SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

STATE AND SOCIAL MOVEMENTS: VIOLENCE, HEALTH, AND FOOD SECURITY

March 13-14, 2013 at Indian Institute of Technology, Madras
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Co-sponsored by Department of Sociology, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN (USA) & Humanities and Social Sciences Department, IIT, Madras (Chennai)

March 13: Day 1

9:00 – 10:00AM Welcome: Mangala Subramaniam, Associate Professor, Sociology, Purdue University. Inauguration & Opening Remarks: Professor Bhaskar Ramamurthi, Director, IIT Madras
Remarks: Professor Bert Useem, Head, Sociology, Purdue University

10:00 – 10:30AM Break

10:30 – 12:00 PM Session 1: State, Neo-liberalism, and World Systems Theory
  - “Breaking Ships in the World-System: An Analysis of Two Ship Breaking Capitals, Alang, India and Chittagong, Bangladesh.” Scott Frey, Department of Sociology, The University of Tennessee, Knoxville (USA)
  - “Re-examining World-Systems Theory Using the Case of BRICS.” Mangala Subramaniam & Christopher Bunka, Department of Sociology, Purdue University, West Lafayette (USA)
  - “Buen Vivir as Policy: Challenging Neoliberalism or Consolidating State Power in Ecuador.” Beth Williford, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Manhattanville College, New York (USA)

12:00 – 1:00 PM Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 PM Session 2: Gender, Violence, and State
  - “Violence Against Marginalized Women: An Experience of Sex Workers in Bangalore.” Shiv Kumar & Chandrashekar Gowda, Swasti, Bangalore (India)
  - “Interpreting Domestic Violence Laws: A Feminist Analysis of Supreme Court Judgments.” Preethi Krishnan Ramaswamy, Department of Sociology, Purdue University, West Lafayette (USA)

2:00 – 2:30 PM Break

2:30 – 4:00 PM Session 3: Health and State Policy
  - “A Roadmap to Improved Health: The Case of Karnataka.” Shreelata Rao Sheshadri, University Resource Center, Azim Premji University, Bangalore (India)
  - “The State, Civil Society and Religious Activism: A Case Study of Palliative Care Movement in Kerala, South India.” R. Santhosh, HSS Department, IIT Madras, Chennai (India)
  - “‘There is no food left for my children’: Maternal Health and the Structural Violence of Food Insecurity.” Elizabeth Wirtz, Purdue University, West Lafayette (USA)
March 14: Day 2

9:00 – 10:30 AM  
**Session 5: Gender and State: Challenges and Opportunities**
- “Women, Micro-finance and the State: Inclusive Politics, Exclusionary Realities.” K. Kalpana, HSS Department, IIT Madras, Chennai (India)
- “Gendered Globalizations: Transnational Processes and Unequal Human Development.” Christopher Bunka, Department of Sociology, Purdue University, West Lafayette (USA)

10:30 – 11:00 AM  
**Break**

11:00 – 12:30 PM  
**Session 6: State Politics and Governance**
- ‘Invited spaces’ and ‘invented spaces’: Transforming descriptive representation to substantive representation among women presidents at the local-level in Kerala, India.” Binita Thampi, HSS Department, Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai (India)
- “Relational Fields and Social Movements: The Case of the Anti-Corruption Movement in India.” Mangala Subramaniam & Bert Useem, Department of Sociology, Purdue University, West Lafayette (USA)
- “Re-casting State/s Formation in Contemporary India.” Asha Sarangi, Center for Political Studies, JNU, New Delhi (India)

12:30 – 1:30 PM  
**Lunch**

1:30 – 2:30 PM  
**Session 7: State, Farmers, and Water**
- “Death of a Dream: Can Karnataka's Farmers' Movement Rise Again?” Kripa Anant Pur, Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai (India)
- “The State as a Pedagogic Project: Ethnographic Explorations in a Watershed Project in Odisha.” Sailen Routray, Azim Premji University, Bangalore (India)

2:30 – 3:30 PM  
**Roundtables**

**Table 1: Basic Needs, State, and Social Movements**
Table Presiders: Binitha Thampi and Sailen Routray
- “The Elephant in the City.” Polash Mukerjee
- “Protests in Urban Areas – A Failure of Governance?” Suraj R. Nair
- “Right to Water and Sanitation.” Pratyusha Govindaraju
- “Lack of a Quality Public-Sector Provided Education.” Chetana Sabnis

**Table 2: State and Society**
Table Presiders: Mangala Subramaniam, Asha Sarangi, and K. Kalpana
- “Naxalism in Chhattisgarh.” Sahil Mathur
- “Double Dispossession?” Oviya Govindan

**Table 3: State and Food Security**
Table Presiders: Kripa Anant Pur and R. Santhosh
- “Food security, State, and Civic Engagement.” Jayashree Kuppuswamy
- “‘Our’ Seeds or ‘Their’ Seeds? Activists Versus the State and Corporations in the Struggle over Biotech Crops in India.” Devparna Roy
- “Globalization, State, and the Crisis of Neoliberal Food Security.” Christopher Bunka

3:30 – 4:00 PM  
**Closing Remarks and Reception**
Remarks: Professor R. Nagarjan, Dean of Alumni and International Relations, IIT Madras
Note of thanks: Mangala Subramaniam, Associate Professor, Sociology, Purdue University