

University of Mumbai



Department of Sociology

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Cordially invites you to the

National Seminar

on

***Tribes in Transition:
Issues and Challenges in the Era of Globalization***

19th - 20th January, 2017.



Thursday, January 19, 2017

9:30 a.m. **Inaugural address: Dr. Sanjay Deshmukh**
Honourable Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai

10:00 a.m. **Keynote address: Dr. Virginius Xaxa**
Professor of Eminence, Tezpur University, Tezpur



Friday, January 20, 2017

4:00 p.m. **Valedictory address: Com. Waharu Sonawane**
Renowned Social Worker and Tribal Poet, Nandurbar

Venue: ICSSR Conference Hall, J. P. Naik Bhavan
University of Mumbai, Vidyanagari, Santacruz (E), Mumbai-400098

Dr. B. V. Bhosale
Professor and Head

Mrs. Rita Malache
Seminar Co-ordinator

Concept Note

The constitutional and legal nomenclature that India has adopted for the tribals is scheduled tribes, referring to the schedule in which communities and identities are categorised. As per the census of 2011, persons belonging to the scheduled tribes amount to 8.6% of the total population of the country. Across the length and breadth of India, there is an array of names which designate the tribes. Names such as adivasis, autochthonous peoples, indigenous communities, and vanvasis are a few of these names with their own loaded meanings and ideological moorings.

Extensive studies by pioneering social scientists have produced a corpus of literature of tribals in India highlighting the diversity within and between the different tribal communities. Scholars have delved deep into the interface between the ideal types of 'caste' and 'tribe' and documented the divergences and inter-linkages. Inter-tribal relations marked by collaboration and conflict, differences along geographical lines along with ethnic assertion, the political economy of the tribal life world and political mobilization of tribal communities have also been studied in detail. The encounter between major world religions and the tribal religions on the one hand and the fascinating flourish of tribal movements on religious and sectarian lines have also been documented a great deal. The state, civil society and tribes is another area of research which traces the different shades of inter-relationship between these domains and agents.

In the backdrop of these studies, the present seminar aims to bring together academicians and researchers from across India to probe further the contemporary dynamics of the tribal life-world in India. Prominent concern is the way the state is seen to be involving in the tribal areas as a facilitating agent for the unbridled play of neo-liberal economics. This is entwined with the dominant models of development in India today with their multifaceted impact on tribal society. An area of research connected to this is the magnitude of tribal out migration. At the same time, the tribal regions of India are today abuzz with localized movements with dynamic leadership raising a whole series of important issues with the state and the civil society at large. While the processes associated with globalization have in some ways resulted in development induced displacement and other allied difficulties for the tribals, globalization has also provided the possibility of building

up the synergy of tribal activism across nations and continents.

The seminar will also have a focus on the tribal communities of Maharashtra. The tribal scene in the state of Maharashtra is a diverse one in terms of geography, ethnicity and identity. The papers in the seminar would bring under one platform the fruits of contemporary research on the tribal situation in Maharashtra.

Objectives of the Seminar

- To assess the influence of the processes of globalization on the tribal communities in India, with particular reference to their impact on livelihood, identities and rights.
- To critically analyse the different shades of the relationship between the state, the civil society and tribals.
- To understand the tenacity of the various social movements among the tribal communities.

This seminar invites papers that examine the following sub-themes:

- State, civil society and tribes: issues and policies
- Tribal communities, culture and issues of identities
- Development and globalisation: displacement, rehabilitation and tribal exclusion and inclusion
- Tribal social movements
- Intersection of gender, caste, class and tribe
- Discourse on rights to land, resources and livelihoods



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Programme Schedule

19th January, 2017

❖ 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. ***Breakfast and Registrations***

9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Welcome: **B. V. Bhosale**, Head of Department

Introduction: **Rita Malache**, Seminar Co-ordinator

Inaugural address: **Sanjay Deshmukh**, Honourable Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai.

Keynote address: Virginius Xaxa, Professor of Eminence, Tezpur University, Tezpur.
“*Tribes though Colonial Phase to Era of Globalization*”.

❖ 10:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. ***Tea***

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Session 1: State, Civil Society and Tribes: Issues and Policies

Chairperson: **Vinod Kumare**, Department of Marathi, University of Mumbai.

Pushpa Gavit, Vidyavardhini College, Dhule. *आदिवासी समाजातील परिवर्तन : जागतिकीकरण युगातील समस्या आणि आव्हाने.*

Sushila Dhurve, Indore, M. P. *वैश्वीकरण का युग और जनजातियों में संक्रमण.*

Shashikant Nagbhidkar, President of Gondwana Mitra- Mandal, Mumbai. *आदिवासी विषयक कायदे :- सद्यस्थिती व त्यांचे परिणामकारक अंमलबजावणीच्या मर्यादा व कारणे.*

Ranjeet Gavit & R. T. Gavit, Social Worker, Visarwadi. *आदिवासी वन हक्क आणि कायदे.*

Balaji Kendre, University of Mumbai. *Critical analysis of the Report of the High Level Committee on Socio-Economic, Health and Educational Status of Tribal Communities of India.*

❖ 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. ***Lunch***

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Session 2: Tribal Communities, Culture and issues of Identities

Chairperson: **Maheshwari Gavit**, Premraj Sarda College, Ahmednagar.

Jitendra Gond, Post-graduate Government College, Chandigarh. *Tribal Communities, Culture and issues of Identity: Some Observations among Gonds of Eastern Uttar Pradesh.*

Ravi Gavit, Bhavan's College, Mumbai. *धर्मातराचे राजकारण- नंदुरबार*

जिल्ह्यातील नवापूर तालुक्यातील 'भिल' समुदायाचा एक अभ्यास.

Madhav Sarkunde, Babaji Date Arts. & Com. College, Yawatmal. *Safeguarding tribal identity and culture against multifarious odds.*

Deepakkumar Valvi, Shri Shahaji Chhatrapati Mahavidyalaya, Kolhapur. *जागतिकीकरण आणि आदिवासी साहित्य.*

Pradnya Kulkarni, G.E.S Arts, Commerce and Science College, Jawhar. *Study of Tribal dialect of Jawhar Tahuka of Thane District in Maharashtra.*

❖ 4:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. ***Tea***

4:20 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Session 3: Development and Globalization: Displacement, Rehabilitation and Tribal Exclusion and Inclusion

Chairperson: **Indra Munshi**, Former Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai.

Bhounik Deshmukh, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. *आदिवासी विकास : आदिवासी दृष्टिकोन.*

Shamrao Koreti, Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur. *Globalization and its impact on Adivasi people of India.*

Sanjay Lohakare, Government Vidarbha Institute of Science and Humanities, Amravati. *आदिवासींचे परिधीकरण आणि जागतिकीकरणातील आव्हाने.*

Sampat Kale, TISS Tuljapur. *Development induced displacement of Adivasis: Post-colonial encounters.*

M. T. Joseph, University of Mumbai. *Tribal Identity and Religion: An Analysis from Chota Nagpur.*

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❖ 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. ***Breakfast***

9:30 a.m. to 11:20 a.m. Session 4: Tribal Social Movements

Chairperson: **Narendra Bokhare**, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune.

Neeta Khandpekar, University of Mumbai. *Bombay Guardian Weekly and Indian Antiquary's – Coverage on Tribal issues in late 19th and early 20th Century.*

Tukaram Rongate, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. *आदिवासींच्या सामाजिक चळवळी आणि स्थित्यंतरे.*

Pandurang Bhoje, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. *Tribal Identity and Social Movements in Maharashtra.*

Rahul Paithankar, Shree Siddhivinayak Mahila Mahavidyalay, Pune. *शासन, नर्मदा बचाव आंदोलन, अभ्यासक आणि पुनर्वसित आदिवासी : विकासाची विविध प्रारूपे.*

Manisha Rao, Mumbai University. *Forest Rights Act & Tribal Lives: A Discordant Discourse?*

❖ 11:20 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. ***Tea***

11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Session 5: Intersection of Gender, Caste, Class and Tribe

Chairperson: **Anjali Kurne**, Savitribai Phule Pune University. **Pratima Pardeshi**, S. B. B alias Appasaheb Jedhe College, Pune.

आदिवासी स्त्री प्रश्न.

Prakash Masram, University of Mumbai. *Tribal Women in Vidharbha: Situation and Struggle.*

Sai Thakur, TISS Tuljapur. *Tribe, Gender and History: Theorizing the question of tribal women.*

Anil Patil, G.E.S Arts, Com and Science College, Jawhar. *जव्हार तालुक्यातील आदिवासी महिलांच्या समस्या.*

❖ 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. ***Lunch***

2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Session 6: Discourse on rights to land, resources and livelihoods

Chairperson: **Bhounik Deshmukh**, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune.

Sanjay Kolekar, Savitribai Phule University, Pune. *Challenges of Rehabilitation and Social Inclusion of Primitive Tribes in Urban India: Some observations.*

Anjali Kurne, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune. *Struggle of korkus for better economy.*

Kishor Dhamale & Dilip Gavit, Social Worker Visarwadi, *आदिवासी शेतकऱ्यांचे प्रश्न.*

Ramkumar Pradhan, SNDT Women's College, Mumbai.

जागतिक विकास आणि आदिवासींच्या हक्कांचे उल्लंघन : एक वास्तविकता.

Rohidas Munde, University of Mumbai. *Tribal of Chittagong Hill Tract in Bangladesh and Land Rights.*

❖ 4:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. ***High Tea***

4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Session 7: Valedictory Address

Chairperson: **P. G. Jogdand**, Former Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Mumbai.

Valedictory address: Com.Waharu Sonawane, Renowned Social Worker and Tribal Poet, Nandurbar.

Pramila Masram, Social Worker, Thane.

Vote of Thanks