

Workshop

On

Social and Political Mapping of Popular Movements, Logistical Vision and Infrastructure of India

By

Calcutta Research Group in collaboration with the Rosa Luxemburg Stiftung

Kolkata, 15 - 16 November 2016

Venue – Hotel The Sojourn, Saltlake, Kolkata.

Day One - 15 November 2016

Research Workshop on Popular Movements in India

11 am- 11.30 am: Registration and Tea

11.30 am- 1 pm: *Some Reflections on Popular Movement and Popular Politics*

Participants: Achin Vanaik (Delhi University) ‘Privileging’ *the Working Class?*; Ritajyoti Bandyopadhaya (IISER, Mohali) *State of the Street: The Hawkers’ Movement in Postcolonial Calcutta*, Sandip Bandyopadhyay (Independent Researcher) *Agitational Politics in Popular Movement*, Mithilesh Kumar (Researcher, MCRG & Fellow, TISS) *Jayprakash Narayan and Popular Politics in Bihar*

Chair and Moderator: Samita Sen (Director, School of Women’s Studies, Jadavpur University)

1 pm – 2 pm: Lunch

2 pm – 3 pm: *Nationalists, Communists and Scavengers in the Calcutta Corporation: A Study in Two Strikes* by Tanika Sarkar (Retd. Professor, CHS, JNU)

Chair: Paula Banerjee, Director MCRG and Professor, Department of South and South East Asia, University of Calcutta.

3 pm -3.30: Tea

3.30 pm – 3.45 pm: Discussion on *Popular Movements in West Bengal and Bihar* (Participants: Paula Banerjee, Anwasha Sengupta, Subhoranjan Dasgupta)

3.45 pm - 4.30 pm: A conversation between Raghav Bandyopadhyay (noted author and political activist) and Sandip Bandyopadhyay (Independent Researcher) on Popular Movements in Calcutta and West Bengal, 1950s-1970s (with focus on Little Magazines)

4.30 pm - 5 pm: Tea

5 pm – 6 pm: Release of *Accumulation in Post Colonial Capitalism* (Eds: Iman Mitra, Ranabir Samaddar, Samita Sen). Book Release by Achin Vanaik (Delhi University). Followed by a discussion by Achin Vanaik, Achin Chakrabarty (Director, IDSK, Kolkata) and Samita Sen (Director, School of Women’s Studies, Jadavpur University)

Chair: Sanjay Chaturvedi (Professor, Department of Political Science, Panjab University)