raikamal Roy – “Mental Illness in West Bengal: Medicine, Science, and Institutions”.

2. Shubhro Saha – “Judith Butler and the Paradox of Materiality”.

3. Rajashree Bhattacharyya – “Moral Foundations of Economic Analysis”.

Administrative Responsibility

Member of the following subcommittees –

MPhil

PhD

Cultural Studies Workshop

Library

Archive

Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre

Financial Advisory Committee

Pranab Kumar Das (Associate Professor, Economics)

Completed Research

- The dynamics of foreign capital inflow and financial crisis – submitted to journal.
- “Demography, Capital Inflow and Growth: The Role of Financial Sector Development” (jointly with S. Kar) in S. Verma ed. Slow Down, Banks and the Role of Apex Banking Institutions (final version submitted to the publisher).

On-going Research

Current areas of research are as follows:

- International loan market and the exchange rate dynamics in a multi country framework.
- Evolution of Firms’ Financial Structure in Markov Switching Model.

Seminars/Workshops/Conferences

1. “Asymmetric Demography, Capital Inflow and Growth: The Role of Financial Sector Development, Slow Down, Banks and Role of Apex Banking Institutions”, Centre for Research in Rural and Industrial Development, Chandigarh, India, 26-27 February 2015.
2. “Dropping out of School: Results from a large scale survey in West Bengal, West Bengal Economy”, Centre for Advanced Studies, Department of Economics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, 2-3 January 2015.
3. “Determinants of Drop outs in rural economies: North-South Divide in West Bengal” in 4th West Bengal Growth Conference, Sampling and Official Statistics Unit, Indian Statistical Institute and IGC, LSE, Kolkata, India, 26-27 December 2014.
4. “Dynamic Public Finance”, Special Lecture, Centre for Advanced Studies, Department of Economics, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, 4-5 November 2014.

Teaching Assignment, CSSSC

Taught in the following courses – Advanced Macroeconomics ; Time Series Econometrics.

Research Supervision: Ph.D. / M.Phil.

Ph.D.

1. Purba Roy Chaudhury has been awarded Ph.D. degree for her work on

“Service Sector Growth in India: 1995-2010” from Jadavpur University.

2. Gunja Baranwal – “Effects of FDI and Human Capital Formation on Labour Market”

3. Tushar Samanta – “Demography and Economic Growth”

Administrative Responsibility

Convenor, Computer Sub-committee

Member, Service Rules Sub-committee

Member, Financial Advisory Committee

Publications

1. “Are religious minorities deprived of public goods provision? Regional evidence from India” (jointly with Saibal Kar) in *The journal of developing areas*, 50, 1, 351-372.

2. “Asymmetric Demography, Capital Inflow and Growth: The Role of Financial Sector Development” in S. Verma and K. Singh eds. *Slow Down, Banks and Role of Apex Banking Institutions on the Market Economy of India: The Way Forward*, CRRiD, Chandigarh.

Prachi Deshpande (Associate Professor, History)

Research Projects funded by external agency

Faculty Research Award for 2015-16, University of Chicago, Delhi Center (with Philip Engblom & Gary Tubb, University of Chicago), was awarded on 30th July, 2015 for the “17th International Conference on Maharashtra: Language & Power,” to be hosted in New Delhi, January 2017.

Completed Research

The following articles have been completed for publication:

- “The Writerly Self: Literacy, Discipline and Moral Conduct in Early Modern Western India”, *Indian Economic and Social History Review*, (forthcoming)

- “Bhashecha Itihasa, Bhashik Samuha ani Shuddhalekhan-charcha: Ek Aitihisik Adhaava,” *Nava Anustubb*, forthcoming.

On-going Research

- “Documenting the Land: Scribal Skills, Colonial Revenue and the Paimash Daftar” article manuscript in progress, investigating the making of the Paimash Daftar and Colonial agrarian policy in early 19th-century western India.
- “The multilingual world of Modi in Early Colonial Madras” article manuscript in progress, on the use and circulation of Modi-script and Marathi-language skills in early 19th-century Madras Presidency.
- “Building Archives for a Modern Marathi Historiography: V. K. Rajwade & S. S. Deo”, article manuscript in progress.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. Paper disussant for Aditya Chandanshive, “Social Media and Caste wars in Maharashtra” Cultural Studies Workshop, CSSSC, March 2016.
2. Discussant for panel, at *Caste, Tribe and Region: Indian-state and its Discontents*, CSSSC, March 2016.
3. Keynote Address, Undergraduate Student Conference on Rethinking Cultural Studies in India, FLAME University, Pune, February 2016.
4. Discussant for panel on “Sacred Geographies”, at 16th International Conference on Maharashtra, Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad, January 2016.
5. Panelist in “Translating Indian Book History” roundtable, part of the Workshop on Digitization and Archiving: Society for the History of Authorship, Reading and Publishing (SHARP), Jadavpur University, August 2015.
6. Presented paper, “*Libhave Netake*: Literacy and Manuscript Culture in Maharashtra” at Archiving the Past: Region, Religion and Language in Modern Indian History: A Colloquium in memory of Kumkum Chatterjee, CSSSC, July 2015.

Teaching Assignments

1. Problems of Historical Writing and Historical Methods (CSSSC)
2. Research Methods in the Social Sciences (CSSSC)
3. Three-month Journal-article Writing Workshop for Ph D candidates (CSSSC)

4. Academic honesty workshop, M Phil students (CSSSC)

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Abhik Samanta – “Work and Nationalism”
2. Amit Bindal - “Law, Myth and Modernity: A Study in Legal Epistemology”
3. Arkadeb Banerjee - “History of Early Twentieth-Century Calcutta: Changes, Ruptures, Contestations”

M. Phil.

1. Satarupa Lahiri - “Lives and Experiences of Indian Soldiers During the First World War, 1914-1918”

Administrative Responsibility

Coordinator, Ph D programme

Library Committee

Archives Committee

COGSASH, Chief Enquiry Officer

Publications

Articles in Journals

1. “*Shuddhalekhan*: Orthography, Community and the Marathi Public Sphere”, in *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol LI (6), February 6, 2016, pp. 72-82.
2. “Bhasha, Itihasa ani Sanskruti: Nemade ani Ngugi”, in *Lalit*, June 2015.
3. “Karakun, Daptara ani Kagadapatre: Abhilekhagaracya Itihasakade”, in *Samaj Prabodhan Patrika*, Vol 53, No. 112, July-September 2015, pp. 23-38.
4. “Kathecyā Kathapanacha Shodh Ghenaarya Katha”, review of Prashant Bagad’s *Vivade vishade pramade pravase*, in *Maharashtra Sabitya Patrika*, July-September 2015, pp. 36-38.
5. “*Hemadrikruta Lekhanakalpataru*: Badalatyā Chitnisi Paddhatincha Kanosa”, in *Aaple Vangmaya Vrutta*, December 2015, pp. 14-18.

Rajarshi Ghose (Assistant Professor, History)

On-going Research Projects funded by external agency

- Co-investigator of “Shantipur and its neighbourhood: Text and images of early modern Bengal in public and private collections” major research project of the Hitesh RanjanSanyal Memorial Archives funded by Endangered Archives Programme at the British Library (United Kingdom). Proposed duration of the project is 2014-16 and the sanctioned grant is GBP 33,890.
- Co-investigator of “Early-modern texts and modern legacies: digitisation of manuscripts, books, newspapers in southern west Bengal” major research project of the Hitesh RanjanSanyal Memorial Archives funded by Endangered Archives Programme at the British Library (United Kingdom). Proposed duration of the project is 2017-19 and the sanctioned grant is GBP 53,743.

Completed Research

- Completed research for an essay tentatively titled “Envisioning the Caliphate: ShibliNumani and the Muslim middle class in colonial Bengal”. It would be contributed to the forthcoming festschrift for Professor GautamBhadra.
- Completed research for an essay on Mawlana Abul Kalam Azad’s career as an Islamic jurisconsult.
- Completed research for an essay on the Indian Sunni ‘ulama and their response to Iranian Revolution (1979).

On-going Research

- Made substantial progress in turning doctoral dissertation *titled Politics for Faith: Karamat Ali Jaunpuri and Islamic revivalist movements in British India c. 1803-73* (awarded PhD with Distinction, University of Chicago, 2012 and available online at <http://www.proquest.com/products-services/dissertations/>) into a book. A draft of the book manuscript was submitted to Oxford University Press (New Delhi). Engaged and encouraging reports have been received from the anonymous referees of the Press.
- Started working on a review essay on intellectual history of modern Muslim South Asia commissioned by History Compass (Wiley Online Library).

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. Presented paper titled “Uses of History: ShibliNumani and the Muslim

middle class in colonial Bengal”, International conference on *Imagining Histories, Writing Pasts*, School of Historical Studies, Nalanda University, Rajgir, March 11-12, 2016.

2. Presented paper titled “Iranian Revolution and the Indian Sunni ‘Ulama’”, National Seminar on *India’s Relationship with West Asia: Contours, Old and New*, Centre for Pakistan and West Asian Studies, University of Calcutta and Netaji Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata, March 7, 2016:.

3. Presented paper titled “Uses of History: Shibli Numani and the Muslim middle class in colonial Bengal”, Conference on *Archiving the Past: Rethinking Region, Religion, and Language in Modern Indian History*, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, July 17, 2015:.

Teaching Assignments (CSSSC)

Problems of Historical Writing and Method (Module Co-ordinator)

Vocabulary of Social Sciences

Introduction to Modern Social Thought

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Zaid Al Baset, “An Islamicate sensorium: Supernatural encounters and everyday lives in Kolkata”
2. Saumyashree Ghosh, “Railway networks in British India”
3. Ujaan Ghosh, “Pilgrimage, Tourism and Small town urbanisation in Colonial Odisha”

M.Phil.

1. Labani Jangi, “Nadia-Murshidabad jalar parijayi shramik o Musalman Samaj” (Migrant Labour and Muslim communities in Nadia and Murshidabad districts)
2. Mayurakshi Dev, “The Syedna’s Children: The Dawoodi Bohras of Contemporary Kolkata”
3. Shamayeeta Ghosh, “Kundu Special on the Move: An Anthropological Exploration of Middle-class Tourism in West Bengal”

4. Salwa Yahya “Muslim identities and Politics of representation: Indian Union Muslim League in post-colonial India”

Administrative Responsibility

Member of Library Sub-committee

Member of Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre Sub-committee

Member of Archives Sub-committee

Tapati Guha-Thakurta (Professor, History)

Ongoing Research

- An inceptionary history of commercial art and modern design in mid 20th century Bengal. Looking at (i) commercial art and design education in the two institutions of the Government School of Art, Calcutta and of Kala Bhavan and Shilpa Sadan in Santiniketan/Sriniketan, and (ii) the ‘Art in Industry’ movement in Calcutta during the 1940s and 50s, with its prime focus on the art of advertising, the research explores a early and mid 20th century history of the practice and profession of design, and looks at the way Calcutta during these years becomes the prime hub of a new vocation of commercial art.

- A cross-cultural history of the collecting of ‘art’ and ‘antiquities’ in late 18th and 19th century Calcutta. The study takes up two case studies of private collecting and the building of house museums from the colonial capital, Calcutta – the accumulation of the earliest collection of Hindu temple sculptures by an Irish military officer turned antiquarian, Charles Stuart which brought him the acronym of ‘Hindoo’; and the acquisition of a grand array of neoclassical European sculpture, furniture and art decor by a Bengali merchant-aristocrat, Raja Rajendra Mullick in a Palladian mansion that came to be known as the “Marble Palace”. The ongoing work intends to move beyond these instances to more broadly juxtapose the well-known story of the outflow of Indian objects from the colony to the metropolis with the lesser-known scenario of the inflow of a vast, hybrid array of Western objects into the homes of the Indian elite. The main questions it considers are - what are the changing registers of rights and legitimacies in the owning of objects? How do new desires of art collecting and museum-making inflect these object flows of empire? What are the unintended destinies and the contingencies of preservation or dispersals that make for the afterlives of these private collections?

- An edited volume on the life and work on the sculptor, Meera Mukherjee, to be published by Galerie 88, Kolkata. The work will include a biography, art-historical essays, interviews, photographs of the artists' works and the artist at work, and selected excerpts of her writings.

Publications

Book

In the Name of the Goddess: The Durga Pujas of Contemporary Kolkata (New Delhi: Primus Books, 2015)

Article in Book

“Demands and Dilemmas of Durga Puja ‘Art’: Notes on a Contemporary Festival Aesthetic”, in Arindam Chakrabarti (eds.), *Indian Aesthetics and the Philosophy of Art: A Contemporary Canvas* (London: Bloomsbury, 2015)

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. Delivered the keynote lecture at the *17th Biennial symposium of the American Council for South Asian Art* at the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto, Canada on 15 October 2015, on the theme, “Art but not Quite: Towards a New Ethnography of Productions, Practices and Livelihoods”.
2. Presented a paper, titled “The Object Flows of Empire: Cross-Cultural Collecting in early colonial Calcutta” at a conference on *Collecting and Empires*, organized by a consortium of institutions at the Lorenzo de Medici Institute in Florence from 5 -7 November 2016.
3. Presented a version of the same paper, “The Object Flows of Empire” at a conference on *Second Cities of Empire: Glasgow-Calcutta* at the CSSSC on 8 February 2016.
4. Delivered a keynote lecture at a symposium on *Commodities and Material Cultures* organized by Ph.D. students of the History Departments of JNU and Delhi University at the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, on 27 August 2015.
5. Participated in a symposium on *Images and Imaging in South Asia: Collaboration and Communication across the Disciplines and among Digital Objects*, organized by the University of Chicago Center in New Delhi on 16 December 2015.

6. Participated as a resource person and speaker at the Cultural Studies Workshop on the theme, “Cultures of Violence”, organized at the CSSSC, from 13-21 March, 2016.

7. Chaired and conducted a book discussion with the author, Dipesh Chakrabarty, on his book, *The Calling of History: Sir Jadunath Sarkar and his Empire of Truth*, at the launch of the book at the Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre, on 11 March, 2016.

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC

M.Phil.

“Readings in Philosophy – Things, Commodities, Consumption” (Optional Course, Semester II)

“Envisioning the City” (Optional Course, Semester II)

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Kamalika Mukherjee - “Allegories of Womanhood: Gender and the popular visual culture of late nineteenth and early twentieth-century Bengal” (Department of History, Calcutta University)

2. Prithwiraj Biswas - “Advertising, manufactures and commodity culture in colonial Bengal c. 1880-1920 (Arts Faculty, Jadavpur University)

3. Parjanya Sen - “Monuments and Buddhist Past of Bengal: The ‘lived’ histories of architectural sites” (Arts Faculty, Jadavpur University)

4. S. Santhosh Kumar - “Interrogating Art Pedagogy in Postcolonial India” (Arts Faculty, Jadavpur University)

5. Krishti Kumar - a socio-cultural history of the *chhad* (rooftops of houses) in different neighbourhoods of 20th century Calcutta

6. Sampurna Chakrabarty - the interconnections between art schools and museums, between art practices and art history in different art centres, c.1850s-1950s

7. Saranya Saha - the intellectual and artistic connections/collaboration with the Far East in early 20th century Bengal.

8. Kallol Roy, who submitted his thesis titled, “Rabindranath Tagore and the Problem of Narration in Indian Art History: Paintings, Museums and Markets” (Arts Faculty, Jadavpur University) in December 2014, had his viva in June 2016 and has been awarded the degree.

M.Phil.

Ujaan Ghosh (2013-2015 batch) on “The colonial state and the temple town of Puri in the 19th century”.

Administrative Responsibilities

Director of the CSSSC and Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Governors, CSSSC.

Chairperson of the Eastern Regional Centre of the ICSSR, located at the CSSSC.

As Director, Statutory member of all the Sub-Committees of the Academic Council of the CSSSC, as well as the M.Phil. and Ph.D. Sub-Committees and Steering Committees.

Convener of the Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre.

Maidul Islam (Assistant Professor, Political Science)

Completed Research

The following essays have been completed:

- ‘The Elusive Yet Necessary Idea of Justice’ in Gopal Guru (et al), *Is There an Adequate Theory of Justice?* (Referee report awaited).
- ‘2014 Lok Sabha Elections: Political Behaviour of Religious Minorities in West Bengal’ in Mujibur Rahman (ed.), *Election 2014: Implications for Minorities and Dalits* (Referee report awaited).

On-going Research

The following essays are on-going:

- *Indian Muslim(s) in the Globalized World* [Book manuscript]: received a positive referee report from an anonymous referee of the Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla (IIAS), where the work was originally done as a Fellow in 2013. Working to modify and revise the manuscript.

- Essay titled 'Ummah and the Paradox of Muslim Belonging in South Asia' for a special issue ['Contesting Citizenship: Heterodox and non-western conceptions'] of *St. Antony's International Review (STAIR, Vol. 12, No. 2) on Home, Displacement and Belonging*.
- Essay titled 'Morphology of Islamism: Universalist or Particularist?' for *Journal of Political Ideologies*
- A commissioned piece in the 'Commentary' section on contemporary Bangladesh situation for the journal, *Economic and Political Weekly*
- A commissioned piece on Jihad for a special issue on 'Violence and Pacification' for the journal, *Seminar*
- An edited book project titled *India's Political Economy in Transition: The Crisis of Governance, Democracy and Development* based on conference proceedings (jointly funded by ICSSR, Goa University and the IIAS, Shimla). Dr. Rahul Tripathi, Associate Professor in Political Science at Goa University is the joint editor of the book.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences:

1. 'The Illiberal Idea of Tolerance in Liberal Democracy', Department of Political Science, Presidency University, Kolkata (18 March, 2016).
2. 'Muslims in Bengal: Development and Empowerment', organized by Independent Journalist Society, Rotary Sadan, Calcutta (06 March, 2016).

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC:

Co-taught Rethinking Political Theory [Semester 2]

Research Supervision:

M. Phil.

Pushan Sarkar: The Making of an Urban Working Class in a Transport Sector: A History of Electric Tram in Twentieth-Century Calcutta.

Administrative Responsibility:

Ph.D. Committee

CAS Committee

Service Book Committee

Cultural Studies Workshop Committee

Jyotsna Jalan (Professor, Economics)

Externally Funded Research Project

Broad theme of research project - *Impact of participatory Theatre on Socio-Economic Issues*

On-going Research

Papers that are in the process of completion:

- “Empowering Women: An evaluation of a *socio-cultural* intervention in South 24 Parganas” (jointly with Karla Hoff, The World Bank and Sattwik Satra, CTRPFP).
- “Impact of Reservations for Women of GP seats on Women’s Issues (jointly with Karla Hoff, The World Bank).
- *Indian Public Finance and Policy Research 2016: Fiscal Issues and Macroeconomy* (forthcoming 2016) ed. Jyotsna Jalan, Sugata Marjit & Sattwik Satra.

Visiting Appointments

Fellow, Institute of Advanced Studies, Nantes (from January 1, 2015 - June 30, 2015)

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. Seminar on “*Impact Evaluation of Theatre for Development*” at Institute of Advanced Studies, Nantes, France, 26 April 2015.
2. Invited talk on *Empowering Women: Evaluation of a Socio-Cultural Intervention*, IGC West Bengal Conference held at Indian Statistical Institute, 27th December 2015.
3. Paper presented at *International conference, CTRPFP* on “Empowering Women: Evaluation of a Socio-Cultural Intervention” on 4th February, 2016.
4. Invited talk on “Empowering Women: Evaluation of a Socio-Cultural Intervention” at Burdwan University, 25th February 2016.

External Teaching Assignments & Academic Assignments

Referee reports

1. World Bank Economic Review “How long do Filipinos Stay in Poverty?”.

2. Evaluate a proposal sent to ERC, ICSSR by Alipurduar Mahila Mahavidyalaya to hold a one-day conference.
3. ERC-ICSSR proposal of a research study on “Stocktaking survey on Right to Education Act 200 in Bihar with Special Reference to Darbhanga Division”.
4. Proposal submitted by Bangiya Arthaniti Parishad for partial funding for their 36th Annual Conference.

Research Supervision

Sujan Pandit (Co-supervisor with Vivekananda Mukherjee, Jadavpur University)

Administrative Responsibility

CTRFPF, Co-Director

Library Committee

External Teaching or Academic Assignments

Editor, Journal of Quantitative Economics, IGIDR, Mumbai.

Associate Editor, Arthaniti, University of Kolkata, Department of Economics.

Chancellor’s nominee for selection of economics faculty at University of Kalyani and Gour Banga University.

Saibal Kar (Associate Professor, Economics)

Research Projects funded by external agency

- District Development Report of Howrah (jointly with Tushar Nandi), is under way. It involves preparation of the first Development Report for the District of Howrah. It includes chapters on industrialization, social sector development, agricultural prospects, migration, health, etc.
- Taxes, Public Expenditure and Growth - Project funded by SANEI XVIth Round, Kathmandu (jointly with Mausumi Kar, Women’s Christian College).
- The project involves measuring the impact of public expenditure on economic growth. The role of various taxation schemes are discussed in detail.

Completed Research

The following papers were completed during the year:

- Trade patterns and skilled-unskilled migration: Issues in Complementarity, Background paper written and presented at Asian Development Bank, Manila, March 2016.
- MFN Tariff Rates and Environmental Implications for Industry and Agriculture, for the 16th Global Development Network Conference, Casablanca, Morocco, June 2015.
- Trade Policy and the Labor Market: Evidence from Post-MFA India and a Theoretical Model (with Mausumi Kar), forthcoming *The World Economy*, Wiley.
- *A Brief Review of the Economics of Illegal Migration*, forthcoming in S. Sinha Roy et al. (eds.) *International Trade and International Finance Explorations of Contemporary Issues*, Springer, 2016.
- *FDI and Business Internationalization of the Unorganized Sector: Evidence from Indian Manufacturing* (with Hamid Beladi and Meghna Dutta), forthcoming *World Development*, Elsevier Vol. 83, pp. 340–349, 2016, Elsevier.
- *To Educate or Not To Educate: Impact of Public Policies in Developing Countries* (with Hamid Beladi and Chaitali Sinha), *Economic Modelling*, Elsevier forthcoming, 2016.
- *Do Economic Reform and Capital Flow Benefit Informal Labor in Developing Countries?* forthcoming, IZA World of Labor, Bonn, (Series Editor: Daniel Hammermesh), 2016 (Invited, Peer-reviewed contribution).
- *The Land Conversion: International Capital Flow and Wage Inequality* (with Sugata Marjit), completed.

On-going Research

- Proposed Conference Volume, “Trade, Factors and Welfare: Anthology of New Perspectives”. to be Edited jointly with Sugata Marjit, from Conference held in Honor of Prof. Ronald Jones, November 2015. 15 papers, discussion with publisher underway.
- *Juvenile Crime, State Income and Deterrence* (with Dipparna Jana and Nabamita Datta).

- Occupational Choice of Asian Immigrants in the United States (with Nabamita Datta).

Visiting Appointments

1. Department of Economics, Calcutta University (August-December, 2015)
2. International Management Institute-Kolkata (January-March 2016).

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. “Do Technological Change and Export Bias help to Reduce Emission Intensity? Evidence from Indian Manufacturing Sector”, Keynote Speech delivered at the National Taiwan University and Humboldt Foundation Conference on Ecology, Energy and Environment, April 2015, Taiwan.
2. “Trade patterns and skilled-unskilled migration: Issues in Complementarity”, background paper written and presented at Asian Development Bank, Manila, March 2016.
3. “MFN Tariff Rates and Environmental Implications for Industry and Agriculture”, paper presentation at the 16th Global Development Network Conference, Casablanca, Morocco, June 2015.
4. “Short-term Migration and Inter-generational persistence of Industry in India” (with Tushar Nandi), presented at 3rd DIAL Conference at Dauphine University, Paris, July 2015
5. CTRPFP Conference in February 2016: “Trade and Asymmetric Migration Patterns”.
6. Organized International Conference on 50 years of Simple General Equilibrium Models: Trade, Policy and History
7. Does India Need Subsidies? Panel Discussion, Burdwan University, February 2016
8. “Financial Volatility and Information”, Invited Speaker, ICWA Symposium, February 2015.
9. “Growth and Debt: Some Open Questions”, Invited Speaker, CU-ICWA FDP, February 2016.
10. Session Organizer, Western Economic Association Conference held at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, January 2016

11. Anjan Ghosh Memorial Seminar: presented “Outsourcing and Inequality”, October, 2015

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC

Ph.D. Coursework at CSSSC, Microeconomics and Mathematical Economics

External Teaching Assignments

1. Labor Economics - M.Sc. in Economics, Calcutta University
2. Understanding Emerging Markets - MBA, International Management Institute, Kolkata

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Ayan Banerjee - “Crop Production and Livestock: Theory and Evidence”.
2. Devleena Majumder - “Environmental Pollution and International Trade: Three Topics” (submitted).
3. Dipparna Jana - “Economic Implications of the Juvenile Justice Act: Three Essays”.
4. External Co-chair for Rima Mandal, PhD Scholar at IIM-Indore – “Essays on Investment and Growth in the Informal Economy”.
5. Iman Pal – “The Financial Contagion and Economic Development”.
6. Supratik Guha – “Essays in Trade and Environment”.

Administrative Responsibility

Financial Advisory Committee

ICSSR-ERC Campus Committee

Computer Committee

Publications

Articles in Books

1. “Trade in Services and Regional Specialization: Evidence and Theory” (with Hamid Beladi) in Amit Batabyal and Peter Nijkamp (Eds.) *The Region and Trade: New Analytical Directions, Singapore: World Scientific Publishing*, ch. 12, 351-374, 2015, July.

2. “Multi-market Firms and Export Quota: Effects of withdrawal of the Multi Fiber Arrangement” (with Mausumi Kar) in S. Banerjee et al. (eds.) *Understanding Development: An Indian Perspective on Legal and Economic Policies*, ch. 7, 99-113, Springer, 2015. September.

3. “Climate Change, Agricultural Production and Poverty in India” (with Nimai Das), in A. Heshmati, Guanghua Wan and others (Eds.), *Poverty Reduction Policies and Practices in Developing Asia*, ch. 4. 55-76, *Springer Series in Economic Studies in Inequality, Social Exclusion and Well Being*; Berlin, 2015. May.

Journal Articles

1. “MFN Tariff Rates and Carbon Emission: Evidence from Lower-Middle-Income Countries” (with, Devleena Majumdar) in *Environmental and Resource Economics*, 2016, 64: 493-510. Springer, April 2015, DOI: 10.1007/s10640-015-9918-9.

2. “Are Religious Minorities Deprived of Public Good Provision: Regional Evidence from India” (with P. K. Das) in *Journal of Developing Areas*, Volume 50, Number 1, Winter 2016, pp. 351-372 DOI: 10.1353/jda.2016.0024. February.

3. “Skilled and Unskilled Immigrants and Entrepreneurship in a Developed Country” (with Hamid Beladi) in *Review of Development Economics*, October, 19, 3, 666-682, 2015.

4. “The Wage Response in Exporting Firms: Evidence from Machinery and Chemical Industries in India” (with Devleena Majumdar) in *International Journal of Employment Studies*, Vol. 23, No. 1, 2015: 62-76, Sydney, August.

5. “Broader Implications of Labor Market Reforms in India: A General Equilibrium Perspective” (with Sugata Marjit) in *Indian Economic Review*, Vol. XLIX, No.1, pp. 27-35, August 2015.

Reviews/Others

1. “About Individual Choices and Well Being: Nobel Chooses Angus Deaton”, *Management Accountant*, November 2015, Vol. 50, no: 11, 56-60.

<http://icmai.in/upload/Institute/Journal/Nov-2015.pdf>

2. “London O Londovondo” (London and Chaos), *Anadabazar Patrika*, April 16, 2015.

<http://www.anandabazar.com/editorial/why-city-looks-so-bad-questions-arise-before-municipal-election-1.134930>

3. “Purono aswacchata royei gelo” (The old fuzziness remains in the budget), *Ei Samay*, March 1, 2016, page 12.

<http://www.epaper.eisamay.com/epapermain.aspx?queryed=9&eddate=03/01/2016>

4. “Rojgar punorbantan-i ki unnayaner notun path?” (Universal Income: New Path to Development?) *Ei Samay*, January 12, 2016, page 8.

<http://www.epaper.eisamay.com/epapermain.aspx?queryed=9&eddate=01/12/2016>

5. “Manush kibhabe kharach korar siddhanta ney?” (How do people decide to spend? Nobel Prize for Angus Deaton), *Ei Samay*, November 2, 2015, page 10,

<http://www.epaper.eisamay.com/Details.aspx?id=18985&boxid=34532614>

6. “Byabsayir subidha, karmeer naviswash: Shrama ain sangskar ektarfa hobe?” (The one-sidedness of the Indian Labor Reforms), *Ei Samay*, June 2, 2015, page 8

7. “Is Infrastructure Key to sustained growth impetus?”, *Infrastructure Magazine*, Vol. 5, Issue 1, April 2015, pp. 26-28.

8. “The Land Bill: The Economics and Politics of Land Acquisition in India”, *Infrastructure Magazine*, Vol. 5, Issue 2, July 2015.

9. “The Goods and Service Tax: Implications for the State”, *The Infrastructure Magazine*, December 2015.

Kiran Keshavamurthy (Assistant Professor, Cultural Studies)

Completed Research

- Monograph entitled *Beyond Desire: Sexuality in Modern Tamil Literature* will be out in August 2016 from OUP, India.

- Submitted an essay entitled “C Dharman: Caste and ‘Karisal’ Literature from Tamil Nadu” to a volume on Dalit Literature to be published by Orient Blackswan.

- Wrote two modules for a UGC funded undergraduate textbook project on James Baldwin's *Giovanni's Room* and Scott Fitzgerald's *Great Gatsby*. (July 2015)
- Completed a paper to be published by IAS, Shimla titled "Tanjai Prakash: Between Desire and Politics" in late 2016.

On-going Research

- Translating a novel by Tanjai Prakash entitled *Kallam or Deception* (1994). Manuscript to be submitted to OUP.
- Writing an essay entitled "Subramania Barati and Tamil Modernism"
- Writing an essay on "Queer Politics and Democracy in India" for a Volume on Democracy to be published in 2017.
- Writing an essay entitled "Gender and Progressive Literature: Ismat Chughtai and Rajam Krishnan" for a volume on Ismat Chughtai.
- Writing an essay entitled 'Mauni: Imagined and Real Bodies' for MG University Review Journal

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. Delivered a talk at Teen Murti Bhavan entitled "Literary Affect and Social Justice", September 2015.
2. Invited to deliver a talk on Modern Tamil Literature at Indian Institute of Scientific Education and Research (IISER), Mohali, September 2015.
3. "Between Desire and Disease: Karichan Kunju's *Hungry Humanity*" at an International Seminar on De-colonizing Theories of the Emotions, Centre for Women's Studies, University of Kerala. November 2015.
4. "P Sivakami: Caste and Sexual Violence' Cast(e)ing Gender in Dalit Literature" organized by Department of English, Savitribai Phule University under the aegis of Nottingham Trent University, UK in partnership with EMMA, at the Universite Paul- Valery Montpellier, France. December 2015.
5. "Ismat Chughtai and Sundara Ramasamy: Nationalism and its Discontents" Department of English in affiliation with ICSSR and MAKIAS, Jadavpur University, January 2016.
6. Talk on "Caste and Sexuality in Modern Tamil Literature" at the Talk of the Month series at the Department of English, Presidency University, February 2016

7. Co-organized a SC/ST Orientation Programme on Caste, Tribe and Region: Indian Nation-State and its Discontents on behalf of CSSSC in collaboration with ICSSR and ERC in March 2016.

8. Co-organized Cultural Studies Workshop on “Cultures of Violence” and was one of the resource persons on “Representing Violence” at CSSSC in collaboration with ICSSR and ERC, March 2016.

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC

Three lectures in Semester I on ‘Ideology’ as part of the “Vocabulary in the Social Sciences”.

Four lectures on Salman Rushdie’s *Midnight’s Children* as part of “Cultures of Postcoloniality”.

Three lectures on male and female short story writers as part of “Feminism and the Social Sciences”.

Eight lectures on Feminism and Queer Studies as part of “Subject and the Body: A Feminist Approach”.

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Rohan Basu – “New Wave Hindi Cinema”
2. Debabrata Sardar – “Exploring Female Inner Worlds in the Stories of Shashi Deshpande”
3. Georgy Roy – “Understanding Dalit Subjectivity”
4. Maharghya Chakraborty – “A Requiem for the Moving-Image: Death of Indian Cinema Debates in Indian Cinema”
5. Co-supervising Kalyan Das – “Bengali Dalit Literature”

M.Phil.

Pooja Sanyal – “Writing Memory in Partition: Locating “Metaphorics”, Plurality and Perspectives”

Administrative Responsibility

Publications Committee

Appointed CSSSC's Fulbright Campus Representative for Fulbright scholars.

Publications

Journal Articles

1. An essay titled "Caste, Gender and Sexuality in Tamil Dalit Literature" published in the *Journal of the Department of English, Vidyasagar University*. May 2015. (Peer-Reviewed; ISSN: 0973-3671)
2. An essay entitled "The Violence of Caste and Sexuality: P Sivagami" published in **Samyukta: A Journal of Gender and Culture** (January 2016), Vol. XVI No. 1
3. An essay titled "Caste, Gender and Sexuality in Tamil Dalit Literature" published in the *Journal of the Department of English, Vidyasagar University*. May 2015. (Peer-Reviewed; ISSN: 0973-3671)

Book Reviews

1. Review of *Bruce King's Rewriting India: Eight Writers*, in *Jesus Mary College Review*, March 2016.
2. Review of *Rewriting India: Eight Writers* (2014) in *Jesus Mary College Review*, May 2016.

Manabi Majumdar (Professor, Political Science)

On-going research

- Research on two broad themes is ongoing: a) urban schooling and b) supplementary private tutoring, described alternatively as 'shadow education'. As part of a collaborative study of urban education in a few selected cities in India, with a group of scholars based in Delhi, Mumbai and Hyderabad, I have worked on schooling in the city of Kolkata. The focus has been on the homogenizing and polarizing aspects of education in the city explored within the analytical frame of spatial justice. A paper based on this research has been prepared for inclusion in the Second International Handbook of Urban Education edited by William T. Pink and George W. Noblit.
- Work on the extent, effectiveness and equity implications of supplementary private tutoring in India has continued. My research shows that at times

supplementary tutoring creates a substitution effect, reducing the formal school into a mere certification centre. This overshadowing quality of the shadow is a relatively recent phenomenon. Based upon this research, a paper has been prepared for inclusion in the Indian Handbook on Education edited by Krishna Kumar – a forthcoming publication by Routledge, India.

- Have planned to continue working on the politics of public health, with a particular focus on socio-emotional, physical and cognitive development of children. I also wish to examine the issue of language in the education system, paying attention to the near-universal appeal of English as the language of instruction.

Seminars, workshops, conferences

1. Participated and chaired a session at the Fifth Anjan Ghosh Memorial Seminar: *Histories of Labour, Infrastructure and the Informal Economy*, held at CSSSC, on 1 October 2015.

2. Participated as chair and discussant of a paper by Salim Lakha entitled ‘Social Protection and the State in India: The Challenge of Extracting Accountability’ at the Conference on Instruments of *Intervention: Capitalist Development and the Remolding of the Indian State*, organized by Australia India Institute and School of Social and Political Science, University of Melbourne and Institute of Development Studies Kolkata (IDSK), held at IDSK on 10 December 2015.

3. Presented a paper entitled “Schooling in Urban (West) Bengal: Through the Lens of Social Justice” at the 4th International Congress of Bengal Studies, Tokyo University of Foreign Studies, Tokyo 12-13 December 2015.

4. Participated and made an invited presentation on “Culture of Success, Excess or Egalitarian Access: Debating the Purpose of Schooling” at the 4th Philosophy of Education Conference, held at Azim Premji University, Bangalore on 10-12 January 2016.

5. Participated as discussant of a paper entitled “West Bengal Food Movements of 1959 and 1966”, at a conference on Popular Movements in West Bengal and Bihar, organized by the Calcutta Research Group, on February 28, 2016.

6. Participated and chaired a session at the Orientation Workshop on “Tribe, Caste and Region: Indian Nation-State and Its Discontents”, organized by the CSSSC on March 28-29, 2016.

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC

Co-taught jointly with my colleague Maidul Islam a module on Rethinking Political Theory.

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Sreemoyee Ghosh – “Organised Informality: The State and Informal Workers in Durgapur”.
2. Sayantani Sur – “Gender Politics of Contraception (1930s-1970s)”.
3. Somraj Basu – “Tibetan Medicine – A sociological Understanding”

M.Phil.

1. Indrani Sengupta – “Interrogating Incentives in School Education”.
2. Zeeshan Husain – “Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) in UP: A Village Level Sociological Understanding”.
3. Anwasha Sengupta (joint supervision with Rahul Mukhopadhyay) – “Street Children and Social Trust”
4. Aditya Bahukhandi (joint supervision with Soumyabrata Chowdhury) – “Politics of Representation”
5. Prashkanva Sinha Roy (joint supervision with Dwaipayan Bhattacharya) – “Dalit Politics in West Bengal”

Other academic activities

1. Served as an external examiner of an MPhil dissertation by Sanchita Bhattacharya entitled *Educational Status and Its Determinants among the Children: A Comparative Study of Slum and Non-Slum Areas in Medinipur Town, Paschim Medinipur District*, submitted to IDSK, University of Calcutta, 2015.
2. Served as an external examiner of a doctoral thesis by Tahiya Mahbub entitled *Rethinking Inclusive Education in Bangladesh through an examination of children’s voices and Rabindranath Tagore’s pedagogical philosophy*, submitted to the Department of Integrated Studies in Education, Faculty of Education, McGill University, Canada, December 2015.
3. Served as an external examiner of a doctoral thesis by Sumit Howladar entitled *Changing patterns of politics and leadership in West Bengal: a study of Trinamool*

Congress, submitted to the Centre for Political Studies, School of social sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, 2015.

4. Served as an external examiner of an MPhil thesis by Shalini Punjabi, entitled *Shadow Education, Credentialism and Family Strategies: An Exploratory Study of IIT Aspirants in Delhi*, submitted to the Zakir Hussain Centre for Education, Jawaharlal Nehru University, March 2016.

5. Served as a member of the report writing team of a publication on *Living Reality of Muslims in West Bengal: A Report, 2016*.

Administrative responsibilities

Convenor of the Campus committee

Have tried, in a modest way, to take care of various responsibilities as honorary director of ERC-ICSSR.

Publications

Books

1. *Education and Inequality in India: A Classroom View* (with Jos Mooij- posthumously), Routledge, paperback publication, Routledge, London, New York, July 2015.

Journal Articles

1. “Cultivating Capabilities through Activism: Examples from India” (with Jos Mooij- posthumously) in *The European Journal of Development Research*, online publication, 11 June 2015.

2. “Aspiring public solutions for public deficiencies” (with Kumar Rana) in *Learning Curve*, Issue XXV, January 2016.

Book Reviews

Education, Privatisation and Social Justice: Case Studies from Africa, South Asia and South East Asia, edited by Ian Macpherson, Susan Robertson and Geoffrey Walford, in *Journal of Educational Planning and Administration*, vol. XXIX, No.4. October 2015..

Indrajit Mallick (Associate Professor, Economics)

Completed Research

The following essays have been completed:

1. Optimal Judicial Decision Making in Corporate Bankruptcy Law Cases
2. Efficient Design of Corporate Bankruptcy Law
3. Patterns in Financial History

Ongoing Research

The following essays are on-going:

1. Financial System Dynamics and Prudential Regulation (Book Project)
2. The Theory of the Firm: Capital Structure, Production and Governance
3. The Theory of Financial Intermediation
4. The Theory of Dynamics of Portfolio Choice and Financial Markets

Administrative Responsibility

Member of the Library Committee

Publications

Journal Articles

“Optimal Judicial Decision Making in Corporate Bankruptcy Cases” in *Trade and Development Review*, Vol. 8, Issue 1, 1st May 2015, 31-41 <http://www.tdrju.net> © Jadavpur University.

Sugata Marjit (RBI Chair Professor of Industrial Economics)

Completed Research

- Tax Evasion, Corruption and Tax Loopholes, Sugata Marjit, André Seidel and Marcel Thum, completed.
- Religious Fragmentation, Social Identity and Cooperation : Evidence from an artefactual field experiment In India, Sugata Marjit, S. Chakravarty, M. Fonseca, S. Ghosh, forthcoming in *European Economic Review*.
- Strategic Enforcement, Intellectual Property Rights and Contractual R and D, Sugata Marjit, Hamid Beladi, Xinoeng Xu and Lei Yang, forthcoming in *Economic Inquiry*.

-Virtual Trade between separated Time Zones and Growth, Sugata Marjit and Biswajit Mandal, forthcoming in *International Journal of Economic Theory*.

- Credit, Inequality and Trade, Sugata Marjit, completed.

- Credit constraints, fragmentation and inter-firm transactions, Sugata Marjit, Lei Yand and Mousakhi Roy, completed.

- Trade Liberalization, Technology Transfer and Endogenous R&D, Hong Hwang, Sugata Marjit and Cheng-Hau Peng, completed.

On-going Research

- Effects of Foreign Direct Investment and human capital formation on labour markets in India, Sugata Marjit , Pranab Kumar Das and Gunja Baranwal, ongoing.

- Wage Cut, Employment and Informal Sector, Sugata Marjit, ongoing.

- Market Imperfection and Exports – The Role of Technology, Sugata Marjit, ongoing.

- International Trade and Credit Market Imperfection, Sugata Marjit, ongoing.

- Cross-border Mergers, Privatization, and Comparative Advantage, Sugata Marjit, Hamid Beladi and Avik Chakrabarty, ongoing.

- FDI, Exports and Financial Development, Sugata Marjit, ongoing.

- Banking Sector Imperfection induced Product Market Collusion, Sugata Marjit, ongoing.

Visiting Appointments

1. Visiting Professor at University of Queensland
2. Visiting Professor at University of Konstanz
3. Visiting Professor at The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
4. Nottingham University Business School

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences:

1. “Credit constraints, fragmentation and inter-firm transactions”, Sugata Marjit, Western Economic Association International Conference, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.

2. “Sustainability of Product Market Collusion Under Credit Market Imperfection”, Sugata Marjit, Avik Chakrabarty and Lei Yang, at Hyderabad Central University.

3. “False litigation, delay tax payment and evasion – The role of informal sector”, Sugata Marjit, at International Conference on *Public Finance and Public Policy* organized by Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, February, 2016.

Teaching Assignments

Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

University of Queensland

University of Konstanz

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Gunja Baranwal –

2. Moushaki Roy -

3. Suryaprakash Mishra -

Administrative Responsibility

Project Directorship of CTRPFP.

Vice Chancellorship , University of Calcutta.

Editorial work for South Asian Journal of Macroeconomics and Public Finance, SAGE.

Content designing of the forthcoming Indian Public Finance and Policy Report (IPFPR) to be published by Centre for Training and Research in Public Finance and Policy (CTRFPF)/OUP.

Publications

1. “Does intellectual property right promote innovations when pirates are innovators?”, Sugata Marjit and Lei Yang in *International Review of Economics & Finance* (Elsevier), 2015, vol. 37(C), pages 203-207.

2. “Endogenous Market Structure, Trade Cost Reduction, and Welfare”, Sugata

Marjit and Arijit Mukherjee in *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics* (JITE), Mohr Siebeck, Tübingen, 2015, vol. 171(3), pages 493-511.

3. “Tax Effort of West Bengal and Andhra Pradesh: A Comparative Study Based on Consumption Expenditure”, Jayanta Dwibedi, Sugata Marjit and Koushik Kumar Hati in *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. LI, No. 7, Feb. 13, 2016, pp. 63-69.

4. “Relative Social Status and Conflicting Measures of Poverty: A Behavioural Analytical Model”, Sugata Marjit, Sattwik Santra and Koushik Kumar Hati in *Journal of Quantitative Economics*, Springer, Vol. 13, Issue 1, April, 2015, pp. 77 – 86.

5. “Competitive General Equilibrium with Finite Change and Theory of Policy Making”, Hamid Beladi, Avik Chakrabarti and Sugata Marjit in *Economics & Politics*, Wiley, Volume 28, Issue 1, pp. 1-7.

6. “International Trade, Migration and Unemployment – The Role of Informal Sector”, Sugata Marjit and Biswajit Mandal in *Economics & Politics*, Wiley, Volume 28, Issue 1, pp. 8-22.

7. “Does Foreign Aid Corrupt? : A Theoretical Note”, Sugata Marjit and Vivekananda Mukherjee in Vivekananda Mukherjee Edited *Understanding Development: An Indian Perspective on Legal and Economic Policy*, Springer, 2016.

Tushar Kanti Nandi (Assistant Professor, Economics under the CTRPFP)

On-going Research

- “Intergeneration persistence of labour market outcomes: Evidence from low and middle income countries.” This projects looks in to the factors that affect the early labour market outcomes of young individuals. Data from several low and middle income countries have been used for an empirical analysis of the comparative strength of education and inheritance on occupational choice. The project would produce a paper for International Labour Office, Geneva.

- “NREGA and school attendance”. This paper explores the effect of NREGA on the school attendance young individuals who are not eligible for NREGA work but have crossed the age limit protected by child labour law. This 15-17 years old youth forms are potential substitute labour for the usual work of an adult household member who opts for NREGA for a short period of time.

Using NSSO data, the paper study the educational outcome of this age group in relation to NREGA work of other household members.

- “Effect of tax reform on firm’s (in)formality decision.” This project studies how tax system can affect the formality decision of firms. Using data from an Indian state, the project explores how tax reforms have affected the evasion and real incentive of firms to be formal. The project is being carried out in collaboration with Institute for Fiscal Studies, London.

- “Invariant features of consumption inequality across groups.” The project explores the distribution of consumption across states (in India), countries, ethnic identities.

Seminars/Workshops/Conferences

1. Presentation in the workshop Econometrics and its Applications September 18th-23rd, 2015, Dept. of Economics, University of Burdwan.
2. Presentation at workshop on Applied Econometrics November 2nd – 8th, 2015, University of Gour Banga, Malda.
3. Paper presentation in the symposium Labour Market Transitions of Young Women and Men: Innovative research from 30 ‘school-to-work transition survey’ datasets, 23-24 March 2016, International Labour Organisation, Geneva.

Teaching Assignments

Research Methodology, Ph D coursework in Economics, CSSSC.

“Econometric Methods”, 2nd Semester, M. Sc. (Economics), May 2015, Dept. of Economics, University of Gour Banga, Malda.

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

Sweta Lahiri - “Youth Employment in India”.

Moumita Bala - “Energy Pricing”.

Administrative Responsibility

Convenor of Seminar Sub-Committee

Convenor of Computer and Website Sub-committee

Publications

“Invariant features of spatial inequality in consumption: The case of India”, Chatterjee, A., Anindya S. Chakrabarti, A. S., Ghosh, A., Chakraborti, A. and Nandi, T. K. (2016), *Physica A* 442, pp. 169-181.

Manas Ray (Associate Professor, Cultural Studies)

Research Project Funded by External Agencies

1. *Inherited Memories* - functioned as the consultant of a joint project between Max Mueller Bhavan (Calcutta) and the CSSSC. The project also involved MMB (Dhaka) and University of Heidelberg. It's called, *Inherited Memories* and is an investigation on how the third generation remembers the partition in West Bengal as well as in Bangladesh. Selection of interviewers was done from among the MPhil and PhD students of the CSSSC, delivered the opening lecture at a two day conference organized by MMB (Calcutta) and CSSSC at the MMB venue on this theme on 25th August, 2015, gave a similar lecture at MMB (Dhaka), monitored the interviews that our students take on return to Calcutta and finally, wrote an extended report on the entire project, including the interview findings of the participants.

On-going Research

1. Editing the October 2016 issue of the journal, *Seminar*. The topic is: VIOLENCE AND PACIFICATION. The contributors are: Parthama Banerjee, Bodhisattva Kar, Anup Dhar, Shaheen Akhtar, Atrayee Majumder, Edward Rodriques, Rajarshi Dasgupta, Saumyabrata Choudhury, Trina Neelina Banerjee, Maidul Islam and Rajarshi Ghosh. These essays are between 3500 and 4000. I am contributing a longer essay entitled, “Countering Violence? Are Strategies of Violence Not Working?”

2. Have signed a contract with Primus Books, New Delhi, for an anthology of my essays on indenture, diaspora and displacement (*Displaced: Lives on the move*). The manuscript is nearing completion. I hope to put it in early 2017. Prof John Frow has agreed to write the foreword.

3. Working on an anthology of essays on the contemporary state of Indian democracy. This is also to be published by Primus Books, New Delhi. There are 32 contributors, each contributing essays between 6 to 8 thousand words. The last date for submission of essays is 31 December, 2016. I plan to put

in the manuscript (which would include a long introduction by me) by June 2017.

4. About to complete an extended article, “Enlightenment, Critique and the Project of Self-Making: Reading Kant Beyond Koselleck”. I will give a seminar on this in the second half of September, 2016. This article will be the first of the essays of an anthology of mine, *Culture and Critique*. Of the 7 essays to go into the anthology, 4 are already published. One essay, “Durga Puja in the City” is now under review with *Modern Asian Studies*. I completed this essay between January and April this year. I am now left with one more essay: “Installation as History-Writing: Vivan Sunderam’s work on Bengal Modernity.”

5. In the process of completing a review article of three books on Gandhi and Ambedkar. *These are: Radical Equality: Ambedkar, Gandhi and the Risk of Democracy* (Aishwary Kumar), *Unconditional equality: Gandhi’s Religion of Resistance* (Ajay Skaria) and *Impossible Indian: Gandhi and the Temptation of Violence* (Faisal Devji). This piece is commissioned by the journal, *Cultural Critique*. The deadline is 30 November, 2016.

Visiting Appointments

Visiting Professor at the Centre for the Study of Social Systems, JNU. This was as part of the CAS visiting professorship programme.

Seminars/Workshops/Conferences

1. Gandhi: Liberal or a Departure within Liberalism? (Reflections of Self-Making as Political Technology) at the Centre for the Study of Social Systems, JNU in September, 2015.

2. Democracy: Values, Violence and the People organised by the Philosophy Colloquium, JNU in September, 2015.

3. Public Lecture on Democracy Contra Democracy at Azim Premji University, Bangalore, in April 2016.

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Abdullah Al Mamun – “Memory, Real and Virtual of a Nation: an investigation into Shahbag movement in Bangladesh” (since 2012).

2. Soumi Chatterjee – “Jibanananda paraborti Bangla kobitai nirshangata: Bhaskar Chakraborty o Tushar Roy er proti bishesh gurutwasaha ekti bishelashan (Solitude in post-Jibanananda Bengali poetry: An analysis with special focus on Bhaskar Chakraborty and Tushar Roy)” (since 2012).
3. Richa Gupta – “Heterotopia and the Novel: A Study of the novels of W J Sebald” (since 2013).
4. Debajyoti Mondal – “Singularity and Modern Bengali Literature with special reference to the writings of Syed Waliullah” (since 2014).
5. Kaustub Roy – “Animation and Indian Cinema: analysis of a changing trajectory” (since 2014).

M.Phil.

1. Karma Sherap Bhutia - completed MPhil dissertation - “Political Transition of Sikkim, Change in History and its Effects in the Everyday Life”.

Publications

Articles in Books

1. “The Cartoon Controversy: Crafty Politicos, Impatient Pedagogues” in Rina Ramdev and Sandhya Devesan Nambiar edited, *The State of Hurt: Sentiment, Politics, Censorship* (Sage: New Delhi, 2015)
2. “Out of Silence” in Kirsty Gunn edited, *Voyaging Out* (University of Dundee Press, UK, 2016).

Journal Articles

1. “Against Negation: Suicide, Self-consciousness and Jibanananda Das’ poem, *One Day Eight Years Ago*”, *Cambridge Journal of Postcolonial Literary Inquiry*, vol 2, no. 2, 2016.
2. “Fractured City Votes for Civic State”, *Seminar*, April 2015.
3. “The Many Bodies of History: the Cinema of Alexander Kluge”, *Journal of the Moving Image; special issue: Luminous Celluloid*, January – June 2015, pp. 76 – 96.
4. “Who is ‘the People?’”, *Seminar* issue on “State of Democracy”, October 2015, pp. 68 – 76.

Edited Journal

Edited the October 2015 issue of *Seminar on* “The State of Democracy: Life and Politics of Contemporary India”.

Teaching Programmes at the CSSSC

Convenor of two M.Phil. / Ph.D. courses:

Biopolitics, Ethics, Subjectivation

Modernity and the Making of the Social

Priya Sangameswaran (Assistant Professor, Development Studies)

On-going Research

- Continuation of research project on the relationship between cities and industrialization (with a particular focus on the city of Thane in Maharashtra):

Collection of archival material on land acquisition and municipalization (from the Maharashtra Government Archive Repository at Mumbai in April/May 2015).

Collection of material from other sources which was spread out across the year: some historical (legislation, articles from the Times of India archives) and some contemporary (recent changes in industrial policy in Maharashtra, court cases around land conversion, histories of companies working in Thane).

- Paper titled ‘Changing spatial configurations and shifting land uses: A story of two industrial spaces in Thane city’ which deals with (a) the heterogeneous character of post-independence projects of industrialization and development in the city of Thane and (b) the opening up of industrial land for other uses, how this is affected by the complex legal apparatus surrounding land ownership, and the need to pay attention to a longer history of land (use and ownership).

- Paper (presented at a conference) titled ‘Trains, Elections, and an Industrial Estate: Three Moments in the Development of Thane City’ where the attempt is to use three elements which are standard to most imaginations of the ‘urban’ and of ‘development’ – infrastructure, municipal governance, and industrialization respectively – to tell the story of a city that is usually considered as a suburb of Mumbai and deal with the larger methodological question of how one should

think about the emergence and growth of modern towns and cities that are not Presidency cities or older historical or industrial or trading cities.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. Presented a paper titled 'Water and the Agrarian Question: Changing Priorities and Politics' at a seminar on the Agrarian Question in Contemporary Indian Politics organized by the Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University on 18 and 19 February 2016.
2. Presented a paper titled 'Trains, Elections, and an Industrial Estate: Three Moments in the Development of Thane City' at the 16th International Conference on Maharashtra: Culture and Society held at Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad from 8 to 10 January 2016.
3. Participated in a 'National Consultation on Right to Water in the Context of Ongoing Sectoral Reforms: Perspectives and Experiences' organized by Jan Pehel (Madhya Pradesh), Manthan Adhyayan Kendra (Madhya Pradesh), National Platform Against Water Privatisation and People's Campaign on Right to Water (Karnataka) at Bhopal on December 4 and 5, 2016.
4. Participated in a Workshop on Circular Migration and Habitat: Stories of Migration in Bangladesh and West Bengal jointly organised by Dr. Elisa T. Bertuzzo, Technische Universität Berlin (TUB) and CSSSC in Kolkata on 6 and 7 November 2015.
5. Participated in a National Consultation on 'Water Tariff Regulations – Policy Implementation and Alternatives' organized by PRAYAS (Pune), TISS (Mumbai), SOPPECOM (Pune), and Forum for Policy Dialogue on Water Conflicts in India on 10 September 2015, at Pune.
6. Participated in a discussion on Gender Issues in Schools jointly organized by Ebong Alap, Kolkata and Nirantar, Delhi at the National University of Juridical Sciences on 21 August 2015.
7. Chaired a session in a Two-day Workshop on Re-Imagining Economic Development organised by Institute for New Economic Thinking, Young Scholars Initiative India, and All India Students' Association for Heterodox Economics on 23 and 24 July 2015 at Jadavpur University.

Teaching Assignments

Teaching at CSSSC (MPhil 2015-16 batch)

Semester 1: Seven lectures in The Land Question in Development, three in Research Methods in Social Sciences, and three in Vocabulary of the Social Sciences; Also co-ordinated The Land Question in Development and Research Methods in Social Sciences

Semester II: Three lectures in Envisioning the City.

External Teaching

1. Class on 'Neo-Marxist Theories of Development' at the Department of Sociology, West Bengal State University, Barasat on 19 May 2015.
2. Lecture on 'Ethnography' as part of a Research Methodology Course in Anthropology and Allied Disciplines at the Department of Anthropology, West Bengal State University (Barasat) on 12 December 2015.
3. Lecture on 'Conflicting International Legal Regimes: Human Right to Water versus Contract Law' as part of UGC-HRDC refresher course on *International Relations and Comparative Politics: Recent Trends* at the Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University on 12 February 2016.

Other Academic Assignments

1. Member of Advisory Committee for research project on "Adapting to Climate Change in Urbanizing Watersheds (ACCUWa)" at Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and Environment (ATREE), Bangalore.
2. Member of a Project Advisory Group for a project titled 'Shifting Grounds: Institutional Transformation, Enhancing Knowledge and Capacity to Manage Groundwater Security in Peri-Urban Gangetic Delta Systems' being conducted by a consortium of organizations led by Delft University of Technology.
3. Member of Doctoral Advisory Committee of Rashmi Mahajan at the Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and Environment (ATREE), Bangalore.
4. Academic advisor to Matthew Shutzer, PhD student in the Department of History at New York University under the AIIS Junior Dissertation Fellowship

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Palash Naskar – “Political Economy of Contemporary Fishing Communities: Nature, State and Market in Coastal West Bengal and Odisha” .
2. Aritra Bhattacharya – “Ideologies and Spaces of Cultural Resistance: Caste-class Politics in Post-1970s Maharashtra”.
3. Niranjana Jaladas – “Migration, Citizenship and Changing Trajectory of a Fishing-Based Society: An Anthro-Historical Study of Post-1960s Indian Sundarbans”.
4. Prangopal Mondal – “Human’-‘Environment’ Interactions and Urban Transformation: A Study from Kolkata Metropolitan Region”

M.Phil.

1. Tony Kurian – “Fictions of Auctions and Narratives of Commons: The Performance of Spectrum in India”
2. Parag Jyoti Saikia – “Flows of Desire: The Story of Damming a River in Upper Assam”
3. Pintu Das (jointly with Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay) – “Aila-Uttor Pathorpratimar Pratyahiki: Tran, Prashasanik Kritkoushol o Bishoyir Nirmiti”

Administrative Responsibility

Member of Campus Committee, Computer Committee, Service Rules Committee, MPhil Sub-Committee and PhD Sub-Committee.

MPhil Co-ordinator.

Sattwik Santra (Assistant Professor, Economics under the CTRPFP)

Completed Research

1. Acted as one of the editors of the India Public Finance and Policy Report: Fiscal Issues and Macro-economy along with Jyotsna Jalan and Sugata Marjit.
2. “Preferences, Purchasing Power Parity, and Inequality: Analytical Framework, Propositions, and Empirical Evidence” with Amita Majumder and Ranjan Ray.
3. “Global and Country Poverty Rates, Welfare Rankings of the Regions and

Purchasing Power Parities: How Robust Are the Results?” with AmitaMajumder and Ranjan Ray.

4. “The World Bank’s Poverty Enumeration: How Transparent is the Process, how Sound is the Methodology and how Reliable are the Numbers?” with AmitaMajumder and Ranjan Ray.

External Teaching Assignments

Advanced time series econometrics (PG) at Presidency University, July-November 2015.

Mathematical Economics (UG) at Presidency University, July-November 2015.

Basic time series econometrics at Presidency University, January-May 2016.

Public Finance and Policy at Presidency University, January-May 2016.

Administrative Responsibility

Computer Committee

Campus Committee

Publications

Articles in Books

Article titled “Interrelationship between Economic Growth and Income Inequality: The Indian Experience” in *Growth Curve and Structural Equation Modeling: Topics from the Indian Statistical Institute* with Samarjit Das, Indian Statistical Institute.

Journal Articles

Article titled “Relative Social Status and Conflicting Measures of Poverty: A Behavioural Analytical Model” in the “Journal of Quantitative Economics” with Sugata Marjit and Koushik Hati.

Reviews/Others

Article titled “Preferences, Purchasing Power Parity, and Inequality: Analytical Framework, Propositions, and Empirical Evidence” as “World Bank Policy Research Working Paper 7395” with Amita Majumder and Ranjan Ray.

Lakshmi Subramanian (Professor, History)

Completed Research

- Revised, completed and proofread the manuscript on Piracy and the western Indian littoral. O.U.P (Global Series) is bringing this out on 15 May 2016. The book has been titled *The Sovereign and the Pirate Ordering India Ordering Maritime Subjects in India's western littoral*.

On-going Research

- Planning new research on the theme of Trust, Institutions and Commercial practices in South Asia in historical and Comparative perspectives.

- Considering the publication of a journal (provisionally titled Goonj) on Music and sonic cultures in south Asia. The idea is to bring together some of the newly emerging work on this field. This is still an under-chartered field and while there has been some work on the defining of the classical within the context of nationalism and its cultural claims and some on popular culture especially film music, we do not have a comprehensive understanding of sound and sound production especially in various sites.

- To develop a small pilot study of zamindari cultural practices in Bengal in relation to music with a special focus on the Gauripur family of Birendra Kishore and use that as a lens to understanding the circulation of practice and talim as well as of the mobile circuits of musicians within a matrix of small princely establishments in eastern India including and notably Darbhanga, Betia and Nepal in the late 19th and early twentieth century.

- To finalize a descriptive catalog of the digitized material of the Kolkata Improvement Trust between 1912 and 1975.

Visiting Appointments

Visiting Professor, University of Gottingen, Department of Music and Anthropology, May-July 2015.

Seminars, Workshops, Conferences

1. BIMSTEC Initiative Paper presented on "Historical and Civilizational Linkages in the Bay of Bengal", 27-28 March 2016.
2. Conference on Ports of India in Naval War College, Mandavie, Goa 10 March

- 2016, Paper presented on “Ports of Maritime India - A Historical Narrative”.
3. International Conference on Music, Modernity and the Public Sphere, University of Chicago Centre, New Delhi, 27-28 February 2016.
 4. Conference on the Maratha Experiment State and Society, Department of History, Calcutta University, 26 February 2016.
 5. International Seminar on Radiating Globality in the University of Dakar, Senegal, 19-22 February 2016.
 6. Refresher Course lectures, Department of International Relations, 2 February 2016.
 7. Seminar organised by Darshak Itihas Nidhi on 'Trans-Regional Trade and Traders Situating Gujarat in the Indian Ocean from early times to 1900, Surat 10-12 December 2016.

Teaching Assignments, CSSSC

- M.Phil Semester I Research Methods in the Social Sciences,
M.Phil, Semester II Envisioning the City

External Teaching Assignments

- M.A Anthropology and Music, University of Goettingen, May-June 2015

Research Supervision

Ph.D.

1. Santanu Sengupta - “The Empire’s Network: Armenians and the history of the British Imperialism in the Indian Ocean Arena (1780-1900)” (Batch: 2012)
2. Sagnik Atharathi - “Towards an Alternative History: Bengal and its Musical Publics (1940-1970)” (Batch:2011)
3. Mrunal Patnekar - “A study of ‘Hindu Muslim riots’ in Bombay (now Mumbai) between 1920 – 1948” (Batch: 2010)
4. Kaustubh Das - “The modern History of Yoga: Religious Studies, Theosophy and Parapsychology” (Batch: 2012)
5. Rukmini Chakravorty - “Ships sojourns and sovereignties: A gaze from the

eastern Indian ocean littoral circa (1750-1854)” (Batch: 2014)

Justin Mathew - Co supervisor, University of Gottingen “Cochin and the making of its Hinterland in the Twentieth Century”

M.Phil.

1. Geeta Thatra (2015) – “(Re)inscribing caste in urban spaces: A Microhistory of a Dalit Buddhist neighbourhood in Bombay”
2. Siddharta Mukherjee (2016) – “From Spectacle to Crisis: A History of electrification in Delhi (1903-1947)”

Administrative Responsibility

Dean (Academic)

Coordinator, MICAS-MP

Other Academic Responsibilities

Expert for Panel for starting Grants (SH5) in the European Research Council 2015 and reappointed for 2016-2017.

Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Indian Ocean world studies, Mcgill University Press.

Referee for Studies in History.

Reviewed an academic essay for publication for MAKIAS, Kolkata.

Publications

Articles in Books

1. “Cloth and Commerce: Understanding Indian economic history” in Pedro Machado and Gwyn Campbell (edited) *Ocean of Cloth*, Palgrave 2016.
2. “Revisiting the idea of the Gurukul: Challenges of teaching music in a new setting” in Vikas Gupta (edited) *New trends in India's education*, Delhi.

Reviews/Others

“Music and the Spiritual: A Review Essay”, *The Book Review*, February 2016..

Teaching Programmes at the CSSSC

M.Phil. in Social Sciences

[Conducted by Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (CSSSC) and affiliated to Jadavpur University, Kolkata]

The Centre runs a two-year M.Phil. programme in Social Sciences that enjoys formal affiliation with Jadavpur University, Kolkata. It is one of its kind in the country as it is an interdisciplinary programme that engages with the problems of methodology and writing of the social sciences. The programme admits a class of maximum 25 students selected on the basis of a written test and an interview.

The M. Phil. programme has two parts: one-year teaching-course (semesters I and II) and one-year research-work for the writing of dissertation (semesters III and IV). In the first year, students are required to study eight modules (two compulsory and six optional) and sit for an M.Phil. Qualifying Examination. Only after a candidate clears the Qualifying Examination is s/he allowed to pursue with dissertation. In the second year, students are required to make three presentations in the presence of faculty members, presenting their work-in-progress.

Report for period from April 2015 to March 2016

The M. Phil. in Social Sciences 2013-15 batch submitted their dissertations in May 2015. 8 students of this batch were awarded the M. Phil degree in December 2015.

In the M. Phil in Social Sciences 2014-16 batch, 13 students completed their course work and cleared the Qualifying Examination.

20 students were admitted in the M. Phil. 2015-17 batch, out of a total of 191 applicants.

List of Modules taught by faculty-members in the 2015-16 year (along with names of module co-ordinators)

Compulsory Modules: 2

Optional Modules: 13

Cluster A: Modules: 6

Cluster B: Modules: 6

Cluster C: Modules: 1

Semester I

Course I, Module 1: Compulsory

Vocabulary of the Social Sciences

[Kiran Keshavamurthy]

Course I, Module 2: Optional

1. Problems of Historical Writing
and Method

[A: Rajarshi Ghose]

2. Feminism and the Social Sciences

[A: Trina Nileena Banerjee]

3. The Land Question in Development

[C: Priya Sangameswaran]

Course II, Module 1: Compulsory

Research Methods in Social Sciences

[Priya Sangameswaran]

Course II, Module 2: Optional

Cultures of Postcoloniality

[A: Rosinka Chaudhuri]

Modernity and the Making of the Social

[B: Manas Ray]

Semester II

Course III, Module 1: Optional

Introduction to Modern Social Thought

[B: Rosinka Chaudhuri]

Readings in Philosophy: Texts,
Concepts, Contexts

[A: Anirban Das]

Course III, Module 2: Optional

The Subject and the Body:

A Feminist Approach

[A: Kiran Keshavamurthy]

Envisioning the City

[B: Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay]

Course IV, Module 1: Optional

Situating 'Science': Transactions Across
Disciplines

[B: Anirban Das]

Biopolitics, Ethics, and Subjectivation

[B: Manas Ray]

Course IV, Module 2: Optional

Theorizing Performance

[A: Sudipto Chatterjee]

Rethinking Political Theory

[B: Manabi Majumdar]

M. PHIL. IN SOCIAL SCIENCES 2013-15
Dissertations Submitted to Jadavpur University

	Student	Title of the Dissertation	Supervisor
1.	Arghya Ganguly	The Incorporeal Cracks in the Autobiography	Rosinka Chaudhuri
2.	Debraj Dasgupta	Kake Boli Likhaner Sram : Sram- Somoyer (An)Aviggnata o Lekhar Katha	Anirban Das
3.	Geeta Thatra	(Re)inscribing caste in urban spaces: Microhistory of a Dalit Buddhist neighbourhood in Bombay	Lakshmi Subramanian
4.	Indrani Sengupta	Interrogating Incentives in School Education	Manabi Majumdar
5.	Shinjini Sircar	Cooks, Kitchen and Colony: Food, Identity and Domesticity in Late Nineteenth Century India.	Sudipto Chatterjee
6.	Soumita Mazumder	The Clique of the Club: A Small History of Nationalism in Calcutta, 1920-1947	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay
7.	Ujaan Ghosh	Temple Space and Colonial Governance: A Political History of Religion and State in 19 th Century Puri	Tapati Guha-Thakurta
8.	Zeeshan Husain	Bahujan Samaj Party in Uttar Pradesh: A Village-level Sociological Understanding	Manabi Majumdar

M. Phil. In Social Sciences 2014-16

(Research Year)

Semester III: First Presentation

29 July 2015 and 30 July 2015

Sl. No.	Candidate	Presentation Title	Supervisor
1.	Afrin Firdaus Idris	“Your Gaze Hits the Side of My Face”: New Iranian Cinema, Women, and Censorship	Trina Nileena Banerjee
2.	Biboswan Bose	Death and Impossibility: Early Revolutionary Terror in Bengal 1902-1920	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay
3.	Karma Sherap Bhutia	Political Conditions of Sikkim from 1947-1970	Manas Ray
4.	Labani Jangi	Samakalin Nadia – Murshidabad jelar Muslim: Porijaye sramakendrik ek bibortito shomaj	Rajarshi Ghose
5.	Parag Jyoti Saikia	Developing India’s ‘Future Powerhouse’: Study of Hydropower Projects in Northeast India	Priya Sangameswaran
6.	Pintu Das	Prakritik Durjog ‘Aila’ Paroborti Patharpratima: Traner Rajniti o Poribortit Arthasamajik Abastha	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay and Priya Sangameswaran
7.	Raikamal Roy	Institutions and Illness - How Institutional Spaces Rework Understandings of Mental Illness	Anirban Das
8.	Rajashree Bhattacharyya	Ethico- Moral Foundations of Economics	Anirban Das
9.	Satarupa Lahiri	The Indian soldiers who fought the First World War	Prachi Deshpande
10.	Siddhartha Chandra Mukherjee	A History of Electrification: Some Preliminary Questions	Lakshmi Subramanian
11.	Subro Saha	Judith Butler and the Paradox of Materiality	Anirban Das
12.	Tony Kurian	Producing Commodity out of Thin Air: Spectrum Market in India	Priya Sangameswaran
13.	Uday Bhanu S.	Process of being Displaced: Negotiating with State and Market	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay

Semester IV: Second Presentation

6 January 2016 and 7 January 2016

Sl. No.	Candidate	Presentation Title	Supervisor
1.	Afrin Firdaus Idris	Children of The Revolution	Trina Nileena Banerjee
2.	Biboswan Bose	Jibika, Swadhinata, Deser Kaj : Early Revolutionary Terror in Bengal	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay
3.	Karma Sherap Bhutia	Annexation or Merger: A perspective	Manas Ray
4.	Labani Jangi	Nadia-Murshidabad jelar musolman porijayi sromikder somokalin jibon- jibikakendrik ekti onushondhan	Rajarshi Ghose
5.	Parag Jyoti Saikia	When a Dam is not Just a Dam: Subansiri Lower Project through the Lens of Infrastructure Theory	Priya Sangameswaran
6.	Pintu Das	Aila-uttar pathar pratimay chaler rajniti, traner chalcitra	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay and Priya Sangameswaran
7.	Satarupa Lahiri	Indian Soldiers in World War I	Prachi Deshpande
8.	Tony Kurian	The 'Performance' of Auction Theory: The Case of Spectrum in India	Priya Sangameswaran
9	Siddhartha Chandra Mukherjee	From Durbar to Durbar: Beginnings and Progress of Electrification in Delhi (1902-1912)	Lakshmi Subramanian
10.	Raikamal Roy	Language, time, and community and the disabled body	Anirban Das
11.	Rajashree Bhat-tacharyya	Economic Thought and the Category of Human Action	Anirban Das
12.	Subro Saha	The Paradox(es) of Materiality: The Impossible Subject and the Dangers of Searching Newness	Anirban Das
13.	Uday Bhanu S.	Techno-politics of Water: Lift Irrigation and Telangana Movement	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay

M. Phil. In Social Sciences 2015-17 (Coursework year)

Final list of students enrolled (16 out of the total of 20 admitted)

Sl. No.	Name
1.	Anurupa Bhowmick
2.	Aritri Chakrabarti
3.	Chandan Das
4.	Cheshta Arora
5.	Judaline Torcato
6.	Kaberi Mondal
7.	Madhumita Chatterjee
8.	Pooja Sanyal
9.	Pushan Sarkar
10.	Rajeev Papreja
11.	Rinchen Jamyang Norbu
12.	Salwa Yahya
13.	Shamayeeta Ghosh
14.	Shrutarsi Das
15.	Sohini Dutta
16.	Mayurakshi Dev
17.	Angana Chattopadhyay
18.	Ivan Mani Iyer

The Doctoral Programme

Since its inception, the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta, has accepted scholars wishing to pursue their Ph.D. with specific faculty advisors. As the Centre could not offer any degree, the faculty of the Centre could only co-supervise a student who had to be registered with a university. Since then the Centre has launched its own programme offering Ph.D. in Social Sciences affiliated to Jadavpur University.

Applicants may now choose from any of the following areas of work: Cultural Studies, Development Studies and Environmental Studies, Economics, Geography, History, Political Science, Sociology / Social Anthropology and Women Studies. Selected candidates take course-work (if necessary) and conduct research under the supervision of a member of the CSSSC faculty.

The Centre currently has 61 students enrolled in its Ph.D. Programme of whom 24 are receiving an ICSSR Fellowship and 10 are receiving a Junior Research Fellowship from the UGC. During the last academic year 14 students were admitted into the Programme.

Library/Computing and Related Facilities for M. Phil. and Ph.D. Students

The Library

The library of the Centre remains open to all students in the Doctoral, M.Phil. and RMQE programmes on all working days of the Centre from 10.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Each student is subjected to the general rules and procedures of readership in the library. Participants have to pay a refundable library deposit fee of Rs.1000/- (Rupees one thousand only).

Computing facilities

The students of M. Phil. and the Ph.D. programmes enjoy access to subscribed electronic databases of CSSSC.

Two rooms are designated for the students of the M.Phil. and Ph.D. programmes.

Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

Title Defence for Ph. D. Batch 2014 and 2014 (Second Phase)

Dated: 24.02.2016

Time: 10:15 am onwards

Sl. No.	Name	Name of Supervisor	Time	Confirmed Ph.D. Thesis Title
1.	Rohan Basu	Dr. Kiran Keshavamurthy	10:15 to 10:30	Of Innocence and Other Monsters: Love and Violence in Contemporary Bollywood.
2.	Arkadeb Banerjee	Dr. Prachi Deshpande	10:30 to 10:45	A History of Calcutta in the first half of the Twentieth Century: Changes, Ruptures and Contestations
3.	Rukmini Chakraborty	Professor Lakshmi Subramanian	10:45 to 11	TBA
4	Krishti Kumar	Professor Tapati Guha Thakurta	11 to 11:15	Interrogating spatiality in twentieth century Calcutta: neighbourhood house terrace.
5	Dipparan Jana	Dr. Saibal Kar	11:15 to 11:30	Crime, Institutions and Welfare - Three Essays
6	Sweta Lahiri	Dr. Tushar Nandi	11:30 to 11:45	Education and employment of youth in India
7	Tusar Kanti Samanta	Dr. P.K. Das	11:45 to 12	Demographic Transition And Growth: Causes And Causality

Sl. No.	Name	Name of Supervisor	Time	Confirmed Ph.D. Thesis Title
8	Rita Chatterjee	Prof. Rosinka Chaudhuri	12 to 12:15	Mapping Journeys and Borders: Travel Narratives by British Women (1770-1850)
9	Amit Bindal	Prachi Deshpande & Dr. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	12:15 to 12:30	Law, Myth & Modernity: A Study In Legal Epistemology
10	Sampurna Chakraborty	Prof. Tapati Guha-Thakurta	12:30 to 12:45	Post – Colonial Art History and Pedagogic Structures: A study on Art Institutions of India
11	Suchetana Chanda	Prof. Sudipto Chatterjee	12:45 to 1	Child's Play: Performing 'Children' Of 'Development'
12	Rajiv Roy	Prof. Sudipto Chatterjee	1 to 1:15	(Post) Modernity and the Idea of God: Re-placing Tagore and Eliot.
13	Arijita Mukherjee	Dr. Trina N. Banerjee	1:15 to 1:30	
14	Turna Das	Prof. Sudipto Chatterjee	2:30 to 2:45	Unish O Bish Shotoker Bangla Natya-Itihas: Pnachat Onalokito Jeeban
15	Monikinkini Basu	Prof. Sudipto Chatterjee	2:45 to 3	Men Meet Market: Bollywood Public(ity) and the Male Body
16	Arunima Chakraborty	Dr. Anirban Das	3 to 3:15	Exploring the 'great outdoors': A study of speculative materialism/realism.

- For each Ph.D. Scholar: * Presentation: 10 minutes * Discussion: 5 minutes

Annual Ph.D. Presentation 2015-16

DAY 1: Tuesday, 16.02.2016

Batch 2013						
Sl. No.	Name & Signature	Time	Name of Supervisor	Title of Presentation	Confirmed PhD Title	
1.	Aditya Bahukhandi	Did not present	Prof. Manabi Majumdar & Prof. Soumyabrata Chowdhury	Did not present	Objects and Objectives of Representation: A study of The Representation of the People Act 1951	
2.	Anwesha Paul	11:45 -12:30	Dr. Rahul Mukhopadhyay and Prof. Manabi Majumdar	Precarious Lives of Street Children: Negotiating Through 'Trust'.	Lifeworlds of street children in Kolkata city: a micro-sociological study.	
3.	Georgy Kuruvila Roy	12:30 – 1:15	Dr. Kiran Keshavamurthy	Introduction: Notes Towards a Theory of Subjectivity	Understanding Dalit Subjectivity	
4	Koyel Lahiri	1:15 – 2:00	Dr. Dwaipayan Bhattacharyya	Industrial Production in Delhi NCR: Tracking Informal Work in Formal Spaces and Forms of Worker	Politics of organising urban work: A study of two sites in India's transforming economy	
5	Mahaprajna Nayak	3:00 – 3:45	Dr. Manas Ray & Dr. Trina N. Banerjee	Notes on Identity and 'Intelligent' Citizenry in the Making of 'Smart' Democracies.	Translating the self into the Rhetoric of the Collective: Understanding the Indian Internet Social.	
6	Praskanva Sinharay	3:45-4:30	Dr. Dwaipayan Bhattacharyya	Matua Mahasangha: Organizational History and the Dalit Question	Caste in West Bengal: Popular Politics and the Making of Dalit Identity	
7	Richa Gupta	4:30-5:15	Dr. Manas Ray	The Politics of Space and Heterotopia in the Novels of W.G. Sebald.	History, Fiction and Heterotopia: A Study of the Novels of W.G. Sebald	

DAY 2: Wednesday, 17.02.2016

Sl. No.	Name & Signature	Time	Name of Supervisor	Title of Presentation	Confirmed PhD Title
8.	Ritam Sengupta	11:00 -11:45	Dr. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	The Laws of Electricity and the Laws of Men: Governing technology and commerce in the early phase of electrification in India	The Development of Electrical Infrastructure in India: 1800s to 1950s
9	Rupsa Ray	11:45 -12:30	Dr. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	sangbadpatrer office -- sangbaditoka na majuri shram?	Constructing the Identity of Worker in Post Liberal India: In Perspective of the Politics of Capital
10	Debabrata Sardar	12:30 – 1:15	Dr. Kiran Keshavmurti	Dilemmas and Difficulties of Women as Mother in the Stories of Shashi	Deshpande'. Exploring Female Inner Worlds in the Stories of Shashi Deshpande
BATCH 2014					
11	Rohan Basu	1:15 – 2:00	Dr. Kiran Keshavmurti	Imitiaz Ali: Fear Eats The Soul.	Of Innocence and Other Monsters: Love and Violence in Contemporary Bollywood.
12	Arundhati Chakraborty	3:00 – 3:45	Dr. Anirban Das	On Ancestrality, Correlationism, Facticity and Hyperchaos: Exploration of Quentin Meillassoux's Speculative Materialism Through Causality?	Exploring the 'Great Outdoors': A study of Speculative Materialism/Realism.
13	Arkadeb Banerjee	3:45-4:30	Dr. Prachi Deshpande	Communal Problems in Calcutta	A History of Calcutta in the First Half of the Twentieth Century: Changes, Ruptures and Contestations
14	Rukmini Chakraborty	4:30-5:15	Professor Lakshmi Subramanian	TBA	TBA

DAY 3: Thursday, 18.02.2016

Sl. No.	Name & Signature	Time	Name of Supervisor	Title of Presentation	PhD Title
15	Krishti Kumar	11:00 -11:45	Professor Tapati Guha Thakurta	Interrogating spatiality in twentieth century Calcutta: neighbourhood house terrace.	Interrogating Spatiality in Twentieth century Calcutta: Neighbourhood House Terrace.
16	Sweta Lahiri	11:45 -12:30	Dr. Tushar Nandi	Youth education and employment : Recent evidence from India	Education and Employment of Youth in India
BATCH 2014 (SECOND PHASE)					
17	Amit Bindal	12:30 – 1:15	Prachi Deshpande & Dr. Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	Law's Logic and Fate of the Mythic: Some Preliminary Reflections	Law, Myth & Modernity: A Study In Legal Epistemology
18	S a m p u r n a Chakraborty	Did not present	Prof. Tapati Guha-Thakurta	DID NOT PRESENT	Post – Colonial Art History and Pedagogic Structures: A study on Art Institutions of India
19	Dipparna Jana	3:00 – 3:45	Dr. Saibal Kar	Crime, Institutions and Welfare - Three Essays	Crime, Institutions and Welfare - Three Essays
20	Tusar Kaniti Samanta	3:45-4:30	Dr. P.K. Das	Literature Review On Demographic Transition And Growth	Demographic Transition And Growth: Causes And Causality

DAY 4: Friday, 19.02.2016

Sl. No.	Name & Signature	Time	Name of Supervisor	Title of Presentation	PhD Title
21	Rita Chatterjee	11:00 -11:45	Prof. Rosinka Chaudhuri	Journeys and Borders: Travel Narratives by British Women Who Visited India (Circa 1770-1850)	Mapping Journeys and Borders: Travel Narratives by British Women (1770-1850)
22	Suchetana Chanda	Did not present	Prof. Sudipto Chatterjee	Did not present	Child's Play: Performing 'Children' Of 'Development'
23	Rajiv Roy	11:45 -12:30	Prof. Sudipto Chatterjee	The Innermost One: Tagore's God Without Being	(Post) Modernity and the Idea of God: Re-Placing Tagore and Eliot.
BATCH 2012					
24	Zaid Al Baset	12:30 – 1:15	Dr. Rajarshi Ghose	Reform as Everyday Practice : An ethnography of Middle Class Muslims in Kolkata	The Supernatural and the Muslim Everyday in West Bengal
25	Ayan Banerjee	1:15 – 2:00	Dr. Saibal Kar	Growth and Factor Productivity in Indian Crop and Animal Husbandry Section: A Comparative Analysis	Choice of Occupation and Diversification of Risk - Study Based on Indian Agriculture

- Presentation: 25 minutes, Discussion: 20 minutes

Please Note: Students who have informed about their inability to present this year are: Aditya Bahukhandi, Arijita Mukherjee, Monikinkini Basu, Turna Das, Sampurna Chakraborty and Suchetana Chanda

Centre For Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta
Ph. D. Programme 2016
2016 Doctoral Students under the supervision of faculty members of CSSSC

Sl. No	Name	Date of Registration	Fellowships ICSSR	JRF	Supervisor/s	Area of Research
1.	Sharmistha Ghosh	March 2016	N.A.	N.A.	Manabi Majumdar	Economic Empowerment and its Impact on Gender-Based Violence within the Household
2.	Ujaan Ghosh	March 2016	01.04.2016	N.A.	Rajarshi Ghosh	Temples, Ports and Capitals: The Making of the Urban in Colonial Odisha
3.	Debraj Dasgupta	March 2016	01.04.2016	N.A.	Anirban Das	Labour and writing: The (Non)experience of Labour Time
4.	Arghya Ganguly	March 2016	01.04.2016	N.A.	Rosinka Chaudhuri	David Foster Wallace's Funhouse called Loneliness
5.	Arpita Ghosh	March 2016	N.A.	N.A.	Trina Nileena Banerjee	Online Television Fandom in Contemporary India
6.	Supratik Guha	March 2016	N.A.	N.A.	Saibal Kar	Significance of remittance and foreign factor income in determining the volatility of exchange rate and their impacts on the financial sector of India.
7.	Iman Pal	March 2016	N.A.	N.A.	Saibal Kar	Corruption, Financial Scams and Institutions: Three Essays
8.	Saptarshi Mitra	March 2016	01.04.2016	N.A.	Pranab Kumar Das	Significance of remittance and foreign factor income in determining the volatility of exchange rate and their impacts on the financial sector of India.
9.	Mourmita Bala	March 2016	01.04.2016	N.A.	Tushar Kanti Nandi	India's Energy Pricing Policy Post 1998: Implications and Necessity for Reform
10.	Rimpa Ghosh	March 2016	01.04.2016	N.A.	Trina Nileena Banerjee	Gendered Informality: Life, Work and the Politics of Livelihood in Kolkata's Street Economy

11.	Saranya Saha	March 2016	N.A.	N.A.	Tápati Guha-Thakurta	Cultural interactions between Bengal and East/Southeast Asia in the early Twentieth Century
12.	Suprodipta Mandal	March 2016	01.04.2016	N.A.	Rosinka Chaudhuri	Representation of the Marginal Voice and the Other and the Evolution of Bengali Detective Fiction: A Study of Select Works
13.	Atanu Sarkar	March 2016	N.A.	N.A.	Sudipto Chatterjee	A study of Samuel Beckett's theatre of the absurd through his passion for observing paintings

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Ph. D. Programme 2014 (Second Phase)

2014 (2nd Phase) Doctoral Students under the supervision of faculty members of CSSSC

Sl. No	Name	Date of Registration	Fellowships ICSSR	JRF	Supervisor/s	Area of Research
1.	Amit Bindal	March 2015	NA	NA	Prachi Deshpande & Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	Law, Myth & Modernity: A Study In Legal Epistemology
2.	Arijita Mukherjee	March 2015	NA	NA	Trina N. Banerjee	Kolkatar Rangamanche Narider Bhumika, Abastan, Abhiprayan Ebong Purushkendrikata Bibartan (Ashir Dashak Theke Sampratik Kaal)
3.	Monikinkini Basu	March 2015	NA	NA	Sudipto Chatterjee	Men Meet Market: Bollywood Public(ity) and the Male Body
4.	Rajiv Roy	March 2015	NA	NA	Sudipto Chatterjee	(Post) Modernity and the Idea of God: Re-placing Tagore and Eliot.
6.	Rita Chatterjee	March 2015	NA	NA	Rosinka Chaudhuri	Mapping Journeys and Borders: Travel Narratives by British Women(1770-1850)
7.	Sampurna Chakraborty	March 2015	NA	NA	Tapati Guha-Thakurta	Post – Colonial Art History and Pedagogic Structures: A study on Art Institutions of India
8.	Suchetana Chanda	March 2015	NA	NA	Sudipto Chatterjee	Child's Play: Performing 'Children' Of 'Development'
9.	Turna Das	March 2015	NA	12.01.2015	Sudipto Chatterjee	Unish O Bish Shotoker Bangla Natya-Itihas: Pnachi Onalokito Jeeban
10.	Tusar Kanti Samanta	March 2015	NA	NA	P.K. Das	Demographic Transition And Growth: Causes And Causality

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Ph. D. Programme 2014

2014 Doctoral Students under the supervision of faculty members of CSSSC

Sl. No	Name	Date of Registration	Fellow-ships ICSSR	JRF	Supervisor/s	Area of Research
1.	Rohan Basu	August 2015	01.09 2014	NA	Kiran Keshavamurthy	Of Innocence and Other Monsters: Love and Violence in Contemporary Bollywood.
2.	Arunima Chakraborty	August 2015	01.09 2014	NA	Anirban Das	Exploring the 'great outdoors': A study of speculative materialism/realism.
3.	Arkadeb Banerjee	August 2015	01.09 2014	NA	Prachi Deshpande	A History of Calcutta in the first half of the Twentieth Century: Changes, Ruptures and Contestations
4.	Rukmini Chakraborty	August 2015	01.09 2014	NA	Lakshmi Subramanian	Ships sojourns and sovereignties: A gaze from the eastern Indian ocean littoral circa (1750-1854)
5.	Krishti Kumar	August 2015	01.09 2014	NA	Tapati Guha Thakurta	Interrogating spatiality in twentieth century Calcutta: neighbourhood house terrace.
6.	Dipparan Jana	August 2015	NA	NA	Saibal Kar	Crime, Institutions and Welfare - Three Essays
7	Sweta Lahiri	August 2015	01.09 2014	NA	Tushar Nandi	Education and employment of youth in India

Ph. D. Programme 2013

2013 Doctoral Students under the supervision of faculty members of CSSSC

Sl. no	Name	Date of Registration	Fellowships ICSSR	JRF	Supervisor/s	Area of Research
1.	Aditya Bahukhandi	November 2013	08.11.2014	N.A.	Soumyabrata Chowdhury & Manabi Majumdar	The Objects and Objectives of Representation: A study of Representation of People Act
02	Anwasha Das	November 2013	08.11.2014	N.A.	Rahul Mukhopadhyay & Manabi Majumdar	Exploring social networks of roaming working children: A case study of Metropolitan cities of India
03	Georgy Kuruvila Roy	November 2013	08.11.2014	N.A.	Kiran Keshavamurthy	Querying the subject: Post 90s Dalit feminism in Kerala
04	Koyel Lahiri	November 2013	08.11.2014	N.A.	Dwaipayan Bhattacharyya	Forms of organizing and use of resources: An investigation of too contemporary urban Labour movements
05.	Mahaprajna Nayak	November 2013	08.11.2014	N.A.	Trina L. Banerjee & Manas Ray	Refugees in India: understanding community formation and exploring scopes of Media – Making
06.	Praskanva Sinharay	November 2013	08.11.2014	N.A.	Dwaipayan Bhattacharyya	The making of Dalit identity in West Bengal: Possibilities and challenges
07.	Richa Gupta	November 2013	08.11.2014	N.A.	Manas Ray	Affects of Spatial Organisation in 20th Century Dystopian Work
08.	Ritam Sengupta	November 2013	08.11.2014	N.A.	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	Mapping matters of telecommunications and sociality in post colonial India
09	Rupsa Ray	November 2013	N.A.	N.A.	Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay	Social History of Western classical music in India: Western classical music in Goa and Sillong: Exploring the indigenous
10.	Deabrata Sardar	November 2013	N.A.	N.A.	Kiran Keshavamurthy	Destabilizing patriarchal forces -----A Search for new female identity in the short stories of Sashi Deshpande

Ph. D. Programme 2012
2012 Doctoral Students under the supervision of faculty members of CSSSC

Sl. no	Name	Date of Registration	Fellowships ICSSR	JRF	Supervisor/s	Area of Research
1.	Somraj Basu	December 2012	01.11.2012	N.A.	Manabi Majumdar	Configurations of a Diasporic Identity: Following Tibetan Medical Institution Building in India through Ethnographic Study of Two Sites
02	S. Santhosh Kumar	December 2012	01.11.2012	N.A.	Tapati Guba Thakurta	Interrogating Art Pedagogy in India
03	Soumi Chatterjee	December 2012	01.11.2012		Manas Ray	Bhaskar Chakraborti o Tusar Roy er kobita e ad-hunik nisangatar binyas
04	Debjyoti Mondal	December 2012	N.A.	N.A.	Manas Ray	Problems of Subjectivity in Syeed Waiullah's Works
05.	Kaustubh Ray	November 2012	N.A.	N.A.	Manas Ray & A.S. Mathew (IIM, Kozhikode)	Understanding the Politics of 'Other' in the context of Construction of the Body in Animation: Case studies of Cotemporary Indian Animation Filmmakers
06.	Ayan Kumar Banerjee	December 2012	N.A.	N.A.	Satbal Kar	Livestock Sector of West Bengal – An Alternative Engine of Agricultural Growth.
07.	Devleena Majumdar	December 2012 (Thesis submitted)	01.11.2012	N.A.	Sugata Marjit and Satbal Kar	Effectiveness of Tariff in reducing pollution emission – Case study of India and China
08.	Gunja Baranwal	December 2012	N.A.	01.11.2012	Pranab Kumar Das & Sugata Marjit	Crowding In and crowding Out Impact of Foreign Direct Investment on India's Services sector
09	Parjanya Sen	December 2012	01.11.2012	N.A.	Tapati Guba Thakurta	Monuments and Islamic Past of Bengal: The 'lived' histories of Architectural Sites

10.	Sanghita Sanyal	November 2012	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Rosinka Chaudhuri	Exploring the Representations of the Bengali Women in the Text of Rabindranath Tagore
11	Chiranjit Ojha	November 2012	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Rosinka Chaudhuri	Birth of the 'New eye': A study in the vision and ambitions of Indian English poetry during the 1970
12.	Maharghya Chakraborty	December 2012	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Kiran Keshavamurthy & Madhava Prasad (EFLU, Hyderabad)	Death of Cinema, Cinema of Death: Transformation of the Concept of "Image" from 1950 to 2010
13.	Dhritiman Chakraborty	November 2012	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Dwaipayan Bhat-tacharyya	Exploring the Emerging Terrain of Postcolonial political
14.	Prangopal Mondal	December 2012	N.A.	N.A.	01.11.2012	Priya Sangameswaran	Urban population growth and urban forest management: A case study from West Bengal
15.	Priyankar De	December 2012	01.11.2012	N.A.	N.A.	Bodhisattva Kar	Designing India: Exploring the relations between forms of commodity and nation, 1900 – 1961
16.	Santanu Sengupta	December 2012	01.11.2012	N.A.	N.A.	Lakshmi Subramanian	The Empire's Network: Armenians and the history of the British imperialism in the Indian Ocean Arena (1780-1900)
17.	Anindya Sarkar	November 2012	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Dwaipayan Bhat-tacharyya	Modernity and political crisis of the left in Bengal
18.	Abdullah Al Mamun	April 2013	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	Manas Ray	Islam in Bangladesh: On the Question of the 'Political'
19.	Kaustubh Das	December 2012	N.A.	N.A.	01.11.2012	Lakshmi Subramanian & Madhu Khanna	The modern History of Yoga: Religious Studies, Theosophy and Parapsychology

20.	Zaid Al Baset	December 2012	N.A.	N.A.	Rajarshi Ghose	Law and the Queer Counter Publics
21.	Aritra Bhattacharya	November 2012	01.11.2012	N.A.	Priya Sangameswaran	Performance, Ideology and Resistance
22.	Saswati Saha	December 2012	N.A.	N.A.	Rosinka Chaudhuri	Translation and readership: Mapping the production and consumption of translated texts in nineteenth century Bengal.
23.	Niranjan Jaladas	November 2012	01.11.2012	N.A.	Priya Sangameswaran	Post colonial Ecological Settlement of the Refugee and Marine Resources Exploitation in West Bengal: An Anthropro – Historical Analysis

Ph. D. Programme 2011
2011 Doctoral Students under the supervision of faculty members of CSSSC

Sl. No	Name	Date of Registration	Fellow-ships ICSSR	JRF	Supervisor/s	Area of Research
1	Ariktam Chatterjee	September 2011	N.A.	N.A.	Rosinka Chaudhuri	History of Bible Translation in Bengali: 1800 to the Present
2	Kallol Roy	September 2011 (Thesis submitted)	N.A.	N.A.	Tapati Guha-Thakurta	Rabindranath Tagore and the Problem of Narration in Indian Art History: Paintings, Museums and Markets.
3	Sagnik Atarathi	September 2011	01.09.2011	N.A.	Lakshmi Subramanian	Towards An Alternative History: Bengal And Its Musical Publics: 1940-70
4	Palash Naskar	September 2011	N.A.	N.A.	Priya Sangameswaran	Political Economy of Contemporary Fishing Communities: Nature, State, and Market in Coastal West Bengal and Odisha.

Ph. D. Programme 2010

2010 Doctoral Students under the supervision of faculty members of CSSSC

Sl. no	Name	Date of Registration	Fellowships ICSSR	JRF	Supervisor/s	Area of Research
1	Patnekar Mrunal Manohar	February 2011 (On extension)	28.01.2011	N.A.	Lakshmi Subramanian	A study of 'Hindu Muslim riots' in Bombay (now Mumbai) between 1920 – 1948
2	Agniv Ghosh	February 2011 (On extension)	28.01.2011	N.A.	Sibaji Bandyopadhyay	manasamiksna o bishshataker adhumik bangalir manas dwardwa
3	Madhumita Saha	February 2011 (On extension)	28.01.2011	N.A.	Rosinka Chaudhuri	Shakespeare in 19th – Century Bengal
4	Swati Chatterjee	February 2011 (On extension)	28.01.2011	N.A.	Bodhisattva Kar	City Sensed: Body, Space and Power in Colonial Calcutta
5	Prithwiraj Biswas	February 2011 (On extension)	03.05.2011 (Teacher's Fellowship)	N.A.	Tapati Guha Thakurta	Advertising, manufactures and commodity culture in Colonial Bengal c. 1880-1920
6.	Sayantani Sur	February 2011 (On extension)	01.03.2011	N.A.	Manabi Majumdar	Sexualities Subjectivities and the Gender Politics of Contraception in India: 1930 – 1977
7.	Anirban Bhat- tacherjee	February 2011 (Thesis submitted)	N.A.	01.02.2011	Sibaji Bandyopadhyay	Interrogating Mimamsa Philosophy and ritualism in perspective of contemporary socio-cultural thought

8	Ankur Tamuli Phukan	February 2011 (On extension)	N.A.	N.A.	Bodhisattva Kar	Making of a national festival: Bihu in colonial and Post – colonial Assam.
9	Abhik Samanta	February 2011 (On extension)	N.A.	N.A.	Prachi Deshpande	Work and Nationalism
10	Samrat Sengupta	January 011 (On extension)	N.A.	N.A.	Anirban Das	Performing Revolution: Ethics of Post Colonial resistances in Bengal Narrative
11	Sreemoyee Ghosh	February 2011 (On extension)	N.A.	N.A.	Manabi Majumdar	Organized Informality: The Case of Industrial Informal Women Workers in Durgapur
12	Partha Sarathi Mondal	February 2011 (On extension)	N.A.	N.A.	Anirban Das	Body – Subjectivity and Mental Distress

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Sl. no	Name	Date of Registration	Fellow-ships ICSSR	JRF	Supervisor/s	Area of Research
1.	Susmita Ghosh	March 2008 (Thesis submitted)	12.12.2007 (Fellowship completed)	N.A.	Anirban Das Ipshta Chanda (JU)	Masculinity in Hindi Cinema
2.	Kamalika Mukherjee	May 2005 Calcutta University (On extension)	N.A	N.A	Tapati Guha-Thakurta	Allegories of Womanhood: Gender in the Popular Visual Culture of Late Nineteenth and Early Twentieth-Century Bengal

Academic Events Held At CSSSC From 1 April 2015 To 31 March 2016

The Centre maintains an active seminar series in addition to housing a number of conferences and workshops. Several of these workshops are a part of projects undertaken by the Centre. Seminars include presentations of work by faculty members. Additionally, the Centre welcomes visiting academics and research scholars affiliated with the CSSSC to present their work thereby ensuring a lively academic calendar. The annual presentations of doctoral students and their pre-submission seminars also form an important part of the Centre's academic calendar.

List of Seminars/Workshops/Conferences/Lectures/Film screenings held at CSSSC from 01/04/2015 to 1/03/2016

Seminar Type	Name of the Speaker and short introduction	Seminar Title	Date	Time	Venue
Staff Seminar	Rimli Bhattacharya	"Lotuses and Fires: 'Scenic Illusions' on the 19th Century Imperial Stage"	Wednesday, 8 April 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Somdeep Sen Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Political Science University of Copenhagen	"'We like to Maintain Peaceful Views': Notes on Settler Colonial 'Dreamworks' from Jerusalem and the West Bank"	Friday, 15 April 2016	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	John Mathew Associate Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune	The Translocate in the Fashioning of India's Fauna	Tuesday, 5 May 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Dr Ananda Bhattacharya Assistant Director, West Bengal State Archives	"Archival Record Keeping Through the Ages"	Thursday, 12 May 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus

General Seminar	Dr. Pushpa Misra with Dr. Sunanda Ghosh, Dr. Shyamali Chakravarty, and Sm. Banimanjari Das	Chandra Mukhi: The Unsung Pathmaker”	Monday, 15 June 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Projit Bihari Mukharji Martin Meyerson Assistant Professor, University of Pennsylvania	“Pranpolitics: Vernacular Materialities of Inter-war Biopolitics”	Friday 26 June 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Prasanta Chakravarty Associate Professor, Department of English, University of Delhi	“The Pathos of Social Justice”	Monday, 29 June 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Kapil Raj Research Professor and Dean, Doctoral Studies at École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, Paris	“Settling Differences, Managing Difference: The Urban and Epistemic Dynamics of Calcutta, 1690-1750”	Thursday, 24 September 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Professor Clare Harris University of Oxford,	“The Potala Palace: Remembering to Forget in Contemporary Tibet”	Thursday, 29 October 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Sanjoy Chakravorty, Professor of Geography and Urban Studies, Temple University	On the Land Question Today: Reform, Acquisition, Discourse, and Truth	Friday, 11 December 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Srila Roy and Alf Nilsen	“New Subaltern Politics: Reconceptualising Hegemony and Resistance in Contemporary India”	Monday, 14 December 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Nazes Afroz Eminent Journalist and Photographer	“From Kabul to Kolkata: Of Memories, Belonging and Identity”	Tuesday, 15 December 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus

General Seminar	Anandaroop Sen Researcher, Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University	The Travels and Performances of Law: Trials at the North- Eastern Frontier of British India c. 1872- 1896	Wednes- day, 23 Decem- ber 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Nayanika Mookherjee Reader of Socio-Cul- tural Anthropology, Durham University	“The Spectral Wound. Sexual Violence, Public Memories and the Bangladesh War of 1971”	Monday, 28 De- cember 2015	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Arnab Banerji Assistant Professor of Theatre History, Literature, and Drama- turgy, Loyola Marymount University, Los An- geles	“The White Inspira- tion: Lebedeff, his Bengali theatre and its Modern-day Succes- sors”	Friday, 8 January 2016	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Preben Kaarsholm, Professor, Depart- ment of Society and Globalisation Roskilde University	“Indian Ocean Networks and the Transmutations of Servitude: The Protec- tor of Indian Im- migrants and the Ad- ministration of Freed Slaves and Indentured Labourers in Durban in the 1870s”	Thursday, 14 Janu- ary 2016	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Raza Naeem Independent re- searcher and transla- tor, Lahore	“Pakistan's Gramsci: Remembering the Life and Legacy of Sibte Hasan (1916-1986)”	Friday, 15 Janu- ary 2016	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Arnab Dey Assistant Professor of History, State University of New York (SUNY), Binghamton	“Three ‘Bodies’ of Evidence: Law, Commerce, and the Political Economy of Health in Assam, 1860-1920”	Tuesday, 19 Janu- ary 2016	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Victor Ghose, BBC (India)	Social Communication through story telling: Presenting the ‘Job Charnock Riddle’	Tuesday, 2 Febru- ary 2016	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus

General Seminar	Smriti Nevatia, Film and theatre critic	Gender: Assigned at Birth; Beyond the Binary	Friday, 12 February 2016	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
General Seminar	Peter Ronald deSouza Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Rajya Sabha Chair and Professor, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies	“Offensive Expression: MF Husain and Indian Democracy”	Tuesday, 1 March 2016	3-5 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Economics Study Group Seminar	Prof. Sugata Marjit Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta	“Credit, Inequality and Trade”	Thursday, 9 April 2016	3 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Economics Study Group Seminar	Prof. Jaideep Roy Murdoch University, Australia	“Evaluating Expert Talent by Setting Tasks”	Thursday, 9 July 2016	3 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Economics Study Group Seminar	Prof. Dipak Ghosh Dept. of Physics, Jadavpur University	“Application of Chaos and non-linear technique in complex systems – MARKET(financial time series), MEDICINE(medical diagnosis) and MUSIC(emotion quantification)”	Friday, 14 August 2015	3 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Economics Study Group Seminar	Prof. Dyuti Banerjee Monash University, Australia	“R&D Efficiency, Product Differentiation and Enforcement Policies”	Thursday, 17 December 2015	3 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Economics Study Group Seminar	Punarjit Roychowdhury Southern Methodist University	“Peer Effects in Consumption”	Thursday, 7 January 2016	3 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Economics Study Group Seminar	Sajal Lahiri Southern Illinois University Carbondale	“Do international students improve the performance of domestic graduate students in the US?”	Monday, 11 January 2016	3 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Economics Study Group Seminar	Ranjan Ray Monash University	“Poverty, Purchasing Power Parity and Inequality: Is there a link ?”	Friday, 15 January 2016	3 PM	CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus

Workshop	Kumkum Chatterjee Memorial Workshop	Archiving the Past: Rethinking Region, Religion and Language in Modern Indian History	17 July 2016		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Workshop	Cultural Studies Workshop	Cultures of Violence	12 to 21 March 2016		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
International Workshop	International Workshop on Archives of Movement – Supported by German Research Foundation	Circular Migration and Habitat: Stories of Movement in Bangladesh and West Bengal	6 and 7 November 2015		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Film screening	An Ordinary Election (2015, India/Germany, 125 min., Hindi and English) Followed by a conversation with the Director: Lalit Vachani		Monday, 6 April 2015		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Film screening	Film Screening - Amar Katha: Story of Binodini		23 June 2015		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Film screening	Film Screening – Hannah Arendt		22 July 2015		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Film screening	Film Screening		21 August 2015		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Training program	Training program for Tax official by CTRPFP		20 to 22 August 2015		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Orientation Programme	Orientation Programme for Scheduled Tribe and other Marginalised groups	Tribe, Caste and Region: Indian Nation-State and its Discontents	28 and 29 March 2016		CSSSC's Seminar Room, Patuli Campus

Lecture	Lecture by Jawahar Sircar, CEO, Prasar Bharati at Jadunath Bhavan	“Competition, conflict and harmony: Vividh Bharati and the emergence of a supranational identity in India”	8 September 2015		Jadunath
Lecture	R.C.Dutt Lecture Series Professor Avinash Dixit, John J. F. Sherrerd ‘52 University Professor of Economics, Emeritus Princeton University, USA	Lecture 1: “Governance Reforms and Growth: Ideas from Economic Theory” Lecture 2: “Dynamics of rent-sharing to avoid violence”	18 and 21 December 2015		CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Lecture	Kajal Lahiri Distinguished Professor Economics State University of New York, Albany, NY	Lecture Series on Econometric Analysis with Binary Outcomes	30 December 2015, 4 and 6 January 2016		CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Conference	Conference on Indian Public Finance and Public Policy		17 and 18 September 2015		CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
International conference	International conference on Public Finance and Public Policy		4 and 5 February 2016		CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
International conference	Glasgow University Conference	Second Cities in the Circuits of Empire: Calcutta / Glasgow	8 and 9 February 2016		CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus
Memorial Seminars	Anjan Ghosh Memorial Seminar	Histories of Labour, Infrastructure, and the Informal Economy	1 October 2015		CSSSC’s Seminar Room, Patuli Campus

Report on the Workshop on Cultures of Violence (Held between 12 to 21 March 2016)

Ten days Research Methodology Workshop for Ph.D. scholars funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and its Eastern Regional Centre (ERC).

A ten day pedagogic workshop on Cultures of Violence organized by the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (CSSSC) was held in Kolkata, West Bengal from 12th to 21st March, 2016. The workshop was supported by the Indian Council for Social Sciences Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, and its Eastern Regional Centre (ERC). Prof. Manas Ray functioned as the coordinator of the Workshop. The other members of the Workshop Committee included Prof Tapati Guha-Thakurta (Director), Prof Lakshmi Subramanian (Dean, Academic), Prof Partha Chatterjee, Dr Anirban Das, Dr Trina Neelina Banerjee and Dr Kiran Keshavamurthy – as part of the team of resource persons. Ms Kavita Bhowal looked after the administrative functions of the Workshop in the capacity of Programme Assistant.

Theme of the Workshop

The broad theme of the 2016 Workshop was Cultures of Violence. The Workshop examined recent intellectual explorations of cultural, political and social aspects of violence (including quotidian violence), broadening their scope by throwing light on different features of contemporary Indian life.

The Workshop was intended to give young researchers an opportunity to share their work with some of the faculty of the CSSSC and other senior scholars in the field. They were required to present a paper around the theme of the Workshop. The morning session of each day was devoted to faculty presentations based on a select number of readings (usually three). Each of the sessions addressed a specific topic such as theorizing violence, caste violence, religious violence, quotidian violence, representing violence, the city and rape, non-violence, etc. The afternoon sessions were kept for students' presentations (twenty minutes followed by discussants' comments and an open discussion).

Participants

The Workshop was intended to give young researchers an opportunity to share their work with some of the faculty of the CSSSC and other senior scholars

in the field. Aimed at doctoral and postdoctoral students and young lecturers (below the age of 35), clear priority was given to ST and SC applicants, as mentioned in a quarter page advertisement carried by the EPW in the 31 October, 2015 issue. We received a total of 131 applicants from all over India. Of these, 45 were from the reserved categories (12 from SC, 3 from ST, 4 from OBC, 1 from Dalit, 24 from Minority and 1 from PD). After a rigorous selection process undertaken by the workshop committee, offers were made to 30 participants, of which 2 were from SC, 1 from ST, 1 from Dalit and 6 from Minority group. Out of the selected participants, 20 attended the workshop. The list is as follows :

Name of the Applicants

(General Category)

1. Amitanshu Verma
2. Anandaroop Sen
3. Debopriya Banerjee
4. Esita Sur
5. Karthick Ram Manoharan
6. Michelle Karunakaran
7. Pronoti Baglary
8. Roshni Chattopadhyay
9. Shraddha Chatterjee
10. Mahima Taneja
11. Ritam Sen
12. Rohit Dutta Roy
13. Saronik Bosu

(Reserved Category)

1. Ajinkya Chandanshive (SC)
2. Basarat Hassan (Minority)
3. Nazir Ahmad Mir (Minority)
4. Purnima Kumari Oraon (ST)
5. Samah Rafiq (Minority)

6. Tannen Neil Lincoln (Minority)
7. Rachel Chenchiah (Minority)

Although everyone accepted the invitation, four did not send their papers and decided to opt out from the workshop. They are: Ekta Singh, Kamalakanta Roul, Koonal Duggal, and Zehra Mehdi. The remaining 21 participants sent their papers in time and their discussants were thereby fixed. Unfortunately, Himanshu Sekhar Mishra was ultimately unable to attend due to a health problem and some unavoidable reason. Apart from that, Anurag Pande did not turn up.

The below mentioned selected participants could not attend the workshop:

1. Piya Srinivasan could not attend the workshop as there was no one to look after her newborn baby.
2. Chirag Thakkar informed that he had an important engagement around the same time, hence his name was removed.
3. Shivani Kapoor informed that she would not be able to participate, as the dates clashed with another seminar being organized in Delhi by CSDS.
4. Manju E.P. informed she would not be able to attend the workshop as she was selected for an Erasmus + fellowship, to spend a semester in Freie University, Berlin. For this, she had to finish the formalities in her University, and it would be very difficult to travel during that time.

Finally, 20 participants attended the workshop. It was an extremely interactive group and the deliberations were of very high quality. Copies of papers of those two who could not attend were circulated amongst the other participants.

Morning Sessions and Participants' Presentations:

The morning session of each day was devoted to faculty presentations based on a select number of readings. Under the anchorage of the general theme Cultures of Violence, each session addressed a specific topic. The two speakers and the chair spoke for half an hour each. The chair had the additional duty of conducting the question-answer session of one hour. The topics of this year were:

Day 1- Theories of Violence - Speakers: Udaya Kumar (Professor at the Centre for English Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi) and Manas Ray

(Professor of Cultural Studies at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta), chaired by Professor Partha Chatterjee (Honorary Professor of CSSSC and Professor of Anthropology, Columbia University).

Day 2 - Caste and Violence - Speakers: Parthasarathi Muthukkaruppan (Assistant Professor of Cultural Studies, School of Interdisciplinary Studies, Department of Cultural Studies, English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad) and Soumyabrata Choudhury (Associate Professor in the School of Art and Aesthetics Jawaharlal Nehru University), and chaired by Pradip Kumar Datta (Professor of Political Science, University of Delhi)

Day 3 - Religious Violence - Speakers: Rajarshi Ghose, (Assistant Professor of History at Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta), Rajarshi Dasgupta, (Assistant Professor at Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi) and chaired by Tapati Guha-Thakurta, (Director and Professor of History at Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta).

Day 4 - Sexual Violence - Speakers: Anup Dhar, (Associate Professor at School of Human Studies,

Ambedkar University Delhi) and Sandhya Devesan Nambiar, (Assistant Professor in Department of English, Jesus and Mary College, New Delhi) and chaired by Trina Nileena Banerjee (Assistant Professor of Cultural Studies, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta)

Day 5 - Representing Violence - Speakers: Moinak Biswas (Professor of Film Studies Department, Jadavpur University, Kolkata) and Kiran Keshavamurthy (Assistant Professor of Cultural Studies at Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta) and Chaired by Anirban Das, (Associate Professor of Cultural Studies at the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta)

Day 6 - Violence of the State - Speakers Prathama Banerjee, Associate professor at Centre for Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), New Delhi and Bodhisattva Kar, (Senior Lecturer in the Department of Historical Studies, University of Cape Town, South Africa) and chaired by Dwaipayana Bhattacharya (Professor of Political Science at Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi)

Besides speaking in the morning sessions, most of the resource persons were

discussants for one — at times, two — papers.

The pre-lunch session included one paper presentation by participants, followed by three more after lunch. Each participant was given twenty minutes to make the presentation. This was followed by the comments of an assigned discussant, and then a general discussion on the paper for half an hour. In most cases, participants felt that the discussants had taken a lot of care and attention, and had opened up the discussion in a constructive way and offered new departures. Many participants were of the view that they had never before had such extensive discussion on their research topic.

The workshop involved 7 days of intense but stimulating deliberations. On the evening of the third day, a party was organized that provided gaiety, much needed after the exhausting schedule of the workshop. There were two study leaves; the first was between Day 2 and Day 3, and the second was between day 4 and 5 of the Workshop.

Feedback Session:

The workshop provided a perfect platform for participants from different parts of the country and backgrounds to interact and make strong academic and social connections. This came out in the feedback session that was organized after the workshop. It was almost universally acknowledged that the morning sessions were excellent and insightful, and had helped participants clarify their own understanding. There was hardly any reservation expressed about the readings of the morning sessions. Virtually every single participant felt that the discussions on their specific paper were extremely helpful. They hoped that the connections they had made would be followed up even after the workshop was over. It was stressed, time and again, that the workshop was a unique learning experience which would help them to think anew about various concepts like caste, law and the state. Several said that they had not been exposed to some of the ideas discussed at the workshop before, and had felt an intense sense of camaraderie with the other participants as well as the resource persons. Many appreciated the intensity, as well as the pacing and structure of the workshop. Students, some of whom had applied upon seeing the advertisement in EPW, felt that the CSSSC's reputation for rigour had been borne out by the workshop, and had broadened their outlook on many questions that they felt they had been myopic about earlier. Quite a few of the students expressed that they

had been anticipating a litmus test of sorts for their ongoing research, and that the experience of sharing their work here had been immensely productive. One student asked whether the workshops were contributing to the larger emancipatory project we were committed to politically. Prof Chatterjee and Prof Tapati Guha-Thakurta distributed the certificates of attendance. Prof Guha-Thakurta gave the vote of thanks.

**Workshop report on ‘Circular Migration and Habitat:
Stories of Movement in Bangladesh and West Bengal’,
held on November 6 and 7, 2015**

The workshop was jointly organised by Dr. Elisa T. Bertuzzo, Technische Universität Berlin (TUB) and the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (CSSSC)

In 2013, scholars in India attracted attention to the existence of nearly 4,000 “census towns”, lacking the means for infrastructural upgrading due to their administrative status as villages. Ignoring subsequent recommendations to prompt a re-allocation of public funds, the Indian government has envisaged to create 100 new “smart cities”. The city-centric look inherent to similar plans doesn’t inform policymaking only, but seems manifest in studies of migration that concentrate on rural-urban-migration and leave other directions and modalities of migration unattended. Overshadowed by the developments in the main cities, largely unnoticed transformations are occurring in their backyards, whether in smaller cities or the countryside, as the traditional primary sector occupations are increasingly flanked by diversified income-generating activities that often contemplate temporary and circular migration.

The workshop “Circular Migration and Habitat: Stories of Movement in Bangladesh and West Bengal” focused on such forms of migration within definite, not at all exclusively urban, regions. How do trans-local livelihoods impact habitat? Which is the relationship between circular migration and the fragmented growth processes recorded in census towns, secondary cities and mega cities’ suburbia? Which consequences might trans-localisation entail for individuals’ representations and practices of home, inhabiting, space-time, production-reproduction? These questions and their implications for research was discussed in four sessions along the two days of the workshop, which invited to think together along the proposed thematic lines and consciously renounced formal paper presentations and the like.

The discussions took off from, but not be limited to, the outcomes of a fieldwork carried out by Elisa Bertuzzo in Bangladesh, West Bengal and Kerala within her research project Archives of Movement. The project enquired the cause-consequence relationship between movement induced by temporary/seasonal, under-regulated, at times bonded, labour and the ongoing processes of urbanisation. By deviating from “migration”, “mobility” or “informality” and choosing the concept of movement, it proposed a) to apply a cultural studies-perspective to the study of trans-localisation in South Asia and b) to overcome the city-country polarity, currently found to delimit studies of urbanisation and migration, and consider the implications of trans-localisation for urban-regional theory as well as planning.

Programme – the Workshop held at CSSSC’s Patuli Campus

Day 1 - Friday, 6 November 2015

10am - Inaugural session – Welcome address (Lakshmi Subramanian, Dean, CSSSC), Brief introduction into the workshop’s aims (Elisa Bertuzzo), Brief introduction of the participants

11am – 1 pm - Session 1 – ‘Archives of movement, reflections on circular migration and habitat’, Which are the physical/territorial and social/cultural effects of the increase of mobility and more in general, movement (“centrifugal”/de-centred; commuting; seasonal, circular and temporary migration) in the wake of capital concentration in South Asia? How can these be studied? How can they be rendered?

2pm – 4 pm - Session 2 – ‘Perceptions and representations of built and unbuilt environment’, One evidence from the fieldwork is that understandings of labour and production, but also of territorial (bari/basha) and social belonging (“amra jai”) are changing in connection with increased movement; and that latter also has implications for individuals’ temporal orders. How does storytelling – circular migrants’ life stories, anecdotes, proverbs, beliefs – reflect the ongoing transformations?

4.30pm – 6 pm - Public presentation - Treatments of landscape # 1 and 2 – Screening of 2 short video documentations.

Treatments of landscape # 1 and # 2 – Video Screening

Taking off from the screening of two short video documentations by

Elisa Bertuzzo and Hans Hortic, the two researchers discussed how visual anthropology and territorial research get together in landscape video work. “Treatments of space”, as put by Michel de Certeau in his occupation with the Practice of everyday life, are the stories told in order to render their experience of and in space. A cultural scientist who wishes to explore how individuals perceive and represent their environment while moving might use video in order to collect, reflect or comment such stories. At the same time, the moving image provides a complementary way to the plan or the map for those occupied with the analysis and re-presentation of territories. After shooting panorama views along the routes of two rural-urban commuters respectively in Bangladesh and West Bengal, the two researchers asked them to identify and comment these videos. Their “treatments of space” showed that varying means of transport affect the perception of space and especially, the readiness of individuals on the move to engage with the territory, thereby also bringing to light bits and pieces of regional and agricultural knowledge that help them retain orientation.

Day 2 - Saturday, 7 November 2015

10.30 am – 1 pm - Session 3 – ‘Inter-state migration between West Bengal and Kerala’, The comparatively new phenomenon of migration from West Bengal to South India gives opportunity to observe the stages of a double de- and re-territorialisation: how are circular migrants adapting in “bidesh”? What happens to architectural concepts moving between Indian states and across the Indian Ocean?

2pm – 4 pm - Session 4 – ‘Effects on social space: towards collective temporary habitation?’, With the destinations of migration faced by fragmentation and the migrants’ home-places caught between economic transformation and (male) depopulation, how to counter alienation and social disintegration?

4.30pm – 6 pm – ‘Launch of homepage Archives of Movement’ – Public presentation

The hierarchic act that any archival practice performs by choosing what and how is “worth being archived” has been the object of debates and fruitful explorations worldwide and at CSSSC over the last decades. Yet what happens when the archive gathers the products of a fieldwork? Archives of Movement, started in 2012 while collecting “neither-urban-nor-rural” everyday experience

of people on the move, is an attempt to remake for the imbalance between a scholar's focus and the inevitably farer-reaching perspectives offered by the individuals she encountered. The "Archives" are plural because they contemplate variations and even ruptures, as the collected illustrations, subjective reflections, fragments of conversations, statistics, geographical and mental maps as well as images and sounds are related one to another rather intuitively than analytically. Launching this homepage, Elisa Bertuzzo and Boris Murnig, who collaborated closely in the project, would start a reflection about how and in how far the study of movement can be supported by GPS tracking, video or mapping and about ways to deal with the contradictions of qualitative/quantitative research.

Participants

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Rajarshi Dasgupta – JNU, Delhi

Saibal Kar – CSSSC, Kolkata

Manabi Majumdar – CSSSC, Kolkata

Iman Mitra – CRG, Kolkata

Mythri Prasad-Aleyamma – Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram

Bhuvaneswari Raman – Jindal School of Government and Public Policy, Delhi

Manas Ray – CSSSC, Kolkata

Ben Rogaly – Sussex University

Priya Sangameswaran – CSSSC, Kolkata

Susan Thieme – Free University Berlin

Elisa T. Bertuzzo – Technical University Berlin (main investigator in the project)

Hans Hortig – ETH, Zürich (collaborator in the project)

Boris Murnig – Delta Circle, Berlin (collaborator in the project)

Labani Jangi – CSSSC (reporter)

Santanu Sengupta – CSSSC (reporter)

Report on the Orientation Programme on SC and Other Marginalized Groups

The Orientation Programme on SC and Other Marginalized Groups organized by the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (CSSSC) was held at the Centre on 28 and 29 March 2016. The theme for the Orientation Programme was Caste, Tribe and Region: The Indian Nation-State and its Discontents. The Orientation Programme was funded by the Indian Council of Social Sciences Research (ICSSR) and the Eastern Regional Centre, ICSSR. Dr Kiran Keshavamurthy functioned as the faculty coordinator of the Orientation Programme. Ms Kavita Bhowal looked after the administrative functions of the Orientation Programme in the capacity of Programme Assistant. Richa Gupta, a PhD student at the CSSSC and Vikas Kumar Moola, an erstwhile M.Phil. student at the CSSSC were the student coordinators of the programme.

The Theme: Caste, Tribe and Region: The Indian Nation-State and its Discontents.

The Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (CSSSC) in collaboration with the Indian Council of Social Sciences Research (ICSSR), will hold an Orientation Programme on Schedules Castes and Other Marginalized Groups on 28 and 29 March, 2016. The theme of this programme is Caste and Region: Indian Nation-State and its Discontents.

The idea of Indian nation and the nationalist historiography have been the sites of many contestations in recent decades. There have been many widespread theories concerning the idea of India and its nation-formation which dominated academic scholarship until late twentieth century. The common thread in these theories, it can be said, is a presupposition of the existence of a bounded national entity. It has been argued by some that heralding nationalism as an uprising of oppressed people against their colonial oppressors was belied even before partition and that 'the becoming of a nation and setting up of a state system are two different things'. For some scholars nationalism and colonialism, rather than being opposites, are enmeshed in a value system that operates in the interests of middle-class elites. The problem with many theories today, even those that have a critical view of nationalist historiography, is at some level an implicit acceptance of this nationalist myth that with all its imperfections the 'nation' exists.

The crucial point of contention for those who argue that ‘the nation failed to emerge’ is the pervasive and exonerative existence of caste in Indian society. This led to an apprehension regarding the exclusion of downtrodden castes in nation-formation, as has been expressed at several occasions even before independence by Ambedkar, Periyar and others. To become an indistinguishable part of the conceived Indian nation, downtrodden castes were expected to become part of the Hindu imagination of the nation which needed a forced forgetting of their violent past. There have been many instances of lower-caste consolidations and fierce and passionate political assertions to resist this. It is clear that caste continues to challenge the idea of Indian nation.

However, it can be said that caste operates in the most pervasive manner over social relations at the regional level. Despite having a coalition government at central Legislative Assemblies, no state within the Indian union elects more political representatives from lower castes than from dominant castes. This fact merely indicates the consolidation of highest political power by few dominant Hindu castes despite their low numerical strength which is made possible by their assertion at regional level. In this context, can it be argued that if ‘nation’ is a space for Hindu brahmanical imagination, then region is that of a shudra one, since social, economic and political power is mostly consolidated by dominant shudra castes in many regions of our sub-continent? This scenario urges a critical scrutiny of present regional formations in the form of states in Indian union based on linguistic and cultural identities. As Ambedkar has noted, smaller states would bring the numerical proportion of lower castes and tribes close to that of dominant ones, which would increase their social and political exigencies. Moreover, our present federal units before and after their formation have and continue to experience many regional/sub-regional insurrections demanding political autonomy based on various aspects, the most recent example being the formation of Telangana state.

The idea of the Indian nation-state has also been contested by various women’s movements in the past. Indian feminist literature, in its engagement with these movements, has interrogated some basic assumptions about what constitutes the subject of Indian feminism. However, in recent years there have been many assertions by Dalit women of their identities as separate from caste-Hindu women. These assertions, in the form of struggles, originated as a result of increasing frustration against patriarchy (within lower castes) and caste

discrimination within women's movement. Although these struggles are yet to evolve into a broader political vision, there has been a proliferation of life narratives, interviews, personal accounts of Dalit women as well as statistical account of the incidents of violence and quantitative data about their well-being like education, resources and so on. While the empirics have cascaded over the decade, a deeper understanding of the subject of lower caste and Dalit women in the context of the nation-state is yet to emerge. To complicate matters further, religion has engendered a different set of problems not just pertaining to religious freedom but of obscuring and suppressing other categories of affiliation. There is a deficiency in scholarship that should attempt to unravel heterogeneous forms of identity and categories of affiliation, such as caste, within what has been known to us as 'minority' categories.

Apart from lower castes and women, religious minorities and lower caste converts within these religions and sexual minorities continue to face oppression and exploitation by the state. On the one hand, certain identity movements have the potential of pan-Indian consolidation, while region-based identity movements are clearly restricted. However, the former and the latter often converge at the region level. This could lead to question that in the attempt to form national consolidations, how these identity movements negotiate with region-based identity movements? The Indian political landscape is marked heavily with these kinds of struggles in the contemporary scenario but the authoritarian post-colonial state grows increasingly nervous with every uprising- even minor ones. It has almost always reacted by employing violence to silence and suppress the marginal voices which have questioned the supposed cohesion of the Indian nation-state. A vast amount of scholarship hitherto has provided different ways of understanding the aforementioned themes but the fact remains that there is yet to emerge a basic consensus within academic scholarship, at least in acknowledging the existence of these tensions. It is this very fact that facilitates the need to revisit these themes and explore Region, Gender, Caste and Nation in this context. This colloquium aims to unravel certain connections between these concepts and underline the contours of our academic scholarship regarding the same while simultaneously providing alternative perspectives.

The event will also include presentations by research scholars intended to give young researchers an opportunity to share their work with some of the

faculty of CSSSC and other senior scholars in the field. It is aimed at doctoral and postdoctoral students and young faculty (preferably, below the age of 35) whose on-going or recently completed work focuses on one or more aspects of the broad theme. They are required to present a paper around the theme of the orientation programme. Each day will comprise of morning and afternoon sessions and the first two slots of each session will be devoted to lectures by senior scholars and the rest will be allotted for paper presentations by research scholars. Each panel of research scholars will be chaired by one faculty member from CSSSC and a senior scholar will be allotted as a discussant followed by an open discussion.

The Orientation Programme was intended to give younger researchers an opportunity to share their work with some faculty of the CSSSC and other senior scholars in the field. It was aimed at doctoral students and young lecturers whose ongoing or recently completed work focuses on one or more of the issues listed above. They presented a paper based on their research at the Programme.

The call for proposal saw a fairly good response. We had a total of 11 largely from Kerala, Telangana, Gujarat, Assam and West Bengal. These were subject to a fairly rigorous selection process taken up by the Programme committee. We selected 11 scholars of which 08 eventually participated and presented their papers in morning and afternoon sessions. Below are the names of the scholars:

1. Dickens Leonard M
2. Sudarshan Papanna
3. C. Satish Kumar
4. K. Kranthi Kumar
5. Jestin T Varghese
6. Tushar Ghadage
7. Anuj Choudhury
8. Bhubaneswar Sabar
9. Jadhav Prathap Singh
10. Sadique P. K:
11. Muhammed Anees KC

The Programme was held over two days. The first two morning sessions of each day were devoted to talks by resource persons that included an array of distinguished faculty and writer-activists. They were given forty-five minutes each to present their paper and to answer questions from the audience. Their talks touched a number of topics that were significant to the overall theme of the Programme.

Day 1 – Session-1 - Partha Chatterjee: A Relativist Approach to Caste, Tribe, Region and Nation (Professor Emeritus, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta), and G Aloysius: Diversity & Nation: Problematizing ‘the region’ in the History and Politics of Modern India (Independent Researcher, Pondicherry), chaired by Dr Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay (Assistant Professor of History, IISER Mohali)

Session 2 - Ramesh Kamble: Why Do Dalits Write? Making the Pain Public, Critical and Universal (Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Bombay,) and Rup Kumar Barman: From political bargaining to Political Slavery: The Scheduled Castes of Bengal from 1920 – 2016 (Professor, History, Jadavpur University, Kolkata), chaired by Mr Mahitosh Mandal (Assistant Professor of English, Presidency University, Kolkata)

Day 2 - Session1 - Gail Omvedt: The State and Religious Conflicts and Tribal Oppression (Writer-Activist) and Virginius Xaxa: Tribes, Regions and Autonomy (Professor, Sociology, TISS, Guwahati) chaired by Dr Trina Nileena Banerjee (Assistant Professor of Cultural Studies, CSSSC)

Session 2 - Bharat Patankar: Postcolonial state in India and Caste exploitation, Oppression (Activist-Writer, Shramik Mukti Dal) and Soumyabrata Choudhury: Reservation: A Military Perspective and a Revolutionary Hypothesis (Associate Professor, School of Arts and Aesthetics, Jawaharlal Nehru University), chaired by Dr Kiran Keshavamurthy

Each scholar was given thirty minutes to present his/her work. Each session was addressed to a specific topic. The scholars were given fifteen minutes each to answer questions from the audience. The chair was given the responsibility of fielding questions from the audience. The format worked well as the scholars had the opportunity of sharing their work with and learning from distinguished faculty in related fields.

Both the days had three post lunch session of two speakers each, the pre lunch sessions included two resource persons each. The participants' feedback suggests they were given enough time to present their work and received valuable inputs from the faculty present.

As three of the speakers could not make it to the Programme, there was ample time for discussing some of the major issues that had been raised during the course of the programme. The participants felt the discussion was useful in revisiting some of the important issues that came up during the course of the Programme. The discussion was conducive for all the scholars to share their thoughts and ideas in a more informal space. Many of the participants felt they had never received such extensive discussion on their research topic. They all felt they had learnt a lot from their experience of listening and getting to know other scholars and experts in their fields.

Report on Second Cities in the Circuits of Empire: Calcutta / Glasgow held on 8-9 Feb 2016

This international conference was planned so as to include seminar presentations by senior faculty as well as by postgraduate / early career researchers. The international participants were funded by the British Academy as well as the University of Toronto, which took care of the costs involved in travel and accommodation of those academics and students who came from outside the country. The seminar included participants from the CSSSC, Presidency University, Shiv Nadar University, the ISER Pune, and Jawaharlal Nehru University and included members of the advisory board, and other invited scholars from the UK and Australia. As a part of the seminar, professors and faculty from Glasgow, London, Toronto, Kolkata and Delhi and early career researchers as well as postgraduate researchers from the Universities of Liverpool, Toronto, and Jadavpur were invited to present their work at the seminar, which focused on key texts and individuals, botanical networks and medicinal developments, art, artefacts and statuary, as well as on caste in colonial education, travel by colonial officials and the aesthetics of the colonial urban.

The larger circuits of empire were explored in Second Cities to advance recent work on global circuits of cultural encounters by creating a series of case studies of colonial/metropolitan encounters with special focus on Scottish and

Indian educators, poets and novelists, missionaries, journalists, soldiers, and civil servants and their Indian interlocutors. Emphasizing intellectual legacies and colonial interactions, there was an attempt to redefine the meanings of cultural contact by tracing both supportive and conflicted relationships among intellectual, if not colonial, equals. The focus was both on individuals and on the institutions of social and intellectual encounter—newspapers, libraries and museums, private collections, dictionaries, botanical gardens and menageries. Historical cases studies impart a new specificity to the understanding of British imperialism in India by arguing for the role of the regional and the linguistic, and for differences within supposedly homogenous national cultures both in India and in Britain.

Archive and Library

Hitesh Ranjan Sanyal Memorial Archives (April 2015 – March 2016)

During April 2015 to March 2016 the archive digitized a huge volume of about 1700 manuscripts, proceedings of Santipur Municipality from 1853 – 1980 and a few books under the auspices of the EAP781 project. The collection of manuscripts is now being catalogued by Shri Deepto Chakraborty, Consultant Cataloguer of the EAP781 project. Once the entire collection has been catalogued and all post-processing jobs are over the manuscript collection will be a new addition to the database of the textual archives of the CSSSC. Mr. Tapan Paul digitised the huge collection from the district of Nadia almost single-handedly under the supervision of the Investigators of the project. No new visual collection has been added to the CSSSC archives during the year. However, the archives received a substantial collection of private papers, unpublished manuscripts, letters and other textual materials of the well-known theatre personality, the late Tapas Sen, and also of his wife the late Geeta Sen. This collection has been generously donated by their daughter Ms. Jayanti Sen. This collection has already been sorted out thematically and is awaiting to be catalogued which will happen soon. The archives have also received few books, original unpublished papers and notebooks belonging to the renowned historian, the late Ashin Dasgupta. This has been kindly donated by his wife Mrs. Uma Dasgupta.

During the year, members of the archive staff, especially Kamalika Mukherjee, mainly focused on consolidating the visual database and about 35,000 of 40,000 images have already been computed in a structured database compatible with OPAC that started last year.

Rendering service to scholars and researchers from all over the world kept our members busy most of the time and, in spite of our online access, reading demand has further increased this year.

Achievements of individual Archive staff during 2015 – 16:

Kamalika Mukherjee, under the guidance of Prof. Tapati Guha-Thakurta was involved in designing a calendar for the year 2016 where photographs of temple architecture taken by Hitesranjan Sanyal have been reproduced. A set

of 8 book-marks and a notebook comprising of images from the commercial art collection of the archive have also been designed and compiled by her. Apart from the direct involvement regarding the day-to-day activities at the archives, she reviewed Christel R. Devadawson's book, *Out of line: Cartoons, Caricature and Contemporary India* (New Delhi: Orient Blackswan, 2014), and the review has been published in the journal of *South Asian History and Culture* (November 11, 2015).

Jayeeta Mazumder Participated in a two day International Conference on Koha (Indkoha) on 23rd and 24th January, 2016 organized by the Bengal Library Association in association with Bose Institute and Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata at the Bose Institute.

Abhijit Bhattacharya took part as a panellist in the workshop on State of Digitisation in South Asia, a collaborative programme of the School of Cultural Texts and Records, Jadavpur University and the British Library held at the Jadavpur University from 19 – 21 August 2015.

Involvement in special collaborative project

During the year the Archives of CSSSC became a contributing founder member of the newly formed Open Access Initiative of the South Asia Material Project (SAMP-OAI). The consortium with its office at the Center for Research Libraries, Chicago is a major departure from the South Asia Microform Project and is expected to undertake projects on digitisation and open access of South Asian materials.

At its first meeting in the month of December 2015, the Chair of the founding committee of the SAMP-OAI, James Nye, reported confirmed participation of twenty North American Universities inclusive of CRL and four South Asian institutes as founding members in contributing capacity.

As a contributing member of the SAMP-OAI, the archives of the CSSSC is committed to contribute 2000 digitised volumes to open access and 0.3 FTE of the Documentation Officer – Archives towards staff time for SAMP-OAI related activities. In coming years we are expecting externally funded projects through the programme for capacity building and documentation of archives and libraries in South Asia.

The CSSSC is represented by Abhijit Bhattacharya for the period 2016 – 2020 to the board of SAMP – OAI.

CSSSC Library

The Library continues rendering information support to the users as avidly as ever. However, with changes in the nature of resources, both in form and content, the very nature of services has also undergone several changes. Digital photography has replaced photocopying activities and tabs are used heavily these days instead of notebooks. Now a days, the budding scholars are more interested in electronic materials but the seniors are more comfortable in reading the printed documents. The Library is struggling a lot to maintain a balance to meet the requirements of changing demands in information seeking behavior of the users. A change in collection development policy has to be thought about along with introduction of new edge technology to manage the changing scenario of library services. Keeping these things in mind the Library Committee has taken two very important steps for the future development of the Library:

(i) Switch to KOHA initiative: KOHA is a very popular open source Integrated Library System (ILS) to store and exchange cataloguing information. This web-based system is vastly used all over the world mainly due to its user-friendly interface and data exchange features. The Library will shortly switch from its existing cataloguing software to this new one.

(ii) Friends of the Library initiative: This is an initiative to promote and popularize the Library resources amongst the scholastic community. Fund-raising activities is a major concern of this initiative.

Books

The Library has purchased 161 books during this financial year.

Periodicals

76 print journals and 6 databases were subscribed.

Membership

52 non-borrowing members were added to our existing clientele and 68

members were provided temporary reading facilities for 10 days to 3 months.

Footfall

As per records altogether 2458 users have consulted the Library excluding our faculty members.

Events

A book fair was conducted on 14th August 2015 in the afternoon.

Academic and/or Professional Activities of Library Staff

Ms. Jayati Nayak with Ms. Sanchita Bhattacharyya had attended a one day seminar on Open Data organized by World Bank held at IISWBM, Calcutta on 23 April 2015.

Ms. Sanchita Bhattacharyya had participated in the Taylor & Francis interactive digital event commonly known as Librarians' Roadshow -- "The Evolving Librarian: Trends, Challenges, New Environment & Partnerships" on 19th November 2015.

Mr. Tapas Pal had participated and presented papers in following places:

1. Paper was presented in Two Day National Seminar on Scope of IT in LIS Curricula entitled: 'Integrated Library Automation System : Open Source Software - An overview' organized by Department of Library and Information Science, Jadavpur University on and from 18th March, 2016 to 19th March, 2016 at Jadavpur University.
2. Paper was presented in One Day National Conference on Multidimensional Information Sources and Services: Challenges, Issues and Prospective (NCMDISS – 2016) entitled: 'Open Educational Resources: E-learning- Issues & Perspective in Higher Education' organized by Era's Lucknow Medical College & Hospital, Lucknow on 06 March, 2016.
3. Paper was presented in Two Day International Conference on Koha and published in the proceedings of Indkoha 2016 (Towards Implementing Koha Among Libraries in Indian Sub content) entitled: 'Open Source Integrated Library Management Software for Library Automation : Koha- Some

Discussion' (p. 174-179; ISBN: 978-81-908459-6-0) organized by Bengal Library Association at Bose Institute, Rajabazar, Kolkata, West Bengal on and from 23rd to 24th January, 2016.

4. Paper was presented in Two Day 6th National Conference on Emerging Challenges and Opportunities of Central Government Libraries Association in the Digital Era and published in the proceedings of ECO-CGL 2016 entitled: 'Modern Library and its new technology : A great challenge in our digital era' (p. 39-42; ISBN: 978-81-927360-0-7) organised by Central Government Library Association- Kolkata Branch at Indian Museum, 27 Jawaharlal Nehru Road, Kolkata- 16, West Bengal on and from 22nd to 23rd January, 2016.

5. Participated in One Day Training Programme on Anti-Plagiarism Software "URKUND" on 23rd September, 2015 at Rabindra Bharati University, Jointly organized by RBU and INFLIBNET Centre.

6. Paper was presented in Two Day National Conference on Re-engineering Public Library & Academic Library System in India and published in the proceedings of JILACON'15 entitled: 'Use of Information and Communication Technology by the Students, Teachers and Staff in V. J. R. College: A Study' (p. 86-89; ISBN: 978-93-85292-05-7) Organised by Jharkhand Information and Library Association at SKIPA, Ranchi, Jharkhand on and from 22nd to 23rd August, 2015.

JBMRC Library

First phase of setting up of JBMRC Library has been completed. The Library will be operational soon.

Annual Report CTRPFP: 2015-2016

The Centre for Training and Research in Public Finance and Policy (CTRPFP) was set up as a long term research unit in the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta in 2011. This is a Ministry of Finance, Government of India initiative to promote effective economic and social policies by understanding better issues in public finance, public economics and public policy. CTRPFP's objective is to establish itself as an authoritative research unit on public finances, tax and welfare policy, tax law, education, inequality and poverty, pensions, productivity and innovation, consumer behavior and the evaluation of policies designed to promote development in poorer countries.

Faculty Recruitment:

1. Dr. Sandip Sarkar (Post Doctorate Fellow)
2. Dr. Shesadri Banerjee (Research Consultant)

Publications:

Newsletter:

The CTRPFP Newsletter serves as a knowledge sharing platform addressing issues of a global and common nature and providing opportunities for stakeholders to express their own perspectives, identify best practices and share experiences gained.

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CTRPFP Working Paper Series:

- Ranajoy Chaudhury (2015): Status Seeking Behavior and the Life Cycle Hypothesis.
- Jayanta Kumar Dwibedi and Sugata Marjit (2015): Relative Affluence and Child Labor - Explaining a Paradox.
- Sugata Marjit and Punarjit Roychowdhury (2015): Inequality and Trade: A Behavioral-Economics Perspective.
- Sugata Marjit and Biswajit Mandal (2015): International Trade, Migration and Unemployment – The Role of Informal.
- Hamid Beladi, Sugata Marjit, Xinpeng Xu, and Lei Yang (2015): Strategic

Enforcement, Intellectual Property Rights and Contractual R&D.

- Sugata Marjit, André Seidel and Marcel Thum (2016): Tax Evasion, Corruption and Tax Loopholes.
- Reshmi Ahuja (2016): Sequencing of External Sector Reforms and Wage Inequality.

A. Research projects:

List of Completed Projects

- Tushar K. Nandi (2015): Baseline Survey of Knowledge, Attitude and Practice of Citizen and Analysis.

List of Ongoing Projects

- Tushar K. Nandi (2015): District Human Development Report, Howrah.

B. Grants:

List of Grants provided to faculties/ Research Scholar

- Gunja Baranwal (2015): 10th IZA/ World Bank Conference on Employment and Development: Technological Change and Jobs, IZA Bonn and World Bank.
- Mousakhi Ray (2015): Conference at Western Economic Association, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.

C. South Asian Journal of Macro Economics and Public Finance:

The publication of the South Asian Journal of Macro Economics and Public Finance is a significant and ambitious addition to the activities under the RBI endowment scheme at CSSSC and CTRPFP.

D. Indian Public Finance and Policy Report:

The publication is a flagship Endeavour of the CTRPFP and will be published every 2 years. It is unique in its objective which is to showcase contemporaneous issues in Public Finance and Public Policy from a national and global perspective.

Activities:

1. Seminars/ Economics Study Group:

9th April 2015 at 3PM

Title: Credit, Inequality and Trade

Speaker: Prof. Sugata Marjit, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta

9th July 2015 at 3PM

Title: Evaluating Expert Talents by Setting Tasks.

Speaker: Jaideep Roy, Murdoch University, Western Australia.

14th August 2015 at 3 PM

Title: Application of Chaos and Non Linear Technique in Complex Systems – MARKET (financial time series), MEDICINE (medical diagnosis) and MUSIC (emotion quantification).

Speaker: Dipak Ghosh, Dept. of Physics, Jadavpur University.

15th October 2015 at 3PM

Title: VAT & firm formality choices: evidence from West Bengal.

Speaker: Lucie Gadenne, Assistant Professor, University of Warwick Research Fellow, Institute for Fiscal Studies, UK.

17th December 2015 at 3 PM

Title: R&D Efficiency, Product Differentiation and Enforcement Policies.

Speaker: Prof. Dyuti Banerjee, Monash University, Australia.

7th January 2016 at 3 PM

Title: Peer Effects in Consumption.

Speaker: Punarjit Roychowdhury, Southern Methodist University, USA.

11th January 2016 at 3 PM

Title: Do International Students Improve the Performance of Domestic Graduate Students in the US?

Speaker: Prof Sajal Lahiri, Southern Illinois University, USA.

15th January 2016 at 3 PM

Title: Poverty, Purchasing Power Parity and Inequality: Is there a link?

Speaker: Prof. Ranjan Ray, Monash University.

2. Conferences:

17th September and 18th September 2015: Conference on Indian Public Finance and Policy Report (IPFPR). The Plenary speakers for the Conference were Prof. Fabrizio Carmignani, Professor of Economics, Griffith University, Australia.

17th November and 18th November 2015: International Conference on 50 years of Simple General Equilibrium Models and Policy Implications in Open Developing Economies - Historical and Emerging Issues". The Key Note speakers for the Conference were

Prof. Ronald W Jones, Xerox Professor of Economics, University of Rochester, USA.

Ngo Van Long, James McGill Professor of Economics, McGill University.

Eric Bond, Joe L. Roby Professor of Economics, Vanderbilt University.

4th February and 5th February 2016: International Conference on Public Finance and Public Policy in India. The Key Note speakers for the Conference were

Prof. Orazio Attanasio, University College London and IFS, UK.

Prof. Andrea Ichino, European University Institute, Florence, Italy.

3. Training Programme:

20th August to 22nd August 2015: Training Workshop on Fiscal Issues and State Finances.

State Government officials from Directorate of Commercial Taxes as well as Andhra Government officials acted as resource persons for the training workshop. The resource persons were Shri Binod Kumar, IAS, Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Directorate of Commercial Tax; Shri G. R. Reddy, Financial Advisor, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Academics from NIPFP and Brahmananda Kesabchandra College acted as

resource persons for the training workshop. The resource persons were Prof. Tapas K Sen from NIPFP, Prof. Pinaki Chakraborty from NIPFP and Dr. Jayanta Dwivedi from Brahmananda Kesabchandra College.

The participants were officials from different departments of Directorate of Commercial Taxes, West Bengal. The name of the participants: Sri. Arindam Ghosh (Joint Commissioner Commercial Taxes); Smt. Nandini Ghosh (Joint Commissioner Commercial Taxes); Smt. Ashima Samajdar (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Pijush Kanti Ghoshal (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Mohammed Faisal (Deputy Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Priyabrata Mukherjee (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Sanjay Bhattacharya (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Timir Baran Biswas (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Smt. Sonali Pal (Deputy Commissioner of Taxes); Sri. Sushil Tarafdar (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sabyasachi Mukhopadhyay (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Subodh Sardar (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Arup Ratan Sarkar (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Nimai Chand Halder (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Durga Sankar Gupta (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Arunangshu Mukherjee (Deputy Commissioner of Taxes); Sri. Anjan Kumar Nandi (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Debasish Bhattacharyya (Deputy Commissioner of Taxes); Sri. Hirendra KR. Mondal (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Shauvik Dutta (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Partha Sarathi Dey (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Smt. Anjana Chakraborty (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Raktim Chakraborty (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Sri. Ashis Mukherjee (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes); Smt. Sima Sarkar (Joint Commissioner of Commercial Taxes).

Commissioner, Directorate of Commercial Tax Shri Binod Kumar IAS, graced us with his presence along with other senior bureaucrats from the Government of West Bengal at a dinner organized by CTRPFP for the participants of the Training Workshop.

4. Research Retreat:

A research retreat was organized at Tajpur between 4th of March 2016 to 6th of March 2016. The retreat was held to discuss different ongoing projects/

works under the CTRPFP during this academic year and to formulate a plan for activities under CTRPFP in the following academic year. The invited speakers for the research retreat were

1. Swapnendu Bandyopadhyay, Professor of Economics, Jadavpur University.
2. Jayanta Dwivedi, Assistant Professor of Economics, BKC College.
3. Joydeb Sasmal, Professor of Economics, Vidyasagar University.
4. Sandip Mitra, Assistant Professor of Economics, ISI Kolkata.
5. Sugata Marjit, RBI Professor of Economics, CSSSC and Director CTRPFP.
6. Saibal Kar, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta.
7. Vivekananda Mukherjee, Professor of Economics, Jadavpur University.
8. Shesadri Banerjee, Research Consultant, Centre for Training & Research in Public

Finance and Policy.

9. Sandip Sarkar, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Centre for Training & Research in Public

Finance and Policy.

10. Jyotsna Jalan, Professor of Economics, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta & Co-Director, Centre for Training & Research in Public Finance and Policy.

5. Lecture Series:

A series of lectures on Econometric Analysis with Binary Outcomes by Professor Kajal Lahiri, State University of New York, Albany on 30th December 2015 and on 4th and 6th January 2016 at Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta.

Visitors to CTRPFP

Fabrizio Carmignani, Griffith University, Australia, (Period of Visit: 15th of September 2015 - 19th of September 2015)

Eric Bond, Joe L. Roby Professor of Economics, Vanderbilt University, (Period of Visit: 17th of November and 18th of November 2015)

Nakanishi Noritsugu, Professor, Kobe University, Japan, (Period of Visit: 17th of November and 18th of November 2015)

Ngo Van Long, James McGill Professor of Economics, McGill University, (Period of Visit: 17th of November and 18th of November 2015).

Ronald W. Jones, Xerox Professor of Economics, University of Rochester, (Period of Visit: 17th of November and 18th of November 2015)

Dyuti Banerjee, Monash University, Clayton, (Period of Visit: 8th of December 2015 - 9th of January 2016)

Avinash K. Dixit, Professor of Economics, Princeton University, (Period of Visit: 16th of December 2015 - 21st of December 2015)

Kajal Lahiri, University at Albany, State University of New York, (Period of Visit: 15th of December, 2015 to 15th of January, 2016)

Orazio Attanasio, University College London and IFS, (Period of Visit: 4th of February to 5th of February 2016)

Andrea Ichino, European University Institute, Florence, (Period of Visit: 4th of February to 5th of February 2016)

Farzana Afridi, Indian Statistical Institute Delhi, (Period of Visit: 4th of February to 5th of February 2016)

CTRFPF website: www.ctrfpf.ac.in

Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre (JBM&RC)

The CSSSC had applied to the Ministry of Culture, GOI, for the setting up of a museum, archive and a historical resource centre at its older premises at 10 Lake Terrace, in the name of the eminent historian, Sir Jadunath Sarkar, who once resided in this house, from whose family the property came via the West Bengal Government to the CSSSC. The CSSSC's functioned out of the historic location of Jadunath Bhavan, 10 Lake Terrace, for the first 27 years of its existence, until it moved to its campus at Baishnabghata Patuli in March 2000. Thereafter, the Jadunath Sarkar Centre for Historical Research was set up there in 2004 to house the full Bengali and vernacular language collections of the CSSSC, along with a repository of rare books, newspapers and scholar book donations. The office of the Eastern Regional Centre (ERC) of the ICSSR (Indian Council for Social science Research) also then began to function out of those premises.

Receipt of 1st Instalment of the 'Museum Related Components other than Civil Construction Works' phase of the grant

In August 2015 the Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta (CSSSC) received Rs60,80,500/- (Rupees Sixty Lakh Eighty Thousand and Five Hundred Only) for the 1st Installment of the Museum Related Components other than Civil Construction Works of the Ministry of Culture Grant-in-Aid for renovation and redesign of Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre (JBM&RC). The release order came from Mr. S. K. Singh, Under Secretary, Government of India, Ministry of Culture via a letter - No. 14-41/2009-M.I, dated 12th August 2015.

Work done towards the setting up of the Museum and the Resource Centre between April 2015 and August 2016

During this period, several steps have been taken to make the Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre functional.

1. The conference hall at the building was furnished and equipped with electrical amenities such as mikes and speakers and auditorium chairs, desks, lectern, blinds and background screen and signage. After the setting up of all of these, the CSSSC has organized a number of public lectures, seminars, memorial

meetings and inaugural programmes in this hall during this period.

2. The library books, periodicals and newspapers that were lying in storage for the past two and a half years were repacked and transported to the renovated precincts at 10 Lake Terrace. The older stacks were renovated, new ones installed, and all the packed material has been re-shelved. Apart from this, the partial furnishing at the JBMRC library has been completed during this period. The process involved purchase of new office furniture and reader tables, refurbishing of existing library furniture, and installation of computers and internet connections for the library staff. The JBMRC library has formally reopened on 10th August 2016. At present, these staff members are engaged in the daily functioning of the library as well as updating the digital catalogue of all the library resources.

3. Office spaces in the building have also been made ready for the institution's academic and administrative staff. The process of purchasing office furniture and some computers for regular use in the rooms to be used by administrative staff and faculty has been completed.

4. A special meeting room has also been furnished and equipped for the holding of special closed door meetings and for hosting the CSSSC's own Board of Governors meetings.

5. A full air-conditioned display area and gallery, with sliding ceiling to floor panels, and an attached smaller audio-visual lecture room, has been designed on the first floor, and is ready for hosting exhibitions. An exhibition, "Accessing the Archive: Three Exploratory Projects" involving three artists and the projects they developed out of the visual material in the archives of the CSSSC, was organized in this area in June 2016.

6. The JBMRC is now a nearly fully furnished and functioning institutional premise, and the JBMRC Library is at present open on all weekdays.

Publications of JBMRC

1. Publication of an occasional paper by Professor Dipesh Chakrabarty on Sir Jadunath Sarkar, titled Reading Sir Jadunath: Literature and History, was published in 2015. The first issue of the paper was released on the occasion of the formal opening of the JBMRC and the inauguration of the Jadunath

Sarkar Gallery on 1st February 2015. Copies of this paper were made available for circulation over the year.

2. Publication of a calendar for 2016 titled Temples of Bengal, using a selection of images from the enormous photographic archive on the temples of Bengal by Dr. Hitesranjan Sanyal, which was donated to the CSSSC's archives. A themed set of bookmarks were also designed to go with the Temples of Bengal calendar. One of the founding members of the faculty of the CSSSC, Hitesranjan Sanyal's major scholarly contribution lay in the survey and study of the temple architecture of south-west Bengal, spanning the period from the 15th to the 19th centuries. These surveys resulted in a number of Sanyal's scholarly articles in Bengali and English, and his doctoral dissertation, Temple Building Activities in Bengal: A Social Study, 1450-1900, which was unfortunately never published. The novelty of his work lay in the way he used temple architecture, iconography to study caste and class mobility in late medieval and early modern Bengal.

3. Publication of a themed Notebook titled Brands of a Bygone Era, which uses images of product advertising on enamel signboards from the middle years of the 20th century. These images are from the collection of Parimal Ray and are a part of the rich repository of commercial art in the archival collection of the CSSSC. A unique assemblage of over 40,000 digitized copies of various genres of pictorial, print and photographic imagery, sourced from different private collections, the CSSSC's visual archive is widely used by scholars from all over the world, and has come to serve as a valuable resource for the social and cultural history of the region. The advertising imagery featured in this notebook marks the shift of publicity techniques in this period from the print media to labels, posters, and printed enamel signboards that began to permeate the outdoor spaces of the city.

Events organized at the JBM&RC between April 2015 and March 2016

1. The first lecture of the Jadunath Bhavan Museum and Resource Centre (JBMRC) Lecture Series was delivered by Mr. Jawhar Sircar, CEO, Prasar Bharati, on Competition, Conflict and Harmony: Vividh Bharati and the Emergence of a Supranational Identity in India, on Tuesday, 8th September 2015, at the auditorium of the building.

2. A Memorial Meeting was organised for Professor Asok Sen on Tuesday, 5th January 2016, at 5pm. Prof. Sen was one of the senior-most founding members of faculty of the CSSSC, working at the CSSSC from 1973 until his retirement in 1992. He remained closely connected with several of the Centre's faculty and activities throughout his life.

3. Professor Dipesh Chakrabarty's book, *The Calling of History: Sir Jadunath Sarkar and his Empire of Truth* (University of Chicago Press, 2015) was launched and a panel discussion on the book was held at the JBMRC auditorium on Friday, 11th March 2016 at 5.30pm. Professor Tapati Guha-Thakurta chaired the discussion and the panelists were Professor Partha Chatterjee, Professor A.R. Venkatachalapathy and the author himself. India's leading historian during the first part of the twentieth century, Sir Jadunath Sarkar (1870–1958) influentially embodied a “scientific” approach to his discipline, then was dramatically marginalized as the Indian academy took a postcolonial turn. *The Calling of History* explores Sarkar's career—and poignant obsolescence—as a way in to larger questions about the discipline of history and its public life. The launching of this book in the home and study of Sir Jadunath Sarkar was a significant and foundational event.

Future plans

1. Designing, furnishing and equipping the topmost floor of the house, which is meant to house the CSSSC's archives – its original holdings of texts, prints and photographs and its entire analogue and digital image collections – alongside the offices of the archive staff and a few faculty members. This floor requires the most specialized equipment like computers, scanners, storage devices and dehumidifiers. We have had to defer the shifting of the archival material and staff to the JBMRC till the third floor is made ready for this transfer. The next installment of the grant will make this move possible, and will allow the opening of the full set of proposed activities and facilities on all floors of the building.

2. Running a series of lectures at the venue by invited eminent scholars, artists, archivists, curators and collectors titled the JBMRC Lecture series.

3. Developing a set of curated circulating displays in three first floor rooms, called Special Collection Rooms, dedicated to the different scholars whose

personal collections of books and photographs have been donated to the CSSSC. These scholar book collections form a rare and special resource of the CSSSC and need to be brought to public attention. Some of these collections have been received along with old writing desks and bookshelves of the family. In keeping with ambience of these rooms, the plan is to have some old-style furniture designed for these rooms and have wall panels on the life and career of scholars whose collections are held here.

4. Hosting temporary exhibitions out of the material in the visual archives of the CSSSC in the large gallery, and inviting artists and curators to use this space to mount other kinds of archival displays here. One such exhibitions is already being planned using our own archival collections – titled *The City in the Archive: Calcutta's Visual Histories*, it is to be mounted in tandem with an international conference on urbanism and archives that is being organized at the JBMRC in December 2016.

5. Working on a series of archival publications by scholars on the material held at JBMRC, and designing museum merchandise like card and postcard sets, bookmarks, calendars and diaries, for sale at the venue.

Affiliation Involving Other Academic Institutions

Affiliation to Scholars from other Academic Institutions

The Centre extends affiliation to a number of visiting scholars who apply for such affiliation. This involves no financial responsibility on the part of the Centre. Affiliation for most American students is routed through the American Institute for Indian Studies. Affiliated scholars are requested to pay Rs.5000 for a period of six months and Rs.10,000 for a period exceeding six months.

The affiliation is mutually beneficial. Most of the scholars are also assigned a specific member of the faculty who takes the responsibility of extending academic cooperation. The scholar is encouraged to present his research before the faculty. Additionally some of them work closely on collaborative research with the Centre's faculty. In some cases, they also offer valuable teaching assistance to the academic programmes at the Centre.

The following scholars were given affiliation between April 2015 – March 2016

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| 1. Mr. Matthew Barton Shutzer | New York University, USA |
| 2. Ms. Erica Lynn Mukherjee | Stony Brook University, New York, USA |
| 3. Mr. Dylan Lowry | At-Large, Minnesota, USA |
| 4. Dr. Chiara Arnavas | London School of Economics |
| 5. Kellen Lewis Hoxworth | Department of Theatre & Performance Studies, Stanford University. |
| 6. Ms. Sarah Aurelia Carson | Princeton University |
| 7. Ms. Laura Tavalacci | University of California, Davis, CA |
| 8. Mr. Christopher Ainslie Cowell | Columbia University |
| 9. Ms. Meher Siddique Ali | Brown University, RI, USA |

Affiliation with other Academic Institutions

An update on the project ICAS – MP and future plans

ICAS-MP is based on an initiative of the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, which has approved of funding an exploratory preparatory phase of two years from 1 July 2015 onwards. This ends in July 2017. On the basis

of a positive evaluation it will be followed by a main phase of six years and a concluding phase of four years.

The CSSSC was signatory to the MOU and is one of the three Indian partners that is part of the project which is to develop an international centre of advanced studies in Delhi to generate cutting edge research around the large and broad theme of the Metamorphoses of the political. Six collaborative and multidisciplinary Thematic Modules (TM), have been worked out to run for six years and to conduct research on separate, but interrelated themes, which will be closely connected and contribute to the Centre's overarching topic.

The research modules that have been arrived at are as follows:

1. History as a Political Category
2. Labour as a Political Category
3. Critiques and Renewals of Democracy
4. Normative Conflicts and Transformations
5. Performing Gender: Negotiating Space in Civil Society
6. Poverty and education
7. Political Economy of Development and Growth
8. Archives of the Political

The CSSSC, as one of the partner institutions came forward to assume responsibility for the AOP activity (strictly speaking not a module) in the pre-phase, where the emphasis was on both keeping up a conversation about the importance of looking closely at archiving as a political process as well as on finding, assembling, cataloguing and developing as much as possible of the material that is being generated outside the spaces of conventional archives.

The activities under his module are listed below: (Completed and ongoing)

1. Workshop by the planning group on 7 October 2015 in Delhi. The groups consisted of Andreas Gestrich, Indra Sengupta, Ravi Ahuja, Ravi Vasudevan, Shail Mayaram, Ritajyoti Bandyopadhyay, Rupa Viswanathan, Srirupa Roy, Martin Fuchs, Lakshmi Subramanian) Here it was pointed out that the distribution of funds to promote the activities under the Archives of the Political was complicated; and that the funding logistics had still to be worked

out. However, it was proposed that out of the available funds (9000 Euros) and with a possibility of some more, the CSSSC was to serve as a nodal center for the AOP and go ahead with its plans of appointing a Research assistant, a post-doctoral fellow (2016) and take up small archiving projects that could serve as a blue print for the main phase application. Ravi Vasudevan (CSDS) reiterated the point about highlighting existing vernacular collection and how these spoke to several modules such as the History as a political category and about adding new material to the archive.

2. Identification of the material of the Calcutta Improvement Trust as a pilot project for digitizing and cataloguing. This has remained an unopened archive with a huge volume of material pertaining to urban development and political negotiations over land acquisition in the twentieth century.

3. The CSSSC had entered into a MOU with the CIT undertaking to digitize and catalogue the proceedings of the CIT from 1912 to 1975 (see annexure 1 of MOU) and initiated the project from its own funds. A research assistant was appointed to first identify key collections and then prepare an inventory of the records.

4. Funds from MWS in Delhi enabled us to continue with the work, to ensure a near complete set of the proceedings (weekly) of the Trust from 1912 to 1975. The research assistant was given extension and is working on the project. A copy of her report has been made available to the MWS, New Delhi (see annexure 2)

5. The records are now being converted into pdf format and a descriptive catalogue is being prepared. This will be completed by the first week of September.

6. A research associate for developing the theme of the Archives of the political and for research projects around the newly digitized CIT proceedings has been appointed. The advertisement was carried in the websites of the CSSSC and MWS; applications were invited and interviewed. Dr. Iman Mitra was selected for the position and he has taken up the position on 15 August 2016.

7. Preparations are afoot for the organising of an international workshop around Archiving and Urbanism in December 2016. The CSSSC on its part has contacted and secured the willingness of seven senior academics (based

in India and overseas) to participate in the seminar. WE are waiting for the German list so that this can be expedited.

Future plans

1. To work on the main phase application as a partner – there are some positive benefits likely in the form of a senior fellowship support for faculty that is willing to take up the directorship of the ICAS, Fellowships and short term visits to Germany for faculty of partner institutions.

2. To induct faculty in other modules (History) and (Democracy). Suggestions have been made for Maidul Islam and Prachi Deshpande to join these modules.

Cogsash Annual Report 2015-16

The Centre for Studies in Social Sciences formally adopted a policy on gender sensitization against sexual harassment in September 2010, and set up a Committee on Gender Sensitization against Sexual harassment (COGSASH) in October 2010. COGSASH has eleven members (two students, two project staff, three administrative staff, three faculty, and one member from outside the Centre). The Committee has the mandate of undertaking gender sensitization activities and creating greater awareness about sexual harassment; it also deals with any complaints of sexual harassment that are reported. The current COGSASH (whose tenure runs from October 2014 to October 2016) organized a discussion on the topic 'From Visakha to the 2013 Act: Sexual Harassment Legislation in India' for all employees and students of the Centre on February 20, 2015. The event included a presentation by Ms Ruchira Goswami from the National University of Juridical Sciences, followed by an open discussion.

Trina Banerjee

(Chairperson and Faculty representative)

Names of members:

Ayan Banerjee

(Project staff representative)

Arunima Chakraborty

(Student representative)

Debajyoti Das

(Administrative staff representative)

Jayati Nayak

(Administrative staff representative)

Sanchita Bhattacharyya

(Administrative staff representative)

Prachi Deshpande

(Faculty representative)

Ratnabali Chatterjee

(Outside expert)

Rittwik Chatterjee

(Faculty representative)

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Roy & Bagchi
Chartered Accountants
Independent Auditors' Report

**To the Governing Body of
Centre For Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta
R-1, Raishnabghata, Patuli Township, Kolkata – 700 094**

1. Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Centre for Studies in social Sciences, Calcutta (“the Centre”) which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2016, the Income and Expenditure Account and the Receipts and Payments Account for the year then ended, and a summary of significant Accounting Policies and Notes on Accounts.

2. Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management of the Centre is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance of the Centre. This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

3. Auditor’s Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Company’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

4. Basis for Qualified Opinion

As mentioned in Note 7 of Schedule 23, the Gratuity Fund is managed by the Centre but Actuarial Valuation to determine the liability on death/retirement is not being undertaken. Therefore the Centre has not made any provision for Gratuity and Leave Encashment on accrual basis as required by Accounting Standard 15, issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. In the absence of relevant records, we are unable to quantify the amount of liability not provided for.

5. Qualified Opinion

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India:

- a) In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Centre as at March 31,2016.
- b) In the case of the Income & Expenditure Account, of the surplus for the year ended on that date; and
- c) In the case of the Receipts & Payments Account, of the Receipts of Payments for the year ended on that date.

6. Emphasis of matters

Without qualifying our opinion we draw attention to the following matters :

- a) A Fund of Rs. 3,00,000.00/- earmarked for Research projects, which had remained unutilized since the year 2009-10, has been utilized during the year, by acquiring/purchasing Fixed Assets required for Research Purposes.
- b) Grants/Subsidies of Rs. 99,55,343/-, being matching Grant not yet disbursed by the Government of West Bengal, has been shown as receivable in Schedule 10 of the Financial Statements as per the recommendations of Comptroller and Auditor General of India. Refer Note 6 of Schedule 24.

For **Roy & Bagchi**
Chartered Accountants
FRN No. 301053E

(Tanima Guha)
Partner

Place : Kolkata
Date : September 1,2016

Membership No. 056139

Centre For Studies In Social Sciences, Calcutta

R-1, Baishnabghata Patuli Township, Kolkata - 700094

Balance Sheet as at 31.03.2016

Amount in Rupees

Sources of Funds	Schedule	Current Year	Previous Year
Corpus/ Capital Fund	1	3,23,34,242.19	2,41,71,830.11
Designated/ Earmarked/ Endowment Funds	2	6,05,400.00	6,62,078.00
Current Liabilities & Provisions	3	2,48,09,530.32	2,12,11,737.95
Total		5,77,49,172.51	4,60,45,646.06
Application of Funds			
Fixed Assets	4		
Tangible Assets		3,00,32,718.81	3,05,19,015.79
Intangible Assets		-	-
Capital Works-In-Progress		-	-
Investments From Earmarked/ Endowment Funds	5		
Long Term		4,51,856.00	4,51,856.00
Short Term			
Investments - Others	6	38,237.00	32,000.00
Current Assets	7	1,15,23,648.70	90,54,212.27
Loans, Advances & Deposits	8	1,57,02,712.00	59,88,562.00
Total		5,77,49,172.51	4,60,45,646.06
Significant Accounting Policies	23		
Contingent Liabilities And Notes To Accounts	24		

Signed in terms of our report attached
For M/s Roy & Bagchi
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
FRN No: 301053E

Tapati Guha Thakuta
(Director)

Debarshi Sen
(Registrar)

(Tanima Guha)
Partner
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Income and Expenditure Account For The Year Ended as on 31.03.2016

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Schedule	Current Year	Previous Year
Income			
Academic Receipts	9	2,05,950.00	-
Grants/ Subsidies	10	6,34,81,730.00	4,93,22,413.00
Income from Investments	11	7,881.00	-
Interest Earned	12	1,85,501.00	1,99,545.00
Other Income	13	30,63,795.09	25,32,851.49
Prior Period Income	14	73,220.00	6,516.00
Total (A)		6,70,18,077.09	52,061,325.49
Expenditure			
Staff Payments & Benefits (Establishment Expenses)	15	5,29,65,384.00	5,15,06,771.00
Academic Expenses	16	4,14,035.00	2,80,281.00
Administrative and General Expenses	17	26,07,733.46	22,09,529.84
Transportation Expenses	18	4,56,845.00	5,20,808.00
Repairs & Maintenance	19	18,31,339.13	15,65,332.56
Finance Costs	20	4,253.44	2,104.00
Depreciation	4	13,04,566.98	10,67,788.03
Other Expenses	21	-	-
Prior Period Expenses	22	-	-
Total (B)		5,95,84,157.01	5,71,52,614.43
Balance being excess of Income over Expenditure (A-B)			
Transfer to/ from Designated Fund			
Building Fund			
Others (specify)			
Balance Being Surplus/ (Deficit) Carried to Capital Fund		74,33,920.08	-50,91,288.94
Significant Accounting Policies	23		
Contingent Liabilities And Notes To Accounts	24		

Signed in terms of our report attached
For M/s Roy & Bagchi
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Partner
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Centre For Studies In Social Sciences, Calcutta
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Schedule - 1 Corpus / Capital Fund (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
Balance at the beginning of the year	2,41,71,830.11	2,60,93,020.05
Add: Contributions towards Corpus/ Capital Fund		31,64,999.00
Less: Prior Period Adjustment of General Research Fund - accrued interest for the year 2013-14	89,778.00	
Add: Grants from UGC, Government of India and State Government to the extent utilized for capital expenditure	5,18,270.00	5,100.00
Add: Assets Purchased out of Earmarked Funds	3,00,000.00	
Add: Assets Purchased out of Sponsored Projects, where ownership vests in the Institution		
Add: Assets Donated/ Gifts Received		
Add: Other Additions		
Add: Excess of income over expenditure transferred from the Income & Expenditure Account	74,33,920.08	
Total	3,23,34,242.19	2,92,63,119.05
(Deduct) Deficit transferred from the Income & Expenditure Account		50,91,288.94
Balance at the year end		2,41,71,830.11

Sd/-
(Registrar)

Centre For Studies In Social Sciences, Calcutta

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Schedule -2 Designated / Earmarked / Endowment Funds (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Fund-wise Breakup			Total		
	Fund A (GRF)	Fund B	Fund C	Endowment Funds	Current Year	Previous Year
A.						
a) Opening Balance	3,62,078.00			3,00,000.00		6,62,078.00
b) Additions during the year						
c) Income from Investments made of the funds						
d) Accrued Interest on Investments / Advances	1,53,544.00					
e) Interest on Savings Bank A/c						
f) Other Additions (Prior period adjustment for accrued interest for the year 2013-14)	89,778.00					
Total (A)	6,05,400.00			3,00,000.00	9,05,400.00	6,62,078.00
B. Utilisation/ Expenditure towards objectives of funds						
i) Capital Expenditure				3,00,000.00		
ii) Revenue Expenditure						
Total (B)				3,00,000.00	6,05,400.00	
Closing Balance at the year end (A-B)				-		6,62,078.00
Represented by						
Cash and Bank Balances						
Investments	6,05,400.00					
Interest accrued but not due						
Total	6,05,400.00					

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Schedule - 2A Endowment Funds (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Amount in Rupees

Sl. No.	Name of the Endowment	Opening Balance		Additions during the year		Total		Expenditure on the object during the year	Closing Balance		Total (10+11)
		Endowment	Accumulated Interest	Endowment	Interest	Endowment (3+5)	Accumulated Interest (4+6)		Endowment	Accumulated Interest	
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1)	Sudha Ghosh Mem. Fund	3,00,000.00						3,00,000.00	0.00		-
2)	General Research Fund	3,62,078.00			2,43,322.00		2,43,322.00		6,05,400.00		3,62,078.00
	Total	6,62,078.00	-	-	2,43,322.00	-	2,43,322.00	3,00,000.00	6,05,400.00		3,62,078.00

Notes :

- The total of Columns 3 & 4 will appear as the Opening Balance in the Column "Endowment funds" in Schedule 2, of Earmarked Funds forming part of the Balance Sheet
- The total of Col.9 should normally be less than the total of Col.8, as only the interest is to be used for the expenditure on the object of the endowments (except Endowments for Chairs).
- There should not normally be a debit balance in the schedule. If in a rare case, there is a debit balance against any of the Endowment Funds, the debit balance should appear on the Assets side of the Balance Sheet as "Receivables" in Schedule-8 Loans, Advances & Deposits.

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Schedule - 3 Current Liabilities & Provisions (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Amount in Rupees

	Current Year	Previous Year
A. CURRENT LIABILITIES		
1. Deposits from Staff		
2. Deposits from Students	2,52,500.00	2,19,500.00
3. Sundry Creditors		
a) For Goods & Services		-
b) Others	1,61,46,674.65	1,39,38,385.65
4. Deposits- Others (including EMD, Security Deposit)		
5. Statutory Liabilities (GPF, TDS, WC TAX, CPF, GIS, NPS, EPF)		
a) Overdue		
b) Others	9,58,339.00	
6. Other Current Liabilities		
a) Salaries (MACPS & Leave Encashment Arrear)	24,30,585.00	-
b) Receipts against sponsored projects		
c) Receipts against sponsored fellowships & scholarships		50,07,275.30
d) Unutilised Grants	37,22,644.67	
e) Grants in advance		
f) Other funds	20,965.00	94,185.00
g) Other liabilities (EPF Admin Charges)	12,77,822.00	13,77,822.00
Total (A)	2,48,09,530.32	2,06,37,167.95
B. PROVISIONS		
1. For Taxation	-	
2. Gratuity		
3. Superannuation Pension		
4. Accumulated Leave Encashment		
5. Trade Warranties/ Claims		
6. Others (specify)		5,74,570.00
Total (B)	-	5,74,570.00
Total (A+B)	2,48,09,530.32	2,12,11,737.95

Note : Unutilised grants 6(d) will include grants received in advance for next year.

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Amount in Rupees

Schedule - 4 Fixed Assets (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Sl. No.	Assets Head	Gross Block			Depreciation			Net Block			
		Opening Balance	Additions	Deductions	Closing Balance	Opening Balance	Depreciation for the year	Deductions/Adjustment	Total Depreciation	Current Year	Previous Year
A	Tangible Assets										
1	Land	20,08,600.00	0.00		20,08,600.00	0.00				20,08,600.00	20,08,600.00
2	Site Development										
3	Buildings	2,76,63,868.16	0.00		2,76,63,868.16	34,94,769.84	5,53,277.36	40,48,047.20		2,36,15,820.95	2,41,69,098.32
4	Roads & Bridges										
5	Tubewells & Water Supply										
6	Sewerage & Drainage										
7	Electrical Installation & Equipment	4,25,300.00	0.00		4,25,300.00	2,42,293.40	21,265.00	2,63,558.40		1,61,741.60	1,83,006.60
8	Plant & Machinery										
9	Scientific & Laboratory Equipment										
10	Office Equipment	15,44,085.14	2,41,053.00		17,85,138.14	5,96,862.76	1,33,885.37	7,30,748.13		10,54,390.01	9,47,222.38
11	Audio Visual Equipment										
12	Computers & Peripherals	31,52,557.00	5,13,842.00		36,66,399.00	31,52,557.00	1,02,768.40	32,55,325.40		4,11,073.60	0.00
13	Furniture, Fixtures & Fittings	64,93,778.04			64,93,778.04	32,82,689.54	4,87,033.35	37,69,722.89		27,24,055.15	32,11,088.50
14	Vehicles										
15	Library Books & Scientific Journals	86,11,567.30	63,375.00		86,74,942.30	86,11,567.30	6,337.50	86,17,904.80		57,037.50	0.00
16	Small Value Assets										
	Total (A)	4,98,99,755.64	8,18,270.00		5,07,18,025.64	1,93,80,739.84	13,04,566.98	2,06,85,306.82		3,00,32,718.81	3,05,19,015.79
B	Intangible Assets										
17	Computer Software										
18	E-Journals	2,16,43,763.89				2,16,43,763.89		21643763.89			0
19	Patents										
	Total (B)	2,16,43,763.89	0.00		2,16,43,763.89	0	0	21643763.89		0.00	0.00
C20	Capital Work-in-Progress	7,15,43,519.53			7,23,61,789.53	4,10,24,503.73		4,23,29,070.71		3,00,32,718.81	3,05,19,015.79

Note : 1. The figure in Column "Deductions" under Gross Block against the head Capital Work-in-Progress represents the transfer from Work-in-Progress to Assets during the year.

2. The figure in Column "Additions during the year" under Gross Block against Assets 1 to 14 include transfer from Work-in-Progress during the year, as well as further acquisitions during the year.

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 Schedule - 5 Investments From Earmarked/ Endowment Funds
 (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Amount in Rupees

		Current Year	Previous Year
1.	In Central Government Securities		
2.	In State Government Securities		
3.	Other approved Securities		
4.	Shares		
5.	Debentures and Bonds		
6.	Term Deposits with Banks	4,51,856.00	4,51,856.00
7.	Others (to be specified)		
	Total	4,51,856.00	4,51,856.00

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 Schedule - 6 Investments - Others (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Amount in Rupees

		Current Year	Previous Year
1.	In Central Government Securities		
2.	In State Government Securities		
3.	Other approved Securities		
4.	Shares		
5.	Debentures and Bonds		
6.	Term Deposits with banks	38,237.00	32,000.00
7.	Others (to be specified)		
	Total	38,237.00	32,000.00

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Schedule - 7 Current Assets (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Amount in Rupees

	Current Year	Previous Year
1. Stock :		
a) Stores and Spares (Central Stores)	74,034.43	53,481.50
b) Loose Tools		
c) Publications		
d) Laboratory Chemicals, Consumables and Glass Ware		
e) Building Material		
f) Electrical Material		
g) Stationery		
h) Water Supply Material		
2. Sundry Debtors :		
a) Debts Outstanding for a period exceeding six months		
b) Others (Franking Machine)	6,376.30	6,376.30
3. Cash and Bank Balances :		
Cash in Hand	10,310.41	7,625.41
a) With Scheduled Banks		
- In Current Accounts - UCO Bank	6,634.35	6,634.35
- SBI Baroda Park	50,626.23	1,45,447.14
- In Term Deposit Accounts		
- In Savings Accounts	1,13,75,666.98	88,34,647.57
b) With Non-Scheduled Banks		
- In Term Deposit Accounts		
- In Savings Accounts		
4. Post Office - Savings Accounts		
Total	1,15,23,648.70	90,54,212.27

Note: Annexure a shows the details of Bank Accounts.

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Schedule - 8 Loans, Advances & Deposits (Forming Part of Balance Sheet)

Amount in Rupees

	Current Year	Previous Year
1. Advances to Employees : (Non-interest bearing)		
a) Salary		
b) Festival	36,600.00	44,400.00
c) Medical Advance		
d) Other (to be specified)	3,14,612.00	3,96,861.00
2. Long term Advances to Employees : (Interest bearing)		
a) Vehicle Loan		
b) Home Loan		
c) Others (to be specified)		
3. Advances and other amounts recoverable in cash or in kind or for value to be received :		
a) On Capital Account		
b) to Suppliers		
c) Others		
4. Prepaid Expenses		
a) Insurance		
b) Other expenses		3,03,372.00
5. Deposits		
a) Telephone		
b) Lease Rent		
c) Electricity	6,23,776.00	6,23,776.00
d) AICTE, if applicable		
e) Others (to be specified)	19,100.00	19,100.00
6. Income Accrued :		
a) On Investments from Earmarked/ Endowment Fund	1,53,544.00	
b) On Investments - Others	1,644.00	
c) On Loans and Advances		
d) Others (includes Income due unrealized)		
7. Other - Current Assests receivable from UGC/ Sponsored Projects		
a) Debit balances in Sponsored Projects		
b) Debit balances in Sponsored Fellowships & Scholarships		
c) Grants Receivable (from GoW for 6th CPC)	1,45,53,436.00	45,98,093.00
d) Other Receivables from UGC		
8. Claims Receivable - ERC		2,960.00
Total	1,57,02,712.00	59,88,562.00

Note : If Revolving funds have been created for House Building, Computer and Vehicle advances to employees, the advances will appear as part of Earmarked/ Endowment Funds. The balance against these interest- bearing advances will not appear in this schedule.

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Schedule - 9 Academic Receipts (Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

	Current Year	Previous Year
Fees From Students		
A. Academic		
1. Tuition fee		
2. Admission fee	2,05,950.00	
3. Enrolment fee		
4. Library Admission fee		
5. Laboratory fee		
6. Art & Craft fee		
7. Registration fee		
8. Syllabus fee		
Total (A)	2,05,950.00	
B. Examinations		
1. Admission test fee		
2. Annual Examination fee		
3. Marksheet, Certificate fee		
4. Entrance Examination fee		
Total (B)	0.00	
C. Other Fees		
1. Identity Card fee		
2.		
3. Medical fee		
4. Transportation fee		
5. Hostel fee		
Total (C)	0.00	
D. Sale of Publications		
1. Sale of Admission Forms		
2. Sale of Syllabus and Question Paper, etc.		
3. Sale of Prospectus including admission forms		
Total (D)	0.00	
E. Other Academic Receipts		
1. Registration fee for Workshops, Programmes		
2. Registration fees (Academic Staff College)		
Total (E)	0.00	
Grand Total (A+B+C+D+E)	2,05,950.00	

Note: In case fees like entrance fee, subscriptions, etc are material and are in the nature of capital receipts, such amount should be recognised to the Capital Fund. Otherwise such fees will be appropriately incorporated in this schedule.

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Schedule - 10 Grants / Subsidies (Irrevocable Grants Received)
(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Plan				Total Plan	Non-Plan		Current Year	Previous Year
	ICSSR	GOVT. OF WB.	UGC/ICSSR			ICSSR	GOVT. OF WB.		
			Plan	Plan					
		Non-Recur- ring	SC.ST	ICSSR FEL- LOWSHIP	UGC JR FEL- LOWSHIP				
Balance B/F				32,46,347.30	17,60,928.00				
Add: Receipts during the year (Actual)	40,00,000.00	3,00,000.00	3,00,000.00	42,96,000.00	11,62,330.00	73,00,000.00	1,87,44,657.00	5,37,44,657.00	
Receivable during the year		10,00,000.00				10,00,000.00	89,55,343.00	99,55,343.00	
Total	40,00,000.00	40,00,000.00	3,00,000.00	75,42,347.30	29,23,258.00	83,00,000.00	2,77,00,000.00	6,37,00,000.00	4,93,27,513.00
Less: Refund to UGC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Less: Utilised for Capital Expenditure (A)	1,09,135.00	1,09,135.00	3,00,000.00	-	-	5,18,270.00		2,18,270.00	5,100.00
Balance	38,90,865.00	38,90,865.00	-	75,42,347.30	29,23,258.00	77,81,730.00	2,77,00,000.00	6,34,81,730.00	4,93,22,413.00
Less: Utilised for Revenue Expenditure (B)	38,90,865.00	38,90,865.00	2,58,429.00	47,01,232.00	20,41,728.63	77,81,730.00	2,41,33,039.96	5,60,47,809.92	5,44,13,701.94
Balance C/F (C)	-	-	41,571.00	28,41,115.30	8,81,529.37	-	35,66,960.04	74,33,920.08	-50,91,288.94

A - Appears as addition to Capital Fund as well as additions to Fixed Assets during the year.

B - Appears as income in the Income and Expenditure Account.

C - (i) Appears under Current Liabilities in the Balance Sheet and will become the opening balance next year.
(ii) Represented by Bank Balances, Investments and Advances on the Assets side.Sd/-
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Schedule - 11 Income From Investments

(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Earmarked / Endowment Funds		Other Investments	
	Current Year	Previous Year	Current Year	Previous Year
1. Interest				
a. On Government Securities				
b. Other Bonds / Debentures				
2. Interest on Term Deposits			6,237.00	
3. Income accrued but not due on Term Deposits/ Interest bearing advances to employees			1,644.00	
4. Interest on Savings Bank Accounts				
5. Others (specify)				
Total	0		7,881.00	0
Transferred to Earmarked / Endowment Funds				
Balance				

Note: Interest accrued but not due on Term Deposits from HBA fund, Conveyance advance fund and Computer advance fund and on interest bearing advance to employees will be included here (Item 3), only where Revolving funds (EMF) for such advances have been set up.

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Schedule - 12 Interest Earned (Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
1. On Savings Bank Accounts with scheduled banks	1,85,501.00	1,99,545.00
2. On Loans		
a. Employees/ Staff		
b. Others		
3. On Debtors and Other Receivables		
Total	1,85,501.00	1,99,545.00

Note :

- The amount against item 1, in respect of Bank Accounts of Earmarked/ Endowment Funds is dealt with in Schedule-11 (First Part) and Schedule-2.
- Item 2(a) is applicable only if Revolving funds have been constituted for such advances.

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Schedule - 13 Other Income

(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

	Current Year	Previous Year
A. Income from Land & Buildings		
1. Hostel Room Rent		
2. License fee		
3. Hire charges of Auditorium/Play ground/Convention Centre, etc.		
4. Electricity charges recovered	50,000.00	
5. Water charges recovered		
Total	50,000.00	0
B. Sale of Institute's Publications		
C. Income from Holding Events		
1. Gross Receipts from annual function/sports carnival		
Less: Direct Expenditure incurred on the annual function/sports carnival		
2. Gross Receipts from fees		
Less: Direct Expenditure incurred on the fees		
3. Gross Receipts for educational tours		
Less: Direct Expenditure incurred on the tours		
4. Others (to be specified and separately disclosed)		
Total	0	0
D. Others		
1. Income from Consultancy	28,207.94	
2. RTI fees		
3. Income from Royalty	10,030.09	
4. Sale of Application Form (recruitment)		
5. Misc. Receipts (Sale of tender form, waste paper, etc.)		
6. Profit on Sale/Disposal of Assets	11,913.00	
a) Owned Assets		
b) Assets received free of cost		
7. Grants/Donations from Institutions, Welfare Bodies and International Organisations	15,475.00	
8. Affiliation Fess	1,35,000.00	
9. Others (Photocopying)	20,583.00	25,32,851.49
Total	30,13,795.09	25,32,851.49
Grand Total (A+B+C+D)	30,63,795.09	25,32,851.49

Note : Items of material amounts included in Miscellaneous Income should be separately disclosed.

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Schedule 14 - Prior Period Income (Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

	Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
1.	Academic Receipts		
2.	Income from Investments		
3.	Interest Earned		
4.	Other Income	73,220.00	6,516.00
	Total	73,220.00	6,516.00

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Schedule - 15 Staff Payments & Benefits (Establishment Expenses)
(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

	Current Year			Previous Year		
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
a) Salaries and Wages						444,87,234.00
Academic		281,88,975.00				
Administration		140,20,254.00				
Salary Adhoc		17,59,617.00	439,68,846.00			
b) Allowances and Bonus		12,86,61.00	1,28,661.00			1,37,296.00
c) Contribution to Provident Fund		34,48,171.00	34,48,171.00			363,03,96.00
d) Contribution to Other Fund (Gratuity)		10,00,000.00	10,00,000.00			0.00
e) Staff Welfare Expenses			0.00			0.00
f) Retirement and Terminal Benefits		31,12,528.00	31,12,528.00			10,40,943.00
g) LTC facility		19,710.00	19,710.00			1,36,854.00
h) Medical facility		2,72,401.00	2,72,401.00			3,23,662.00
i) Children Education Allowance		2,35,817.00	2,35,817.00			2,17,069.00
j) Arrear Salary (MACP)		5,42,534.00	5,42,534.00			
k) Others (Admin EPF Charges)		2,36,716.00	2,36,716.00			15,33,317.00
Total	0	529,65,384.00	529,65,384.00	0	0	515,06,771.00

Note : These shall be classified separately for teaching and non-teaching staff, ad-hoc staff. Arrear of DA, Salary arrears due to increment shall be shown separately.

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Schedule -15A Employees Retirement and Terminal Benefits
(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

	Pension	Gratuity	Leave Encashment	Total
Opening Balance as on 01-04.....				
Add: Capitalised value of contribution received from other organisations				
Total (a)				
Less: Actual payment during the year (b)				
Balance Available on 31-03..... (c = a-b)				
Provision required on 31-03..... as per Actuarial Valuation (d)				
A. Provision to be made in the Current Year (d-c)				
B. Contribution to New Pension Scheme				
C. Medical Reimbursement to Retired Employees				
D. Travel to Hometown on Retirement				
E. Deposit Linked Insurance Payment				
Total (A+B+C+D+E)				

Note:

1. The total (A+B+C+D+E) in this sub schedule will be the figure against Retirement and Terminal Benefits in Schedule-15.
2. Items B,C,D& will be accounted on accrual basis and will include bills preferred but outstanding for payment on 31-03.....

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Schedule -16 Academic Expenses
(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

	Current Year		Previous Year	
	Plan	Non-Plan	Plan	Total
a) Laboratory expenses				
b) Field work/ Participation in Conferences				
c) Expenses on Seminars/ Workshops	3,16,087.00		53,751.00	53,751.00
d) Payment to visiting faculty (Honorarium)	14,500.00		85,000.00	85,000.00
e) Examination				
f) Student Welfare expenses				
g) Admission expenses (M.Phil Course)	54,948.00			
h) Convocation expenses				
i) Publications	28,500.00		31,280.00	31,280.00
j) Stipend/ Means-cum-Merit Scholarship				
k) Subscription expenses				
l) Others (Research Project Expenses)			1,10,250.00	1,10,250.00
Total			4,14,035.00	2,80,281.00

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Schedule - 17 Administrative and General Expenses
(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

	Current Year			Previous Year			Amount in Rupees
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	
	A. Infrastructure						
a) Electricity and Power	12,49,887.52		12,49,887.52	12,26,579.00		12,26,579.00	12,26,579.00
b) Water charges			0.00			0.00	0.00
c) Insurance	39,560.00		39,560.00	0.00		0.00	0.00
d) Rent, Rates and Taxes (Including property tax)	3,30,948.00		3,30,948.00	3,35,303.00		3,35,303.00	3,35,303.00
B. Communication			0.00			0.00	0.00
e) Postage and Stationery	18,027.00		18,027.00	14,153.00		14,153.00	14,153.00
f) Telephone, Fax and Internet charges	1,07,669.00		1,07,669.00	97,908.00		97,908.00	97,908.00
C. Others			0.00			0.00	0.00
g) Printing and Stationery (consumption)	1,12,637.94		1,12,637.94	74,991.84		74,991.84	74,991.84
h) Travelling and Conveyance expenses	4,90,850.00		4,90,850.00	2,17,525.00		2,17,525.00	2,17,525.00
i) Hospitality expenses	86,432.00		86,432.00	39,479.00		39,479.00	39,479.00
j) Auditors' Remuneration	50,000.00		50,000.00	47,944.00		47,944.00	47,944.00
k) Professional charges			0.00			0.00	0.00
l) Advertisement and Publicity	20,555.00		20,555.00	15,368.00		15,368.00	15,368.00
m) Magazines and Journals			0.00			0.00	0.00
n) Others (Miscellaneous)	1,01,167.00		1,01,167.00	1,40,279.00		1,40,279.00	1,40,279.00
Total (A+B+C)	26,07,733.46	0.00	26,07,733.46	22,09,529.84	0.00	22,09,529.84	22,09,529.84

Sd/-
(Registrar)

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Schedule - 18 Transportation Expenses
(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Particulars	Current Year			Previous Year		
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
	1. Vehicles (owned by Institution)					
a) Running expenses						
b) Repairs & Maintenance						
c) Insurance expenses						
2. Vehicles taken on rent/lease expenses	4,56,845.00		4,56,845.00			5,20,808.00
3. Vehicle (taxi) hiring expenses						
Total			4,56,845.00			5,20,808.00

Amount in Rupees

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Schedule - 19 Repairs and Maintenance

(Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Current Year			Previous Year		
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
	a) Buildings	5,77,652.00		5,77,652.00	4,876.00	
b) Furniture & Fixtures			0.00			
c) Plant & Machinery			0.00			
d) Office Equipment	1,85,365.00		1,85,365.00	1,14,791.00		1,14,791.00
e) Computers	3,64,358.00		3,64,358.00	44,990.00		44,990.00
f) Laboratory & Scientific Equipment			0.00			
g) Audio Visual Equipment			0.00			
h) Cleaning Material & Services	0.00		0.00			
i) Book Binding charges	21,240.00		21,240.00	53,050.00		53,050.00
j) Gardening	1,77,035.00		1,77,035.00	1,43,120.00		1,43,120.00
k) Estate Maintenance			0.00			
L) Others (specify)	5,05,689.13		5,05,689.13	12,04,505.56		12,04,505.56
Total	18,31,339.13	0.00	18,31,339.13	15,65,332.56	0.00	15,65,332.56

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Schedule - 20 Finance Costs (Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Current Year			Previous Year		
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
a) Bank charges	4,253.44		4,253.44	2,104.00		2,104.00
b) Others (specify)			0.00			
Total			4,253.44			2,104.00

Note : If the amount is not material, the head Bank charges could be omitted and these could be accounted as Administrative expenses in Schdule-17.

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Schedule - 21 Other Expenses (Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Current Year			Previous Year		
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
	a) Provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts/Advances			-		
b) Irrecoverable Balances Written-Off			-			-
c) Grants/Subsidies to other Institutions/Organisations			-			-
d) Others (specify)			-			-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note : Other expenses shall be classified as writes-off, provisions, misc. expenses, loss on sale of investments, loss of fixed assets and loss on sale of fixed assets , etc. and disclosed accordingly.

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Schedule - 22 Prior Period Expenses (Forming Part of Income & Expenditure Account)

Amount in Rupees

Particulars	Current Year			Previous Year		
	Plan	Non-Plan	Total	Plan	Non-Plan	Total
1. Establishment expenses						
2. Academic expenses						
3. Administrative expenses						
4. Transportation expenses						
5. Repairs & Maintenance						
6. Others expenses (specify)						
Total						

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Schedule 23 - Significant Accounting Policies**1. Accounting Convention**

- a) The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and are in accordance with the comply with accepted accounting policies.
- b) Preparation of the financial statement requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosures of Contingent assets and liabilities on the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of Income and Expenditure during the reporting period, to the extent applicable. Although these estimates are based on Management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results ultimately may differ from these estimates and the original estimates and assumptions will be modified as appropriate in the year in which the circumstances change.

2. Revenue Recognition

- a) Income and Expenditures are accounted for on accrual basis except for any insurance claims lodged but not settled.
- b) Grants/matching grants from issuing authorities are being recognized on accrual basis from the current financial year.

3. Inventory valuation

- a) Stores and Spares are valued at cost.

4. Investments

- a) Investments are valued at cost.

5. Fixed Assets

- a) Fixed assets and Library Books are stated at cost of acquisition inclusive of inward freight, duties and taxes, incidental and direct expenses related to acquisition, as well as customs duty & clearing charges on imported equipment.

6. Depreciation

- a) Depreciation is provided on straight Line method and calculated at rates specified by Ministry of human Resource Development (MHRD).
- b) Periodicals and Journals are fully depreciated.

7. Retirement Benefits

- a) Liability towards Gratuity payable on death/retirement of employees and Leave Encashment benefits is not being determined as required by Accounting Standard 15, issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

8. Foreign Currency Transactions

- a) Contributions from Donors in Foreign Currency are directly received by the Centre and converted at the exchange rates prevailing on the date of receipt. Expenses from such contributions are incurred in Indian Rupees. Accordingly, the books and records are maintained in Indian Rupees.

9. Accounts Receivable

- a) Receivables are stated at original amounts less provision made for diminution in the value of these receivables. A provision for impairment is made when there is objective evidence that the Centre will not be able to collect all amounts due according to original terms of the receivables.

10. Project Accounting

- a) Separate Project Accounts are maintained for individual projects. Cost of materials purchased during the year from Project Funds is charged off in the accounts of the related projects. Unutilized stock at the year end are physically verified and valued at cost by the Management for control purposes and recorded in the Project Fixed Asset Register.

11. Impairment

- a) Management reviews loss of assets due to impairment, if any, and appropriate adjustments are made in the accounts.

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Schedule 24 - Contingent Liabilities And Notes To Accounts

1. Contingent Liabilities

- a. Claims against the Centre not acknowledged as debts – Rs. Nil (Previous year Rs. Nil).

Notes on Accounts

2. Physical verification of fixed assets was not conducted by the Centre in the current financial year. Fixed assets added/deleted during the year have been updated in the Fixed Asset Register, but the depreciation amount and written down value is in the process of being updated.
3. In the opinion of the Management, the current assets, loans and advances have a realizable value, in the ordinary course of business, equal at least to the aggregate amount shown in the Balance Sheet.
4. In view of there being no taxable income under Income-tax Act 1961, no provision for Income tax has been considered necessary.
5. Administrative and maintenance expenses are covered by Plan Grants from both ICSSR and West Bengal Government. Salaries for staff are covered by Non-Plan Grants from the aforesaid grantors.
6. In terms of the directives of MHRD, Government of India dated 30/11/2010, revision of pay scale as recommended by 6th Central Pay commission was implemented by the Centre. However anomaly in pay fixation resulting in short payment of Rs.45,98,083/- upto 31.03.2014 has taken place. The amount is receivable from Government of West Bengal, which is being pursued.
A total amount of Rs.99,55,343/- being the matching share of Plan & Non-Plan grant for the year 2015-16 is receivable from the Government of West Bengal, recovery of which is also being pursued.
7. Corresponding figures for the previous years have been regrouped/rearranged wherever necessary.
8. Schedule 1 to 24 are annexed to and form an integral part of the Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2016 and the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended on that date.

For Roy & Bagchi
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FRN No . 301053E

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Partner
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Place: Kolkata
Dated: September 1, 2016