# Engaging with categories in South Asia: Process, challenges and implications

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### 21.04.22 10:00 am (Paris) | 01:30 pm (Delhi)

## Panel 1. Regulation and control: how do categories emerge in public and legal frameworks?

Discussant: Dr. Dipa Sinha, Ambedkar University

Sharanya Menon (Deakin University, Australia) & Joyeeta Dey Tracing mobilisations: "Out-of-School Children" as a global and national category

**Swapnil Singh** (Jawaharlal Nehru University,Delhi) Seduction as a Legal and Political Category - A Study of Inter-caste & Interfaith Love in India

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## Panel 3. Dichotomic categories : what are their sources and implications?

Discussant: Dr. Amélie Blom, Sciences Po Lyon

**Isha Mangurkar** (University of Edinburgh) Asking and Talking about 'north/south Indians'

#### Priyanka E. Hutschenreiter (SOAS, London)

Categorising the Religious: the potentials of 'liberal' and 'conservative' as analytical devices for Dhaka's middle and upper classes (and what this has meant for me)

**Raffaello De Leon-Jones Diani** (CEIAS-EHESS, Paris) Hindu, Muslim and Yogi: Categories of South Asian Identity

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#### Panel 5. Categorisation and gender

#### Discussant: Dr. Sneha Banerjee, University of Hyderabad

**Shruti Sharma** (Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Calcutta) Interrogating the Category of the Frail: Gendered Rules of Play in the Game of Cricket

Shailja Tandon (Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi) Interrogating the 'men' in the state-sponsored category 'men who have sex with men' (MSM) in the City of Tehzeeb, Lucknow

**Leena Sharma** (University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar) Asli Hijra kaun? Categorization Inscribed with Identity Politics amongst Hijra Gharanas

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#### Panel 2. Categorisation and social identities

#### Discussant: Dr. Dhivya Janarthanan, University of Delhi

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**Abinash Rai** (English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad) Four terms of People-hood in contemporary Darjeeling: Cultural, Social and Political Implications

Durga Chandrabhan Hole (TISS, Mumbai) 'Hope and Anxiety': Narratives from 'Lower Caste women' in Indian prisons

**Sanjay Sharma** (NUS, Singapore) Categorising the Uncategorised: Understanding the Diversity and Marginality of Gurkha Women

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## Panel 4. Mobilization of categories: how do they evolve to fit larger agendas?

Discussant: Dr. Tiziana Leucci, CNRS-CEIAS

**Amrita Mukherjee** (Higher School of Economics, St Petersburg) Emergence of 'Classical' as Recognitional Category in Indian Cultural Practices

**Julie Jacquet** (University of Paris-Nanterre) From Coarse Grains to Nutricereals: a critical analysis of the millet renewal in South India

**Vyoma Dhar Sharma** (University of Oxford, UK) World Population Conferences (1927-1994) and the unmaking of women's health in India

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#### Panel 6. Categorisation and ecology

Discussant: Prof. Vibha Arora, IIT Delhi

Marine Frantz (Paris 1-Panthéon Sorbonne) What's a village without its farmland: reconsidering rural definition?

**Ritu Priya** (Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi) What is water? Different water paradigms of the state, academia and media- Case study of Kishanganga Dispute over Indus waters

**Bharat Hun** (IIT, Delhi) The State and the Swarm: An Ethnographic Study of Locust control Operations in the 'Desert Region' of the Thar Borderland

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