

## *Curriculum Vitae*

**PhD of Sociology Ongoing**  
**MA in Social Sciences, Anthropology**  
**BA in Hindi**

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### **PRESENT SITUATION**

**Present position (academic):** PhD Scholar, Centre de Sciences Humaines  
*Contact:* Dr Basudeb Chaudhuri

**Research Centre :** CEIAS – « Centre d’Etudes de l’Inde et de l’Asie du Sud »  
*Contact:* Dr Catherine Servan-Schreiber

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École des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris.

**Other Research Centre affiliation :** HSTM – « Histoire Société et Territoires du Monde »  
*Contact:* Dr Marie-Caroline Saglio-Yatzimirsky

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## ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT

- 2007/2012 Ongoing **PhD** (Planned submission: June 2013)  
**Discipline:** Sociology  
**Under the supervision of:** Catherine Servan-Schreiber, CEIAS-CNRS  
**Co-supervision :** Marie-Caroline Saglio-Yatzimirsky, CEIAS-INALCO  
**Doctoral School :** Ecole Doctorale de l'EHESS, Paris  
**Title of PhD thesis :** *Gestions politiques et conflits autour d'un grand barrage indien. Les enjeux socio-économiques du déplacement et de la réinstallation dans les villages du Vidarbha.* (Political managements and conflicts around the Gosikhurd large dam. The socio-economic stakes of displacement and resettlement in villages of Vidarbha)
- 2004-2007 Bachelor of Hindi (LLCA) + DULCO of Hindi (LLCA)  
**Discipline:** Hindi  
**Department:** South Asia  
**Establishment:** Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (INALCO), Paris
- 2005/2007 Master of Research in Ethnology and Social Anthropology  
École des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Ecole Doctorale d'Anthropologie, Paris
- 2004/2005 BA in General Ethnology and comparative Sociology  
University of Nanterre Paris Ouest La Défense
- 2001/2003 DEUG of Sociology  
University of Strasbourg
- 1999-2000 Baccalauréat L (Littéraire), Lycée Kœberlé, Sélestat (Bas-Rhin)
- 1998-1999 *High School Graduation*  
Watauga High School, Boone, North Carolina, United States

### **Linguistic skills**

- French (Native)
- English (Advanced)
- Hindi (Advanced)
- German (Intermediate)
- Dutch (Intermediate)
- Spanish (Intermediate)
- Marathi (Intermediate)
- Nepali (Beginner)

### **Computer skills and softwares**

- MS OFFICE (word, excel, power point, front page);
- INTERNET (mozilla, Internet explorer);
- SPSS (statistical treatment and analysis);
- ZOTERO/ENDNOTE (bibliography editing)
- INKSCAPE/Adobe Illustrator (mapping software);
- AVID/Adobe Premiere (video editing)
- Titular of the « Certificat Informatique et Internet » (C2I), EHESS, 2006

## SCIENTIFIC AND UNIVERSITY RELATED ACTIVITIES

- Member of *Association Regards Sociologiques* (ARS)  
Member of *Groupe de Recherche en Sociologie* (Grs)  
Bureau Member of the *Association des Jeunes Études Indiennes* (AJEI)  
Member of *Association France Union Indienne* (AFUI)  
Member of the *International Association for the Study of Forced Migration* (IASFM)  
Member of the Editorial Board of the online Journal *TRANSEO*

**PERSONAL RESEARCH WORK UNDERTAKEN (2004-ongoing)**

- Ongoing :**
- Ethnography/rural sociology of 4 villages in the region of Vidarbha, district of Nagpur in Maharashtra (caste morphology, land structure, social inequalities): from the old village to the new village (displacement, resettlement and rehabilitation), qualitative interviews, group discussions (hindi, marathi), social surveys and impact assessment
  - Quantitative study of assets, compensation awards by the State of Maharashtra, social policies for the displaced, analysis of resettlement strategies (conceptualization of a resettlement-rehabilitation indicator for analysis of impoverishment risks)
  - The genesis and the management of the Gosikhurd dam project (of the Indira Sagar reservoir) on the Wainganga River and its effects on 4 villages; relations to other river-basin projects in the region, legal framework (1986, 1999, 2011), procedures and methodology, safeguards and social policies
  - Study of the social movements of displaced people in Vidarbha (*Gosikhurd Prkalpgrastha Sangharsha Samiti*), of an agrarian social movement in relation to cotton-producing peasants and the issue of peasant suicides (*Vidarbha Jan Andolan Samiti*), of a movement of agriculturists (*Shetkari Sanghatana*) and of a forest rights and tribal movement in Gadchiroli district (*Vrikshamitra*). Emphasis put on movement leaders and their mediations with State institutions
  - Ethnography of the political and land institutions of the district of Nagpur (Collector's Office, Forest Department) and of the regional irrigation corporation (VIDC)
  - Landlessness issues in Vidarbha, land grabbing, forcible cultivation (*jabran jot*), tribal-non tribal (*adivasis-gair adivasis*) land conflicts and forest rights in Chandrapur and Gadchiroli; naxalism emergence in forest regions
  - *Dalits* movements in Maharashtra, study of the contemporary forms of untouchability, reformists figures in Maharashtra (Jotirao Phule, Bhimrao Ambedkar, Rammanohar Lohia, Gadge Maharaj, Laxman Mane, etc.)  
Study of popular music among *Dalits* in Maharashtra (with Julien Jugand – fellowip doctorate student in ethnomusicology in Paris Ouest La Défense/EPHE/Quai Branly), particularly of *Bhimgit* form of expression
  - Quantitative study by questionnaire of socio-economic differentiations among classes of students in engineering (civil engineering, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering), social work and social sciences in Mumbai, Nagpur and Delhi (IIT-M, IIT-D, TISS, MSSISW, RKNEC, etc.)

**Research Programmes:**

- 2012-2014** Research Associate on the research project « *The Elite and the Poor in Paris, Sao Paulo and Delhi* », a Research Project funded by ANR-PSPD and coordinated by Dr Serge Paugam (ERIS-CMH): 40 interviews plus transcription and analysis
- 2009/2013** With Christian de Montlibert (CRESS-Sociologie-UMB), Philippe Cordazzo (CRESS-démographie-UMB), Thierry Ramadier (Image et ville-ULP) and Christophe Enaux (Image et ville-ULP) : *Construction de l'espace social et le*

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*rapport au temps et à l'espace Réalités et représentations des distances sociospatiales.* (Construction of social space and relationship to time and to space. Realities and representations of sociospatial distances)

**2010-2013 Quadriennial Plan CEIAS (Centre for The Study of India and South Asia)**  
Member of team 7 « *Representations and practices of citizenship in South Asia* » within the axis « State, citizenship and territories (dir. Stéphanie Tawa Lama-Rewal and Christophe Jaffrelot). »

Member of team 8 « *Socio-economic policies and territorial restructurations* » within the axis « State, citizenship and territories (dir. Loraine Kennedy). »

Member of the research network « *Arts and literatures in South Asia* » within the problematic « Artistic practices and cultural dynamics (dir. Christine Guillebaud, Raphael Rousseleau and Gilles Tarabout). »

**OTHER RESEARCH ASSIGNMENTS**

- Interpreter from Hindi to French for a Swiss-French research project on “representations of space and Indian tourism in the Himalayas”, Shimla, Himacal Pradesh, 4-10 February 2012, A Lausanne University project

**ORGANIZATION OF SYMPOSIUMS, CONFERENCES (CALL FOR PAPERS)**

- Co-organizer with Julien Jugand of the February 2010 workshops of AJEI in Nagpur, Maharashtra on the theme of « Social and political movements in South Asia » ([www.ajei.org](http://www.ajei.org)), call for paper, URL: <http://www.ajei.org/?q=book/export/html/712>

**ONGOING DOCUMENTARY PROJECT IN POST PRODUCTION PHASE**

- Director of a documentary with Philippe Pereira and Pierre Terrade on displacement, relocation and land-related issues in Maharashtra and Vidarbha, India (90 hours of rush already accomplished); following trailer available

[http://www.dailymotion.com/video/xd9ghf\\_vidarbha-s-land-struggles\\_news?start=3](http://www.dailymotion.com/video/xd9ghf_vidarbha-s-land-struggles_news?start=3)

- Audio-video and reasearch work on Dalit music in Maharashtra with a particular emphasis on *Bhimgit* and *Shayari-Powada*, in collaboration with Julien Jugand, online excerpts:

[http://www.dailymotion.com/video/x9kbrp\\_musique-dalit-au-maharashtra\\_music](http://www.dailymotion.com/video/x9kbrp_musique-dalit-au-maharashtra_music)

**INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCES**

- February 2012 – Onwards: Short-Term Consultant on the *Informal Settlements Improvement Project* (ISIP), SASDU, Under the Task Team Lead of Mrs. Mridula Singh, Dr Augustin Pierre Maria (**World Bank in India**)

- July 2012 – Onwards: Review of the Katihar Solid Waste Management Project for the Japan Social Development Fund for the Indian NGO Sewa Bharat, Under the Task Team Lead of Mrs. Mridula Singh and Mrs. Bernice K. Van Bronckhorst (**World Bank in India**)

- July-August 2002: participation to the opening of a primary school with the French NGO “*Couleurs Himalaya*” in the remote district of Dolpo in Northwestern Nepal

- January-February 2001: English teaching in a primary school in rural Patihani district of Nepal with the Nepalese Organization “*International Friendship Club Nepal*”

- December 2000: Participation with the French Organization “*Solidarités Jeunesses*” and the Nepalese Organization “*International Friendship Club Nepal*” to a rural camp in Nepal in order to help locals construct an access route to their village

## PUBLICATIONS

### 1. DISSERTATIONS

MA dissertation in Anthropology, « *Gestions politiques et conflits autour d'un projet de barrage indien : les enjeux socio-économiques de la réorganisation sociale à Ambhorâ Khurd, village du Mahârashtrâ* », École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris, September 2007.

Dissertation paper for the « Diplôme de l'École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales » in Anthropology, « *Dispositions de castes et modes de domination en Inde : d'une introduction à quelques problèmes théoriques sociologiques au contexte des Mahars du Maharashtra* », École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris, September 2005.

### 2. BOOK CHAPTERS AND/OR EDITION

Cabalion Joel, Flipo Fabrice (dir.), *Indian Perspectives: studies in social sciences* (a work of translation), Aux Forges de Vulcain, forthcoming, 2014.

Cabalion Joel, “State science and resettlement knowledge. The case of the Gosikhurd large dam”, in *Indian and Chinese Forced Migration: a Comparison* (ed. Florence Padovani), forthcoming, 2013.

Bastien Clément, Borja Simon, Cabalion Joël, Cretin Anaïs, Ramadier Thierry, Rick Olivia, « Looking for utopia : un mo(uve)ment dans un temps présent », in *Luttes Espérances Utopies* (ed. Bertrand Geay), forthcoming, 2013.

Cabalion Joel, “The Gosikhurd project and the transformation of rural social space in Vidarbha”, in *Natural environment and societies. Practices, governance and transformations of nature in South Asia*, Lainé Nicolas, Subba T.B. (ed.), Orient Blackswan, 2012.

Cabalion Joel, Cretin Anaïs, Borja Simon « Un paysage naturel illusoire. La lutte d'imposition pour les barrages en Inde centrale », in *Ecopaysages urbains et mobilité quotidienne*, Petropolou Chryssanthi, Ramadier Thierry (dir.), Editions Koukida, Athènes, (in greek language), 2011.

### 3. ARTICLES

Cabalion Joel, Lutter pour ne pas tout perdre. Les naufragés des grands barrages au Maharashtra, *Mouvements*, forthcoming, 2013.

Cabalion Joel, Les dimensions d'une mobilité sociospatiale forcée : Entre communautés de sort et inégalités de déplacement en Inde rurale, in *TRANSEO*, forthcoming, 2013.

Cabalion Joel, *Maoïsme et lutte armée en Inde contemporaine*, La Vie des Idées, mars 2011, URL : <http://www.laviedesidees.fr/Maoisme-et-lutte-armee-en-Inde.html>

Borja Simon, Cabalion Joel, and alii., « Invisibilisation, mise au ban et remise au pas. L'exemple de revendications étudiantes », *Actes du 4ème Congrès de l'ABSP-CF: Science politique et actualité : l'actualité de la science politique*, 24-25th May 2008, <http://www.absp-cf.be/2008Atelier2.html>

#### 4. COMMUNICATIONS IN SYMPOSIUMS OR SEMINARS

Paugam Serge, Cousin Bruno, Giorgetti Camila, Naudet Jules (Team ANR “PSPD”, ERIS) and Cabalion Joël (CSH), *The Elite and the Poor in Paris, São Paulo and Delhi*, A joint event of the CSH and the Department of Sociology of Delhi University, CSH, Delhi, April 2012.

Cabalion Joel, The dam and the aching body: shifting inequalities and communities of fate, *International Conference on Resettlement and Rehabilitation (ICRAR)*, Xavier Institute of Management, Bhubaneswar, Orissa, India, April 2012.

Cabalion Joel, (re)Constructing displacement: an ethnography of forced migration, *IASFM 13*, 2-6 July 2011, Kampala, Uganda.

Cabalion Joel, Être déplacé et (se) déplacé(r). Les dimensions d’une mobilité sociospatiale forcée : entre communautés de sort et inégalités de remplacement en Inde rurale, *Colloque GSPE « Mobilités sociales et mobilités géographiques*, Sciences-Po Strasbourg, 27th May 2011, Strasbourg, France.

Cabalion Joel, Carrières militantes et luttes sociales au Vidarbha, *Séminaire de l’équipe quadriennale du CEIAS « Représentations et pratiques de la citoyenneté »*, Paris, 24th May 2011, France.

Cabalion Joel, "Tout sera moderne et comme en ville": déplacements de population et projections de développement autour du grand barrage Gosikhurd', *Séminaire de l’équipe quadriennale du CEIAS « Politiques socio-économiques et recompositions territoriales »*, Paris, 23th May 2011, France.

Jawandhia Vijay, Cabalion Joel (*in absentia*), Farming Vidarbha. Cultivating dialogue between peasant movements and social research on the issue of peasant suicides, International Seminar on Farmers’ suicides, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry, 11<sup>th</sup> February 2011, Pondicherry, India.

Cabalion Joel, “Constructing displacement from a village-study perspective. A few methodological notes”, *4<sup>th</sup> European South Asia PhD workshops*, South Asia Institute, University of Heidelberg, 28<sup>th</sup> August 2010, Heidelberg, Germany.

Cabalion Joel, “Recasting forced population displacement in a sociological perspective”, *CSH Seminar*, Centre de Sciences Humaines, 8<sup>th</sup> April 2010, New Delhi, India.

Borja Simon, Cabalion Joel, « «Crise» dans la production ou « crise » de la reproduction ? Les logiques paysannes au prisme de la domination symbolique et économique au Vidarbha », *9ème Séminaire Jeunes Chercheurs de l’AJEI : Rapports de domination et inégalités dans le sous-continent indien*, CHAC-CEIAS, Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris, 17th November 2009.

Cabalion Joel, “The uncertainty of farming. Agrarian policies and agrarian crisis in Vidarbha (Central India)”, *The Global Food crisis Conference, Critical Development Studies Network*, El Instituto del Desarrollo, Zacatecas, Mexico, 15<sup>th</sup> August 2009.

Cabalion Joel, « Sociologie rurale et déplacements de population », *Journée doctorale du CEIAS*, Paris, France, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2009.

Cabalion Joel, “The uncertainty of farming. Agrarian policies and agrarian crisis in Vidarbha (Central India)”, *12ème Ateliers de l’Association des Jeunes Etudes Indiennes (AJEI)*, Les

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*politiques publiques Indiennes*, Institute of agricultural Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, Inde, 18th February 2009.

Cabalion Joel, « Formes et dispositions du militantisme rural au Vidarbha », Seminar on « *Formes et manifestations de la domination* », CRESS-ARS-Grs, University of Strasbourg, 9th February 2009.

Cabalion Joel, “For a sociology of dam-induced displacements: state-managed dispossession and social movements of resettlement in a region of Central rural India (Maharashtra)”, Symposium on *Social movements and/in the postcolonial: dispossession development and resistance in the global south*, Centre for the Study of Social and Global Justice, School of Politics and International Relations, University of Nottingham, England, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2008, url: [http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/shared/shared\\_cssgj/Documents/smp\\_papers/Cabalion.pdf](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/shared/shared_cssgj/Documents/smp_papers/Cabalion.pdf)

Cabalion Joel, “State science, irrigation policies and resettlement management: the multidimensional effects of a large dam on the social reorganization of a village in Central India”, Symposium on *Science & Technology in Society: An International, Interdisciplinary Graduate Student Conference*, The American Association for the Advancement of Science, Washington DC, United States, 6<sup>th</sup> April 2008.

Cabalion Joel, « Dispositions de castes et modes de domination en Inde », Seminar on « *L'intériorisation des dominations* », CRESS-ARS-Grs, Université Marc Bloch, Strasbourg II, 22th January 2008.

Cabalion Joel, « Construction de barrage et construction de l'objet en sciences sociales : problèmes de définition », presentation of ongoing researches, Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (INALCO), Course on « *économie et de géographie de l'Inde* » (Nicolas Bautès), Paris, 8th January 2007.

## **5. SCIENTIFIC TRANSLATIONS**

### **English to French translation**

Steinmetz Georges, « Transdisciplinarity as a non imperial encounter: for an open sociology », in *Thesis eleven*, Sage Publications, Los Angeles, n°91, November 2007, pp 48-65. French translation by Joël Cabalion and Mathieu Hauchecorne : « Pour une sociologie transdisciplinaire et non impériale », Actes de la III<sup>ème</sup> Ecole d'été ESSE 2007, in *Regards Sociologiques*, N°37-38 (« Production culturelle et ordre symbolique »).

Wacquant Loic, Designing urban seclusion in the 21st century, *Roth-Symonds lecture 2009*, Yale University. French translation by Simon Borja and Joel Cabalion: « La fabrique du cloisonnement urbain à l'aube du 21<sup>ème</sup> siècle », in *TRANSEO*, forthcoming November 2012.

## **6. BOOK REVIEWS**

### **English**

Mitra, Subrata K. & Singh, V.B. (2009) *When Rebels Become Stakeholders. Democracy, Agency and Social Change in India*, New Delhi: Sage, 320 pages, published in SAMAJ, URL: <http://samaj.revues.org/index2968.html>

### **French**

Teltumbde Anand. (2008) *Khairlanji. A Strange and Bitter Crop*, New Delhi, Navayana, published in La vie des Idées, URL: <http://www.laviedesidees.fr/La-violence-de-caste-en-Inde.html>